

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-6

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEEDLES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE PLAN FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF REVENUES IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY EXPECTED TO BE DERIVED FROM THE PROPOSED CONTINUATION OF MEASURE I

WHEREAS, the voters of San Bernardino County passed Measure I in November 1989 and renewed it in 2004, authorizing San Bernardino Associated Governments, acting as the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, to impose a one-half of one percent transactions and use tax for transportation improvements, applicable in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of the County of San Bernardino, through April 1, 2040, and

WHEREAS, Measure I has provided funding for numerous transportation projects, including freeways, local roads, major streets, interchanges, the Metrolink commuter train system, public buses, traffic signals, and more; and

WHEREAS, the imposition of the one-half of one percent transactions and use tax is set to expire in 2040, and

WHEREAS, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, after engagement with private sector stakeholders and city and County representatives, has prepared an Expenditure Plan for the revenues expected to be derived from the proposed continuation of Measure I, which is anticipated to be placed on the November 3, 2026, ballot, and

WHEREAS, the proposed Expenditure Plan for the continuation of Measure I is attached hereto as Exhibit 1, and

WHEREAS, if approved by the voters, the continuation of Measure I would authorize the collection of a one-half of one percent sales tax and generate an estimated \$7.5 billion in its first 30 years for local transportation projects, and

WHEREAS, if approved by the voters, the continuation of Measure I would not institute a new tax, but continue the existing one-half of one percent sales tax for transportation after April 1, 2040, and

WHEREAS, revenues raised from the continuation of Measure I would remain in San Bernardino County and could not be allocated by the state or federal government, and

WHEREAS, Measure I would provide a long-term funding source to help fight traffic congestion; improve local streets, major roads and highways; and enhance San Bernardino County's economy by providing construction-related jobs, manufacturing jobs, and an effective transportation system to meet the needs of residents and the business community, and

WHEREAS, Public Utilities Code section 180206 requires that the Measure I Continuation Expenditure Plan be approved by the County Board of Supervisors and a majority of the cities representing a majority of the population residing in incorporated areas,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the *City of Needles*, State of California, hereby approves the Measure I Continuation Expenditure Plan developed by the Board of Directors of the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (Exhibit 1).

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Needles, California, held on March 10, 2026.

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

Janet Jernigan, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Candace Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____
Lena Wade, Deputy City Attorney