



STAFF REPORT
12/13/2023

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Andrew Simmons, P.E., City Engineer

SUBJECT: Reimbursement Agreement with Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) in an amount of \$825,000, Service Agreement with the County of Riverside in an amount of \$825,000, and authorize appropriation of \$50,000 from Fund 127 (Street DIF) for the design and construction of the Airport Blvd Bridge Replacement Project, City Project ST-141.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

- Authorize the Mayor to execute a Reimbursement Agreement with Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) in an amount of \$825,000;
- Authorize the City Manager to execute a Service Agreement with County of Riverside in an amount of \$825,000;
- Authorize appropriation of \$50,000 from Fund 127 (Street DIF) for the design and construction of the Airport Blvd Bridge Replacement Project, City Project ST-141.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

The County of Riverside has secured Highway Bridge Program (HBP) federal funds to replace the existing functionally obsolete and seismically vulnerable bridge that currently extends over the Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel with a wider two-lane bridge to meet Caltrans highway standards and seismic design codes in the amount of \$18,007,470, which is 88.53% of the HBP participating costs. The remaining 11.47% cost is \$2.3 million. The total HBP non-participating cost is \$4.3 million. The total remaining amount not covered by the federal funds is approximately \$6.6 million.

The County of Riverside, as the lead agency, in collaboration with the City of Coachella, requested regional transportation funds from Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) to cover the design and construction of a bridge replacement along Airport Boulevard from Orange Street to Desert Cactus Drive.

On June 26, 2023 Coachella Valley Association of Governments' Executive Committee moved to approve the reimbursement agreement with the County of Riverside as the lead agency for the Airport Blvd Bridge Replacement Project (Orange Street to Desert Cactus Drive), providing a not-to-exceed amount of \$4,950,000 in regional funding for eligible design and construction costs. The agreement also includes language to account for the future development of CV Link. The

agreement states that design and construction of the required CV Link undercrossing shall be included in the scope of work for the bridge, and that CVAG shall fund this added scope of work.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total estimated cost of the project after accounting for federal highway bridge program funds will be approximately \$6,600,000. In accordance with CVAG policy, CVAG agrees to pay 75% of the qualified costs, in this case the estimated as not-to-exceed \$4,950,000, as well as 100% of the CV Link costs to be determined. The County of Riverside, as Lead Agency, agrees to invoice CVAG for eligible costs. The remaining 25% Local share shall be \$1,650,000 split between the County of Riverside and the City of Coachella for a not-to-exceed amount of \$825,000.

Regional Share 75%	Local Share 25%	
CVAG	County of Riverside (12.5%)	City of Coachella (12.5%)
\$4,950,000.00	\$825,000.00	\$825,000.00

The County of Riverside agrees to invoice the City as outlined in the projected schedule below:

Projected Disbursement Schedule	Amount	Funding Source
Upon execution of agreement (FY 23/24)	\$50,000	Street DIF
Upon completion of final PS&E (projected FY 24/25)	\$155,000	Measure A/SB1
FY 25/26	\$206,667	Measure A/SB1
FY 26/27	\$206,667	Measure A/SB1
FY 27/28	\$206,666	Measure A/SB1

Grand Total: \$825,000

With this action, City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$50,000 from Fund 127 (Street DIF) for the deposit, as stated in the Service Agreement with the County of Riverside. Remaining funds will be appropriated with future Measure A and SB1 funds to be brought back to council.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Reimbursement Agreement – Coachella Valley Association of Governments
2. Service Agreement – County of Riverside
3. Project Vicinity Map