



Agenda Item No. 6e.

Staff Report

Date: May 6, 2024

To: Mayor Kircher and Council Members

From: Richard Simonitch, Public Works Director/Town Engineer

Subject: Appropriating Road Repair and Accountability Act (SB 1) funding to the FY 2024-25 Annual Operating Budget

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt Resolution No. 2414 appropriating Road Repair and Accountability Act (SB 1) funding to the FY 2024-25 Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26, estimated as of January 2024 to be \$59,758, into the Gas Tax Fund to fund portions of various pavement rehabilitation projects for the FY 2024-25 Roadway fund budget and adopting the list of projects to be funded by SB1 in FY 2024-25.

Background and discussion:

In April 2017, the California State legislature passed Senate Bill 1 (SB1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, providing \$54 billion statewide over 10 years for transportation infrastructure improvements. Of this, cities and counties are slated to receive \$1.5 billion annually once revenues from SB1 are fully realized.

Pursuant to Streets and Highways Code (SHC) Section 2034(a), the proposed Project List and Resolution are due to the California Transportation Commission on or before July 1, 2024 to establish Fiscal Year 2024-25 SB 1 funding eligibility.

The Road Repair and Accountability Act includes a local agency Maintenance of Effort (MOE) requirement that applies to funds allocated through the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA). The Act states that the MOE requirement is to ensure that these new road funds do not supplant existing levels of city and county general revenue spending on streets and roads. RMRA fund recipients must maintain discretionary fund spending for street, road, and highway purposes at no less than the average of FY09-10, FY10-11, and FY11-12. In making this calculation, certain one-time funds may be excluded. A city or county that fails to comply in a particular year may make it up with additional expenditures in the following year.

At the annual Town Council Budget Workshop public hearing held on April 25, 2024, staff presented the FY 2024-25 Draft Five Year Capital Improvement Plan which included the list of roadway projects to be constructed between FY 2024-25 and FY 2027-28 including roadway projects to be funded by SB 1 in FY 2024-25. The Roadway Project List and estimated project costs for FY 2024-25 are tabulated as follows:

Figure 3 - PAVEMENT REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Schedule for 2024-25		PCI	AREA	
Laurel Grove (Phase 2B)	TO BE FUNDED IN PART BY SB1/RMRA	71-86	10,000 SF	\$43,870
Allen Avenue		84	16,750 SF	\$73,483
Annual Slurry Seal				\$15,000
			Subtotal	\$132,353
			Including 20% Contingency and 25% Engineering	\$191,912

(Note: costs shown above for Laurel Grove are for asphalt paving expenses only. Total project costs for roadway, pathway, retaining walls, and striping are expected to be approximately \$500,000.)

Fiscal, resource and timeline impacts:

For Fiscal Year 2024-25, SB 1 revenues are estimated as of January 2024 to be \$59,758, to be included in the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Roadway Fund budget. SB 1 funds allocated for road maintenance and rehabilitation are estimated to provide an average of \$52,000 per year revenue for Ross roadway fund expenditures. The FY2024-2025 funds are anticipated to be allocated by the State in January 2025.

Attachments:

- Resolution No. 2414

TOWN OF ROSS

RESOLUTION NO. 2414

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ROSS APPROPRIATING ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT FUNDING TO THE FY 2024-25 BUDGET AND ADOPTING A LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED BY SB 1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017 IN FY 2024-25

WHEREAS, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. 2414 on May 6, 2024, appropriating Road Repair and Accountability Act (SB 1) funding to the FY 2024-25 Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25 and incorporated a list of projects to be funded by SB 1; and

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 Town are aware of the projects proposed for funding in our community and which projects have been completed each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Town must adopt by resolution a list of projects proposed to receive fiscal year funding from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA), created by SB 1, which must include 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 Town of Ross will receive an estimated \$59,758 in RMRA funding in Fiscal Year 2024-25 from SB 1; and

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

WHEREAS, the Town held a public hearing on April 25, 2024, to discuss the Town's Fiscal Year 2024-25 Five Year Capital Improvement Program to ensure public input into our community's transportation priorities and the project list; and

WHEREAS, the Town 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 Town maintain and rehabilitate approximately 11 centerline miles of streets and roadways throughout the Town in Fiscal Year 2024-25 and similar projects into the future; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment found that the Town’s streets and roads are in a “good” condition and this revenue will help us increase the overall quality of our road system and over the next decade will bring our streets and roads into an “excellent” condition; and

WHEREAS, the SB 1 project list and overall investment in our local streets and roads infrastructure with a focus on basic maintenance, cost effectiveness and safety, investing in complete streets infrastructure, and using cutting-edge technology, materials and practices, will have positive co-benefits statewide.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Ross, State of California, as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
 - A. The following list of newly proposed projects will be funded in-part or solely with Fiscal Year 2024-25 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account revenues:

Project Title: Laurel Grove Safe Routes to School Phase IIB

Project Description: pavement grind and asphalt overlay of roadway, widening, new striping and 5’-6’ wide dedicated pathway for pedestrians.

Project Location: Limits: FROM Monte Alegria TO Canyon Road

Estimated Project Schedule: Start (06/24)– Completion (08/24)

Estimated Project Useful Life: 30 years

The foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the Ross Town Council at its regular meeting held on the 6th day of May 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

Cyndie Martel, Town Clerk

C. William Kircher, Mayor