REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA AND RECORD OF ACTION

May 22, 2018

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SUBJECT: RIM OF THE WORLD ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution that supports the Rim of the World Active Transportation Plan being made a part of the San Bernardino County Non-Motorized Transportation Plan, which is administered by the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority.

(Presenter: Terri Rahhal, Planning Director, 387-4431)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Implement the Countywide Vision.

Ensure Development of a Well-Planned, Balanced and Sustainable County. Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). Approval of this item will allow the County of San Bernardino (County) to apply for Active Transportation Program grant funding for the construction of pedestrian, bicycle, and equestrian projects in the Rim of the World area, as such opportunities arise.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In December 2014, the Rim of the World Recreation and Park District (District) applied for and received an Active Transportation Program grant in the amount of \$285,000 from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to develop a districtwide active transportation master plan specific to the Rim of the World communities. The Caltrans Active Transportation Program encourages the increased use of active modes of transportation, such as biking, walking and horseback riding. This funding source and others that fund bike path and trail improvements favor projects that are part of a master plan. In this case, grant funds were used to hire a consultant to prepare the Rim of the World Active Transportation Plan (Rim ATP) with input from the Rim of the World communities, District staff, the Rim of the World schools, the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA), County staff, and other stakeholders. The

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Rim ATP was developed through a process of public outreach and community input to identify active transportation improvements within and between rural villages, to plan for safe routes to school and for transit stops. This plan serves as the master plan for where and how future active transportation projects may be funded and implemented around the District's service areas. Local public agencies, Caltrans, and private organizations and individuals from the mountain communities were consulted regarding route selection and facility implementation, particularly around the Rim of the World Unified School District, the San Bernardino National Forest, the Snow Valley Resort, the Rim Nordic, the Mountain Area Regional Transit Authority (MARTA), and the San Bernardino Mountains Land Trust areas.

On March 26, 2018, the District's Board of Directors approved the completed Rim ATP. If supported by the Board of Supervisors (Board), the Rim ATP will be incorporated into the San Bernardino County Non-Motorized Transportation Plan, a countywide plan of bikeways, trails and pedestrian paths administered by SBCTA. The Rim ATP does not commit the County to construct or fund any of the proposed projects, but serves to identify potential projects that may be eligible for grant funding. The Board's support of the Rim ATP will authorize its inclusion in the countywide Non-Motorized Transportation Plan. This will greatly enhance opportunities for future grant funding to be secured for construction of the projects listed in the Rim ATP.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by Land Use Services (Luther Snoke, Interim Director, 387-4431) on April 26, 2018; County Counsel (Scott Runyan, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on May 9, 2018; Finance (Paloma Hernandez-Barker, Administrative Analyst, 387-5426 and Jevin Kaye, Administrative Analyst, 387-0294) on May 11, 2018, and County Finance and Administration (Matthew Erickson, Chief Administrative Analyst 387-3937) on May 11, 2018.