



# Cathedral City

## Legislation Text

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**City Council**

**MEETING DATE: 8/10/2016**

**TITLE:**

**Agreement with the City of Palm Springs for the Construction and Maintenance of the Cathedral City Whitewater Bike Path.**

**FROM:**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the City Council approve an agreement with the City of Palm Springs for Construction and Maintenance of the Cathedral City Whitewater Bike Path Project; and authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents.

**BACKGROUND:**

The City of Cathedral City proposes to construct a concrete bike and pedestrian path along the top of the existing western levee of the Whitewater River between Vista Chino on the north and Ramon Road on the south, a total distance of approximately 2.4 miles.

As part of the Ramon Road Bridge Widening project, the proposed Cathedral City Whitewater Bike Path Project (Project) will continue west along a sidewalk/bike path on the north side of Ramon Road for approximately 0.22 miles to Crossley Road, where it will end. Improvements are planned primarily within the existing Riverside County Flood Control right of way along the Whitewater River Channel.

**DISCUSSION:**

Cathedral City has completed the Environmental Review and Design of the Project. A request for bids has been issued and construction will begin in the early fall. As a portion of the Project lies within the City of Palm Springs, an agreement (Agreement) is needed to memorialize both the construction and ongoing maintenance responsibilities for the Project within the two Cities.

The Agreement provides that the City of Cathedral City will be responsible for all construction costs and after the Project is constructed the City of Cathedral City will be responsible for all maintenance costs for the first 5 years after the recordation of the Notice of Completion. After the 5 years the City of Palm Springs will maintain the portion of the Project that lies within the City of Palm Springs. Approval of this Agreement with the City of Palm Springs will allow Cathedral City to move forward with the Construction and Maintenance of the Project.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Cathedral City will be responsible for 100% of the funding for Planning, Environmental Clearance, Design, Construction and Maintenance of the project for the first five (5) years after the completion of the Project. When the Grants for this Project were secured, the City of Cathedral City acknowledged that it would encumber the maintenance costs and has made provisions for this cost within the Public Works operating budget.

After completion of the five (5) year maintenance term of the Project, the City of Palm Springs will be responsible for the maintenance of the Project that is within the City of Palm Springs jurisdiction.

Note: If the Project becomes part of a larger regional bike path project, it is anticipated that maintenance of the Project for both Cities will transfer to the overall larger regional bike path agency.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

City of Cathedral City and City of Palm Springs Bike Path Agreement