

City Council Agenda Item

City Council Meeting Date: May 18, 2021

TO: Jim Throop, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Authorize City Manager to Endorse Letter of Support for USBR 95

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the City Council authorize the City Manager to endorse the Letter of Support (Attachment 1) for US Bike Route 95 (USBR 95) that is proposed to pass through the City along existing bike routes and bikeways as shown in the Location Map (Attachment 2).

Background/Discussion:

The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials has commenced a national effort, led in this state by the Adventure Cycling Association, the California Department of Transportation (Cal Trans), and the California Bicycle Coalition, with a goal to provide a nationwide network of bicycle routes across the United States which have been identified as being more suitable than others for cycling. USBR 95 closely follows the Pacific Coast Route and is proposed to come through the City as shown in the Location Map (Attachment 2). The Adventure Cycling Association has coordinated with staff and has requested the City provide a letter of support for the proposed segment of USBR 95 which passes through the City.

Fiscal Impact:

The USBR designation may help increase bicycle tourism and benefit the City economically. There is no negative impact for supporting the proposed USBR 95 route designation.

Conclusion:

The attached letter in support of USBR 95 will be forwarded to Caltrans indicating the City's support of the project.

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Respectfully submitted,
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Attachments: 1) Letter of Support 2) Location Map