

RESOLUTION NO. 83-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF RIDGECREST REGARDING THE  
ALLOCATION OF FEDERAL HIGHWAY FUNDS  
TO CITIES AND COUNTIES.

WHEREAS, the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 increased funding for Federal highway programs used by the State of California and by local agencies in rural areas; and

WHEREAS, the Act did not increase funding for the Federal Aid Urban Program under which local agencies receive the bulk of their Federal Aid Highway funds; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides for additional allocations to assure that each State gets back at least 85 percent of what it contributes to the Highway Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, California will receive an estimated additional \$23 Million under this provision in 1982-83 which can be assigned to any of the Federal Aid Highway programs at the State's discretion; and

WHEREAS, local agencies have billions of dollars worth of street and road deficiencies needing to be corrected and a backlog of projects held up for lack of funds; and

WHEREAS, the State is experiencing difficulty in obligating its portion of Federal Aid funds, and is predicting a shortfall in State matching requirements; and

WHEREAS, local revenues are down because of the poor economic climate, reduced gasoline consumption and reduced State subventions; and

WHEREAS, State legislation recently diverted motor vehicle in-lieu funds which have historically been available to local agencies for street and road purposes:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Ridgecrest urges the State to allocate the Federal-Aid discretionary funds California received to meet the 85 percent return provision of the Federal Highway Act to the local agencies via the Federal Aid Urban Program and the Federal Aid Secondary Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be provided to the Governor, the California Transportation Commission, the Director of the Department of Transportation, Senator Walter Stiern, Assemblyman

Phillip Wyman and the League of California Cities.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd day of May, 1983 by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Cheshire, Vice-Mayor Webb, Councilmembers Bergens, Rieger and Padgett

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

  
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RON CHESHIRE, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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JACQUELINE C. REED, City Clerk