



MEMORANDUM

City Council

Date: June 3, 2025

To: City Council

From: Amy Augustine, City Planner

Re: ADOPT RESOLUTION 25-29 APPROVING THE CITY OF ANGELS LIST OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS FOR THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution 25-29 as presented, or with changes.

Background and Discussion:

The Calaveras Council of Governments (CCOG) is updating the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). An update is required once every four years. The RTP identifies all types of transportation improvements to keep people and goods moving efficiently and safely over the next 20 years. The RTP is comprehensive and addresses roadways, bridges, bicycle paths/lanes, sidewalks, crosswalks, bus stops, airports and goods movement (trucking). The RTP reviews the regional transportation system today, identifies problems or deficiencies with all types of transportation facilities, then sets forth transportation projects to fix the transportation deficiencies and meet the long-term goals of the community.

Much of the state and federal funding to fix these transportation deficiencies passes through the CCOG. It is important for the City to have an established list of planned transportation projects (facilities) ranked in order of priority to be competitive in obtaining funding to meet the city's transportation goals as set forth in the City of Angels 2020 General Plan Circulation Element.

To that end, City Staff assembled a committee which met and reviewed the extensive list of planned future transportation projects in past RTPs and the General Plan. The committee included the City Engineer, City Public Works Superintendent, City Administrator, City Police Chief, City Fire Captain, and the City Planner. The committee ranked all transportation facilities in terms of priority relative to three factors:

- A. Ability to improve motorized transportation in and around the City (Circulation)
- B. Safety (Including Emergency Access and pedestrian safety)
- C. Economic Development potential

Motorized transportation projects (i.e., new roadways) are ranked separately from non-motorized projects (e.g., trails, sidewalks, crosswalks). Non-motorized facilities are ranked separately in large part because funding sources for these projects differ significantly from funding sources for motorized transportation. Non-motorized projects are sometimes referred to as the Active Transportation and

Recreational Trails Plan (ATRTP). The ATRTP does not include golf cart paths which are not a recognized category in the state/federal transportation system at this time.

Following this exercise, the City Engineer, City Planner, and City Administrator met at CCOG with the consultants preparing the RTP and ATRTP to refine the lists and project descriptions. The resulting lists are in **Attachment A**. Please note that Caltrans funded projects (e.g., roundabouts) are not included in the City's list of proposed projects. Caltrans will submit a separate list of state-funded projects for the RTP. The list will be subject to public review and input in conjunction with outreach for the RTP.

In addition to establishing the attached list of motorized and non-motorized Transportation Projects; the City is in the midst of updating its Traffic Impact Mitigation Fees (TIMF). TIMFs are charged to new development to offset a portion of the costs of capital improvement projects for new roads and circulation improvements associated with new development. TIMFs do not fund road maintenance. The City Council adopted the current 2016 TIMF study on a vote of 3-2 per Resolution 16-25 on June 21, 2016. The study was based on a projected 2.5% projected growth rate, which has not occurred.

The staff committee establishing the attached list included both priority projects (which will be considered in the RTP and TIMF list and planned within the next 10 years) and non-priority projects (i.e., other projects that the city may want in the future, but are expected to occur in 11 years or more). These "non-priority" projects are included as placeholders for future plan updates. The "non-priority" projects are neither ranked in order of priority nor is the cost of these projects considered in either the RTP or the TIMF update.

Staff are requesting approval of the attached resolution, as required by CCOG, to include the list of proposed motorized and non-motorized projects in the RTP and ATRTP. Inclusion in the attached list does NOT mean that all projects will also be included in the Traffic Impact Mitigation Fee Study. As necessary to establish a reasonable TIMF, some projects may be excluded for the term of the TIMF funding cycle.

Strategic Plan Alignment

B5 Land Use Provide *a well-organized and orderly development pattern that maintains and enhances Angels Camp's social, economic, cultural, environmental, and aesthetic resources while managing growth so that adequate facilities and services can be provided in pace with development.*

An update to the City's 2016 TIMF will assist in ensuring adequate facilities and services (transportation related) will be provided in pace with development.

Environmental

The project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and state and city guidelines for implementation of said act pursuant to Section 15306, Class 6 of the state guidelines which states that CEQA does not apply to basic data collection or research which does not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. These may be strictly for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved, adopted, or funded. The project includes collecting and analyzing data to prepare a report related to potential fees which have not yet been approved or adopted. Therefore, no analysis of potential impacts is required at this time.

Financial Impact

Failure to include an up-to-date list of regional transportation projects in the RTP and ATRTP reduces the city's ability to gain outside funding from state and federal sources and other grant funding sources.

Attachment

Resolution 25-29 with **Attachment A** (List of Motorized and Non-Motorized Projects)