

Staff Report

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Yountville Town Council Staff Report

DATE: March 2, 2021

TO: Mayor and Town Council

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SUBJECT:

Adopt Resolution Number 21-4037 Approving Fiscal Year 2021-22 Project List for SB1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act.

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND

On April 28, 2017, the Governor signed Senate Bill (SB) 1. SB1 increases per gallon fuel excise taxes; increases diesel fuel sales taxes and vehicle registration fees; and provides for inflationary adjustments to tax rates in future years. Beginning November 1, 2017, the State Controller (Controller) will deposit various portions of this new funding into the newly created Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account. Revenues for Fiscal Year 2021/22 SB1 program is estimated to be \$52,342. Town staff has proposed a budget of \$50,000 for the upcoming FY2021/22 budget. Typically, staff uses a conservative estimate to ensure there are adequate funds for the planned work. Each year, staff is required to submit a project list and Resolution for the upcoming fiscal year for Town Council approval as required by the SB-1 program.

A percentage of the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) funding is apportioned by formula to eligible cities and counties pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 2032(h) for basic road maintenance, rehabilitation, and critical safety projects on the local street and roads system. The Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program was created to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system. Funds made available by the program need to be prioritized for expenditure on basic road maintenance and road rehabilitation projects, or on critical safety projects.

Funds made available by the program are required to be used for projects that include, but are not limited to the following: Road maintenance and rehabilitation, Safety projects, Railroad grade separations. Complete street components, including active transportation purposes, pedestrian and bicycle safety projects, transit facilities, drainage, and storm water capture projects in conjunction with any other allowable project or traffic control devices. Funds made available by the program may also be used to satisfy a match requirement in order to obtain state or federal funds for projects authorized by this subdivision.

The intent of using funds from SB1 is to support the Town's paving program by allocating these funds to the Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Replacement Program (SB-6022). This work can then be accomplished in advance of the Annual Streets Maintenance and Paving Program. The reasoning behind this is that traditionally, the paving and concrete work were combined in the same contract. However, staff has noticed that at times this can cause delays to the paving project because the concrete subcontractor hasn't been available to perform the work on time. In addition, the paving contractor added overhead and fees to manage the subcontractor, which

could increase costs to the project.

Staff utilized a City of Napa public bid for "on call" concrete services to "piggyback" onto the bidding program as allowed under our purchasing policy. This saved a tremendous amount of staff time and also resulted in a significant savings over similar pricing staff has received for concrete removal and replacement when using our own scheduled work for contracting. When coupled with the added benefit of the time and money savings over a paving contractor managed-model, completing curb, gutter and sidewalk improvements in advance of street improvements makes for a much more effective, and efficient operation.

Given the benefits of the SB1 funds to be used on the Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Replacement Program (SB-6022), Staff recommends approval of attached project list for Fund 26, Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Act (SB1) Fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Categorically Exempt per California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guideline; Class 2, Replacement or Reconstruction

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes

Is it Currently Budgeted? Yes

Where is it Budgeted? Curb Gutter and Sidewalk Replacement (SB-6021); Fund 26 Road Maintenance and

Rehabilitation Act (SB1) Fund

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Mandatory

Is there a Staff Resource Impact? Yes

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

Is item Identified in Strategic Plan? Yes

If yes, Identify Strategic Goal and Objective. **Responsible Fiscal Policy:** The Town maintains its fiscal health through policies designed to maximize economic opportunities, manage expenses, and ensure prudent reserves.

Briefly Explain Relationship to Strategic Plan Goal and Objective. Well maintained infrastructure prolongs service life and provides a safe and pleasant experience to all who have a need to utilize the resource.

RECOMMENDATION

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