

MEETING DATE: 08/03/2021

ITEM NO: 6

DATE: July 13, 2021

TO: Mayor and Town Council

FROM: Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Adopt a Resolution to Adopt a List of Projects for Fiscal Year 2021/22 Funded

by State Senate Bill 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution (Attachment 1) to adopt a list of projects for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021/22 funded by State Senate Bill 1 (SB1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

SB1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, was passed by the State Legislature and signed into law by the Governor in April 2017 to address the significant multi-modal transportation funding shortfalls statewide. SB1 is intended to enable cities and counties to better address significant maintenance, rehabilitation, and safety needs on their local street systems. Maintenance and rehabilitation projects are used to extend the serviceable life of streets. The Town will receive an estimated \$603,952 in Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) funding through SB1 in FY 2021/22.

Built into the Road Repair and Accountability Act are accountability and transparency measures, including a requirement that all projects proposed to receive RMRA funding be adopted by the applicable governing body at a regularly scheduled meeting. To comply, the Town must adopt a resolution with a list of projects in the upcoming fiscal year proposed to receive RMRA funding, 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.

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**Town Engineer** 

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#### **DISCUSSION:**

For projects in consideration to receive RMRA funding, staff recommends Town road segments that carry heavier traffic loads and volumes, such as arterials that may involve more design scope and construction work to repair and maintain compared to other local roadways. The project list includes future work identified for RMRA funding, so some projects have been carried forward from prior years. Staff has identified the following potential project segments for SB1 funding in need of street repair and maintenance in FY 2021/22 and upcoming years:

| Location                     | Description                              | Scheduled  | Estimated   |
|------------------------------|--|------------|-------------|
|                              |  | Completion | Useful Life |
| Union Avenue from Blossom    | Placement of rubber cape seal or         | Fall 2022  | 10 - 25     |
| Hill Road to Los Gatos-      | overlay to maintain pavement surface.    |            | years       |
| Almaden Road                 | This is an arterial road and is critical |            |             |
|                              | for transit needs in the Town.           |            |             |
| Pollard Road from Quito Road | Placement of rubber cape seal or         | Fall 2022  | 10 - 25     |
| to W. Parr Avenue            | overlay to maintain pavement surface.    |            | years       |
|                              | This is an arterial road and is critical |            |             |
|                              | for transit needs in the Town.           |            |             |
| Quito Road from Bicknell to  | Placement of rubber cape seal or         | Fall 2023  | 10 - 25     |
| Woodbank                     | overlay to maintain pavement surface.    |            | years       |
|                              | This is a collector road and is critical |            |             |
|                              | for transit needs in the Town.           |            |             |
| Santa Cruz Avenue from       | Placement of rubber cape seal or         | Fall 2024  | 10 - 25     |
| Blossom Hill Road to Highway | overlay to maintain pavement surface.    |            | years       |
| 9                            | This is an arterial road and is critical |            |             |
|                              | for transit needs in the Town.           |            |             |

The required work on the identified streets may exceed the available SB1 funding. Funding from other sources would be required to complete the projects, such as the General Fund Appropriated Reserves (GFAR) and the County voter-approved 2016 Measure B.

Modifications to the SB1 funding project list are permitted, and staff may recommend modifications when greater needs for funding emerge, for example, due to winter weather impacts. Staff will return with the final proposed project list for FY 2021/22 for Council's approval prior to advertising for construction bid. Construction as part of for the FY 2021/22 Street Repair and Resurfacing project is anticipated to start in the spring or summer of 2022.

One important element associated with SB1 is a continued maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement. The MOE requirement means that local funding for routine street maintenance must not be less than the average of the three base years (2009/10 - 2011/12) as set by SB1. The State continues to refine the calculation and reporting requirements for the MOE, and it is important for the Town to sustain historic maintenance funding levels into the future to avoid risking the annual RMRA appropriation.

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## **CONCLUSION:**

Adoption of the recommended resolution would meet the SB1 RMRA funding requirement for proposed project list to allow the continuation of the Town's roadway maintenance through the Capital Improvement Program.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**:

The Town's Proposed FY 2021/22-2025/26 Capital Improvement Program has already included the estimated funds in the Street Repair and Resurfacing project. This action will have no effect on the Town's budget and only identifies the specific streets. SB 1 Funding is disbursed monthly to the Town.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:**

This action is not a project defined under CEQA, and no further action is required.

## Attachment:

1. Resolution