



## Council Agenda Report

**From:** Ditas Esperanza, Capital Projects Engineer

**Subject:** Approval of \$3.5 Million in Measure J Funds for Street and Road Repair and Maintenance for Certain Streets

CEQA Determination: The City find that this action is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to State Guidelines Section State CEQA Guidelines, §§ 15060, subd. (b)(2)-(3), 15378.

**Date:** January 17, 2023

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### Facts

1. At the November 1, 2022 City Council meeting, City Council received the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23, including the financial status of Measure J-20 (hereinafter referred to as “J-20”), the City’s one cent supplemental sales tax approved by voters in 2020. At that meeting, City Council directed staff to develop a list of streets and roads to use J-20 reserves funds towards additional street maintenance.
2. As mentioned in that report, unappropriated J-20 reserves totaled approximately \$4 million on June 30, 2022. This is mainly due to police officer recruitment and the timing it has taken to get these additional positions hired. As a result, the one-time salary savings allocated for those positions have been put into reserves.
3. Two areas are proposed for maintenance:
  - A. Sunset and Panorama Neighborhood: This is one of the older neighborhoods on the west side of the city and needs repairs. The payment condition index (“PCI”) in this neighborhood ranges from 18 to 34 (out of a range of 100). Proposed treatment repair is heavy rehabilitation. There are no curbs, gutters, or sidewalks in the neighborhood, so upgrades are not required. The waterlines in this tract were upgraded in 2010.
  - B. West Side Streets Maintenance Treatment: This project would use and apply experimental treatment (fiberized slurry or rubberized chip seal), as was applied at Tower Road. This would be considered “maintenance” and preclude the need to upgrade the curb ramps. It should also be noted that maintenance at Oak, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets were performed in 2021. This scope continues to complete maintenance on those blocks of streets. Proposed streets:
    - 26th Street – West end to Riverside
    - 2nd Street – Vine to Spring
    - 3rd Street – Vine to east end
    - Oak Street – 1st to 2nd Street
    - Oak Street – 7th to 10th Street

### Options

1. Take no action;
2. Approve the additional street and road maintenance on the Sunset and Panorama neighborhoods and West Side streets and approve the appropriation of \$3.5 million from the Measure J-20 Fund; and
3. Find the proposed action exempt from CEQA pursuant to the Class 1 Exemption, CEQA Guidelines Section 15301; or
4. Provide alternate direction to staff.

**CEQA**

Staff recommends the City Council finds the proposed street maintenance is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") under the Class 1 exemption, which applies to the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features where the project involves negligible or no expansion of existing or former use (State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301.)

**Analysis and Conclusions**

Staff utilizes PCI data, traffic data, and available funding to make recommendations as to which street segments will benefit the most from rehabilitation work. Per a request of the Council, staff has identified two project areas that fit within the available funding. These streets are in great need of repair and will maximize the funding available.

**Fiscal Impact**

The total cost of the two maintenance projects is estimated to be \$3.5 million to be paid with unappropriated Measure J-20 reserves which on June 30, 2022, totaled approximately \$4 million. Staff recommends retaining the \$500,000 difference as contingency for unanticipated J-20 funding needs that are unknown, but may become necessary for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**Recommendation**

Approve Resolution 23-XXX, authorizing the appropriation of \$3.5 million of Measure J-20 funds for the projects listed above.

**Attachments**

1. Resolution 23-XXX
  - a. Map of Proposed Measure J Street Improvements