

*Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California*

Resolution No. 24-337

Approving and adopting resolution supporting)
budget priorities for future discretionary funds)
made available to use in the unincorporated area of)
the County of Monterey.)

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey (County) provides critical services and facilities for residents and visitors, including but not limited to street maintenance, pothole repair and road improvements, road and alternative transportation networks; water and sewer infrastructure maintenance; clean and affordable drinking water; programs to reduce homelessness; enhanced public safety, emergency services and disaster response, prevention, and recovery; libraries, parks, and recreation facilities; healthcare; job skill development programs and other services; and,

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2024, the County Board of Supervisors approved five strategic goals focused on Well Being and Quality of Life; Sustainable Infrastructure Now and in the Future; Safe and Resilient Communities; Diverse and Thriving Economy; and Dynamic Organization and Employer of Choice, with housing objectives focused on meeting the housing needs of residents and workforce, combating housing discrimination, efficient use of land, and implementing a meaningfully inclusive process; and

WHEREAS, while the County of Monterey is a beautiful place to call home, the County faces a variety of difficult challenges, including an inflated housing market that has profound impacts on local families and individuals, as well as local employers' abilities to attract and retain a highly qualified workforce as there is a shortage of homes for working families; and,

WHEREAS, the County's pavement condition index is well below statewide averages; the unincorporated area public roads maintained by the County and the County's facilities and parks need improvements and upgrades; and episodic winter storm damages, repairs, and disaster recovery services continue to deplete County resources; and,

WHEREAS, the County's critical unincorporated water and sewer system infrastructure is aged, has been impacted by flood and other disasters, and necessitating improvements and/or upgrades; and,

WHEREAS, the County anticipates future available funding from state, federal and non-profit grants and increases in sales and transient occupancy taxes which may be placed in the County's general fund and be used for the usual current expenses of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey endorses FY 2024-25 budget priorities in the County's unincorporated areas as follows:

- 1) Road Repair and Infrastructure Projects – repair roads and bridges, fix potholes, and address failing public facilities and infrastructure that have exceeded their useful life.
- 2) Water and Sewer (Wastewater) Infrastructure Projects – make repairs to improve reliability, improve efficiency, quality, and service for reliable, sustainable and safe water.
- 3) Parks Projects – restoring the recreational features and improve our County parks and lake recreational facilities for enhancing visitorship experience.
- 4) Other essential County services, programs, and improvements, including but not limited to strategies to address housing affordability, reduce homelessness, and provide healthcare services for children and vulnerable populations as well as improved emergency services.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 24th day of September 2024, by roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors Alejo, Church, Lopez, Askew, and Adams

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

I, Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 82 for the meeting on September 24, 2024.

Dated: September 25, 2024

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Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California


Emmanuel H. Santos, Deputy