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April 3, 2025

The Honorable Ken Calvert  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2205 Rayburn Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Calvert:

As the Assemblymember for the California Assembly District 47<sup>th</sup>, I am writing to express strong support for the City of La Quinta's request for federal funding through the Community Project Funding in the Fiscal Year 2026 Appropriations Bill for Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies. This funding is critical for the Washington Street Pavement Resurfacing and Citywide Drainage Improvements project, which will enhance public safety, mobility, and infrastructure resilience in the City of La Quinta.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me and my office at [Assemblymember.Wallis@assembly.ca.gov](mailto:Assemblymember.Wallis@assembly.ca.gov) or (760) 346-6342.

Sincerely,



GREG WALLIS

Assemblymember, 47<sup>th</sup> District

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# CAL FIRE – RIVERSIDE UNIT RIVERSIDE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

**BILL WEISER - Fire Chief**

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**Re: Letter of Support for City of La Quinta Washington Street Pavement  
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Thank you for your time and dedication to our community.

Sincerely,

*Richard Tovar*

Richard Tovar  
Division Chief – East Desert  
77-933 Las Montanas Road, Suite 201,  
Palm Desert, California, 92201



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April 9, 2025

The Honorable Ken Calvert  
U.S. House of Representatives 2205  
Rayburn Building  
Washington, DC 20515

## **Re: Letter of Support for City of La Quinta Washington Street Pavement Resurfacing, Ramp Improvements, and Drainage Improvements Project**

Dear Congressman Calvert,

As Executive Director of the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG), I strongly support the City of La Quinta's request for federal funding through the FY 2026 Appropriations Bill for Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development. This funding is crucial for the Washington Street Pavement Resurfacing and Citywide Drainage Improvements project, enhancing public safety, mobility, and infrastructure resilience.

CVAG is a joint powers authority and its membership includes 10 cities, including the City of La Quinta, four Tribal Nations and the County of Riverside. CVAG works closely with the City of La Quinta to identify opportunities to improve the regional transportation system, including CV Link, a 40-plus mile multi-modal pathway.

In 2023, Tropical Storm Hilary highlighted the urgent need for drainage improvements at Avenue 50 & Eisenhower Drive, Desert Club Drive & Calle Tampico, and Avenida Bermudas & Calle Tampico. These areas flood for up to two days, damaging roads and limiting access to residential neighborhoods, including the Cove community that has over 2,000 homes. Also, Washington Street, a major arterial roadway connecting Interstate 10 to La Quinta, has deteriorated significantly. Its maintenance is crucial for regional mobility and commerce, serving as a vital route for SunLine Transit Agency. The project includes repaving a four-mile stretch and upgrading curb ramps to meet ADA standards, enhancing walkability and accessibility.

La Quinta has invested over \$8.5 million in drainage enhancements since adopting a Drainage Improvements Plan in 2015, but additional improvements are needed. Rising costs for road maintenance and repairs have strained the City's budget, and traditional funding sources have become challenging to secure. Federal funding would accelerate ADA compliance efforts and improve accessibility. The total project cost is \$11 million, with the City requesting \$5 million in federal funding and committing the remaining \$6 million.

We appreciate your support in addressing our regional infrastructure challenges and urge your consideration of this funding request to improve safety, economic development and mobility. If you have any questions, please contact me directly at [tkirk@cvag.org](mailto:tkirk@cvag.org) or at 760-346-1127.

Sincerely,

Tom Kirk  
Executive Director



April 4, 2025

The Honorable Ken Calvert  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2205 Rayburn Building  
Washington, DC 20515

**Re: Letter of Support for City of La Quinta Washington Street Pavement Resurfacing, Ramp Improvements, and Drainage Improvements Project**

Dear Representative Calvert,

The City of Indian Wells supports the City of La Quinta's request for federal funding through the Community Project Funding in the Fiscal Year 2026 Appropriations Bill for Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies. This funding is critical for the Washington Street Pavement Resurfacing and Citywide Drainage Improvements project, which will enhance public safety, mobility, and infrastructure resilience in the City of La Quinta.

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Thank you for your time and dedication to our community.

Sincerely,

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Bruce Whitman, Mayor  
City of Indian Wells

April 10, 2025

The Honorable Ken Calvert  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2205 Rayburn Building  
Washington, DC 20515

**Subject: Letter of Support for City of La Quinta Washington Street Pavement Resurfacing, Ramp Improvements, and Drainage Improvements Project**

Dear Representative Calvert:

Thank you for your service to the residents of California. The City of La Quinta, located in Riverside County, is seeking nomination for Federal funds through the Community Project Funding in the Fiscal Year 2026 Appropriations Bill for Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies. This funding is critical for the Washington Street Pavement Resurfacing and Citywide Drainage Improvements project, which will enhance public safety, mobility, and infrastructure resilience in the City of La Quinta.

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We greatly appreciate your continued support in bringing Federal investment to our regional transportation challenges. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Linda Evans, Mayor



# Riverside County Sheriff's Department

*Chad Bianco, Sheriff-Coroner*

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## Thermal Station

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April 4, 2025

The Honorable Ken Calvert  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2205 Rayburn Building  
Washington, DC 20515

**Re: Letter of Support for City of La Quinta Washington Street Pavement Resurfacing, Ramp Improvements, and Drainage Project**

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Sincerely,

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Francisco Velasco, Lieutenant  
Riverside County Sheriff's Office  
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# County of Riverside

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FOURTH DISTRICT

April 10, 2025

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2205 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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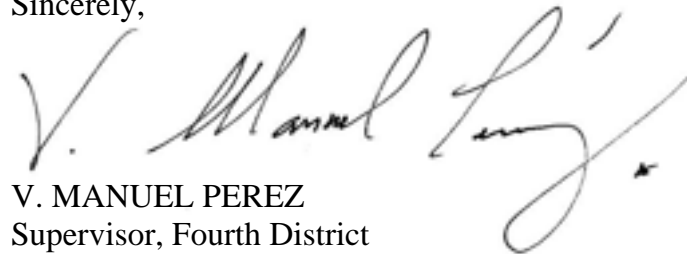
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Federal investment in the City of La Quinta through these projects would go a long way in supplementing the city's resources to make the types of improvements for drainage, for bringing curb ramps and pedestrian pathways into full compliance and thereby improving accessibility for all residents, and repaving the Washington Street roadway. These projects would strengthen our local economy, support restaurants and other businesses, attract new development and promote long-term economic stability.

As supervisor for Riverside County's Fourth District, representing eastern Riverside County and the mountain communities, I support the City of La Quinta's request for this funding for these important projects.

If you have any questions about my support for this funding request, please don't hesitate to contact me at (760) 863-8211. Thank you for your consideration and dedication to our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "V. Manuel Perez", with a stylized flourish at the end.

V. MANUEL PEREZ  
Supervisor, Fourth District

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