## **RESOLUTION NO. 06-05**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS SUPPORTING A STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURE TO SECURE LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

WHEREAS, the City of Los Altos engages in periodic capital improvement assessments and planning relating to the condition of its transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City is concerned that it is not able to maintain its transportation infrastructure consistent with public works best practices because of limited funding availability; and

WHEREAS, constraints on the City's ability to fully fund local transportation infrastructure projects adversely affect residents, visitors, and businesses within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City had anticipated receiving monies for this purpose as the result of Proposition 42, approved by the state's voters in March 2002, which dedicated the state sales tax paid on gasoline to state and local transportation infrastructure projects and programs; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 42 contains a provision that allows the state to transfer the sales tax on gasoline to non-transportation state purposes during times of fiscal need; and

WHEREAS, as a result, some \$2.5 billion in Proposition 42 monies has been spent over the past three years for non-transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, a measure is being circulated to qualify a constitutional amendment for the November 2006 ballot that would ensure that future revenues raised by Proposition 42 are dedicated to state and local transportation projects only; and

WHEREAS, the measure also requires the state to reimburse the \$2.5 billion in funds previously spent on non-transportation expenses to be repaid in 10 years; and

WHEREAS, ensuring that Proposition 42 revenues are used solely for transportation projects, along with the reimbursement of prior revenues, will greatly assist the City of Los Altos in meeting its street maintenance obligations to the benefits of its residents, visitors, and businesses.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Los Altos supports a constitutional amendment to ensure that Proposition 42 revenues are used exclusively for state and local transportation projects, and that revenues previously used to offset non-transportation purposes be reimbursed.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this resolution was duly introduced and adopted at the Regular Meeting of the Los Altos City Council on the 28th day of February, 2006, by the following vote:

AYES:

CARPENTER, CASAS, COLEHOWER, PACKARD

NOES:

**COLE** 

ABSENT:

NONE

Ronald D. Packard, MAYOR

Susan Kitchens CITY CLERK