



**DATE:** June 28, 2018

**TO:** Transportation Authority of Marin Board of Commissioners

**FROM:** Dianne Steinhauser, Executive Director  
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**SUBJECT:** Allocate Transportation Sales Tax (Measure A) to Mill Valley for the East Blithedale Avenue Rehabilitation Project (Action), Agenda Item No. 6h

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

Recommend the allocation of \$250,000 in Transportation Sales Tax (Measure A) to Mill Valley for the East Blithedale Avenue Rehabilitation Project to complete the project development phase.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Measure A Expenditure Plan provides funds for Major Roads and Related Infrastructure under Strategy 3, Sub-strategy 3.1. Projects funded under this strategy are described as the most heavily traveled and include significant roads and their related infrastructure. A list of eligible roads was adopted with the 2004 Measure A Expenditure Plan.

The Expenditure Plan assigned the responsibility for establishing priorities for Sub-strategy 3.1 funding to the Marin Public Works Directors (MPWA) in collaboration with the TAM Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) based on criteria such as condition of roadway, average daily traffic, transit frequency, bicycle and pedestrian activity, school access, accident history, matching funds opportunity, and geographic equity.

Based on a thorough process of evaluation over many months, MPWA and TAC selected East Blithedale Avenue from Sunnyside Avenue to Tiburon Blvd. as the second prioritized project in the Southern Planning Area under Strategy 3.1. Measure A requires the completion of the first prioritized project before allocating funds to the second prioritized project. The first prioritized project, Miller Avenue, in the Southern Planning Area was completed late 2017.

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Mill Valley plans to rehabilitate E. Blithedale Avenue from Sunnyside Avenue to Tiburon Blvd. Eligible uses of funds identified in the Measure A Expenditure Plan include a variety of roadway, bikeway, sidewalk and pathway improvements.

Mill Valley is requesting Measure A funds to start the Project Scoping/early Project Development Phase. Given project size and the various stakeholders, the City of Mill Valley will invest approximately nine months to identify and evaluate potential projects, conduct outreach meetings with stakeholders, and define project scope. Once a project scope is defined, funding will be requested for the preparation of preliminary engineering plans, permitting and environmental clearance and final engineering plans. It is likely that Mill

Valley will be seeking non-Measure A funds to complete the construction phase, as remaining Measure A is likely not sufficient to complete the capital improvements.

### **REMAINING FUNDS AVAILABLE**

The Measure A Strategic Plan programmed approximately \$13.25 million in Measure A funds for the Southern Planning Area. TAM previously allocated a total of \$11.45 in Measure A funds to Mill Valley for the Miller Avenue Rehabilitation Project. The current remaining amount for the Southern Planning Area is approximately \$1.8 million. These remaining funds are eligible for the East Blithedale Rehabilitation Project.

### **CURRENT ALLOCATION REQUEST**

Mill Valley is requesting \$250,000 in Measure A funds from the Major Road category (Strategy 3.1) to complete the project scoping and early project development phase on the East Blithedale Avenue Rehabilitation Project. After completion of final design, the project will be ready for the construction phase.

### **TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)**

The TAC convened on June 21, 2018 to discuss this allocation request. A Mill Valley representative attended the meet to provide an overview of the project and proposed scope for the funds requested. The TAC meeting did not have a quorum to vote on the item but the members at the meeting expressed support for the allocation request.

### **FISCAL IMPACTS**

TAM's FY 18/19 Budget will be amended to include this allocation in the Measure A Strategy 3.1.

### **NEXT STEP**

If approved by the TAM Board, a funding agreement for the amount of \$250,000 will be issued to Mill Valley.

### **ATTACHMENT**

Attachment A – Mill Valley Allocation Request Form, Schedule, and Project Map

## ALLOCATION REQUEST FORM

**Fiscal Year of Allocation:** 2018-19

**Expenditure Plan:** Major Roads and Related Infrastructure

**Project Name:** E. Blithedale Avenue from Sunnyside Avenue to Tiburon Blvd

**Implementing Agency:** City of Mill Valley

**Scope of Work:** Rehabilitate E. Blithedale Avenue from Sunnyside Avenue to Tiburon Blvd. Eligible uses of funds identified in the Measure A Expenditure Plan include a variety of roadway, bikeway, sidewalk and pathway improvements:

- Pavement and drainage maintenance;
- Signalization and channelization;
- Transit and traffic flow improvements;
- Transportation Systems Management and Demand Management;
- Improvements to reduce response times for emergency vehicles;
- Bike path construction and maintenance;
- Sidewalk and crosswalk construction and maintenance

**Scope of Work for Current Request:** Project Development Phase. Given project size and the various stakeholders, the City of Mill Valley will invest approximately 9 months to identify and evaluate potential projects, conduct outreach meetings with stakeholders, to define project scope. Once a project scope is defined, funding will be requested for the preparation of preliminary engineering plans, permitting and environmental clearance, final engineering plans and construction.

**Measure A Programmed Amount Available:** \$1,781,000

**Previous Measure A Allocated Amount:** \$0

**Current Measure A Requested Amount:** \$ 250,000

**Other Funding:** None

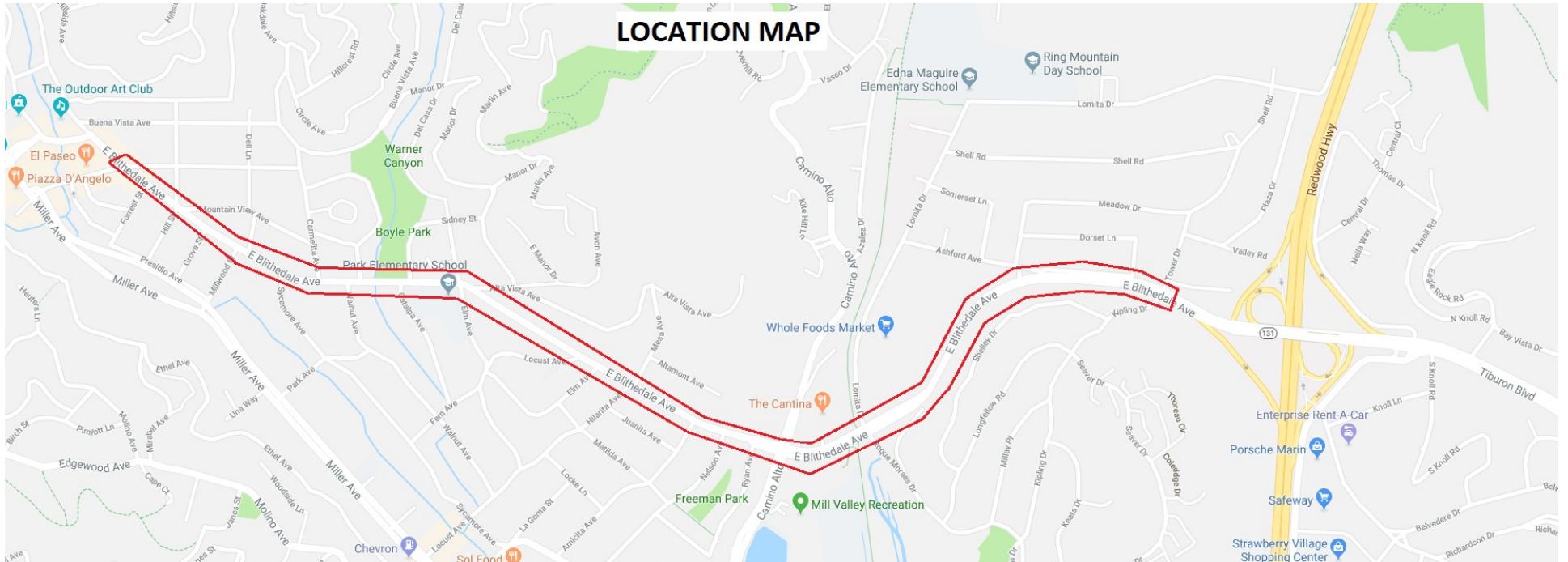
**Cash Flow Availability:** 100% available in FY 18/19

**Delivery Schedule for Project Development Phase:** see attached

**E. Blithedale Rehabilitation Project  
 Transporation Authority of Marin - Major Roadway Project  
 City of Mill Valley**

Task	Duration	2018		2019				2020				2021	
		Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2
<b>Project Development</b>													
Task	40 Weeks												
<b>Preliminary Engineering</b>													
Task	26 Weeks												
<b>Environmental Clearance</b>													
Task	12 Weeks												
<b>Final Engineering Design</b>													
Task	26 Weeks												
<b>Construction</b>													
Task	52 Weeks												

### LOCATION MAP



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