

Staff Report

TO: City Council

FROM: Todd Parton, City Manager

DATE November 17, 2020

SUBJECT: Report by the Western Regional Council of Governments (WRCOG)

and the Riverside County Transportation Department Regarding the

Status of the Cherry Valley Interchange Project

Background and Analysis:

Effective April 4, 2017, the Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) and City of Beaumont (City) entered into a Settlement Agreement and Release (Settlement) to resolve disputes concerning the City's past failures to remit Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fees (TUMF) to WRCOG and the resulting lawsuits between both parties.

As part of the Settlement the City committed to constructing and funding specific transportation facilities. Specifically, Beaumont agreed to remit \$2.1 million to WRCOG for the design of improvements to the Cherry Valley Boulevard and I-10 interchange. The Settlement reads as follows:

"WRCOG shall hold said funds in a separate account and shall provide the City with an annual accounting regarding the balance and use of said funds. WRCOG shall consult with the City on the proposed design of the interchange, and the City's advance consent shall be obtained prior to the finalization of the proposed design developed with said funds."

To date, no City funds have been allocated to the design of the interchange project. WRCOG and Riverside County Transportation Department representatives will provide an update to the City Council on the status of the project.

Fiscal Impact:

City estimates that preparation of this report cost approximately \$85.

Recommended Action:

This item is presented for informational purposes only and City staff recommends that the City Council receive the report from the Western Riverside Council of Governments and the Riverside County Transportation Department regarding the status of the Cherry Valley /IH-10 interchange project.