



**DATE:** June 9, 2025

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Brent Smith, Community Development Director

**SUBJECT:** Resolution adopting a list of projects for Fiscal Year 2025-26 funded by Senate Bill 1:

The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 and approving the use of Road

Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account Funds.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Staff recommends the City Council adopt a resolution approving a list of projects for FY 2025-26 funded by Senate Bill 1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 and approve the use of Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account Funds.

#### **SUMMARY**

Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017), created the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on state highways and local roadways and the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) for the deposit of various funds for the program.

The Road Repair and Accountability Act stipulates that prior to receiving RMRA Funds in a fiscal year, a city or county must submit to the California Transportation Commission a project list pursuant to an adopted budget. The City of Livermore will receive an estimated \$4,462,625 in RMRA funding in Fiscal Year 2025-26 from SB 1. The 2025-30 Capital improvement Plan, which is recommended for adoption tonight, includes RMRA Funds for the projects listed below. Adoption of this resolution approving the list of projects will qualify them to use RMRA funding.

- Collier Canyon Culvert, Drainage, and Road Improvements, Project No. SD201727
- Street Resurfacing, Project No. SM202001
- Slurry Seal, Project No. SM202204
- Street Resurfacing, Project No. SM202501
- Street Lighting, Project No. TC201923
- Stanley Blvd at Isabel Ave Connector Ramp Crossing, Project No. TC202133

#### **DISCUSSION**

In April 2017, the State Legislature passed and Governor Brown approved SB 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017). SB1 created the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system. It also created the RMRA for the deposit of various funds for the program.

The State of California imposes per-gallon excise taxes on gasoline and diesel fuel, sales taxes on diesel fuel, and registration taxes on motor vehicles and dedicates these revenues to transportation purposes. Portions of these revenues flow to cities and counties through the Highway Users Tax Account and the RMRA created by SB 1. SB 1 is projected to generate approximately \$4 billion annually for state and local transportation improvements. Cities and counties are slated to receive approximately \$1.7 billion for repairs to local streets and roads at full implementation of SB 1.

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 streets and roads system. The formulaic funding program is based on voter-approved tolls, vehicle registration fees, parcel/property tax revenue, voter-approved sales tax revenue, and population.

RMRA funds must be used for projects that include but are not limited to the following:

- Road maintenance and rehabilitation
- Safety improvements
- · Railroad grade separations
- Traffic control devices
- Complete streets components, which include active transportation projects, pedestrian and bicycle safety projects, and transit facilities
- Drainage and storm water capture projects in conjunction with other allowable road related projects
- Bridges and culverts that are road related

### **COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS OF SB 1**

The Road Repair and Accountability Act stipulates that, prior to receiving RMRA Funds in a fiscal year, a city or county must submit to the California Transportation Commission a project list pursuant to an adopted budget. The 2025-30 Capital Improvement Plan, which is recommended for adoption tonight, includes RMRA Funds for the six projects listed below and as shown in Exhibit A. The combined total of SB 1 RMRA Funds (Fund 561) budgeted for FY 2025-26 for the six listed projects is approximately \$4,462,625. Depending on the timing of the project, the funding identified may be used for either project design or construction. Adoption of this resolution approving the list of projects in Exhibit A to the resolution will qualify them to use RMRA funds. The location of each project is shown in Attachment 1.

• Collier Canyon Culvert, Drainage, and Road Improvements, Project No. SD201727: Collier Canyon Creek collects drainage from the surrounding hills and carries sediment and debris to the culvert. During the February 2017 storm event, a large amount of sediment and debris washed down Collier Canyon Creek, causing blockages at the culverts both upstream and downstream of Collier Canyon Road, which led to water overtopping the headwalls spilling along Collier Canyon Road and damaging properties, mitigation areas, and habitat. The project involves installing approximately 500 feet of 36-inch reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) storm drain, manholes, weir structures, flood walls, and other necessary components; the 36-inch RCP storm drain will act as

an overflow pipe, ensuring proper drainage in the event that the existing pipes become clogged. Construction is anticipated to be completed in FY 26-27. RMRA Funding: \$35,625.

- Street Resurfacing, Project No. SM202001: This pavement resurfacing project will base repair and resurface the Airway Boulevard and First Street / I-580 interchange overcrossing. This overcrossing is in the state's right of way and will require design approval and an encroachment permit from CalTrans. This project will also repair damaged sidewalk, metal beam guard rail, and delineate new bicycle lanes in both direction on existing shoulders. Design and construction are anticipated to be completed in FY 2025-26. RMRA Funding: \$740,000.
- Slurry Seal, Project No. SM202204: This project will slurry seal various residential, collector and arterial streets. During FY 2025-26 staff will develop a design and prepare plans, cost estimates, and contract documents. The project will be bid and constructed in the first half of 2026. The streets selected are consistent with the City's 2024 Pavement Management Budget Options Report prepared utilizing the StreetSaver database and Pavement Management Program tools. RMRA Funding: \$2,357,000.
- Street Resurfacing, Project No. SM202501: This annual project will resurface various residential, collector and arterial streets. The funds will be utilized for developing design plans, cost estimates, and contract documents. The streets selected for rehabilitation of wearing surface treatment have a PCI under 50 and are consistent with the City's 2024 Pavement Management Budget Options Report prepared utilizing the MTC's StreetSaver database and City's Pavement Management Program tools. Design is anticipated to be completed in FY 2025-26 with construction to follow in FY 2026-27. RMRA Funding: \$250,000.
- Street Lighting, Project No. TC201923: This is an annual project to install, upgrade, relocate, and
  maintain street lighting levels. The lighting project may include decorative and solar powered
  streetlights. The associated work includes adding LED lights to existing poles, installing new solar
  light poles, and improving lighting conditions in residential areas as well as the East Avenue
  Corridor and Carnegie Park in downtown. Design and construction are anticipated to be completed
  in FY 2025-26. RMRA Funding: \$1,050,000.
- Stanley Blvd at Isabel Ave Connector Ramp Crossing, Project No. TC202133: This project will implement bicycle and pedestrian safety enhancements such as curb extension, bike signals, pavement markings, signage, and pedestrian ramps. Design and construction are anticipated to be completed in FY 2025-26. RMRA Funding: \$30,000.

## REPORTING REQUIREMENT

SB 1 emphasizes the importance of accountability and transparency in the delivery of California's transportation programs. Therefore, in order to be eligible for RMRA funding, the statute requires cities and counties provide basic annual RMRA project reporting to the California Transportation Commission. The last report was submitted on November 15, 2024.

#### MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT

A city or county receiving an apportionment of RMRA funds is required to sustain a maintenance of effort

by spending at least the annual average of its general fund expenditures for maintenance of streets, roads, and highway purposes during the 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12 fiscal years for street, road, and highway purposes from the city's, or county's general fund [SHC 2036] - This requirement can be satisfied with other City unrestricted funds.

- The City's annual commitment is approximately \$5.1 million as established in the November 15, 2017, California State Controller's Office MOE Calculation Summary Sheet. If the City fails to meet the requirement for a particular fiscal year, then it will affect the City's eligibility for SB 1 funds for that fiscal year.
- The City meets the state's MOE requirement through General Fund expenditures on street
  construction contracts managed through the Engineering Division and DPW's street maintenance
  activities. The City reports these expenses to the state Controller's Office through the Annual
  Street Report. In FY 2023-24, the City spent \$6.7 million from the General Fund maintaining the
  City's streets and roads or \$1.6 million more than the City's MOE requirement.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION**

The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is not applicable. CEQA analysis will be performed in the design phase of each applicable project.

## FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACTS

The combined total of SB 1 RMRA Funds (Fund 561) budgeted for FY 2025-26 for the six listed projects is approximately \$4,462,625. The combined total budget in the FY 2025-30 Capital Improvement Plan during FY 2025-26 for Street Maintenance and Traffic Control projects is approximately \$14,393,450, which includes contributions of \$9,966,450 from the following funds; Traffic Impact Fee (Fund 510), Solid Waste & Recycling Impact Fee (Fund 513), Measure BB – Bike/Pedestrian (Fund 551), Measure BB – Local Street and Roads (Fund 552), and State – Gas Tax (Fund 560). The funding for each project, by fiscal year, is shown in Exhibit A.

### **COMMUNITY PILLAR**

1: A Safe Community That Thrives

# **GOAL**

10: Work to maintain a safe and efficient local transportation network and address safety concerns.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Projects Map
- 2. Resolution
- 3. Exhibit A SB1 Project List

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