



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: April 7, 2009

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Engineering Division, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Measure D One-Year Local Program Of Projects For Fiscal Year 2010

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Adopting the Measure D One-Year Local Program of Projects for Fiscal Year 2010.

DISCUSSION:

BACKGROUND

On November 7, 1989, voters approved Measure D (a one-half percent sales tax) for transportation purposes. The 20-year sales tax was levied effective April 1, 1990, is nearing maturity, and will expire on March 31, 2010.

Under Measure D, local agencies receive 70% of the Measure D funds collected and choose how to spend their share of funds after seeking public input and adopting a Program of Projects each year. Measure D contains funds for Capital Projects, Corrective/Preventative Maintenance of Streets Capital Infrastructure (Operations), and Alternative Transportation (pedestrian/bicycle improvements and transit assistance).

Since 1990, the City has adopted an annual Five-Year Local Program of Projects. However, on April 15, 2008, Council approved the Fiscal Year 2009 – 2010, Two-Year Local Program of Projects. Since the current Measure D is set to expire in 2010, the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) has requested a One-Year Local Program of Projects for Fiscal Year 2010.

On October 16, 2008, staff held a public meeting and joint work session with the Transportation Circulation Committee (TCC) and the Planning Commission (PC) to review and discuss the proposed Fiscal Year 2010 Streets Capital Improvement Program budget issues, including program project prioritization criteria. Maintenance of existing infrastructure continues to be a primary focus of the recommended Streets Capital Improvement Program budget.

In November 2008, voters overwhelmingly approved a replacement measure (Measure A) with 79% support. Measure A has a 30-year term. Countywide, it will generate over \$1 billion, and leverage an estimated \$500 million in state/federal matching funds. The projected revenues from Measure A are expected to be comparable to the revenues received from Measure D.

On January 22, 2009, staff held public meetings, including two separate work sessions, with the TCC and PC regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2010 Streets Capital Improvement Program budget. Generally, positive comments were received from the TCC and PC regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2010 Streets Capital Improvement Program budget.

LOCAL PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

With the City Council's approval of the recommended Resolution, this report will satisfy the Measure D requirement that the local agency hold an annual public hearing on its Program of Projects prior to submittal and adoption by SBCAG.

The Measure D Two-Year Local Program of Projects for Fiscal Year 2009 and 2010 consists of three categories: Streets Capital Projects, Corrective/Preventative Maintenance, and Alternative Transportation. A description of these categories is included as Attachment 1.

Staff's proposed Measure D Local Program of Projects for Fiscal Year 2010 is consistent with prior years' Programs of Projects and is included as Attachment 2 and as the Exhibit to the Resolution.

MEASURE A

Measure A becomes effective April 1, 2010. The City will continue to receive an uninterrupted revenue stream throughout 2010 because the Measure D revenues have a three month delay. Measure D revenues will continue to be received by the City until July 2010, at which time Measure A revenues will follow. Next year, the City will resume reporting on the next cycle of Measure A's Five-Year Program of Projects as was done prior to the expiration of Measure D.

SUMMARY

The City must annually adopt a Resolution and submit a revised Local Program of Projects to SBCAG in accordance with the Measure D local allocation rules. The recommended Local Program of Projects is generally consistent with the City of Santa Barbara's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2010.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

Measure D funded projects include alternative transportation elements, such as bus alternatives, new sidewalks, and reducing the reliance of the automobile; thus, reducing the City's carbon footprint. Projects also include recycling concrete and asphalt pavement, contributing to the sustainability goals of the City.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Measure D Project Categories
2. Measure D Proposed City Of Santa Barbara Program Of Projects by Category for Fiscal Year 2010

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MEASURE D PROJECT CATEGORIES

1. Streets Capital Projects

Maintenance of existing City infrastructure has been, and continues to be, a high priority of the Streets Capital Fund.

This category includes funds for construction of various Streets Capital Projects. Listed below are the three subcategories of these projects, including: a) Drainage and Bridge Capital Projects, b) Pavement Management, and c) Streets Capital Program Infrastructure Improvements. This project category accounts for approximately \$860,000 of Measure D funds for Fiscal Year 2010.

a) Drainage and Bridge Capital Projects - Measure D funds have been used as matching funds for federal bridge replacement program funding, and to address drainage problems. The City is currently designing the replacement of the following bridges on Mission Creek: Cabrillo Boulevard (\$18.5M), Haley/De La Vina Street (\$12.1M), and Ortega Street (\$5.3M). These figures represent the total project cost for each bridge.

Projects in this category include:

- Drainage System Improvements
- Bridge Replacements (Cabrillo Boulevard, Haley/De La Vina, Ortega)
- Citywide Bridge Preventative Maintenance

b) Pavement Management - Roadway capital projects place a major emphasis on maintaining the roadway surface. There are three general maintenance applications to extend the life of a street: slurry seal, pavement overlay, and reconstruction. Each is applied to the street based on the level of deterioration. Slurry seal and overlay operations are proactive maintenance, while the more costly reconstruction is classified as reactive maintenance or end-of-life cycle replacement.

c) Infrastructure Improvements – City funds are often used as the match for grant funding opportunities.

Projects in this category include:

- Loma Alta Sidewalk
- Cliff Drive/Las Positas Intersection Improvements
- School Zone Safety Improvements

2. Corrective/Preventative Maintenance (Operations)

This category includes staff costs for administering, designing, and inspecting Capital Measure D projects, as well as road drainage and utility maintenance efforts. . In addition to the Pavement Maintenance Program, the Measure D budget provides for in-house crews to perform crack sealing, pothole repairs,

grinding, and repairs to sidewalks and drainage facilities. This project category accounts for approximately \$1.623M of Measure D funds for Fiscal Year 2010. This category includes funding for:

- Traffic Operations/Planning
- Road Maintenance
- Sidewalk Maintenance
- Storm Drain Maintenance
- Traffic Marking/Signage
- Streetlight and Traffic Systems Maintenance
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3. Alternative Transportation

Alternative Transportation includes Pedestrian/Bikeway and Sidewalk/Access Ramp Improvements and the City's Transit Assistance Program. This project category accounts for approximately \$2.401M of Measure D funds for Fiscal Year 2010.

a) Pedestrian/Bikeway and Sidewalk/Access Ramp Improvements - These projects are designed to better serve pedestrian and bicycle travelways and to encourage increased use. Work includes replacing damaged sidewalks, installing access ramps, bikeway improvements, traffic calming devices, and installation of missing links of sidewalks. Projects in this category include:

- Access Ramp Installation
- Sidewalk Infill
- Bikeway Striping

b) City's Transit Assistance Program - This Program is designed to provide funding for the purchase and operation of energy efficient electric shuttle buses, and subsidize the operation of various transit assistance programs. This category includes annual funding for:

- Easy Lift Transportation
- Downtown/Waterfront Electric Shuttle
- Crosstown Shuttle
- Enhanced Transit Support to MTD

Additionally, the Redevelopment Agency contributes \$300,000 annually to the Downtown/Waterfront Electric Shuttle.

Measure D
Proposed City of Santa Barbara Program of
Projects by Category FY 2010

City Project Category	FY 10
Capital Projects	\$0.860
Alternative Transportation	\$2.401
Corrective/Preventative Maintenance	\$1.623
TOTAL	\$4.884

Figures in \$ Millions