

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH PRIORITIES)
AND POLICIES FOR USE OF THE LOCAL)
PORTION OF MEASURE “A”, THE)
1/2 CENT SALES TAX FOR)
TRANSPORTATION NEEDS IN SANTA)
BARBARA COUNTY)**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2008, the voters of the County of Santa Barbara approved Measure “A”, the Santa Barbara Transportation Improvement Program, with 79% of the votes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors feels that the community must be informed as to the County’s priorities for use of their local portion of the ½ cent sales tax for transportation needs - Measure “A”;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors establishes the following priorities and policies:

PRIORITIES:

- I. It is the intent of the County to use sales tax proceeds to fully fund the road repair and infrastructure maintenance program so that existing local transportation infrastructure is maintained properly on a schedule consistent with sound engineering practices in accordance with the voter approved Measure “A” Investment Plan.
- II. After adequate provision is made for such road and transportation infrastructure maintenance program, taking into account expected costs and revenues, such sales tax proceeds will be used for the following needs:
 - a. Projects that will improve the safety of drivers and pedestrians, as identified by neighborhoods and civic associations, and recommended by the Public Works Department.
 - b. Projects that relieve congestion on local roads and at intersections that exceed the standards of acceptable traffic flow, as designed in the County General Plan, in order to restore and maintain free flow of traffic for current residents.

The following policies are designed to address other issues concerning transportation:

POLICIES:

1. Capital expenditures to increase traffic capacity shall be made only after a finding that, according to available evidence, the specific roads and/or intersections to be improved will thereafter be maintained at the County General Plan standards for acceptable traffic flow during the life of the sales tax.
2. The County shall maintain a development mitigation program to ensure that new development is paying its share of the costs associated with public transportation facilities and services. Sales tax funding shall not be used to replace private developer funding that has been, or will be committed for any project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, on this _____ day of April 2010, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

MICHAEL F. BROWN
CLERK THE BOARD

ACCEPTED AND AGREED
COUNTY OF SANTA OF BARBARA

By: _____
Deputy

By: _____
Janet Wolf, Chair
Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DENNIS A. MARSHALL
COUNTY COUNSEL

By: _____
Deputy County Counsel