



CITY OF CONCORD

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Earle M. Chesley, P.E., General Services Director

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SUBJECT: Adding SB 38 and Excavation Permit Fee funds to the CIP # 78 FY 2018 Paving Program.

Recommendation

Accept this report and resolution appropriating funds from SB 38 and the Excavation Permit lawsuit and add streets to the approved FY 2018 CIP # 78 Paving Program to be paved this summer.

Background

In the summer of 2017, the State passed SB 38 which was a one time increase to the City's Highway Block Grant by \$749,030 to be used for road infrastructure projects.

In addition, the City had been involved in a lawsuit with Liberty Utilities, since June of 2010, over the City's Excavation Permit street and infrastructure damage fees contesting whether they were legal or not. After several appeals on June 16, 2017, the Supreme Court ruled in favor of the City stating the fees were legal. The fees have been collected since the beginning of the lawsuit and put into a reserve account and the total sum of those fees is \$852,592.

Discussion

One of the 2016-2017 City Council Priorities is the On-Going Initiative #5, Continue Expanded Neighborhood Street Improvement Program. With this in mind, the General Services Department has submitted a plan to the City Manager that would use these funds to enhance the approved FY 2018 CIP #78 Annual Highway Improvement Program this summer.

The Department puts CIP #78 Annual Highway Improvement Program together each year and chooses streets that should be repaved using a number of factors in that decision process.

- Coordination with underground utilities such as drainage, gas, sewer and water repairs or replacements.
- What is the use and traffic on the road.
- Pavement Condition Index (PCI) which is snapshot in time of the condition of the road. Attached is a list of all streets and their 2017 PCI. This survey is done every two years to keep the changing conditions as current as possible.
- How many ongoing repairs such as pothole patching, shoulder gravel replacement, pavement repairs.
- How much deterioration occurred over a winter season.

The attached list was developed using these criteria as well as looking at getting into neighborhoods and also coordinating work with the gas and water main replacement projects that were planned this summer. By coordinating the utility work first and then coming behind them with the road work residents disruption will be reduced from two years to just one year. Not all streets listed have utility work being done.