

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: AUGUST 24, 2022

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: NATHAN HAMBURGER, CITY MANAGER

BY: JESSICA FORTE, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS/CITY ENGINEER

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-2019; APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FUNDS

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which was signed into law on November 15, 2021, continued the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) as a core Federal-aid program. The overall purpose of the California local HSIP is to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads by implementing infrastructure-related safety improvements.

In May, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announced they would be accepting applications until September 12, 2022, as part of the HSIP Cycle 11 Call for Projects. Included in this cycle is \$15,000,000 of set-aside funds dedicated to pedestrian crossing enhancement projects.

In order to be eligible for HSIP funding, agencies are required to have developed a Local Roadway Safety Plan (LRSP) that systematically identifies and analyzes transportation safety issues, collaborates with partner agencies, and develops a multidisciplinary tool box of traffic safety countermeasures. On July 13, 2022, the City Council approved Resolution No. 22-2016, adopting the City of Agoura Hills LRSP.

Included in the City's LRSP are recommendations for crosswalk improvements on Reyes Adobe Road at the Stonecrest Drive and Rainbow Crest intersections. Specifically, the safety countermeasures called for the installation of High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk (HAWK) signals, along with, other street improvements at both of these locations.

Staff is requesting approval to proceed with the process of completing the HSIP application for the maximum amount of \$250,000 to be used towards the construction of the crosswalk improvements. It should be noted this grant requires a 10% (\$25,000) match by the City at the time of award of construction. This is a new requirement for this grant cycle and was unknown during the preparation of the FY 2022-23 Capital Improvement Program budget.

In addition, Resolution No. 22-2019 directs and authorizes the City Manager, or his designee, to submit an HSIP grant application.

The proposed Resolution has been reviewed by the City Attorney and approved as to form.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council adopt Resolution No. 22-2019, authorizing the application for Highway Safety Improvement Program Funds.

Attachment: Resolution No. 22-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 22-2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FUNDS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS HEREBY FINDS, RESOLVES, AND ORDERS, AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which was signed into law on November 15, 2021, continued the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) as a core Federal-aid program; and

WHEREAS, the HSIP provides a source of grant funding in order to significantly reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads; and

WHEREAS, the HSIP Cycle 11 Call for Projects was announced by Caltrans on May 9, 2022; and

WHEREAS, in order to be eligible for HSIP funding, applicants are required to adopt a Local Roadway Safety Plan (LRSP) that systematically identifies and analyzes transportation safety issues, collaborates with partner agencies, and develops a multidisciplinary tool box of traffic safety countermeasures; and

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2022, the City Council approved Resolution No. 22-2016, adopting the Agoura Hills Local Road Safety Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Agoura Hills wishes to submit an application to Caltrans for HSIP funding in the amount of \$250,000 in order to construct crosswalk improvements on Reyes Adobe Road at the intersections of Stonecrest Drive and Rainbow Crest Drive; and

WHEREAS, the maximum Federal reimbursement ratio for all HSIP projects is ninety percent (90%), and the City of Agoura Hills would be required to provide a ten percent (10%) match.

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, ORDERED, AND FOUND by the City Council of the City of Agoura Hills, California, as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
2. If a grant is awarded, the City of Agoura Hills commits to provide a total match of \$25,000.

3. The City Council directs and authorizes the City Manager, or his/her designee, to submit an HSIP grant application in the amount of \$250,000 for crosswalk improvements on Reyes Adobe Road at the intersections of Stonecrest Drive and Rainbow Crest Drive.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 24th day of August, 2022, by the following vote to wit:

AYES: ()

NOES: ()

ABSENT: ()

ABSTAIN: ()

Deborah Klein Lopez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberly, M. Rodrigues, City Clerk