

RESOLUTION NO. 17-4926

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD IN SUPPORT OF SB
1 (BEALL) - TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DOES
HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, California had been once known for its impressive transportation infrastructure and was the envy of many states; our highways and bridges that were once the gold standard in transportation projects across the United States have been seriously neglected due to budgetary constraints; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that California currently has a \$72 billion backlog in maintenance of the state's highway system that is growing roughly by \$4 billion per year. Over the next 10 years, the state faces a \$59 billion shortfall to adequately maintain the existing state highway system in order to keep it in a basic state of good repair; and

WHEREAS, Cities and counties estimate that they have an equally-staggering \$78 billion in deferred maintenance. The funding need will grow by an additional \$20 billion in just ten years for local streets and roads alone; and

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2016 Senator Jim Beall (D-San Jose) introduced SB 1 as a means to create new revenue streams to finance much needed repairs and maintenance of state highways and bridges, and local streets and roads; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 will create the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program (RMRP) to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local streets and road system; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 would increase by 12 cents the gas tax over 3 years, would increase by \$38 the vehicle registration fee; would impose a \$100 vehicle registration fee on zero emission vehicles, and would increase by 20 cents the diesel excise tax; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 would set aside \$200,000,000, annually, of the funds available for the program to fund road maintenance and rehabilitation purposes in counties like Los Angeles County that have sought and received voter approval of taxes dedicated solely to transportation improvements; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 would require \$80,000,000 of the funds available for the program to be annually transferred to the State Highway Account for expenditure on the Active Transportation Program; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 would require the remaining funds available for the program to be allocated 50% for maintenance of the state highway system or to the state highway operation and protection program and 50% to cities and counties based on a specified formula; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 would authorize a city or county to spend its apportionment of funds under the program on transportation priorities other than those allowable pursuant to the program if the city's or county's average Pavement Condition Index (PCI) meets or exceeds 80. (The PCI ranking runs from 0 to 100, with 100 indicating the condition of pavement is at outstanding condition. Pavement that is rated 80 is considered to be in very good condition); and

WHEREAS, based on a December 2016 analysis by California City Finance, if SB 1 were to become law, the City of West Hollywood could receive a one-time allocation of \$195,408 and an additional annual allocation of \$1,232,405 to support local street improvements; and

WHEREAS, in January 2017, the City Council of West Hollywood adopted revised legislative priorities for the 2017-2018 legislative session, and infrastructure is one of the priorities with particular emphasis on supporting legislative efforts like the ones articulated by SB 1; thus, support of SB 1 is consistent with the legislative priorities and previously adopted policies by the West Hollywood City Council; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD DOES SUPPORT SB 1 (BEALL) – TRANSPORTATION FUNDING.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 20th day of March, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmember:	D'Amico, Duran, Horvath, Mayor Pro Tempore Heilman, and Mayor Meister.
NOES:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSENT:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember:	None.



LAUREN MEISTER, MAYOR

ATTEST:



YVONNE QUARKER, CITY CLERK

