

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

DEPT: Public Works

BOARD AGENDA #: *C-1

AGENDA DATE: April 19, 2016

SUBJECT:

Approval to Adopt a Resolution Urging the State to Provide New Sustainable Funding for State and Local Transportation Infrastructure

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No.

2016-182

On motion of Supervisor O'Brien, **Seconded by Supervisor** Withrow
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Withrow, DeMartini, and Chairman Monteith

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) **Approved as recommended**


2) **Denied**

3) **Approved as amended**

4) **Other:**

MOTION:

ATTEST:


ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

File No.

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
AGENDA ITEM**

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CEO CONCURRENCE: _____

4/5 Vote Required: Yes No

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STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Adopt a Resolution urging the State to provide new sustainable funding for State and Local transportation infrastructure.

DISCUSSION:

Stanislaus County Department of Public Works is responsible for the maintenance of more than 1,500 miles of roads and 230 bridges. Typical roadway maintenance includes: shoulder maintenance, dirt road grading, pothole repair, crack sealing, resurfacing of pavements, and roadway rehabilitation or reconstruction. A proper maintenance schedule which would maintain the County's roads in good condition consists of:

- Asphalt Overlay of 45 miles per year
- Chip Resurfacing of 160 miles per year

During Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Public Works was able to complete 11 miles of asphalt overlay and approximately 100 miles of chip resurfacing. This is far below meeting the basic transportation infrastructure needs. The County's annual infrastructure maintenance needs falls short by \$14 million per year in a typical year such as FY 2014-2015. Currently, Stanislaus County Roads have a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) rating of 46, far below the State average of 66. This will continue to decline due to a lack of funding. At this time, Stanislaus County has a backlog of deferred maintenance valued at more than \$73 million.

Fiscal Year 2015-2016 saw a dramatic reduction of roadway maintenance funding by 23%. This loss of funding meant that Public Works eliminated the chip resurfacing program, urban slurry seal program, and two road maintenance positions. Fiscal Year 2016-2017 is projected to be even worse requiring deeper cuts to the roadway maintenance program, to include the loss of four more staff positions. By the end of Fiscal Year 2016-2017, and each subsequent fiscal year, there will be an additional annual deferred maintenance of nearly \$20 million per year. Stanislaus County roads are disintegrating due to the lack of action by the State Legislature to resolve the funding catastrophe.

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At the current and proposed level of funding, the Department of Public Works is not able to maintain the County's roadway system adequately. Roads and bridges continue to deteriorate at a rate greater than is sustainable with available funds.

Adopting this Resolution will allow the Department of Public Works to seek sufficient and stable funding from the State.

POLICY ISSUE:

The Board of Supervisors' approval is required to adopt a formal resolution.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the adoption of a resolution.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PRIORITY:

The recommended action is consistent with the Board's priorities of providing a Safe Community, A Healthy Community, and a Well Planned Infrastructure System by pursuing funding for road maintenance within Stanislaus County.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Existing Public Works staff is overseeing this process.

CONTACT PERSON:

Matt Machado, Public Works Director

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ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Resolution

ATTACHMENT 1
RESOLUTION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Abstaining: Supervisor: None

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED:

Item # *C-1

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE TO PROVIDE NEW SUSTAINABLE FUNDING FOR STATE
AND LOCAL TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE**

WHEREAS, Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. has called an extraordinary session to address the immense underfunding of California's transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, cities and counties own and operate more than 81 percent of streets and roads in California, and from the moment we open our front door to drive to work, bike to school, or walk to the bus station, people are dependent upon a safe, reliable local transportation network; and

WHEREAS, the County of Stanislaus has participated in efforts with the California State Association of Counties, League of California Cities, and California's Regional Transportation Planning Agencies to study unmet funding needs for local roads and bridges, including sidewalks and other essential components; and

WHEREAS, the resulting 2014 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment, which provides critical analysis and information on the local transportation network's condition and funding needs, indicates that the condition of the local transportation network is deteriorating as predicted in the initial 2008 study; and

WHEREAS, the results show that California's local streets and roads are on a path of significant decline. On a scale of zero (failed) to 100 (excellent), the statewide average pavement condition index (PCI) is 66, placing it in the "at risk" category where pavements will begin to deteriorate much more rapidly and require rehabilitation or rebuilding rather than more cost-effective preventative maintenance if funding is not increased; and

WHEREAS, the results show that the County of Stanislaus' local streets have a statewide average pavement index of 46, placing them in the "Poor" category; and

WHEREAS, if funding remains at the current levels, in 10 years, 50 percent of local streets and roads in California will be in "failed" condition; and

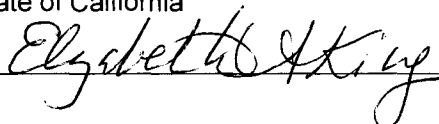
WHEREAS, modernizing the local street and road system provides well-paying construction jobs and boosts local economies; and

WHEREAS, the local street and road system is also critical for farm to market needs, interconnectivity, multimodal needs, and commerce; and

WHEREAS, police, fire, and emergency medical services all need safe reliable roads to react quickly to emergency calls and a few minutes of delay can be a matter of life and death.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS strongly urges the Governor and Legislature to identify a sufficient and stable funding source for local street and road and state highway maintenance and rehabilitation to ensure the safe and efficient mobility of the traveling public and the economic vitality of California.

ATTEST: ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors,
State of California



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