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

ITEM: 3.13
(ID # 30889)
MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, July 14, 2026

FROM : COUNTY COUNSEL

SUBJECT: COUNTY COUNSEL: Adopt Resolution No. 2026-150 ordering a special election and consolidating it with the November 3, 2026 statewide General Election for the purpose of enabling the voters of Riverside County to approve or reject Ordinance No. 26-001 adopted by the Riverside County Transportation Commission ("RCTC"), which renew and extend the term of a Transaction and Use Tax (Sales Tax) (VOTE ON SEPARATELY).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve Resolution No. 2026-150 ("Resolution") ordering a special election and consolidating it with the November 3, 2026, statewide General Election at the request of the Riverside County Transportation Commission ("RCTC") for the purpose of enabling the voters of Riverside County to approve or reject RCTC's Ordinance No. 26-001, which renews the existing Transportation Measure by extending the term of a Transaction and Use Tax (Sales Tax);
2. Forward this Resolution to the Registrar of Voters;
3. Find that the approval of this Resolution ordering a sales tax election at the request of RCTC, a local transportation authority, is a ministerial action exempt from CEQA (Public Resource Code 21080(b)(1), 14 CCR 15268) and;
4. Direct the Clerk of the Board to file the Notice of Exemption for recording with the Office of the Recorder and with the State Clearinghouse.

ACTION:Policy

Minh C. Tran

Minh C. Tran, County Counsel 7/9/2026

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Medina, seconded by Supervisor Gutierrez and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:	Medina, Spiegel, and Gutierrez
Nays:	None
Absent:	Washington and Perez
Date:	July 14, 2026
xc:	CO.CO., Recorder, State Clearinghouse

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: ____________
Deputy

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0	$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: 26/27	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

Measure A was originally approved by Riverside County voters in November 1998 to impose a retail transaction and use tax (Sales Tax) of one-half percent (1/2%) for a period of twenty years to fund certain transportation improvements and programs serving Riverside County. In November 2002, the voters of Riverside County approved an extension of the tax for an additional thirty years and provided for an expenditure plan therefrom.

On June 10, 2026, RCTC adopted its Ordinances No. 26-001 (the "Ordinance" attached as Attachment A) extending the term of the existing Measure A beyond its current 2039 sunset while maintaining a rate of one-half percent (1/2%) on the sale and/or use of all tangible personal property sold at retail in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Riverside County until it is repealed by a vote Riverside County electors, in order to fund countywide transportation constructions, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of streets, highways and transit improvements. The Ordinance also included an Expenditure Plan directing the spending of revenues generated from said tax measure.

On June 10, 2026, RCTC also approved Resolution No. 26-011 (attached as Attachment A) requesting Riverside County Board of Supervisors to consolidate this sales tax measure ("Measure") with the upcoming statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the voters this Measure.

By adopting the attached County Resolution (Attachment B), the Board of Supervisors is calling for the special election and consolidate that special election with the November 3, 2026, General Election as requested by RCTC to enable the voters to approve or reject RCTC Ordinance No.2026-001. Calling this special election is mandatory under CA Public Utilities Code Sections 240303 and 240308.

As determined in the attached Notice of Exemption (Attachment C), the resolutions are activities that are ministerial and exempt from CEQA pursuant to section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

ATTACHMENTS:

ATTACHMENT A. RCTC Resolution No. 26-011 and RCTC Ordinance No. 26-001
ATTACHMENT B. County Resolution No. 2026-150
ATTACHMENT C. Notice of Exemption (CEQA)

Board of Supervisors County of Riverside

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-150

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE FIXING THE ELECTION DATE AND BALLOT STATEMENT FOR RIVERSIDE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION ORDINANCE NO. 26-001 AND CONSOLIDATING SAID ELECTION WITH THE STATEWIDE ELECTION

WHEREAS, on November 9, 1988, the voters of Riverside County approved "Measure A" authorizing the Riverside County Transportation Commission ("RCTC") to impose a retail transaction and use tax of one-half percent for a period of twenty (20) years to fund certain transportation improvements and programs serving Riverside County; and

WHEREAS, on November 5, 2002, the voters of Riverside County approved to extend "Measure A" for an additional thirty (30) years and proved an expenditure plan therefrom; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2026, the RCTC approved and adopted Ordinance No. 26-001 which, if approved by the voters of Riverside County, will extend "Measure A" beyond its current 2039 sunset while maintain a rate of one-half percent until it is repealed by a vote of Riverside County electors.

WHEREAS, RCTC has requested the Riverside County Board of Supervisors place RCTC Ordinance No. 26-001 on the November 3, 2026 ballot;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, in regular session assembled on July 14, 2026, that pursuant to California Public Utilities Code §240303 and 240308, RCTC Ordinance No. 26-001, imposing a removal of the 2039 sunset date and maintaining a rate of one-half percent for the retail transaction and use tax shall be submitted to the voters of the County of Riverside at the statewide election to be held on November 3, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the ballot statement to be submitted to voters of the County of Riverside for the proposed Ordinance No. 26-001 shall be as follows:

"Riverside County Traffic Relief, Pothole/Road Repair Investment Renewal

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY: Steph Nu 7/8/26
STEPHANIE K. NELSON DATE

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Without raising tax rates, shall the measure to reduce congestion; repair potholes; complete freeway projects; keep roads in good condition; help improve safety; support local jobs; reinforce aging bridges, highways/roads from flooding/earthquakes; keep senior/student/disabled/veteran bus fares low be adopted, continuing the exiting ½¢ voter-approved transportation sales tax providing approximately $280,000,000 annually until ended by voters, requiring audits, spending disclosure, local control?"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that this election shall be consolidated with the statewide general election to be held on November 3, 2026, as provided in Elections Code §10400 et seq.

ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED this 14th day of July 2026, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside.

Karen S. Spiegel

Chair of the Board of Supervisors

KAREN SPIEGEL

ATTEST:

Kimberly A. Rector

Clerk to the Board of Supervisors

By: ______________________

Deputy

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-150

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE FIXING THE ELECTION DATE AND BALLOT STATEMENT FOR RIVERSIDE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION ORDINANCE NO. 26-001 AND CONSOLIDATING SAID ELECTION WITH THE STATEWIDE ELECTION

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:	Medina, Spiegel, and Gutierrez
Nays:	None
Absent:	Washington and Perez
Abstain:	None

The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

KIMBERLY A. RECTOR, Clerk of said Board

By: ____________________

Deputy

Peter Aldana
Riverside County
Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder
2724 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507
(951) 486-7000
www.rivcoacr.org

Receipt: 26-213809

Product	Name	Extended
FISH	CLERK FISH AND GAME FILINGS	$50.00
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	Document #	E-202600592
	Filing Type	7
	State Fee Prev Charged	false
	No Charge Clerk Fee	false
F&G Notice of Exemption Fee		$50.00
Total		$50.00

Tender (On Account) $50.00

Account#	COCSL
Account Name	COCSL - COUNTY COUNSEL
Balance	$226.00

7/15/26, 9:12 AM PST
Gateway Clerk

State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife

2026 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/26) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:
26-213809

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER *(If applicable)*

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
RIVERSIDE COUNTY	MITRAN@RIVCO.ORG	07/15/2026

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER
RIVERSIDE	E-202600592

PROJECT TITLE

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-150

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL		PHONE NUMBER
RIVERSIDE COUNTY	MITRAN@RIVCO.ORG		(951) 955-6300
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	**CITY**	**STATE**	**ZIP CODE**
4080 LEMON STREET,	RIVERSIDE	CA	92501

PROJECT APPLICANT *(Check appropriate box)*

☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	$4,227.50	$	
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	$3,043.75	$	
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	$1,437.25	$	

☒ Exempt from fee
- ☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)
- ☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	$850.00	$	
☒ County documentary handling fee		$	$50.00
☐ Other		$	

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☐ Check ☒ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED $ $50.00

SIGNATURE	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
X C. Sandoval	Deputy Cassandra Sandoval

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Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder
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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: ☒	Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation State Clearinghouse P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	FROM: (Public Agency)	Name: Riverside County Address: 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, CA 92501 Telephone: (951) 955-1000
☒	Riverside County Clerk Address: 2720 Gateway Drive Riverside, CA 92502-0751		

Project Title:	Resolution No. 2026-150
Project Applicant:	Riverside County
Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	Riverside County, California
Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	Pursuant to Resolution No. 2026-150, the County of Riverside ("County") intends to submit Riverside County Transportation Commission ("Commission") Ordinance No. 26-001 ("Ordinance") to their voters at the County's November 3, 2026 Statewide General Election. The underlying Ordinance authorizes the Commission to continue to levy a countywide sales tax within Riverside County. Beneficiaries of the Ordinance include residents of Riverside County and users of transportation infrastructure in Riverside County.
Name of Public Agency approving project:	Riverside County
Name of Person or Agency undertaking the project, including any person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the activity or the person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the activity:	Riverside County
Exempt status: (check one)	
☒ Ministerial project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines § 15268)
☐ Not a project.	(State CEQA Guidelines §§ 15050(c)(2)-(3), 15378)
☐ Declared Emergency	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project.	(Pub. Resources Code § 21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(b),(c))

☐ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:	
☐ Statutory Exemption. State Code section number:	
☐ Other. Explanation:	(State CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3) Common Sense exemption)
Reason why activity was exempt:	The activity is ministerial and therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code §21080(b)(1). The County does not exercise discretion over the contents of the Ordinance, which was adopted by the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), a separate legal entity, nor is the County the lead agency for purposes of studying the Ordinance's environmental effects. Because the County lacks the authority to condition the Ordinance to mitigate environmental impacts, preparation of environmental review would serve no meaningful purpose. (*Leach v. City of San Diego* (1990) 220 Cal. App.3d. 389) The County is simply responsible for placing this Ordinance on its ballot. For these reasons, the activity is ministerial. Additionally, the common sense exemption (State CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3) applies because there is no possibility that the County's procedural action of submitting the Ordinance to voters will have a physical environmental impact.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Telephone:	Minh C. Tran 951-955-6300

Date: 7/14/26

Signature

Name: Minh C. Tran

Title: County Counsel

Date Received for Filing:

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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Attachments (Upload Project Documents)

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Regions

Southern California

Counties

Riverside

Cities

Riverside County, California

Location Details

Other Location Info

Riverside County, California

Notice of Exemption

Exempt Status

Ministerial

Type, Section Number or Code Number

Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268

Reasons why project is exempt

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County Clerk(s)

Riverside

Signature

Title

Date

Outlook

SCH Number 2026070539

From Mai Lu Thao <mailu.thao@lci.ca.gov>
Date Wed 7/15/2026 11:41 AM
To Mayo, Whitney <WMayo@Rivco.org>
Cc Thomas Hubbard <THOMAS.HUBBARD@lci.ca.gov>; Meng Heu <Meng.Heu@lci.ca.gov>; Christine Asiata <Christine.Asiata@lci.ca.gov>

Hi Whitney,

Thank you for using CEQA Submit. Your notice has been posted.

To view your submission, use the following link.
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Please contact the SCH with any questions at state.clearinghouse@lci.ca.gov.

Thank you.

Mai Lu Thao | *(She/Her)*
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Governor's Office of Land Use & Climate Innovation
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**Note: No reply, response, or information provided constitutes legal advice.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-011

A RESOLUTION OF THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS AT A REGULAR ELECTION TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH THE NOVEMBER 3, 2026 STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION A MEASURE EXTENDING THE TERM OF A TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX (SALES TAX) AT THE EXISTING RATE OF ONE-HALF PERCENT (1/2%), TO FUND TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS, PROGRAMS AND SERVICES; AND SETTING RULES AND DEADLINES FOR BALLOT ARGUMENTS REGARDING SAID MEASURE

WHEREAS, the Riverside County Transportation Commission ("Commission") is authorized to levy a retail transactions and use tax/sales tax in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Riverside County for transportation improvements and projects pursuant to California Public Utilities Code §§240300 et. seq. and Revenue and Taxation Code §§7251 et. seq. (the "RCTC Sales Tax Statutes") subject to adoption of an ordinance/measure by two-thirds (2/3) of the Commission and subsequent approval of the ordinance/measure by two-thirds (2/3) of Riverside County electors voting on it at a regular or special election called for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, California Public Utilities Code §240103 states that "[T]he commission may approve a transaction and use tax ordinance and ballot proposition and call an election in accordance with Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 240300)"; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2026, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, the Commission adopted Ordinance No. 26-001 (the "Ordinance" or "Measure" herein), extending the term of the existing Measure "A" one-half percent (1/2%) transactions and use tax (sales tax) beyond its 2039 sunset while maintaining a rate of one-half percent (1/2%) on the sale and/or use of all tangible personal property sold at retail in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Riverside County until it is repealed by a vote Riverside County electors, in order to fund Countywide transportation construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of streets, highways and transit improvements; subject to subsequent approval of the Measure by 2/3 of the electors voting on it at a regular election called for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance/Measure adopted by the Commission is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and by this reference made an operative part hereof, in accordance with all applicable laws; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Utilities Code §§240300 et. seq., the Commission wishes to submit to the voters at a regular election to be consolidated with the November 3, 2026 Statewide General Election, the Measure, which will become effective if approved by the electors voting on it.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION:

SECTION 1. **Incorporation of** Recitals. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated and made an operative part of this Resolution.

SECTION 2. **Submission of Measure to Voters.** Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code §§240300 et. seq. and Revenue and Taxation Code §§7251 et. seq., and any other applicable requirements of the laws of the State of California relating to the Commission, the Commission, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, hereby orders the Measure to be submitted to the voters of Riverside County at a Regular Election to be held on **Tuesday, November 3, 2026.** The Commission hereby orders that, in addition to any other matters required by law, the ballot question for the Measure shall be presented and printed upon the ballot submitted to the qualified voters in the manner and form set forth below:

Riverside County Traffic Relief, Pothole/Road Repair Investment Renewal Without raising tax rates, shall the measure to reduce congestion; repair potholes; complete freeway projects; keep roads in good condition; help improve safety; support local jobs; reinforce aging bridges, highways/roads from flooding/earthquakes; keep senior/student/disabled/veteran bus fares low be adopted, continuing the existing ½¢ voter-approved transportation sales tax providing approximately $280,000,000 annually until ended by voters, requiring audits, spending disclosure, local control?	**YES** **NO**

SECTION 3. **Election Procedures/Consolidation with Statewide General Election.**

A. Request for Consolidation. Pursuant to the requirements of Elections Code §10403, the Board of Supervisors of Riverside County is hereby requested to consent and agree to the consolidation of this Measure with the Statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the voters this Measure.

B. Request – Measure for Bonding Authorization. Pursuant to Public Utilities Code §240308(a), the Board of Supervisors of Riverside County is also hereby requested by the Commission to consent to the placement of this Measure on the ballot to be consolidated with the Statewide General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the purpose of seeking authorization to issue bonds for capital outlay expenditures, as provided in the Expenditure Plan and as otherwise set forth in this Measure.

C. Necessary Steps. The Board of Supervisors is requested to issue instructions to the County Registrar of Voters/Election Department to take any and all steps necessary for the holding of the consolidated election.

D. The Riverside County Registrar of Voters/Election Department is authorized to canvass the returns and perform all other proceedings incidental to and connected with the Commission's Regular Election. The Election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election, and only one form of ballot shall be used. Pursuant to California Elections Code §§10403 and 10418, the election will be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the Statewide General Election.

E. Costs. The Commission determines and declares that the Commission will pay to the County the reasonable and actual expenses incurred by the County by the consolidation of the Commission Regular Election with the Statewide General Election. The Commission shall reimburse the County for services performed when the work is completed and upon presentation to the Commission of a properly approved bill.

F. The Commission's Clerk of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to cooperate with the Riverside County Registrar of Voters/Elections Official and to follow the procedures and meet all deadlines established by Riverside County.

G. Pursuant to Public Utilities Code §§240301 and 240306, a transactions and use tax (sales tax) measure requires approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the electors voting on the measure at an election called for that purpose by the Commission.

H. Except as otherwise specified herein, the ballots to be used at the election shall be in the form and content as required by law and the election shall be conducted as required by law.

SECTION 4. Impartial Analysis of Measure/Printing of Measure and Expenditure Plan in Voter Information Guide.

A. Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code §240303(b) and California Elections Code §9160, the Riverside County Registrar of Voters/Election Department shall transmit a copy of the Measure to the County Counsel. The County Counsel shall prepare an impartial analysis of the Measure, not to exceed 500 words in length, showing the effect of the Measure on the existing law and the operation of the Measure. The impartial analysis shall include a statement indicating whether the Measure was placed on the ballot by a petition signed by the requisite number of voters, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors or by the Riverside County Transportation Commission.

B. Additionally, the County Counsel may prepare a summary of the impartial analysis in a format that answers the questions "What does a yes vote mean?" and "What does a no vote mean?" for the Measure, with the summary for each question limited to 75 words or less. If the County Counsel prepares a summary pursuant to this subsection, it may be included in the County voter information guide.

C. Pursuant to Public Utilities Code §240308(d), the entire text of the Measure as set forth in Ordinance No. 26-001 and the entire text of the Expenditure Plan attached thereto as Exhibit "A" shall be printed and included in the County voter information guide, pursuant to Elections Code §13303. The text of Ordinance No. 26-002, which outlines the technical provisions for the collection and administration of the transactions and use tax (sales tax) authorized by the Measure, shall not be printed and included in the County voter information guide, pursuant to Elections Code §13303.

SECTION 5. Arguments and Rebuttals in Favor and Against Measure.

A. Written arguments for or against the Measure may be filed in accordance with Article 3, Chapter 2, Division 9 of the California Elections Code and authors may change the argument until and including August 17, 2026 after which no arguments for or against the Measure may be submitted. Arguments in favor of or against the Measure shall each not exceed 300 words in length. Each argument shall be filed with the County Elections Official, signed, and include the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who is the author of the argument.

B. The County Elections Official shall cause an argument for and an argument against the Measure, and the impartial analysis of the Measure, to be printed, and shall enclose a copy of both arguments preceded by the impartial analysis with each County voter information guide. The County Elections Official shall comply with California Elections Code §9166 and any other applicable provisions of law establishing priority of arguments for printing and distribution to the voters, and shall take all necessary actions to cause the selected arguments to be printed and distributed to the voters.

C. Pursuant to Elections Code §9167, when the County Elections Official has selected the arguments for and against the Measure which will be printed and distributed to the voters, the Elections Official shall send copies of the argument in favor of the Measure to the authors of the argument against, and copies of the argument against to the authors of the argument in favor. The authors or persons designated by them may prepare and submit rebuttal arguments not exceeding 250 words. The rebuttal arguments shall be filed with the Elections Official not later than August 27, 2026. Rebuttal arguments shall be printed in the same manner as the direct arguments. Each rebuttal argument shall immediately follow the direct argument which it seeks to rebut.

SECTION 6. Filing of Resolution and Measure with County. The Commission Clerk of the Board shall, not later than the 88th day prior to the Regular Election/Statewide General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, file with the Riverside County Board of Supervisors and Riverside County Registrar of Voters/Elections Official a certified copy of this Resolution and the Measure, including the Expenditure Plan.

SECTION 7. Public Examination. Pursuant to California Elections Code §9190, the Measure and this Resolution will be available for public examination for no fewer than ten (10) calendar days prior to being submitted for printing in the voter information guide.

SECTION 8. CEQA Compliance. The Commission hereby finds and determines that the Measure relates to organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, and therefore is not a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and the State CEQA Guidelines, section 15378(b)(5).

SECTION 9. Severability. The provisions of this Resolution are severable and if any provision of this Resolution is held invalid, that provision shall be severed from the Resolution and the remainder of this Resolution shall continue in full force and effect, and not be affected by such invalidity.

SECTION 10. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

SECTION 11. Certification. The Commission Clerk of the Board shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution and shall record it in the official records of the Commission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Riverside County Transportation Commission this 10th day of June, 2026.

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Raymond Gregory, Chair
Riverside County Transportation Commission

ATTEST:

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Lisa Mobley, Clerk of the Board
Riverside County Transportation Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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General Counsel

Exhibit “A”
Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance/Measure with Expenditure Plan

[attached behind this page]

ORDINANCE NO. 26-001

AN ORDINANCE OF THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, RENEWING THE EXISTING TRANSPORTATION MEASURE BY EXTENDING THE TERM OF A TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX (SALES TAX) AT THE RATE OF ONE-HALF PERCENT (1/2%), TO FUND TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS; ADOPTING AN EXPENDITURE PLAN DIRECTING THE SPENDING OF REVENUES GENERATED FROM SAID TAX MEASURE; AND FINDING THAT THE ORDINANCE IS NOT SUBJECT TO AND IS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

Preamble

A safe, efficient, and reliable transportation system that supports all forms of transportation is essential to the economic vitality, mobility, and quality of life of Riverside County residents. Investments in faster-flowing highways, passenger rail and bus service, rehabilitation of local streets and sidewalks, protection of infrastructure from natural disasters, and congestion relief are critical to ensuring access to jobs, education, services, and recreation throughout Riverside County.

Since its approval by voters in 1988, Measure A has served as Riverside County's primary locally controlled transportation funding source, enabling billions of dollars in transportation improvements, including highway and freeway projects, local streets and roads projects, and public transportation services. This sustained local investment has helped keep residents moving and supported the county's growing economy.

Riverside County is expected to grow to approximately 3 million residents over the next 25 years. Continued population and economic growth will place increasing demands on the transportation system, contributing to congestion, longer travel times, and greater strain on existing infrastructure. At the same time, available state and federal funding is not sufficient to fully meet the transportation needs of Riverside County residents. Without continued local investment, critical projects may be delayed, reduced, or eliminated, and Riverside County risks losing a stable and dependable funding source.

The current Measure A will expire in 2039, which would result in the loss of the County's primary source of locally controlled transportation funding. Renewing the Measure, without increasing the existing half-cent sales tax rate, will provide continuity and certainty in funding, preserve local control over transportation investments, and enable residents, visitors, and businesses throughout Riverside County to benefit from needed transportation improvements and maintenance of existing infrastructure and services.

Adopting and extending this local sales tax measure will ensure Riverside County's transportation future remains in the hands of its residents and locally accountable officials. Funds generated by the measure shall be used solely for transportation infrastructure and services that benefit

Riverside County residents and the Riverside County transportation system. Funds shall be allocated among the following three (3) funding categories: (1) Highways and Regional Corridors; (2) Local Streets and Roads; and (3) Public Transportation within Riverside County; and will be leveraged to maximize state and federal investments which frequently require the commitment of local matching funds.

Recitals

1. The Riverside County Transportation Commission ("Commission") is authorized to levy a retail transactions and use tax/sales tax in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Riverside County for transportation improvements and projects pursuant to California Public Utilities Code §§240300 et. seq. and Revenue and Taxation Code §§7251 et. seq. (the "RCTC Sales Tax Statutes") subject to adoption of an ordinance/measure by two-thirds (2/3) of the Commission and subsequent approval of the ordinance/measure by approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the Riverside County electors voting on the measure at a regular election or a special election called for that purpose; and

2. By adopting this Ordinance, the Commission has evaluated alternative funding sources for the transportation improvements and projects and determined that existing local, state, and federal funding sources are inadequate and cannot be counted on to deliver transportation improvements that keep up with Riverside County's population and economic growth. In 2016, the Commission conducted the Strategic Assessment to identify funding needs and gaps for Riverside County's transportation infrastructure. Of the $23 billion in capital funding need identified at the time, the Strategic Assessment determined that only $6.1 billion in existing sources — 26 percent of the capital funding need — is expected to be available by 2040. In 2026, the Commission estimates transportation investment needs for Riverside County exceeds $30 billion. The funding gap is anticipated to widen given the uncertainty around competitive federal funds availability, as well as declining state funding. Existing local funding is limited, by law, and cannot be used for projects not authorized for funding from the Existing Measure; and

3. This Ordinance provides for the adoption and implementation of the Expenditure Plan and renews the existing countywide half-cent transactions and use tax without increasing the tax rate. The Expenditure Plan is designed to maintain and enhance Riverside County's transportation system by funding investments in highways, interchanges, and regional corridors; local streets and roads; and public transportation, including capital improvements, maintenance, and operations, as well as related environmental mitigation; and

4. By its adoption of this Ordinance and subject to voter approval, the Commission intends to extend the term of the current one-half percent (1/2%) transactions and use (sales) tax enacted by Riverside County voters under 2002 RCTC Measure A, beyond its March 31, 2039 sunset, on the sale and/or use of all tangible personal property sold at retail in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Riverside County, in order to fund countywide transportation improvements described in the Expenditure Plan, for a term that will expire following repeal of the Ordinance by Riverside County voters as further provided in the Ordinance. This Ordinance must be submitted as a ballot measure (herein referred to as the "Measure") for approval by the Riverside County voters voting on it at a regular or special election called for that purpose; and

5. California Public Utilities Code §240302(c) requires that a sales tax ordinance "shall contain an expenditure plan which shall include the allocation of revenues for the purposes authorized by this section. . ." among other provisions required by law. The Expenditure Plan meets the requirements for an expenditure plan under California Public Utilities Code §240302(c); and

6. By separate resolution, the Commission intends to submit the Ordinance/Measure to the voters at the November 3, 2026, Statewide General Election.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND THE PEOPLE OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Incorporation of Recitals. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated and made an operative part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. Commission Adoption of a Transportation Retail Transactions and Use (Sales) Tax and Expenditure Plan. By a two-thirds (2/3) vote, the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) hereby adopts this Ordinance:

I. PURPOSE. Subject to voter approval, this Ordinance provides that the Commission shall continue imposing a retail transactions and use (sales) tax at the rate of one-half percent (1/2%) pursuant to the RCTC Sales Tax Statutes until this Ordinance is repealed by voters as provided herein in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Riverside County for transportation improvements and programs Pursuant to the RCTC Sales Tax Statutes, this Ordinance adopts an Expenditure Plan allocating such tax revenues to transportation improvements, programs and services throughout Riverside County.

II. DEFINITIONS. The following definitions shall apply in this Ordinance:

A. "Approval Threshold" means two-thirds (2/3rds) voter approval required by the RCTC Sales Tax Statutes.

B. "Bonds" means bonds or other evidence of indebtedness.

C. "CDTFA" means the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration serving as the successor to the California State Board of Equalization.

D. "CEQA" means the California Environmental Quality Act as set forth in §§ 21000-21189.3 of the Public Resources Code.

E. "CVAG" means the Coachella Valley Association of Governments or successor agency.

F. "CVCC" means the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission or successor agency.

G. "Commission" means the Riverside County Transportation Commission as set forth in §§130050, 130053, 130053.5, 130053.7, and 240000 et seq. of the California Public Utilities Code.

H. "Committee" means the Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee established herein.

I. "County" means the County of Riverside.

J. "Existing Measure" means the current one-half percent (1/2%) retail transactions and use / sales tax levied by the Commission pursuant to Ordinance No. 02-001, which was approved by the Commission and local voters as Measure "A" at the November 2002 General Election.

K. "Expenditure Plan" means the "Riverside County Transportation Improvement Plan ("RCTIP" or "Plan")" (attached as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference) outlining transportation improvements, programs, and services for which tax revenues may be expended, which is hereby expressly adopted as part of this Ordinance pursuant to California Public Utilities Code §240302, including any future amendments thereto which are authorized by law.

L. "Local Jurisdiction" means a city in the County or the County.

M. "Ordinance" or "Measure" or means this Ordinance or the ballot measure presented to voters seeking authorization to extend the levy of the tax and the approval of the Expenditure Plan.

N. "MSHCP" means the Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan administered by the RCA in the Western Riverside County and/or the CVCC in the Coachella Valley.

O. "RCA" means the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority or successor agency.

P. "RCTC Sales Tax Statutes" means California Public Utilities Code §§240300 et. seq. and Revenue and Taxation Code §§7251 et. seq.

Q. "TUMF" means Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee. This fee is charged on new development by local governments to assist with the building and improvement of regional arterials. TUMF programs are administered by WRCOG in Western Riverside County and CVAG in the Coachella Valley.

R. "WRCOG" means the Western Riverside Council of Governments or successor agency.

III. EXTENSION OF LEVY OF ONE-HALF PERCENT (1/2%) RETAIL TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX (SALES TAX). Upon approval by the Approval Threshold of the local voters casting votes on the Measure, the Commission shall continue to impose, in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of the County of Riverside, a retail transactions and use tax (sales tax) at the rate of one-half percent (1/2%) beyond March 31, 2039, for a term that will expire following the repeal of this Ordinance by voters as provided herein. This tax shall be in addition to any other taxes authorized by law, including any existing or future state or local sales tax or transactions and use tax.

IV. RETURN TO SOURCE. Tax revenues generated by the Measure after March 31, 2039 shall continue to be allocated to the Western Riverside County, Coachella Valley, and Palo Verde Valley areas in proportion to the amount of revenues generated within each of these areas, after deduction of required CDTFA costs and other authorized administrative costs of tax collection and the allocable portion of debt service and other costs relating to the administration of any Bonds issued by the Commission to finance projects that benefit any of these areas.

V. TRANSPORTATION PURPOSES AND EXPENDITURE PLAN.

A. Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code §240302, revenues from this tax may be expended for the administration of Division 25 of the California Public Utilities Code, including legal actions related thereto, construction, capital acquisition, maintenance, and operation of streets, roads, highways, including state highways, and public transit systems. These purposes also include expenditures for planning, environmental reviews, engineering and design costs, and related right-of-way acquisition related to such actions. Permitted expenditures also include, but are not limited to, payment of debt service on Bonds and expenses in connection with the issuance of Bonds. The Commission shall allocate revenues from this tax in accordance with the Expenditure Plan adopted herein and in accordance with the RCTC Sales Tax Statutes and for any other purposes authorized by law. Following adoption of the Measure by the voters, the Expenditure Plan may only be amended, if required, as set forth in California Public Utilities Code §240302(d).

B. Commencing in 2037, and at least every ten (10) years thereafter, the Commission shall review, and where necessary propose revisions to, the Expenditure Plan. The Commission shall prepare a public report on the progress of the Expenditure Plan's implementation. Such proposed revisions shall be submitted for approval according to the procedures set forth in this Section V. Until approved, the then existing Expenditure Plan shall remain in full force and effect.

VI. ANNUAL AUDIT. The Commission shall conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the tax during the lifetime of the tax. The audit described above shall be performed in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. In addition, the Commission shall post the audit on the Commission's website or by other local means/methods that are easily accessible to the public as required by law.

VII. BONDING AUTHORITY. The Commission shall have the power, upon a separate Commission vote or action, to sell or issue, from time to time, on or before the collection of taxes, Bonds, or any other financial instrument, in the aggregate principal amount at any one time outstanding, together with interest accrued thereon, of not to exceed the estimated proceeds of the tax, as determined by the Expenditure Plan, and to secure such indebtedness by way of future collection of revenues generated by this tax, for capital outlay expenditures and for the purposes set forth in Section V above. The Commission shall allocate revenues fulfilling the annual debt service requirements prior to allocating funds for other projects.

VIII. MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.

A. The Commission, by enactment of this Ordinance, intends that the additional funds provided to local jurisdictions pursuant to the Measure shall supplement existing local revenues and required developer contributions used for transportation purposes. Local jurisdictions shall maintain their existing commitment of local funds for street, highway, and public transit purposes pursuant to this Ordinance, and the Commission shall enforce this Section VIII by appropriate actions including but not limited to financial audits of the local governments and adoption of implementing policies.

B. A local jurisdiction's share of Local Streets and Roads funds generated by the Measure shall not be awarded directly to the local jurisdiction unless the local jurisdiction at the time of award has met its annual maintenance of effort requirement.

IX. COMPLIANCE WITH TUMF AND MSHCP PROGRAMS.

A. The Commission shall not award local jurisdictions in Western Riverside County with Local Streets and Roads funds generated by the Measure unless the local jurisdiction is, at the time of award, certified by WRCOG, as being in compliance with the TUMF Program and including related policies and procedures, and impact fee requirements, and is also certified by the RCA as being in compliance with the MSHCP and related impact fee programs.

B. The Commission shall not award local jurisdictions in Coachella Valley with Local Streets and Roads funds generated by the Measure unless the local jurisdiction is, at the time of award, certified by CVAG, as being in compliance with the TUMF Program including related policies and procedures, and impact fee requirements, and is also certified by the CVCC as being in compliance with the CVMSHCP and related impact fee programs.

C. CVAG shall fund projects in cities and the County in the Coachella Valley so long as they continue to be compliant with TUMF, as certified by CVAG, and the CVMSHCP, as certified by the CVCC. Unless as specified in the Expenditure Plan, CVAG shall not enter into reimbursement agreements with CVAG member jurisdictions or other agencies if they are not found to be compliant in the annual CVAG and CVCC certifications.

D. The provisions of this Section IX shall not apply to local jurisdictions in the Palo Verde Valley.

X. INDEPENDENT TAXPAYERS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

A. There is hereby established an Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee ("Committee"). The Committee shall meet once each year. The Committee meeting shall be held pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act. The purpose of the Committee shall be to review the annual financial audit of the Commission:

1. Relying on reports from independent professionals engaged by the Commission to ensure the revenues from this Measure are expended only for the purposes described herein specific to local streets and roads usage; and
2. Acting in a cost-efficient manner by not adding a cost burden to the Commission's implementation of the Expenditure Plan and this Ordinance.

B. The Committee shall comprise of up to seven (7) members appointed by the Commission, all of whom shall be residents of Riverside County. At least one member shall reside in each supervisorial district and the Commission shall strive to appoint one (1) at-large individual from Coachella Valley or Palo Verde Valley and another from the Western Riverside County geographic subregion as defined in the Expenditure Plan.

C. Committee members shall serve without compensation, except for reimbursement of travel expenses in connection with meeting attendance. The term of Committee membership is two years and no more than two terms may be served. Committee members may not be Commission employees or relatives of Commission employees, consultants, grantees, funding recipients, or recipients of Commission retiree benefits. The Commission shall adopt conflict of interest rules applicable to Committee members.

D. The Committee shall:

1. Receive the annual financial audit, as specified in Section VI.
2. Receive an annual budget update outlining the Commission's revenue and expenditure forecast and funding priorities for projects in the Expenditure Plan.

E. The Commission may adopt additional rules governing the appointment and qualifications of Committee members as well as establishing the Committee's roles, duties, and procedures. In addition, the Committee will be Chaired by the Commission Chair as a non-voting member. The Committee shall be staffed by Commission staff.

XI. LIMITATION ON EXPENDITURE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND OTHER PURPOSES.

A. Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code §240301, the Commission shall only expend revenues generated from the Measure for staff support, audit, administrative expenses, and contract services that are necessary and reasonable to carry out its responsibilities pursuant to this Ordinance, and in no case shall any tax revenues expended for administrative salaries and benefits exceed one percent (1%) of the annual net amount of tax revenue generated by the Measure.

B. Any portion of the salaries and benefits allocation not expended in a fiscal year may be carried forward and expended in subsequent fiscal years, provided that: (i) no carried-forward amount shall remain available for expenditure more than five (5) fiscal years after the fiscal year in which the revenues were originally collected; and (ii) cumulative salaries and benefits expenditures shall not exceed one percent (1%) of total revenues collected pursuant to the Measure.

C. The proceeds of the tax shall only be used for the purposes specified in the Ordinance, and not for any other purpose. The proceeds of the tax shall not be expended for general employee salaries or other operating expenses of the Commission not tied to the purposes of this Ordinance.

D. The proceeds of the tax shall only be spent on projects and programs that serve the jurisdiction of the Commission.

XII. ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT. Pursuant to Article XIIIB §4 of the California Constitution and California Public Utilities Code §240308(b) & (c), the appropriations limit for the Commission will be increased by the maximum projected aggregate collection authorized by the levy of this tax, as indicated in Section III, in each of the years covered by the Measure plus the amount, if any, by which the appropriation limit is decreased by law as a result of the levy of the tax set forth in the Measure.

XIII. ADOPTION DATE OF MEASURE AND OPERATIVE DATE OF TAX. The Measure shall take effect at the close of the polls on the day of election at which this Measure is adopted by a vote of the electorate. Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code §240304(a), the sales tax authorized by the Measure shall be operative on the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than 120 days after adoption of the Measure on November 3, 2026, provided that, before April 1, 2039 the rate of such sales tax shall be zero percent (0%) and, on and after April 1, 2039, the rate of such sales tax shall be one-half percent (0.5%).

XIV. DURATION/TERM OF TAX. The tax enacted by the Measure shall continue to be levied for a term that expires following repeal of the Ordinance by the voters *provided that* in no case shall such repeal become effective prior to the date on which all Bonds issued by the Commission in accordance with this Ordinance, and any related obligations, have been paid in full and are no longer outstanding.

XV. TECHNICAL PROVISIONS FOR COLLECTION AND ADMINISTRATION OF TAX. By their adoption of this Ordinance, the Commission and the voters of Riverside County hereby expressly incorporate the technical provisions for the collection and administration of this tax by the CDTFA, which are required by State law and are specifically set forth in Ordinance No. 26-002, which was adopted by the Commission on June 10, 2026.

XVI. ADMINISTRATION OF PLANS. The Commission shall impose and collect Measure funds, shall allocate revenues derived, and shall administer the Expenditure Plan consistent with the authority cited therein.

XVII. CONFLICT BETWEEN ORDINANCE AND EXPENDITURE PLAN. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Ordinance and the terms of the Expenditure Plan, the terms of this Ordinance shall control.

XVIII. THE EXISTING MEASURE; SUPERSESSION OF EXISTING EXPENDITURE PLAN. If approved by voters, this Ordinance is intended to continue the levy of the one-half percent (1/2%) transactions and use tax originally approved under the Existing Measure after April 1, 2039, but the expenditures of tax revenues on and after the effectiveness of this Ordinance shall be governed by the attached Expenditure Plan which supersedes the expenditure plan relating to the Existing Measure. Any unexpended or unencumbered funds, as well as funds associated with existing projects or programs under the prior expenditure plan, shall be carried forward and allocated to the appropriate categories set forth in the Expenditure Plan adopted by this Ordinance, consistent with applicable law. Proceeds of the sales tax collected on and after the effective date of the Measure shall be available to be applied to pay debt service on all Bonds and other obligations payable from or secured by the Existing Measure that were issued by the Commission prior to such date and on any refunding Bonds issued thereafter.

SECTION 3. **CEQA Compliance**. The Commission finds that the approval of this Ordinance is not a "project" and, alternatively, is exempt from the CEQA. The Ordinance is intended to provide a funding mechanism for potential future projects and programs related to the Commission's provision of transportation services. The Ordinance does not commit the Commission to any particular project, program, or capital improvement. Accordingly, the Commission finds that, under CEQA Guidelines §15378(b)(4), adoption of this Ordinance is not a project subject to the requirements of CEQA because the Ordinance is merely "[t]he creation of [a] government funding mechanism or other fiscal activity which do[es] not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment." (CEQA Guidelines §15378, subd. (b)(4); see also *Sustainable Transportation Advocates of Santa Barbara v. Santa Barbara County Association of Governments*, 179 Cal.App.4th 113, 123). Additionally, the timing, design, and approval of individual projects to be funded by the Ordinance are dependent on future funding availability, need, feasibility, CEQA review, future Expenditure Plan review and amendments, and numerous other factors. Thus, the timing and design of future projects, which may not be brought forward for many years, are unknown, and insufficient information is available to enable meaningful environmental review (CEQA Guidelines §15004). Further, because the Ordinance does not approve the construction of any projects that may result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment, and because future voter approval is required as set forth in California Public Utilities Code §240301, approving the Ordinance is not an approval that commits the Commission to a definite course of action (CEQA Guidelines §15352). Thus, it can also be said with certainty that the Ordinance has no potential for causing a significant effect on the environment and is exempt from any further review under CEQA (CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3)). Some of the potential projects that may be funded by the Measure include pedestrian, trail, bicycle, and vehicular efficiency improvements that may help to reduce regional Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT), and thus further assist in meeting congestion management goals while also offering VMT mitigation opportunities.

SECTION 4. **Severability.** If any provision of this Ordinance / Measure or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance / Measure and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 5. **Certification.** The Commission Clerk of the Board shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall record it in the official records of the Commission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Riverside County Transportation Commission this 10^{th} day of June, 2026.

Raymond Gregory, Chair
Riverside County Transportation Commission

ATTEST:

Lisa Mobley, Clerk of the Board
Riverside County Transportation Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Steven C. DeBaun, General Counsel

EXPENDITURE PLAN
EXHIBIT A TO ORDINANCE NO. 26-001

Riverside County
Transportation Improvement Plan

The Transportation Improvement Plan for Riverside County was first approved by Riverside County voters in 1988 through Measure A and renewed again in 2002. Measure A established a County-wide half-cent retail transactions and use tax to provide a dedicated, locally controlled source of funding for transportation improvements and services throughout Riverside County. Administration of Measure A and the Expenditure Plan is the responsibility of the Riverside County Transportation Commission ("Commission" or "RCTC").

To maintain a reliable local funding source for transportation improvements, the Commission has approved this updated Riverside County Transportation Improvement Plan ("Plan," or "Expenditure Plan) for the purpose of renewing Measure A (Measure). There is no increase to the existing sales tax rate. A renewed Measure will continue to provide funding for local transportation improvements and services across Riverside County.

If approved by Riverside County voters, the renewed Measure would continue the existing half-cent sales tax within the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Riverside County, with revenues dedicated exclusively to transportation purposes as defined in this Expenditure Plan.

Chapter 1: Continued Funding for Transportation Improvements for Riverside County Residents

1.1 Growing Demands on Infrastructure

Since the first renewal of Measure A in 2002, Riverside County has experienced significant population growth, increased congestion, and rising transportation construction costs. State and federal funding has not kept pace with these demands. Residents continue to prioritize road repair, congestion relief, and reliable public transportation services. The Plan is intended to address these mobility challenges and invest in projects that benefit residents, businesses, and communities throughout the county.

1.2 No Increase to Current Measure A Sales Tax Rate

The updated Plan does not raise the existing Measure A sales tax rate. Instead, it renews the existing half-cent sales tax to continue providing a locally controlled funding source for transportation improvements until ended by voters. Measure funds will continue to be invested locally for the benefit of Riverside County, and will supplement, not replace, state and federal transportation funding.

Chapter 2: A Renewed Measure: Goals and Objectives

2.1 Moving Transportation Projects Forward

The Plan will help accelerate transportation projects and maintain public transportation services. This approach allows projects to be delivered using today's dollars, generating cost savings by avoiding future construction cost escalation.

The Plan, if approved by Riverside County voters, includes projects that:

- Improve the condition of existing roads and repair potholes;
- Improve highways, including Interstates and State Routes;
- Improve regional roads and interchanges;
- Maintain bus transit and passenger rail services;
- Keep bus fares low for residents who rely on public transportation services;
- Partner with employers to enhance workforce mobility and shift to sustainable commuting;
- Accelerate completion of transportation projects that address population growth and emergency response;
- Maintain existing local funding for transportation infrastructure, capital acquisition, rolling stock, and services for the benefit of residents, cities, and unincorporated communities of Riverside County;
- Enhance Riverside County's ability to secure state and federal funding for transportation by offering local matching funds; and
- Provide funding for the maintenance and improvement of local streets and roads in the cities and unincorporated areas of the County.

2.2 Provide for Regional Equity in the Distribution of Measure Revenues

The Plan recognizes the three distinct subregions of Riverside County and provides that revenues raised by the Plan in each subregion remain there and cannot be moved to other parts of the county:

- Palo Verde Valley (includes the City of Blythe and surrounding unincorporated areas);
- Coachella Valley (includes the Cities of Cathedral City, Coachella, Desert Hot Springs, Indian Wells, Indio, La Quinta, Palm Desert, Palm Springs and Rancho Mirage, as well as portions of the Salton Sea area, including surrounding unincorporated areas); and

- Western Riverside County (includes the Cities of Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar and surrounding unincorporated areas).

The subregions are defined in greater detail on the attached map and in Chapter 5.

The Plan addresses the unique transportation needs of each subregion, including small, rural, and disadvantaged communities, while maintaining a balanced investment strategy across highways, public transportation, and local streets and roads.

Chapter 3: Taxpayer Accountability Provisions

Funding and implementing the projects in the Expenditure Plan will occur in compliance with applicable accounting standards.

3.1 Legal Dedication of Tax Revenue Solely for Transportation Purposes

Funds generated by the Measure, net of the amount of administrative fees paid to the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA) for tax collection, may only be used for transportation purposes as described in the Ordinance governing this Plan. Transportation purposes include but are not limited to the construction, capital acquisition, maintenance, and operation of streets, roads, highways, including state highways, and public transit systems, expenditures for the planning, environmental reviews, engineering and design costs, administration, including legal actions related thereto, and related environmental mitigation and related right-of-way acquisition to implement the transportation investment categories listed in the Expenditure Plan.

3.2 Mandatory Annual Financial Audit

The Commission shall conduct an independent annual financial audit of all Measure revenues and expenditures to confirm compliance with this Plan and the Ordinance. The audit shall report on whether expenditures have been made in accordance with this Plan and shall be made available to the public. In addition, the audit shall determine compliance with the Maintenance of Effort requirements for each jurisdiction in receipt of local streets and roads funding along with the requirements described in Section 2.VIII of the Ordinance.

3.3 Transparency and Openness

Implementation of the Plan shall comply with applicable transparency, disclosure, and open meeting laws.

3.4 Mandatory Plan Update

Through a public process, RCTC must formally review this Plan at least every ten (10) years after it takes effect to consider adjusting the Plan to reflect the current and anticipated priorities of Riverside County's residents. If RCTC wishes to amend the Plan after its review or at any other point in time, RCTC must follow current state law and as provided in Section 2.V(B) of the Ordinance to do so.

3.5 Local Control

No funds from the Measure can be diverted to Washington, D.C. or Sacramento. State and federal governments cannot legally divert, take, or direct funds raised through this local plan and its governing ordinance.

3.6 Limitations to Administrative Costs

Administrative costs shall be limited such that not more than one percent (1%) of the annual net amount of revenues raised by the tax may be used to fund the administrative salaries and benefits of the staff of the commission in administering the programs funded from that tax.

Any portion of the administrative salaries and benefits allocation not expended in a fiscal year may be carried forward and expended in subsequent fiscal years, provided that: (i) no carried-forward amount shall remain available for expenditure more than five (5) fiscal years after the fiscal year in which the revenues were originally collected; and (ii) cumulative salaries and benefits expenditures shall not exceed one percent (1%) of total revenues collected pursuant to the Measure.

3.7 Term of Ordinance and Expenditure Plan

The Ordinance and Expenditure Plan shall remain in effect until ended by Riverside County voters; provided that the tax shall continue to be collected while bonds or any other financing arrangement is outstanding as further set forth in the Measure.

Chapter 4: Transportation Investments to Be Funded

Measure revenues shall be allocated by the Commission to fund transportation improvements, operations, capital acquisitions, maintenance, repair, mitigation, and related right-of-way acquisition within or benefiting Riverside County. Funds shall be returned to the Western Riverside County, Coachella Valley, and Palo Verde Valley geographic subregions in proportion to the funds generated in those areas. Furthermore, funds generated by this Measure may also be applied to projects listed in the 2009 Measure A Expenditure Plan and debt service on bonds or similar securities issued to finance such projects.

The Expenditure Plan includes three (3) funding categories to support transportation infrastructure and services, including:

- Highways and Regional Corridors;
- Local Streets and Roads; and
- Public Transportation.

4.1 Highways and Regional Corridors

Funds may be used to improve interstates, state routes, and regional corridors which enhance mobility and support the economy.

Eligible projects may include, but are not limited to, grade separations where roads intersect rail lines; roadway operational improvements and modernization, including the use of new technology; new regional roadway connections; interchange improvements; and associated environmental mitigation and property acquisition. Funding may also be used for constructing, reconstructing, widening, realigning, or improving regional arterial and expressway corridors that support travel across multiple jurisdictions, help relieve congestion on existing highways and local roads, and improve safety.

4.2 Local Streets and Roads

Funds will be provided to cities and the County for the maintenance and improvement of the local street and road system. These investments are intended to maintain roadway conditions, improve safety, and support the reliable movement of people and goods within local communities throughout Riverside County.

Eligible uses may include pothole repair; pavement maintenance and rehabilitation; traffic signal and intersection improvements; safety enhancements; bridge and railroad crossing improvements; infrastructure improvements to address flooding and natural hazards; and improvements that enhance accessibility for individuals with disabilities. Local Streets and Roads funding may also support sidewalks, bicycle facilities, pedestrian safety improvements, traffic calming measures, and other related infrastructure that improves safety and access within the local transportation network.

A Maintenance of Effort requirement of city and county governments is required for their share of Local Streets and Roads funds so that new funds provided under this category are intended to supplement, not replace, existing local transportation funding. Local agencies would retain control over project selection and delivery, consistent with the Expenditure Plan and applicable requirements.

4.3 Public Transportation

Funds may be used for transit services, facilities, and integrated mobility services benefiting Riverside County.

Eligible uses include bus, passenger rail, and specialized transit operations, mobility management, and first/last-mile connections; and capital investments to maintain, rehabilitate, and modernize public transportation systems. Eligible capital investments may include transit stations and facilities; passenger rail and bus corridors; passenger amenities; parking and access improvements; signals and supporting infrastructure; fleet acquisition and replacement; and associated equipment and facilities, including technologies. Public Transportation funding may also support a range of service strategies, including fixed-route, express/rapid transit service, on-demand transit services, and carpool and vanpool programs, including employer-based commuter programs, and other shared mobility options. Public Transportation funds will continue to provide transit services and keep bus fares low for seniors, veterans, students, and individuals with disabilities.

Chapter 5: Transportation Investments by Region

Funds from the Measure are allocated by category within each of the three geographic subregions.

5.1 Western Riverside County

As of 2026, Western Riverside County includes the cities of Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Eastvale, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, and Wildomar. It also includes unincorporated communities and less populated areas, as well as tribal lands of the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians, the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians, the Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians, the Ramona Band of Cahuilla, the Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians, and the Morongo Band of Mission Indians.

The proportional funds generated in Western Riverside County shall be distributed as set forth in the table below:

WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY ALLOCATION OF FUNDS	
INVESTMENT CATEGORY	**PERCENT**
Highways and Regional Corridors	59%
Local Streets and Roads	29%
Public Transportation	12%

5.1a Highways and Regional Corridors

Fifty-nine percent (59%) of the Measure revenues are identified for the Highways and Regional Corridors category which is estimated to provide approximately $5.56 billion over a thirty (30) year planning horizon.

The Highways and Regional Corridors category focuses on the transportation facilities that experience congestion and travel delays for Western Riverside County residents and businesses. Examples include but are not limited to Interstates (I) 10, 15, and 215 and State Routes (SR) 91 and 60. These corridors carry high traffic volumes, connect communities across the region, and play an important role in quality of living, emergency response, and economic vitality.

The Highways projects to be implemented are as follows:

ROUTE	LIMITS	PROJECT
SR-91	Pierce Street to I-15	Add 1 lane each direction
SR-71	SR-91 to San Bernardino County line	Add 1 lane each direction
I-215	SR-60 to San Bernardino County line	Add 1 lane each direction
I-215	Eucalyptus Ave to Nuevo Road	Add 1 lane each direction
I-15	El Cerrito Road to San Diego County line	Add 1 lane each direction
I-10	San Bernardino County line to SR-60/I-10/SR-79	Add 1 lane eastbound
I-10/SR-60	SR-60 to I-10	Interchange improvements, including at SR-79/I-10; corridor improvements
SR-91, SR-60, I-15, I-215	Various	Add auxiliary lanes
SR-91	SR-241 to SR-71	Add 1 lane westbound and eastbound

This Highways and Regional Corridors section of the Expenditure Plan is intended to be considered the state highway and freeway portion. The specific projects to be funded in the Highways section shall also include installation, integration, and operation of freeway active traffic management technology; emerging technology and other innovative mobility improvement programs or projects; coordinated adaptive ramp metering; and new auxiliary lanes on SR-91, SR-60, I-10, I-15, and I-215 in the Western Riverside County portion of the Expenditure Plan.

In support of Regional Corridors, funding may be used to construct, reconstruct, widen, realign, or improve regional arterial and expressway corridors. Projects may include but are not limited to the development of new regional roadway connections; modernization of existing arterials to increase capacity and safety; construction of grade separations where roads intersect rail lines; construction or reconstruction of interchanges; corridor improvements that enhance traffic flow and regional connectivity; and implementation of bicycle, pedestrian, and public transportation features. Regional corridors projects eligible for funding include but are not limited to Mid County Parkway (Ramona Expressway) and the new County Expressway between Winchester and San Jacinto (commonly referred to as SR-79 Realignment).

City/County- Sponsored Projects

The Commission may annually allocate revenues generated within this category for eligible highway, interchange, or regional corridor projects sponsored by one or more cities or the County. The percentage allocation shall be established by the Commission in the first fiscal year of the Measure and may thereafter be revised no more frequently than once every ten (10) years; provided, however, that in no event shall such percentage exceed nine percent (9%) in any fiscal year.

Projects funded pursuant to this provision may be eligible for matching funds from the Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee ("TUMF") program administered by the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) and shall advance regional objectives such as safety, connectivity, goods movement, or mobility.

Examples of Regional Corridors eligible for funding include but are not limited to:

- Alessandro Boulevard
- Arlington Avenue
- Beaumont Avenue
- Bundy Canyon Road
- Cabazon Connector
- Cajalco Road
- Cherry Valley Boulevard
- Clinton Keith Road
- Domenigoni Parkway
- Elsinore Ethanac Expressway
- Ethanac Road
- French Valley Parkway
- Highland Springs
- Keller Road
- Limonite Avenue
- Magnolia Avenue
- Murrieta Hot Springs Road
- Perris Boulevard
- Redlands Boulevard Widening
- Scott Road
- University Avenue (Riverside)
- Van Buren Boulevard
- Winchester Road

The Plan will improve traffic flow by building new infrastructure, implementing new technology, and continuing to utilize Freeway Service Patrol to reduce delays by providing roving tow trucks to quickly assist motorists when accidents occur or vehicles break down.

The final scope and project limits of all improvements proposed in the Highways and Regional Corridors category will be determined through the environmental review process.

The Commission may add additional Highways projects should the Measure produce more revenue than predicted or the Commission be highly successful in obtaining state and federal matching funds or due to unforeseen circumstances.

State and federal funds will be sought to assist with the total cost of the projects identified in this Plan. Funds generated by the Measure will be leveraged to supplement those funding sources and will be used as local matching funds to help cover the remaining costs to accomplish these improvements.

5.1b Local Streets and Roads

Twenty-nine percent (29%) of the Measure revenues will be returned to local cities and the County for the unincorporated areas of Western Riverside County for local streets and roads improvements. The local streets and roads system provides for everyday movement in Western Riverside County with much of the road system aging, requiring maintenance, and in need of operational improvements. The Measure will provide local jurisdictions with funding to help keep the local streets and roads system in good condition to serve the public. The priorities for local transportation vary among individual local jurisdictions. Local Streets and Roads funds can be used for transportation projects as designated by this Plan.

The Plan will provide an estimated $2.8 billion specifically for this purpose over a thirty (30) year planning horizon. The funds made available in the Western Riverside County area will be distributed to the cities and the County by a formula based 75% on proportionate population and 25% on revenues generated by Measure A. A Five-year Capital Improvement Plan ("CIP") for the use of these funds will be prepared annually by each city and the County and submitted to RCTC.

Eligibility for these funds shall be conditioned on the participation and compliance in the TUMF and Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan ("MSHCP") programs, per Section 2.IX of the Ordinance.

Examples of local streets and roads projects include:

- Pothole repair and road maintenance
- Traffic calming measures and other road safety improvements

- Road widening or lane additions
- Sidewalks and pedestrian infrastructure
- Traffic signal synchronization
- Railroad crossing safety improvements, including separating where roads intersect with railroad tracks
- Bridge repairs and rehabilitation

5.1c Public Transportation

Twelve percent (12%) of the Measure revenues are identified for maintaining reliable public transportation in Western Riverside County. With some of the longest commute distances in Southern California, Western Riverside County residents require passenger rail, express bus, local transit, and ridesharing options to access employment centers, schools, healthcare, and other destinations.

This Measure will provide an estimated $1.1 billion of Measure funds over a thirty (30) year planning horizon to maintain passenger rail and transit services, including frequency and reliability. Investments may support commuter services and ridesharing programs, rail service on the Metrolink system, express bus connections, and first- and last-mile improvements. This Expenditure Plan also prioritizes keeping bus fares low for seniors, veterans, students, and individuals with disabilities. The Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Committee, with representatives from these populations, will assist RCTC in administering the program.

Passenger Rail

Riverside County is home to several railroad rights-of-way that connect Riverside County communities. These rail lines serve as a public transportation backbone for our region. Funds for the Plan are eligible to be used for, but are not limited to:

- Maintaining and expanding passenger rail service frequency on existing commuter rail (Metrolink) lines
- Maintaining or constructing new or additional railroad tracks and supporting infrastructure within existing rail rights-of-way to allow more trains to operate and to increase efficiency and on-time performance of trains
- Constructing new rail stations
- Maintaining and enhancing security and safety at rail stations

Bus

The Plan will invest in intercity express bus service and provide a reasonable alternative to the automobile for daily commuters who travel within the region. Eligible investments include, but are not limited to:

- Improving safety and security on buses and at transit facilities
- Procuring buses and funding related capital, maintenance, and operation costs
- Roadway technologies that improve bus travel times
- Improving access to and from schools, colleges, and universities and employment centers

Specialized Transportation

This Plan also invests in specialized transportation providers that serve seniors, veterans, students, individuals with disabilities, and rural and underserved communities.

Specialized transit eligible investments include, but are not limited to:

- Additional paratransit-type services to serve areas without public transit options to improve quality of life and access to employment, medical, and educational opportunities
- Expansion of destinations and hours of operation to complement public transit operators for paratransit services such as Dial-A-Ride

Commuter Services, Ridesharing, Vanpools, Buspools, and Park-N-Ride

Funds will be used for programs and services that encourage alternative forms of travel across commuter and non-commuter trips. This may include trip planning applications and rideshare matching databases, incentive-based and employer programs, park-n-rides, vanpools, buspools, and on-demand and similar-type services.

5.2 Coachella Valley

The Coachella Valley area is in the central part of Riverside County and, as of 2026, includes the cities of Cathedral City, Coachella, Desert Hot Springs, Indian Wells, Indio, La Quinta, Palm Desert, Palm Springs, and Rancho Mirage. It also includes unincorporated areas as well as tribal lands of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, the Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians, the Cabazon Band of Mission Indians, the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians, and the Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians.

The Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) establishes its priorities according to the Transportation Project Prioritization Study (TPPS), which is a data-based method of prioritizing all regional projects in the Coachella Valley. Project priorities are based on criteria adopted by the CVAG Executive Committee and publicly reviewed by elected officials representing every CVAG member jurisdiction.

The TPPS is updated as the Coachella Valley's population grows and becomes more diverse. TPPS updates address evolving mobility challenges, new technologies, state and federal policy, and worldwide climate and economic trends. The TPPS is designed to give flexibility to changing circumstances and help identify projects in the Coachella Valley that include:

- Improving traffic flow and reducing congestion on Highway 111;
- Adding/improving interchanges on I-10 and SR-86;
- Providing funding for local streets and roads improvements;
- Improving safety and visibility at major intersections and arterial roads;
- Reducing congestion by improving major roadways identified as important by local governments in the Coachella Valley;
- Providing express east-west transit routes; and
- Improving and expanding public and specialized transit service.

Projects may also include, but are not limited to, development of new regional roadway connections; modernization of existing arterials to increase capacity and safety; construction of grade separations where roads intersect rail lines; corridor improvements that enhance traffic flow and regional connectivity; and implementation of bicycle, pedestrian, and multi-modal transportation features. Funding may be used to construct, reconstruct, widen, realign, maintain, or operate regional arterial corridors.

The proportional funds generated in the Coachella Valley shall be distributed as set forth in the table below:

COACHELLA VALLEY ALLOCATION OF FUNDS	
INVESTMENT CATEGORY	**PERCENT**
Highways and Regional Corridors	50%
Local Streets and Roads	35%
Public Transportation	15%

CVAG annually certifies member jurisdictions' compliance with the Coachella Valley's TUMF program and the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission ("CVCC") certifies compliance with the Coachella Valley Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan ("CVMSHCP"). As of the adoption of the Ordinance, all Coachella Valley cities and the County of Riverside are compliant with both the TUMF program and CVMSHCP. Measure revenues shall only fund projects in jurisdictions that continue to be compliant with the TUMF and CVMSHCP programs. For funds generated by this Measure, CVAG shall not enter into reimbursement agreements with CVAG member jurisdictions or other agencies if they are not found to be compliant in the annual CVAG/CVCC certifications. The CVAG Executive Committee may override these compliance requirements by a two-thirds vote of its total membership during a noticed public hearing when it is determined that a project's regional transportation, safety, and/or environmental needs take precedence over one or more agencies' TUMF/CVMSHCP compliance.

5.2a Highways and Regional Corridors

Fifty percent (50%) of the Measure revenues will be utilized for highways and regional corridors. This Measure will provide an estimated $1.2 billion of Measure funds over a thirty (30) year planning horizon. This segment of the Plan will be implemented by CVAG. The TPPS serves as the CIP for the Coachella Valley section of this Expenditure Plan. Funding for TPPS projects follows CVAG's cost-sharing policy that requires a local match for local and regional projects to unlock regional funding.

The TPPS has included projects to substantially improve connections to federal and state freeways and highways, particularly I-10, Highway 111, SR-74, SR-62, and SR-86. Upgrades to existing interchanges as well as new interchanges, such as Portola Street in Palm Desert, are planned and are awaiting funding to be constructed. This Plan will also allow for improvements such as express lanes on I-10. Such facilities will make it safer and more reliable to travel along I-10. Additionally, the TPPS will include grade separations and interchanges for SR-86, including a new bridge at Avenue 50, and improving other areas where high numbers of accidents and fatalities occur. The TPPS process is flexible enough to incorporate improvements to connecting regions, including SR-62 and SR-74. Additionally, the Plan includes funding to substantially improve the overall condition of these roads as CVAG works in partnership with Caltrans. The Freeway Service Patrol could be expanded to I-10 in the Coachella Valley to quickly clear incidents from the freeway and keep traffic flowing.

The final scope and project limits of all improvements proposed in the Highways and Regional Corridors category will be determined through the environmental review process.

5.2b Local Streets and Roads

Thirty-five percent (35%) of the Measure revenues will be returned to the cities and the county in the Coachella Valley and shall be used to assist with the funding of local streets and roads improvements. This Measure will provide an estimated $800 million of Measure funds over a thirty (30) year planning horizon. These funds will supplement existing federal, state, and local funds. Local street improvements adjacent to new residential and business developments will continue to be paid for by developers.

Allocation of funds to the cities and the County will be based on a formula weighted 50% on proportionate dwelling units and 50% on revenues generated within each jurisdiction. A Five-year Capital Improvement Plan for the use of these funds will be prepared and annually updated with public participation by each city and the County.

Eligibility for these funds shall be conditioned on the participation and compliance in the TUMF and CVMSHCP programs, per Section 2.IX of the Ordinance. If a city or the County chooses not to participate and be in compliance in TUMF or CVMSHCP and related impact fee programs, the funds they would otherwise receive for Local Streets and Roads will be added to the Highways and Regional Corridors program.

5.2c Public Transportation

Fifteen percent (15%) of the Measure revenues will be used for transit operations and capital needs, including maintaining, improving, and expanding public transit and specialized transportation services. This Measure will provide an estimated $300 million of Measure funds over a thirty (30) year planning horizon.

Discount Fares and Expanded Transportation Services for Seniors, Students, and Individuals with Disabilities

For seniors, students, and individuals with disabilities, access to healthcare, social services, education, and recreation is a key to quality of life. SunLine Transit Agency offers a full array of public transit and specialized transportation services, including reduced fares for eligible riders.

Specialized Transportation Services

In addition to providing public transit service (SunBus), paratransit service (SunDial), microtransit service (SunRide) and commuter service to San Bernardino, SunLine Transit Agency offers specialized transportation services to Coachella Valley residents and visitors. These services can include programs that provide discounted services; specialized transit services that expand opportunities beyond paratransit service and fixed routes; and coordination of transportation services offered by many non-profit social service organizations. Measure funds will assist these programs and other types of specialized transportation services which may be implemented.

Bus Replacement and More Frequent Service

Public bus transportation offers communities many benefits including reducing traffic congestion, wear and tear on roads, and parking demand while helping to lower emissions. By providing access to schools, jobs, and other destinations, it is also a vital force in economic development. This is especially true in the Coachella

Valley where the majority of SunBus riders rely on bus service to get to work and/ or school. Measure funds can be used to maintain and increase service levels and replace and modernize SunLine's fleet and infrastructure. SunLine's vehicles operate on clean and alternative fuels, creating a healthier community while increasing access.

5.3 Palo Verde Valley

The Palo Verde Valley area is located in the easternmost part of Riverside County. It is geographically separated from the Western Riverside County and Coachella Valley areas. The population of the area is relatively small and significant growth over the next 30 years is not anticipated. The Palo Verde Valley is served by I-10, which provides adequate connections to the westerly portions of Riverside County and easterly to Arizona. The greatest need for the Palo Verde Valley is funding to adequately maintain and rehabilitate local streets and roads.

One hundred percent (100%) of the funding generated by the Measure returned to the Palo Verde Valley is to be used for local streets and roads. This Measure will provide an estimated $60 million of Measure funds over a thirty (30) year planning horizon. Funds shall be distributed to the City of Blythe and the County of Riverside by formula. The formula distribution is based 75% on proportionate population and 25% on sales tax revenues generated in each area.

The Blythe City Council will have authority to set priorities and expend funds within the city limits and the County Board of Supervisors will have authority to expend funds in unincorporated areas of the Palo Verde Valley.

PALO VERDE VALLEY ALLOCATION OF FUNDS	
INVESTMENT CATEGORY	**PERCENT**
Local Streets and Roads	100%

Investments made by the City of Blythe and the County must be for transportation purposes for the benefit of Palo Verde Valley residents and must be approved in an open and transparent manner pursuant to open meetings laws. All revenues generated through the Measure in the Palo Verde Valley shall remain in the Palo Verde Valley and cannot be diverted to other areas of Riverside County. Funds shall be distributed to the City of Blythe and the County of Riverside proportionally, with sales tax revenues generated in each jurisdiction returning to its respective source.

A Five-year Capital Improvement Plan for the use of these funds will be individually prepared and annually updated by the City of Blythe and the County and submitted to the Commission.

Chapter 6: Bond Financing

To expedite the delivery of transportation projects identified in the Plan, the Commission may, pursuant to applicable provisions of law, issue bonds or otherwise incur indebtedness, including through financing agreements, leases, lines of credit, or other lawful financing instruments, payable from Measure revenues.

This Ordinance authorizes the Commission, by resolution or other separate action, to determine the form, timing, amount, and terms of such indebtedness, provided that the obligations do not exceed projected Measure revenues and are used solely for purposes authorized under the Ordinance and the Plan.

Revenues generated by the renewal of Existing Measure may also be utilized to pay debt service on bonds and other obligations issued prior to the operative date of this Measure and bonds or other obligations subsequently issued for refunding purposes.

Chapter 7: Estimated Measure Revenue Generation per Region

ESTIMATED MEASURE REVENUE GENERATION*	
Western Riverside County*	$9,460,000,000
Coachella Valley*	$2,300,000,000
Palo Verde Valley*	$60,000,000
TOTAL	$11,820,000,000
*Economic Forecast estimates approximately $11.82 billion for a 30-year planning horizon. Note each geographic subregion's estimated amounts are rounded for presentation purposes.	

This chart shows the estimated proportional distribution of tax revenues estimated to be generated from each of the three geographic subregions that would be used to implement investments of the Plan.

Chapter 8: Flexibility to Expedite Projects

To deliver transportation projects more quickly for the benefit of Riverside County residents, visitors, and businesses, Measure revenues may temporarily be reallocated among projects or categories to expedite delivery, provided that long-term proportional allocations required by this Plan are maintained unless amended pursuant to law and Section 2.V of the Ordinance. The Commission, in allocating the annual revenues from the Ordinance, shall meet all debt service requirements prior to allocating funds for other projects.

Chapter 9: Informing the Public of Local Funding Support

All projects funded with $1 million or more of Measure revenues shall be required to inform the public that Measure revenues support the project.

Chapter 10: Severability Provisions

If any provision of this Plan, or the application thereof, is for any reason held invalid and unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction to a person or circumstance, the remainder of the Plan and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby, and the Commission declares that it would have passed each part of this Plan irrespective of the validity of any other part.

Chapter 11: Provisions for Population and Taxable Sales Estimates

Annual population estimates produced by the California Department of Finance are relied upon in determining the distribution formula funds for the Local Streets and Roads portion to cities and the County.

Actual retail sales tax transactions provided by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration will be used to determine taxable sales in each of the three specific geographic subregions. The Riverside County Planning Department shall estimate the share for each of the unincorporated areas for the three subregions, from the total retail sales transactions for the total unincorporated area.

Riverside County Board of Supervisors
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Submit request to the Clerk of the Board (right of podium), individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes, subject to Board Rules listed on the reverse side of this form. The Board may limit the public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board.

SPEAKER'S NAME: Roy Bleckert

Address: ______

City: ______ Zip: ______

Phone #: ______

Date: ______ Agenda # 3.13

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______ Support ______ Oppose ______ Neutral

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I give my 3 minutes to: ______

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Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, member of the public shall have the right to address the Board during the mid-morning "Oral Communications" segment of the published agenda. Said purpose for address must pertain to issues which are under the direct jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. YOUR TIME WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES. The Board may limit the public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board.

Power Point Presentations/Printed Material:
Speakers who intend to conduct a formalized Power Point presentation or provide printed material must notify the Clerk of the Board's Office by 12 noon on the Monday preceding the Tuesday Board meeting, ensuring that the Clerk's Office has sufficient copies of all printed materials and at least one (1) copy of the Power Point CD. Copies of printed material given to the Clerk (by Monday noon deadline) will be provided to each Supervisor. If you have the need to use the overhead "Elmo" projector at the Board meeting, please ensure your material is clear and with proper contrast, notifying the Clerk well ahead of the meeting, of your intent to use the Elmo. Speakers are prohibited from bringing signs, placards, or posters into the hearing room.

Individual Speaker Limits:
Individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. The Board may limit the public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board. Please step up to the podium when the Chair calls your name and begin speaking immediately. Pull the microphone to your mouth so that the Board, audience, and audio recording system hear you clearly. Once you start speaking, the "green" podium light will light. The "yellow" light will come on when you have one (1) minute remaining. When you have 30 seconds remaining, the "yellow" light will begin flash, indicating you must quickly wrap up your comments. Your time is up when the "red" light flashes. The Chair adheres to a strict three (3) minutes per speaker. ***Note: If you intend to give your time to a "Group/Organized Presentation", please state so clearly at the very bottom of the reverse side of this form.***

Group/Organized Presentations:
Group/organized presentations with more than one (1) speaker will be limited to nine (9) minutes at the Chair's discretion. The organizer of the presentation will automatically receive the first three (3) minutes, with the remaining six (6) minutes relinquished by other speakers, as requested by them on a completed "Request to Speak" form, and clearly indicated at the front bottom of the form.

Addressing the Board & Acknowledgement by Chair:
The Chair will determine what order the speakers will address the Board and will call on all speakers in pairs. The first speaker should immediately step to the podium and begin addressing the Board. The second speaker should take up a position in one of the chamber aisles to quickly step up to the podium after the preceding speaker. This is to afford an efficient and timely Board meeting, giving all attendees the opportunity to make their case. Speakers are prohibited from making personal attacks, and/or using course, crude, profane or vulgar language while speaking to the Board members, staff, the public and/or meeting participants. Such behavior, at the discretion of the Board Chair may result in removal from the Board Chambers by Sheriff Deputies.