

CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 24, 2025

PREPARED BY: Anthony J. Mejia, City Clerk

SUBJECT: RATIFICATION OF LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE CITY OF INDIAN
WELLS WHITEWATER CHANNEL LINING PROJECT

RECOMMENDATION:

Ratify the letter of support for the City of Indian Wells' Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding request for the Whitewater Channel Lining Project.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

At the request of the City of Indian Wells, the City Council Subcommittee on Legislative Affairs, comprised of Mayor Harnik and Mayor Pro Tem Trubee, approved the issuance of a letter of support on April 8, 2025. The letter supports Indian Wells' request for Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) for improvements to the Whitewater River Stormwater Channel (WWRSC).

Whitewater Channel Lining Project

The Whitewater Channel Lining Project proposes the installation of approximately 7,400 linear feet of concrete slope protection along the north and south banks of the WWRSC. The WWRSC serves as a major flood conveyance system in the Coachella Valley with a drainage area of approximately 743 square miles. According to the City of Indian Wells, the improvements are intended to address erosion concerns, reduce sediment transport, and enhance stormwater management capacity.

Legal Review:

This report has been reviewed by the City Attorney's Office.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact associated with this action.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Letter of Support