



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**AGENDA LETTER**  
**Clerk of the Board of Supervisors**  
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**Agenda Number:**

**Department Name:** Public Works  
**Department No.:** 054  
**For Agenda Of:** November 5, 2019  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Tme:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Director: Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, 568-3010  
Contact Info: Chris Sneddon, Deputy Director, Transportation 568-3064  
**SUBJECT:** **Olive Mill Road and San Ysidro Intersection Improvement Projects**  
**Memorandum of Understanding, First Supervisorial District**

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**Outside Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence: Risk Management**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached Memorandum of Understanding for Santa Barbara County Association of Governments to reimburse the City of Santa Barbara and County of Santa Barbara for the environmental and preliminary engineering phase of the Olive Mill and San Ysidro Projects, respectively, in the First Supervisorial District, at a cost not to exceed \$708,399; and
- b) Find that the proposed action does not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of California Environmental Quality Act, pursuant to 14 CCR 15378(b)(2) (continuing administrative or maintenance activities, such as purchases for supplies, personnel-related actions, general policy and procedure making).

**Summary Text:**

This item is on the agenda to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (2019 MOU) for Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) to reimburse the City of Santa Barbara (City) and County of Santa Barbara (County) for the environmental and preliminary engineering phase of the Olive Mill and San Ysidro Projects, respectively, at a cost not to exceed \$708,399 (\$473,000 new budget + \$235,399 balance from the original 2017 MOU). These funds will be used to complete preliminary design, environmental studies, and coastal development permitting for the two projects.

**Background:**

In January 2014, the SBCAG Board directed its staff to work with local agencies to advance these projects to address operations improvements needed on local roads and interchanges affected by the US 101 corridor widening project. Since then, roundabouts at the San Ysidro and Olive Mill Interchanges were included as mitigation projects in the final amended certified EIR for the 101 HOV project. They are also listed as balancing projects in the County's Local Coastal Program Amendment for the 101HOV project. As such, the funding and completion schedule for these projects are linked to the 101 HOV project.

At the request of SBCAG and Caltrans, the City and the County agreed to take the lead on developing these projects through environmental and permitting. The City of Santa Barbara is taking the lead on the Olive Mill Roundabout, which includes intersections legs that belong to the City (Coast Village Road, part of Olive Mill Road), the County (North Jameson Lane, Olive Mill Road north and south of the interchange), and Caltrans (northbound and southbound on and offramps). The County is taking the lead on the San Ysidro Interchange, which includes County roads and Caltrans onramps and offramps in both the north and south direction.

To initiate the project development, the City and County Public Works Departments completed an Intersection Control Evaluation (ICE) for each interchange and selected Ty Lin International - using a competitive, qualifications based process - to assist staff with the environmental and permitting processes and preliminary design.

As part of the permitting process, the County and City have submitted Coastal Development Permit (CDP) Applications for each project. The Olive Mill Project will be subject to the review and approval of both the County and City (and ultimately require a CDP from each agency). The San Ysidro Project will be subject to the review and approval of the County only.

Project development for these projects has included intensive outreach and collaboration. The submittal, review, and feedback processes have been extensive for both projects. Public outreach, in the form of mailers, pop-up booths, stakeholder meetings, and public meetings has been ongoing throughout the process to date, and will continue throughout the projects. In addition, working groups were created to inform the early design elements. In addition, these projects have gone or will go before the architectural review boards multiple times, as well as before the planning commissions.

Future costs identified in this 2019 MOU include efforts to complete preliminary engineering, environmental documents, and issuance of a CDP for each project.. The overall costs are impacted by feedback received from:

Olive Mill – City of Architectural Review Board (BAR), Montecito Board of Architectural Review (MBAR), City and Montecito Planning Commission, stakeholders, Caltrans review, etc.

San Ysidro – MBAR and Montecito Planning Commission, stakeholders, Caltrans review, etc.

Previous County Board actions taken on the Olive Mill and San Ysidro Projects relating to these MOUs with SBCAG reimbursement include:

- On June 6, 2017 an MOU (2017 MOU) was executed allowing SBCAG to reimburse the City and County for preliminary engineering and environmental work on Olive Mill (City) and the San Ysidro (County) projects (\$850,000). Board hearing No. 14-00414; and

- On May 21, 2019 the 2017 MOU was amended allowing an increase of \$49,000 (\$850,000 to \$899,000). Board hearing No. 19-00436

The 2017 MOU has expired, and the 2019 MOU has been approved by SBCAG and the City.

Other 2019 MOU approvals

SBCAG Board – Approved on Thursday September 19, 2019

Santa Barbara City Council – Approved on Tuesday October 29, 2019

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<b><u>Budget Category</u></b>	<b><u>One-time SBCAG funding</u></b>
Additional Budget	\$473,000
Balance of funds	\$235,399
Total	\$708,399

**Narrative:**

Total past approvals: \$899,000 (estimated \$235,399 balance). This Board action would add an additional \$473,000 plus the estimated \$235,399 balance of funds from the original 2017 MOU for a total of \$708,399.

Together the 2017 MOU, as amended, and this 2019 MOU amount to a total of \$1,372,000 (\$899,000+\$473,000) in approved SBCAG funding for project development of the Olive Mill and San Ysidro Projects.

**Special Instructions:**

Please forward a certified, stamped Minute Order approving these Board actions, and three duplicate original executed County Signature Pages to Public Works, Transportation, 123 East Anapamu Street, Attn: Gail Ocheltree, x3094.

**Attachments:**

Attachment A: Memorandum of Understanding (1 complete Original Agreement and 3 duplicate original County Signature Pages)

Attachment B: Original MOU, 2017

Attachment C: MOU, First Amendment, 2019

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