

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

**Agenda Number:** 

## Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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**Department Name:** Public Works

Department No.: 054

April 5, 2022

Placement:

For Agenda Of:

Administrative - Set Hearing, (April 5, 2022) Departmental (April 19,

2022)

**Estimated Tme:** 45 minutes on

April 19, 2022

Continued Item:

No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, (805) 568-3010

Director(s)

Contact Info: Christopher Sneddon, Deputy Public Works Director, (805) 568-3064

**SUBJECT:** Set Hearing Request for Measure A Five-Year Program of Projects for Fiscal Years 2022/2023

through 2026/2027; All Supervisorial Districts

### **County Counsel Concurrence**

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence** 

As to form: Yes As to form: N/A

**Other Concurrence:** N/A

#### **Recommended Actions:**

Set a hearing on the departmental agenda on April 19, 2022 (ESTIMATED TIME: 45 MINUTES) to:

- a) Adopt the attached Resolution for the Measure A Five-Year Local Program of Projects for Fiscal Years 2022/2023 through 2026/2027, for submittal to the Santa Barbara County Local Transportation Authority for acceptance;
- b) Reaffirm Resolution 10-101, which establishes priorities and policies for the use of the local portion of the ½ cent sales tax for the transportation needs in Santa Barbara County; and
- c) Approve the recommended distribution formula for Measure A revenues; or
- d) Approve the existing distributions of Measure A revenues; or
- e) Provide Board direction on and alternate funding distribution formula; and
- f) Direct staff to prepare Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Road Maintenance Annual Plan based upon approved Measure A distribution formula; and
- g) Determine that this action is not subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (c), as the proposed project(s) consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical

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equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing, including but not limited to existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities), and approve the filing of the attached Notice of Exemption on that basis.

#### **Summary Text:**

This item is on the agenda to Adopt the Measure A Local Program of Projects in Santa Barbara County. Staff will update your Board on the status of transportation projects in the County and provide an overview of projects and programs intended to ensure transportation *reliability*.

In keeping with your Board's adopted resolution supporting maintaining existing infrastructure as the highest priority for Measure A funding, six million dollars of Measure A funds maintenance operations. The remainder of the funding is used for Americans with Disabilities Act improvements, safety projects, grant matches, transit, education and outreach, and alternative transportation improvements.

While recent redistricting changes has not altered the transportation network or its needs, it has affected distribution formulas. There are three funding formula elements to Measure A:

- 1) Distribution formulas splitting the funds regionally amongst local agencies through the ordinance and investment plan. These formulas can only be changed by the Santa Barbara County Association of Government (SBCAG) with a supermajority and they are based on population.
- 2) Requirement that 10% of Measure A funding be spent on Alternative Transportation. This is also a requirement of the Ordinance.
- 3) Distribution of funds within the County of Local Streets and Roads funding to Santa Barbara County. Funds are first split between the south and the north county, per the Ordinance. While the majority of funding goes to maintenance operations across the transportation network in each area, your Board has discretion to select how Measure A funds are distributed to the districts within the north and south. Staff will present options and recommendations for funding based on the new district boundaries and funding information.

### **Background:**

On November 4, 2008, County of Santa Barbara voters approved Measure A to continue the one-half of one percent (1/2%) local sales tax (formerly Measure D) and Santa Barbara County Transportation Investment Plan. Measure A took effect on April 1, 2010, and will remain in effect for 30 years, with the revenues allocated for transportation improvements.

### **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

### **Fiscal Analysis:**

Staff time for this work is included in the annual budget for the Roads and Transportation Division of the Public Works Department.

#### **Special Instructions:**

Direct the Clerk of the Board to email a minute order of these actions to Gail Ocheltree at (805) 568-3094

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# **Attachments:**

Attachment A – Notice of Exemption dated April 5, 2022

# **Authored by:**

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