

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
and for Special Districts, Agencies and Authorities Governed by the Board

Adopted this Resolution on 04/10/2018 by the following vote:

AYE:

NO:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

RECUSE:



Resolution No. 2018/130

In the Matter of Proposition 69, the June 2018 constitutional amendment to prevent new transportation funds from being diverted for non-transportation purposes; and the proposed November ballot proposition (Attorney General #17-0033) that would repeal the new transportation funds and make it more difficult to raise state and local transportation funds in the future.

WHEREAS, cities and counties own and operate more than 81 percent of streets and roads in California, and from the moment we open our front door to drive to work, bike to school, or walk to the bus station, people are dependent upon a safe, reliable local transportation network; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment, which provides critical analysis and information on the local transportation network's condition and funding needs, indicates that the condition of the local transportation network is deteriorating at an increasing rate; and

WHEREAS, cities and counties are facing a funding shortfall of \$73 billion over the next 10-years to repair and maintain in a good condition the local streets and roads system and the State Highway System has \$57 billion worth of deferred maintenance; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 – the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 – will raise approximately \$5.4 billion annually in long-term, dedicated transportation funding to rehabilitate and maintain local streets, roads, and highways, make critical, life-saving safety improvements, repair and replace aging bridges and culverts, reduce congestion and increase mobility options including bicycle and pedestrian facilities with the revenues split equally between state and local projects; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 provides critically-needed funding in Contra Costa County that will be used for much-needed road improvement and maintenance projects; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 contains strong accountability and transparency provisions to ensure the public knows how their tax dollars are being invested and the corresponding benefits to their community including annual project lists that identify planned investments and annual expenditure reports that detail multi-year and completed projects; and

WHEREAS, SB 1 requires the State to cut bureaucratic redundancies and red tape to ensure transportation funds are spent efficiently and effectively, and also establishes the independent office of Transportation Inspector General to perform audits, improve efficiency and increase transparency; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 69 on the June 2018 ballot would add additional protections for taxpayers by preventing the State Legislature from diverting or raiding any new transportation revenues for non-transportation improvement purposes; and

WHEREAS, there is also a proposed ballot measure aimed for the November 2018 ballot (Attorney General #17-0033) that would repeal the new transportation revenues provided by SB 1 and make it more difficult to increase funding for state and local transportation improvements in the future; and

WHEREAS, this proposed November proposition would raid approximately \$15.3 million (annually 2017/18 to 2026/27) dedicated to Contra Costa County (countywide), and halt critical investments in future transportation improvement projects in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors, on February 7, 2017, formally supported Senate Bill 1 (Beall), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 which is the subject of both the protective constitutional amendment (Prop 69), and the repeal effort (Proposed Initiative Attorney General #17-0033).

NOW, THEREFORE, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors adopts the following positions:

1. Support for Proposition 69, the June 2018 constitutional amendment to prevent new transportation funds from being diverted for non-transportation purposes; and
2. Opposition to the proposed November ballot proposition (Proposed Initiative AG #17-0033) that would repeal the new transportation funds and make it more difficult to raise state and local transportation funds in the future; and
3. Consents and requests to be listed as a member of the Coalition to Protect Local Transportation Improvements, a diverse coalition of local government, business, labor, transportation and other organizations throughout the state, in support of Proposition 69 and in opposition to the repeal of SB 1.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: April 10, 2018

David J. Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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