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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: January 24, 2017

Subject

Letters of support for SB 1 and AB 1 regarding transportation funding.

Recommended Action

Direct staff to send letters of support for SB 1 and AB 1 from the City Manager.

Discussion

As the first order of business in the new legislative session, Senator Jim Beall (San Jose) and Assembly Member Jim Frazier (Oakley) introduced similar transportation funding proposals. The bills introduced on Dec. 5 are SB 1 and AB 1 respectively and each generates approximately \$6 billion annually, with about \$2.25 billion going to local streets and roads.

In addition to providing revenue for local streets and roads, of which Cupertino would receive an estimated one-time funding of approximately \$325,000 and then ongoing funding of just over \$2 million annually, the bills also include the following provisions:

- Establishes local reporting requirements.
- Requires cities and counties to maintain existing general fund levels for transportation funding.
- Makes permanent the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) delegation authority.
- Promotes employment and training opportunities through pre-apprenticeship.
- Incorporates “complete streets” design concept into the Highway Design Manual.
- Restores independence to the California Transportation Commission.
- Creates the Office of Transportation Inspector General as an independent entity and office within state government
- Permanently extends and expands the limited CEQA exemption for transportation repair, maintenance, and minor alteration projects to existing roadways.

- Creates an Advanced Mitigation program for transportation projects.

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Approved for Submission by: David Brandt, City Manager

Attachments:

A – AB 1 Letter of Support to Assembly Member Frazier

B – SB 1 Letter of Support to Senator Beall

C – Estimated Local Streets and Roads Funding with SB 1 and AB 1

D – AB 1

E – SB 1