



STAFF REPORT

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**AGENDA ITEM**

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR  
AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

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**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION APPROVING A LIST OF PROJECTS FUNDED BY SENATE BILL 1 -  
THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26**

Summary:

The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB 1) is a landmark transportation investment to rebuild California by fixing roads, freeways, and bridges in communities throughout California. SB 1 funds transportation projects through excise and sales taxes on gasoline and diesel fuel, and vehicle registration taxes. Since November 1, 2017, the State Controller has deposited these funds into the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA). The RMRA funds are distributed annually to cities and counties based on population for road maintenance, rehabilitation, and safety projects. For Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26, the City is estimated to receive \$308,518 from RMRA.

The City Council will consider adopting a resolution to incorporate a list of projects funded by SB 1 for FY 2025-26. SB 1 emphasizes accountability and transparency, requiring cities to report performance goals and proposed projects to the California Transportation Commission to qualify for future funding. The program allows cities to roll over unused funds for future street rehabilitation and maintenance projects. The City's proposed and past projects funded by SB 1 are listed according to these guidelines.

Strategic Plan Goal(s):

Goal No. 1: Financial Stability: Ensure the City's long-term financial stability and resilience.

Goal No. 4: Infrastructure: Maintain and improve the City's physical infrastructure, water system, and recreational spaces.

Recommendation:

Adopt a resolution, entitled:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 TO BE FUNDED BY SB 1 - THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT**

Fiscal Impact:

For the 2025-26 fiscal year, the City initially budgeted \$301,043 for Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) funds in special revenue Fund 238. However, in January 2025, the State Controller revised this allocation to \$308,518. The proposed list of projects for FY 2025-26 expenditures aligns with the revised budget.

Background and Analysis:

The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB 1) established excise taxes on gasoline and diesel fuel, sales tax on gasoline and diesel fuel, and registration taxes on motor vehicles, with the revenue dedicated to transportation purposes. On November 1, 2017, the State Controller began depositing funds generated from increased fuel taxes and vehicle registration fees into the newly created RMRA. The State distributes a portion of RMRA funds annually to eligible cities and counties for basic road maintenance, rehabilitation, and critical safety projects on local streets and road systems. RMRA allocations are based on a per capita (population) formula. The City’s allocation for FY 2025-26 is estimated to be \$308,518 based on State Department of Finance statewide projections; please note that the estimates vary from the final amount each year.

SB 1 emphasizes the importance of accountability and transparency in the delivery of California’s transportation programs. This flexible program allows cities to roll over accrued funding to pay for street rehabilitation and maintenance projects. According to the Road Repair and Accountability Act reporting guidelines, recipients of RMRA funding are held accountable through performance goals that are tracked and reported. To be considered for funding in future fiscal years, agencies must provide a proposed list of projects to the California Transportation Commission each year. The list below identifies eligible projects staff proposed to advance or complete utilizing SB 1 funding in past years, as well as proposed projects for the upcoming fiscal year:

Fiscal Year	Amount Received	Estimated Amount to Receive	Intended Project
2017-18	\$68,024		Pavement Management or Spring Street Overlay
2018-19	\$215,455		Pavement Management or Spring Street Overlay
2019-20	\$204,287		Pavement Management or Spring Street Overlay
2020-21	\$217,123		Pavement Management or Spring Street Overlay
2021-22	\$234,758		Pavement Management or Spring Street Overlay
2022-23	\$262,521	\$296,906	Pavement Management or Spring Street Overlay or Sidewalk Repairs
2023-24	\$290,784	\$308,518	Pavement Management or Spring Street Overlay or Sidewalk Repairs

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2024-25		\$296,906	Pavement Management or Sidewalk Repairs
2025-26		\$308,518	Pavement Management or Sidewalk Repairs

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the City Council adopt a resolution, approving the SB 1 Project List. This approval would enable RMRA funds to be utilized for the City's Pavement Management Program, and/or Sidewalk Repairs either in its entirety for one project or distributed amongst all projects listed.

Reviewed for Fiscal Impact:

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Attachment:

A. SB 1 Resolution FY 2025-26