CITY OF ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

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SUBJECT: CIP No. 21000 Annual Street Rehabilitation Project Funding by the

Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017

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SUMMARY

Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 established a new Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) to fund road maintenance and rehabilitation, and critical safety projects on the local street and road systems. In FY19/20, the City expects to receive \$315,000 in RMRA funds. As a condition for receiving these funds, cities and counties are required to submit an annual project list to the California Transportation Commission (CTC). The FY19/20 project list, which includes details such as project scope, location, schedule and estimated usable life, is due on May 1, 2019. Projects included on the list must be specifically identified, by resolution, at a regular public meeting.

The issue before Council is to identify the RMRA as a funding source for the 2019 Washington Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation Project. This action has been structured to specifically comply with the reporting requirements of SB 1.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Council adopt Resolution No. 2019-27 identifying the following list of proposed projects to be funded in part or solely with fiscal year 2019-20 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account revenues in their delivery. With the relisting of these projects in the adopted fiscal year resolution, the City is affirming to the public and the State our intent to fund these projects with Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account revenues:

a. Washington Avenue Pavement Restoration Project – Project includes pavement rehabilitation between San Pablo Avenue and Key Route Boulevard.

BACKGROUND

Senate Bill 1 was passed by the State Legislature and signed into law by the Governor in April 2017 to address basic road maintenance, rehabilitation and critical safety needs on both the state highway and local streets and roads system. SB 1 increases per gallon fuel

excise taxes, diesel fuel sales taxes and vehicle registration fees and provides for inflationary adjustment to tax rates in future years.

On October 2, 2017, Council identified Evelyn Avenue for RMRA funding, and the City received a partial year allocation of \$106,000 in funds (Resolution 2017-76). Staff anticipates an ongoing annual allocation from the RMRA in the range of \$300,000 – \$325,000.

SB 1 includes accountability and transparency provisions that require cities and counties to provide annual project reporting to the CTC to ensure that public funds are efficiently invested in maintaining local streets and roads. The CTC will track and report on performance goals. In general, this reporting requirement consists of submitting to the CTC an annual project list detailing the scope of projects expected to be completed in a fiscal year and a project completion report detailing what was completed. Reporting guidance published by the CTC indicates that Council must identify, by Resolution, a specific list of projects that are proposed for RMRA funding at a regular public meeting.

DISCUSSION

Staff recommends identifying the Washington Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation Project be submitted for RMRA funding. Washington Avenue is a designated bike boulevard and has a pavement condition rating below 20. The project is currently in design and will include various pavement treatments including mill and asphalt concrete overlay, base repair, traffic striping and ADA compliant curb ramps where required.

Staff selected the rehabilitation of Washington Avenue between San Pablo Avenue and Key Route Boulevard based on a combination of factors including function, pavement condition, coordination with other projects (i.e. sewer, pipeline replacement), and constructability.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT

The proposed project supports Council's Strategic Plan in the areas of Transportation Safety and Implementation of the City's Active Transportation Plan.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This action has no budget impact. The budget for this project (CIP 21000 – Annual Street Rehabilitation Project) was appropriated by Council as part of the City's Capital Improvement Program last updated on March 19, 2018 (Resolution 2018-36). Currently, no budget modifications are necessary. Receipt of this funding was anticipated and included in the CIP.

Attachments

1. Resolution No. 2019-27

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING A LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 FUNDED BY SB 1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017) was passed by the Legislature and Signed into law by the Governor in April 2017 to address the significant multi-modal transportation funding shortfalls statewide; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 includes accountability and transparency provisions that will ensure the residents of our City are aware of the projects proposed for funding in our community and which projects have been completed each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the City must adopt a list of all projects proposed to receive fiscal year funding from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA), created by SB 1, including a description and the location of each proposed project, a proposed schedule for the project's completion, and the estimated useful life of the improvement; and

WHEREAS, the City anticipates receiving an estimated \$315,000 in RMRA funding in Fiscal Year 19/20 from SB 1; and

WHEREAS, this is the third year in which the City is receiving SB 1 funding and will enable the City to continue essential road maintenance and rehabilitation projects, safety improvements, and increasing access and mobility options for the traveling public that would not have otherwise been possible without SB 1; and

WHEREAS, the City uses a Pavement Management System to develop the SB 1 project list to ensure revenues are being used on the most high priority and cost effective projects that also meet the community's priorities for transportation investment; and

WHEREAS, the funding from SB 1 will help the City maintain and rehabilitate 2,200 feet of Washington Avenue and improve active transportation infrastructure in the City this year and several more similar projects into the future; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs
Assessment found that the City's streets and roads are in good/at risk condition and this
revenue will help the City increase the overall quality of its road system and over the next
decade will bring the City's streets and roads into very good condition; and

WHEREAS, the City has selected to rehabilitate a segment of Washington
Avenue between San Pablo Avenue and Pomona Avenue as part of its Annual Street
Rehabilitation Project using the RMRA funding; and

WHEREAS, the SB 1 project list and overall investment in our local streets and roads infrastructure with a focus on basic road maintenance and safety will have significant positive co-benefits statewide.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Albany City Council hereby adopt this resolution certifying that

- 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and
- 2. The following list of proposed projects will be funded in-part or solely with fiscal year 2019-20 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account revenues in their delivery. With the relisting of these projects in the adopted fiscal year resolution, the City is affirming to the public and the State our intent to fund these projects with Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account revenues: