



CITY OF MILPITAS AGENDA REPORT (AR)

Item Title:	Adopt a Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Annual Levy and Collection of Assessments and Ordering the Preparation of the Annual Engineer's Report for Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance Assessment District No. 95-1 (McCarthy Ranch)
Category:	Consent Calendar-Community Development
Meeting Date:	3/2/2021
Staff Contact:	Steve Erickson 408-586-3301
Recommendation:	Adopt a Resolution Initiation Proceedings for the Annual Levy and Collection of Assessments and Ordering the Preparation of the Annual Engineer's Report for Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance Assessment District No. 95-1 (McCarthy Ranch)

Background:

On May 2, 1995, the City Council completed its proceedings in accordance with and pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972, establishing the Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance Assessment District No. 95-1 (McCarthy Ranch) (LLMD 95-1) to provide for improvement and maintenance of public landscaping, irrigation, pedestrian lighting, gateway columns and entry signs along portions of North McCarthy Boulevard and the Ranch Drive gateway between State Route 237 and Dixon Landing Road.

Analysis:

The Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 requires adoption of a resolution directing preparation of the annual Engineer's Report evaluating LLMD 95-1 maintenance and improvement costs and generally describing any proposed new improvements or any substantial changes in existing improvements. At subsequent meetings, the City Council will be asked to approve the completed Engineer's Report and to schedule a public hearing for the proposed assessment in May and June 2021. Upon City Council approval, the assessment for the maintenance and improvement work will be added to the 2021-22 property tax bills of property owners within the boundaries of LLMD 95-1.

Policy Alternatives:

Alternative 1:

Not adopt a resolution initiating proceeding for the annual levy and collection of assessments and ordering the preparation of the annual engineer's report for LLMD 95-1.

Pros: None

Cons: The Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 requires the legislative body adopt the resolution, not adopting the resolution would jeopardize the City's ability to collect assessments for the maintenance and upkeep of LLMD 95-1.

Reason not recommended: To allow for the continued maintenance for LLMD 95-1, staff recommends ordering the preparation of the annual Engineer's Report to begin the proceedings for the levy and collection of assessments for fiscal year 2021/22.

Fiscal Impact:

The levy and collection of assessments provides a funding resource for the City to improve and maintain public landscaping, irrigation, pedestrian lighting, gateway columns and entry signs within LLMD 95-1.

California Environmental Quality Act:

Levy and collection of assessment is not considered a project under CEQA as there will be no direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

Recommendation:

Adopt a resolution directing the preparation of the annual Engineer's Report for LLMD No. 95-1.

Attachments:

Resolution