

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (CM)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE APPROVING THE 2024 MEASURE D 5-YEAR PROGRAM OF PROJECTS (FY 24/25 - FY 28/29) FOR THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE FUNDED BY MEASURE D APPROVED BY VOTERS ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016

WHEREAS, Santa Cruz County voters approved a one-half cent sales tax (Measure D) on November 8, 2016, to fund transportation projects for the next 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Watsonville City Council adopted Resolution No. 76-17 (CM), approving a Measure D Master Funding Agreement between the Santa Cruz Regional Transportation Commission and the City of Watsonville for receipt of Measure D funding for City transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, Watsonville City Council adopted Resolution No. 125-22 (CM), approving a first amendment to the Master Funding Agreement and extending the term an additional 25 years to 2047; and

WHEREAS, said Master Funding Agreement states that for the City to receive its annual allocation of funding for “Neighborhood Projects”, the Watsonville City Council shall first approve a 5-Year Program of Projects following public comment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Watsonville’s projected annual allocations Measure D Neighborhood Projects funds for FY24/25 is \$1,178,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. This action is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), in that

adopting a Resolution supporting a funding plan does not meet CEQA's definition of a "project," because the action does not have the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment and if a "project," is exempt under the "common sense" exception (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3)) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this action may have a significant effect on the environment .

2. That the City Council hereby approves the 2024 Measure D 5-Year Program of Projects (FY24/25 – FY28/29) for the City of Watsonville attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A."
