

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor James Venable

SUBMITTAL DATE: December 23, 2003

SUBJECT: Funding for Project Development Work on the State Route 79 Improvement Project – Domenigoni Parkway to Thompson Road

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors join me to approve the following actions:

- 1) Authorize the use of Third District Public Facilities Developer Agreement Fund No. 30558 in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the construction of the State Route 79 Improvement Project;
- 2) Request that RCTC provide \$1,000,000 in matching funds for this work;
- 3) Request that the County Transportation Department be designated as the lead agency for this work;
- 4) Direct the Executive Office to transfer \$1,000,000 from Third District Public Facilities Developer Agreement Fund No. 30558-1103500000-548200 to the Transportation Department's Special Revenue Fund for Capital Projects No. 20000-3130500000; and
- 5) Authorize the Auditor-Controller to adjust the Transportation Department's FY 2003/2004 Budget to include the budget adjustments set out on Attachment "A".

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James Venable, Supervisor, 3rd District

FINANCIAL DATA

Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 1,000,000	In Current Year Budget:	No
Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	Yes
Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	03/04

SOURCE OF FUNDS: 3rd District Developer Agreement Public Facilities Fund (Fund No. 30558)

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requires 4/5 Vote	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

County Executive Office Signature

Dept't Recomm.: Policy
Per Exec. Ofc.: Policy
 Consent
 Consent

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: 3rd

Agenda Number:

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BACKGROUND: The County has taken the lead on delivering several transportation projects on State Route 79 (SR 79) this past year. These include constructing signals and intersection widening at the SR 79 intersections with Hunter Road, Auld Road, and Thompson Road. Signals and intersection widening are also currently under construction at Willows Road (in cooperation with the City of Temecula) and at Benton Road. Together these projects represent approximately \$3,400,000 in County-funded projects on SR 79 that are nearly completed.

The Transportation Department is currently working on a project to widen SR 79 to four lanes through the entire segment from Hunter Road in the south to Thompson Road in the north. This will widen the "gaps" between the already widened, signalized intersections, to provide a continuous four-lane section north to Thompson. This project, also funded by the County through the Southwest Area Road and Bridge Benefit District, is estimated to cost \$3,500,000.

Caltrans has been working on a project to widen SR 79 to four-lanes between Newport Road (Domenigoni Parkway) and Keller Road. This was one of the original Measure A projects identified by the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC). The Measure A funding was replaced with approximately \$21,000,000 in Federal STIP funds. Although this project is still on the books for STIP funding, there are no immediate funds available to allow Caltrans to keep working on the project due to the State budget crisis and suspension of STIP funds.

Because of the importance of this project, I am recommending that we contribute \$1,000,000 for the project development work out of Third District Developer Agreement Funds, and request that RCTC match it with an additional \$1,000,000 of regional TUMF funds. This would keep the project moving forward through the preliminary design and environmental phases until the funding becomes available for final design and construction, either through the STIP, the TUMF program, or a project level CFD. We will be extending the project limit from Keller Road south to Thompson Road in order to achieve a continuous four-lane section from Domenigoni Parkway south to Hunter Road.

We are also requesting that RCTC and the California Transportation Commission designate the County Transportation Department as the lead agency to move the project along with this funding.

Attachment A

Increase Appropriations

20000-3130500000-527980	Contracts	\$1,000,000
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Increase Estimated Revenues

20000-3130500000-778190	Interfund Development Fees	\$1,000,000
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