



May 24, 2021

Tom Kirk, Executive Director  
 Coachella Valley Association of Governments  
 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Ste. 200  
 Palm Desert, CA 92260

Subject: Request for an Amended Agency Reimbursement Agreement Between CVAG and the City of Coachella for the Improvement of Avenue 50 between Calhoun Street and Harrison Street

Dear Mr. Kirk:

The City of Coachella would like to respectfully request that the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) prepare a Amendment to the existing Reimbursement Agreement between CVAG and the City of Coachella to improve avenue 50 between Calhoun Street and Harrison. The existing reimbursable agreement was executed on January 26 of 2015. At this time, the City has completed 90% drawings and environmental clearances are anticipated within the next month. During the design and environmental phases of the project it was determined that the cost would exceed the initial budget estimate due to unforeseen drainage issues and complicated right-of-way acquisition procedures. The City has worked through these complications and is seeking a modification of the reimbursable agreement to secure the necessary fund to continue making progress on this project. This project is consistent with the City's General Plan, Circulation Element and the current 2016 RTP/SCS Plan. The 2016 Transportation Project Prioritization Study TPPS lists this project in the top 10.

Avenue 50 is classified as a Major Arterial with enhanced bicycle facilities per the Mobility Element of the city's General Plan. The Proposed roadway segment will have three lanes in each direction, a two way left turn lane, a landscaped median and includes pedestrian bicycle and neighborhood electric vehicle (NEV) facilities.

Project Description	Total Project Cost	CVAG (75%)	City (25%)
Avenue 50 between Calhoun Street and Harrison Street	<b>Initial Project Estimate (2015)</b>		
	\$4,500,000	\$3,375,000	\$1,125,000
	<b>Current project estimate</b>		
	\$9,250,000	\$6,937,500	\$2,312,500

In 2015 the city and CVAG entered into an Agency Reimbursement Agreement for a project total of \$4,500,000 with a 75% CVAG share totaling \$3,375,000 and a 25% City of Coachella share totaling \$1,125,000. The City of Coachella is requesting an amendment to the Agency Reimbursable Agreement by and Between CVAG and the City of Coachella in order to update

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the agreement with the current projected project costs. The City is requesting the standard 75% Regional Share/ 25% Local share funding formula be applied to the amended project costs resulting in an amended funding split of CVAG Regional Share of 75% = \$6,937,500; City of Coachella Local Share of 25% = \$2,312,500

With your support, the City will strive to deliver this project expeditiously for our region. We greatly appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andy Simmons". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Andrew Simmons, P.E.  
City Engineer

Attachments:  
Construction Estimate  
Site Map