



AGENDA REPORT

TO: Steven Falk
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SUBJECT: 2020-21 Road Maintenance and
Rehabilitation Account Annual Project
List

DATE: April 16, 2020

City Administrator Approval

Date: 5-13-2020

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Approves A Resolution Adopting A List Of Projects To Be Implemented With Road Maintenance And Rehabilitation Account Funds In Fiscal Years 2020-21.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

California Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) was signed into law on April 28, 2017, increasing vehicle fuel and registration taxes and fees. SB 1 contains a vehicle Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) which distributes funds to jurisdictions statewide. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) requires jurisdictions to submit documentation annually that RMRA funds were specifically adopted for allowed local streets and roads purposes. The CTC also requires the submission of a list of projects proposed to be funded with RMRA during the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 by May 1, 2020 (and every year thereafter). A Resolution has been prepared that adopts a project list that meets the CTC requirements.

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

On April 28, 2017, the Governor signed SB 1 to address basic road maintenance, rehabilitation and critical safety needs on both the state highway and local streets and road system. SB 1 increases per gallon fuel excise taxes, diesel fuel sales taxes and vehicle registration fees, and indexes these increases to inflation. The Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) distributes funds to eligible cities and counties for basic road maintenance, rehabilitation and critical safety projects on the local streets and roads system.

SB 1 requires cities and counties to provide basic project reporting to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) annually for projects funded through the RMRA. The guidelines require jurisdictions to submit documentation annually to show that RMRA funds were specifically adopted for allowed local streets and roads purposes, and also requires the submission of a list of projects proposed to be funded with RMRA during the fiscal year. Further, the legislation also requires annual reporting on work completed during the previous fiscal year.

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ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

Until a budget and project list is adopted, the City will be unable to receive RMRA disbursements from the State Controller’s office for FY 2020-21. For fiscal year 2020-21 these disbursements are estimated to total \$8,176,057.

It should be noted that the adopted project list is a plan; in the end of year reporting on actual spending of RMRA funds, the CTC allows for the completion of projects not included in this list so long as they meet the requirements for RMRA funding.

The proposed use of RMRA funds in Oakland is for maintenance and rehabilitation of local streets RMRA funds will provide support for on-going maintenance activities such as pothole and concrete repair citywide and will thus constitute the one and only line item on the proposed project list.

Table 1 Proposed Project List; RMRA FY 2020-21

Name	Brief Description	Location	Estimated Funding	Estimated Project Schedule
Local Street Maintenance	Maintenance of City streets including pot-holing, patching, concrete repair, etc.	city-wide	\$8,176,057	FY2020-21

With this funding, staff will focus on completing all community service requests for priority 1 and 2. Those requests are submitted by community members via OAK311—which receives requests by phone, e-mail, website submission, and a free SeeClickFix-powered mobile app for Apple and Android devices—and tracked in the City’s Cityworks platform, which is used to track and manage public maintenance service requests and work orders.

Maintaining and rehabilitating the City’s local streets will enable the City to meet the goals stated in the proposed 2019 3-year Paving Plan, which prioritizes communities of concern and invests in complete street infrastructure.

FISCAL IMPACT

Adoption of this project list will allow the City of Oakland to collect an estimated \$8,176,057 in RMRA funding in FY 2020-21 to be used on local street maintenance and rehabilitation activities.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

The Department of Transportation (OakDOT) in collaboration with the Department of Public Works underwent a robust community engagement process to develop a prioritization model that ensure public input into the Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Eight factors are used to rank projects to be recommended in FY2020-21 Draft CIP: Equity, Health and Safety, Economic

Development, Environment, Quality of Service, Existing Conditions, Project Readiness, Collaboration and Required Work.

Through this medium, OakDOT received over 100 public requests for projects, from which more than 30 requests were identified as street maintenance and rehabilitation projects. These requests complement all 311 service requests OakDOT receives daily regarding damage, potholes and deterioration of our local streets by community members.

COORDINATION

This report and the resolution have been reviewed for form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney and have been reviewed by the Budget Bureau.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: The RMRA funds are dedicated to improving local streets and roads, benefitting travel between home, work, and shopping.

Environmental: The RMRA funds will benefit all modes, improving road surfaces for bicyclists and transit riders as well as for auto drivers. Complete Streets improvements such as bike lanes, curb ramps, and pedestrian crossing improvements are allowable uses of RMRA funds.

Race & Equity: The RMRA funds will be distributed throughout Oakland. These projects benefit all roadway users and all residents of Oakland. However, both the 3-Year Paving Plan and CIP implementation prioritize locations in MTC-identified Communities of Concern as well as health as safety for Oaklanders.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

Road maintenance activities such as pothole and concrete repair are exempt activities under CEQA.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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