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## STAFF REPORT

**TO:** THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
**MEETING DATE:** AUGUST 18, 2025  
**FROM:** DAN LAFONTAINE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR  
**SUBJECT:** BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR BROADWAY STORM DRAIN AND PAVING PROJECT

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### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Staff requests a budget amendment to the FY25-26 budget to take advantage of work that AWA is doing to fix water leaks on Broadway. We are asking that Council approve a budget amendment tonight, as long as staff meets with the Measure P oversight committee.

### **BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS**

Amador Water Agency (AWA) has received a grant to fix leaking water mains in the City of Sutter Creek. AWA has identified leaks on Eureka St, Borgh Way, Broadway and Hayden Alley.

Due to the width on Hayden Alley being so narrow, the City has requested (and AWA has agreed) that to facilitate the repairs that a complete overlay of Hayden alley is necessary and required. We had this project planned in our CIP, using measure P funds, at a cost estimate of ~\$100,000 to be completed by June of 2029. AWA is saving us this expense, though it was planned 4 years from now and will be done this year.

For the other streets, T-trenches can be cut in Eureka St. and Borgh Way, and then paved to path the cut area. On Broadway due to the width of the road a T-trench constitutes half of the existing roadway. While the road is in decent shape, it is an opportunity to pave the entire road at this time, and have a nice-looking project when completed, rather than just fresh pavement on half a road.

The public works department has an active project to fix the deteriorating storm drains under Broadway. Upon recent investigation, Public works discovered that the existing storm drain is an 8-inch steel pipe that is rotting away at the drain inlets (DI) and has a kind near inlet #1 causing a belly for water and debris to be caught in. Public works recommends replacing the storm drain with 12-inch pipe (current City standard). Replacing the pipe is unbudgeted work creaking about \$24,000 in unforeseen expense that we feel is critical to complete.

AWA will replace the fire hydrant at the corner of Broad and Broadway. As part of that work, they will also repave the sidewalk, which is a trip hazard and was in the City's budget for replacement this year. The City had budgeted \$10,000 for this repair.

## **DISCUSSION**

Due to the limitations of the AWA grant, additional funds cannot be allocated to pave the other half of Broadway by AWA. AWA currently has an RFP out for bids for their project. City staff and AWA have discussed and agreed in principle that while the contractor is onsite installing the new water main that the project alternative including Sutter Creek's work could be added to the project to replace the storm drainpipe, add 2 drain inlets, and pave the remaining half of the road. We need to do the storm drain work, and that work must be completed before the paving is done.

The City has informed AWA that monies are not available in the current budget (due to short notice). AWA has agreed to potentially loan the money to the City (interest free) to be paid back sometime in 2026, subject to AWA board approval. The contractor will already be onsite digging up the area where the storm drain is located so mobilization costs and excavation would be cheaper along with a better full overlay of Broadway saving the city the expenses of mobilization, full traffic control, engineering and half the paving materials.

Staff has defined the City project as the installation of 120 lineal feet of new 12-inch storm drainpipe, installation of 2 new DI's, and paving the other half of Broadway. The end product will be a new storm drain system and a fully paved Broadway. The engineers estimate the total cost of this additional work to be \$70K. \$20K of this is already approved in the FY24-25 Budget, so we are seeking a budget amendment of \$50,000. \$24,000 of the additional funds is needed for the unforeseen need to replace the storm drain piping. \$20,000 is additional asphalt and the remainder is minor items needed as part of the project.

CITY OF SUTTER CREEK PRELIMINARY ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE BROADWAY STREET - STORM DRAIN WORK & 1/2 ROAD OVERLAY  8/8/2025					
ADDITIVE ALTERNATE #1					
ITEM NO.	ITEM	UNIT OF MEASURE	EST. QTY.	UNIT PRICE	ITEM TOTAL
1	TRAFFIC CONTROL	DAY	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
2	ASPHALT CONCRETE GRIND	DAY	0.5	\$8,000.00	\$4,000.00
3	ASPHALT CONCRETE	TON	50	\$400.00	\$20,000.00
4	ADJUST WATER METER BOX TO GRADE	EACH	3	\$750.00	\$2,250.00
5	12-INCH DIAMETER STORM DRAIN	LF	120	\$200.00	\$24,000.00
6	STORM DRAIN INLET	EACH	2	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00
CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$62,750.00
CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY (10%)					\$6,275.00
TOTAL ADDITIVE ALTERNATE #1 COST					\$69,025.00

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

AWA is saving us over \$100,000 by paving Hayden alley, which is in our planned CIP but four years out. Measure P funds are planned to be used for Sutter Hill Road, Spanish Street, and then the three alleys, with projects completing in 2027, 2028, and 2029 respectively. If council approves accelerating this project to take advantage of the opportunity provided by the AWA work, we will brief the Measure P oversight committee and look at shifting Measure P funding accordingly. The impact may be delaying the paving of the other two alleys, but because we have no history with Measure P, we won't know for sure for a year or so. If there is some economic growth in Sutter Creek, it is possible this acceleration will have no impact on the CIP.

Staff is recommending that Council make a motion to transfer \$50,000 from the Measure P reserve to accelerate this project and work with AWA, subject to staff meeting with the Measure P oversight committee. Because of the timing with AWA, we would not bring this back to Council if approved tonight.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

This would be a budget amendment shifting \$50,000 from the CIP alley project to be completed in June 2029 to be used now, from Measure P reserves.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Engineers sketch of the proposed work to be completed.