

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA
VISTA APPROVING AN MOU WITH SANDAG FOR THE DESIGN
PHASE OF THE PALOMAR STREET RAIL-GRADE SEPARATION
PROJECT

WHEREAS, per City Council Resolution No. 2012-118, the City of Chula Vista entered a Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with SANDAG for the purpose of preparing an environmental document that will consider project alternatives for grade-separating the Blue Line Light Rail Trolley crossing at Palomar Street and commensurate improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Palomar Street rail-grade crossing is identified as the highest need location within San Diego County; and

WHEREAS, the project report and environmental review with technical studies have been completed and presented for adoption by City Council on January 28, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2019 and October 25, 2019, the SANDAG Board of Directors approved creating a new project, SANDAG CIP # 1210091, “SAN261 - Palomar Street Rail Grade Separation”, and amended the 2018 Regional Transportation Improvement Program by adopting Board Resolution RTC- 2020-03 advancing \$5M for design phase funding; and

WHEREAS, beginning this fiscal year, the design phase is expected to last several years; and

WHEREAS, the MOU in tonight’s agenda packet confirms SANDAG as the lead Agency for the design phase and provides reimbursement to the City for all City staff time during the phase; and

WHEREAS, Construction funding, estimated at over \$40 million dollars, will be identified as the design phase nears completion. Based on this schedule, the construction phase could begin by 2023 and be completed by FY25/26.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista, that it approves the Memorandum of Understanding Between San Diego Association of Governments and the City of Chula Vista Regarding Palomar Street Rail Grade Separation Final Design Phase, in the form presented, with such modifications as may be required or approved by the City Attorney, and authorizes and directs the City Manager or designee to execute the same, a copy of which shall be kept on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

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