

# STAFF REPORT 1/22/2025

To:Honorable Mayor and City Council MembersFROM:Andrew Simmons, P.E., City EngineerSUBJECT:Resolution 2025-01, A Resolution of the City of Coachella, California, Adopting<br/>the 2024 City of Coachella Local Road Safety Plan

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve Resolution 2025-01, A Resolution of the City of Coachella, California, Adopting the 2024 City of Coachella Local Road Safety Plan

### **BACKGROUND:**

In October 2019, Caltrans announced a Call for Local Roadway Safety Plan (LRSP) applications. The City submitted an LRSP application to Caltrans and the application was accepted and state funding allocation of \$44,000 was approved. The City committed to a local match of \$16,000 for a total budget of \$60,000 to conduct the LRSP.

On October 12, 2022 City Council adopted Resolution 2022-90 approving Master Agreement No. 08-5294S21 and Program Supplement Agreement No. 000000X76 between the State of California and the City of Coachella for the Local Road Safety Plan Project Federal Aid #LRSPL-5294(019).

The LRSP will provide the City a look-ahead for safety improvements that can be applied systemically and programmed though the Capital Improvement Plan. Additionally, this information will be used to help the City apply for grants and other funding opportunities to implement these safety improvements.

### **DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:**

The City of Coachella (City) has created a Local Roadway Safety Plan (LRSP), which identifies a framework to identify, analyze, and develop traffic safety enhancements on the City's roadway network. The LRSP was developed in response to local issues and needs. Through the analysis, this report has identified emphasis areas to inform and further guide safety evaluation an planning for the City's transportation network. The LRSP also analyzes crash data on an aggregate basis as well as at specific locations to identify high-crash locations, high-risk locations, and citywide trends and patterns.

The analysis of crash history on the City's transportation network allows for opportunities to:

1. Identify factors in the transportation network that inhibit safety for all roadway users,

2. Improve safety at specific high-crash locations, and

3. Develop safety measures using the four E's of safety: Engineering, Enforcement, Education, and Emergency Response to encourage safer driver behavior and better severity outcomes.

With this LRSP, the City continues its safety efforts by identifying areas of emphasis and systemic recommendations to enhance safety.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact to CIP FY 24/25 budget.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Resolution 2025-01
- 2. The 2024 City of Coachella Local Road Safety Plan