

FY2010 Appropriations Request Form

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Individuals/Organizations must respond to all questions on the form. Incomplete proposals will not be considered.

All requests will be evaluated before the 12th Congressional District's Citizens Oversight Panel. Appointments to appear before the panel must be made through Cookab Hashemi, chief of staff, at 202/225-3531 or Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov. The panel will convene on the following days; Saturday, March 7, Friday, March 13 and Friday, March 20, 2009. All proposals must be submitted by March 2, 2009.

Date Submitted: February 28, 2009

Project Name: City of Brisbane Funding Appropriations for Water and Sewer System Disaster Preparedness; Repaving Bayshore Blvd., a Major Urban Arterial

Individual/Organization: *(Is the grantee located in the 12th Congressional District?)* Yes

Amount Requested *(if requesting report language, please attach.):* \$8,050,000

Appropriations Bill/Account/Relevant Authorization law/bill/status *(e.g., "Public Law 107-111"; "FY2008 DOD Authorization", "Currently pursuing authorization through Agriculture Committee", "Safe Drinking Water Act" or "Hatch Act"):*

Water and Sewer Projects:

Interior Bill; Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG)

Repaving Bayshore Blvd.:

Transportation-Housing and Urban Development (THUD); Federal Highway Administration (FHWA); Transportation, Community, and System Preservation Program (TCSP)

Local Contact *(Please provide full contact information, including any relevant phone extensions, and indicate if there is a separate D.C. contact.):*

Stuart Schillinger
Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services Director
50 Park Place, Brisbane, CA 94005

Organization's Main Activities. *(Please limit your response to 250 words and indicate whether it is a public, private, non-profit or private for-profit entity.)*

The City of Brisbane dedicates itself to providing exceptional services to the public. We are a full-service city in that we maintain our own water and sewer systems, operate our own fire and police departments, and offer a full complement of parks and recreation services to all those who live and work in town. Brisbane is a small city with approximately 3,600 residents and is located immediately south of San Francisco. Due to its close proximity to a major metropolis, Brisbane is a choice spot for businesses to locate to. The City serves a daytime population of roughly 12,000 people. Currently, the town is faced with the challenge of dealing with future growth that will enhance and preserve its small-town character.

Please show main items in the project and total cost in a simplified chart form. *(Please include the amount of any Federal/State/Local/Private funds, including any in-kind resources.)*

Replace 16" Wastewater Transmission Line	\$ 2,600,000
Seismic and Structural Repairs for Crocker Tank	\$ 500,000
Increase Fire Flow Capacity in Annis Rd. Area	\$ 1,750,000
Repave Bayshore Blvd.	\$ 3,200,000
Total Cost	\$ 8,050,000

Project Description, including a timeline, goals, expected outcomes and specific uses of Federal Funds. *(Your response must focus on the requested funds rather than the organization's mission and general activities. Please limit your response to 250 – 500 words.)*

Replace 16" Wastewater Transmission Line

Our 40-year old, 16-inch, sewer interceptor line connects to San Francisco's sewer collection system. This line transports the City of Brisbane, California's entire sewer flow to San Francisco's wastewater treatment system where it receives treatment. If this pipe is not replaced prior to failure there is the potential for a significant sewer spill which could overflow directly into the San Francisco Bay. Federal Funds will be utilized to ensure this does not happen. If the City receives Federal Funding, construction would be complete within 90 days.

Seismic and Structural Repairs for Crocker Tank

With Federal Funding, this project will increase the design life of the existing tank for an additional 20 years, completing interim structural and seismic upgrades on Crocker Tank. This is a less expensive alternative to completing replacing the tank at this time. The Crocker Water tank supplies water to the Crocker Industrial Park. If this tank was to fail during an earthquake the business community would be without water. This combined with a fire could destroy a number of companies including Dolby, Monster Cable, processing centers for DHL and Fed Ex, and Bebe clothing's national headquarters. Even if there wasn't a fire the Crocker Tank provides 1/3 of the City's reserve capacity during emergencies. The plans and specifications for this project have been completed and ready to be utilized for construction.

Increase Fire Flow Capacity in Annis Rd. Area

Currently, if there is a fire in this wildland interface there is not enough water pressure to fight the fire proactively and firefighters would be forced to take a defensive posture to save human life and houses. With adequate pressure, firefighters could take a more offensive posture in this area and potentially be able to attack and control the fire before it became a danger to residents. If we do not have the water pressure available to take an active attack posture then we will need to rely on more outside agencies depleting their emergency response as well as potentially needing to call in air support. During certain times air support may not be available if they are allocated to other working fires. If this occurs then a fire that starts on San Bruno Mountain could spread into neighboring jurisdictions (South San Francisco, Daly City, and Colma). This project has been included as part of the City's Capital Improvement Program since 2004 but has not been given sufficient funding for design and construction to begin.

Repave Bayshore Blvd.

Bayshore Blvd is a major arterial, connecting San Mateo and San Francisco County, running parallel to Interstate 101 for 3.1 miles. It is a State route which was turned over to the City of Brisbane when Highway 101 was completed. Sections of Bayshore Blvd. have not received any pavement treatments in 20 years and with an average daily trips ranging from 18,000 – 26,000, its rehabilitation is necessary. Also, if there was a major emergency where San Francisco and especially Candlestick needed to be evacuated Bayshore would need to be used. Having this major roadway repaved can be completed within 30 working days of receiving Federal Funding.

How will this earmark serve to expand the capacity of your organization and how will your organization sustain this work beyond the federal funding? *(Your response must focus on the impact of the requested funds rather than the organization's long-term goals.)*

Federal Funding will allow these projects to get off the ground so that citizens and businesses can start benefiting from them. The City will sustain the water and sewer projects beyond the Federal Funding through utility charges and minimal percentage increases when needed. The average cost for a family of four is already approximately \$175.00 every two months.

What is the local significance of this project?

Over the past seven years the City of Brisbane, California has increased its water and sewer rates over 150% in order to maintain and repair the existing water and sewer systems. This has created a hardship on lower income residents. The Council has taken the step of not increasing rates for low-income individuals for the past three years now.

On June 22nd, 2008, the City experienced a major wildland fire, where 30 fire companies from all across the Peninsula region came to help fight the blaze. CAL Fire was even able to send a helicopter to help drop water from the Bay. The City was fortunate to have such a robust resource available, seeing the fire occurred when many others were raging across the state. In the event that we are not able to have CAL Fire arrive on the scene, it is important that our water mains are operating at optimal capacity. Currently, the water mains in the Annis Rd. area are 6" in diameter; the standard now is 8" – 10". An increase in the diameter of our water mains would allow more water to flow to the site when needed, as the pressure would not drop so severely due to friction with the pipes.

In regards to repaving Bayshore Blvd., the project will allow for the City's largest arterial and only regional Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) local road to be resurfaced. The need to do so becomes especially apparent any time the 49er's play at Monster Park.

How many residents of the 12th CD will benefit from this project? *(i.e. jobs created, services rendered to, how many people, etc.)*

All of Brisbane's residents and working population of 9,000 people would benefit through the services rendered through the three water and sewer projects, and the 18,000 – 26,000 drivers who use Bayshore Blvd on a daily basis would benefit from that major arterial being rehabilitated. It's been said that for every \$1 billion spent on public works projects, 40,000 jobs are created. Given that ratio and Brisbane's total project costs being a little over \$8 million, we're hoping to create roughly 3,200 jobs through the design and construction of these four projects.

List any other organizations or state/local elected officials who have expressed support for the project in writing. *(Please submit copies of support letters along with the proposal.)*

Please see attached letter of support for Federal Funding from Mitch Bull, Executive Director of the Brisbane Chamber of Commerce.

Does the organization have any other funding requests for this project? *(Federal, State, Local or private pending?)*

Just \$100,000 at the State level for repaving Bayshore Blvd. \$3.2 million is needed in order to repave this 3.1 mile stretch of important roadway. The City's gas tax and Measure A funds together only contribute \$200,000.

Has the organization previously received Federal funds for this project? *(Please list any funds received [by fiscal year] and briefly describe how those funds were spent.)* No

Please attach a list of your organization's staff and board members *(if any).*

Sepi A. Richardson, Mayor
Clark Conway, Mayor Pro-Tem
Michael Barnes, Councilmember
Cyril Bologoff, Councilmember
Steve Waldo, Councilmember

Clayton Holstine, City Manager
Stuart Schillinger, Deputy City Manager, Administrative Services Director
Fred Smith, Assistant to the City Manager
Randy Breault, Director of Public Works, City Engineer
Tom Hitchcock, Police Chief
Ron Myers, Fire Chief
Bill Prince, Community Services Director
Jim Skeels, Parks and Recreation Director
Sheri Spediacci, City Clerk
Hal Toppel, City Attorney



BRISBANE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

February 25, 2009

Ms. Caroline Cheng
City of Brisbane
Finance Department
50 Park Place
Brisbane, CA 94005

Dear Ms.Cheng,

I am writing this letter to provide support from the Brisbane Chamber of Commerce for the undertaking of the City Capital Improvement Projects that were discussed both in the Council meeting last week and in our smaller meeting earlier this week.

The role of the Chamber is to support the business community within the City. Brisbane is fortunate to have a very diverse community with Fortune 500 sized companies such as Monster Cable, Walmart.com, Hitachi America, FedEx and Dolby Labs; Mid-sized biotech companies such as Cutera, InterMune and Tercica, and a large number of sole proprietorships that depend on the Chamber for tying them into the community at large.

With Brisbane's proximity to San Francisco and the major transit corridors it is imperative that the infrastructure continues to be maintained and improved. The traffic on Bayshore Boulevard is continuously heavy and requires periodic resurfacing and maintenance to ensure driver safety as well as having the structure in place to continue to support the residents and businesses that rely on Bayshore Blvd. for entering and exiting the city.

Maintaining other parts of the City's infrastructure is equally important. Being tucked in the mountains that skirt San Francisco Bay, all of us are keenly aware of the danger that can be caused by both fires and earthquakes. The improvements to the water storage, wastewater and fire suppression systems are important to the residential and business community alike.

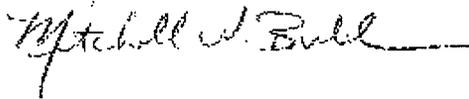
Capital Improvement Letter

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Failure to repair and maintain these pieces of the infrastructure could prove costly, if not fatal, to the operation of many of the businesses in Crocker Park and the surrounding areas.

If there is anything else we can do to work with the city management and staff please do not hesitate to contact me at 415.467.7283.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mitchell W. Bull". The signature is written in dark ink and includes a horizontal line at the end.

Mitchell W. Bull
Executive Director
Brisbane Chamber of Commerce

San Mateo County Water Distribution System Charges

	Average Monthly Use	Cost	Average/Unit
Skyline	12	\$ 122.80	\$ 10.23
Burlingame	10	\$ 65.13	\$ 6.51
Brisbane	10	\$ 62.64	\$ 6.26
Millbrae	9.3	\$ 48.54	\$ 5.22
Coastside	9	\$ 43.44	\$ 4.83
Hillborough	30	\$ 142.34	\$ 4.74
North Coast	9	\$ 41.34	\$ 4.59
Mid-Pininsula	15	\$ 66.73	\$ 4.45
San Bruno	9	\$ 37.93	\$ 4.21
Redwood City	10	\$ 38.35	\$ 3.84
CWS - Mid-Peninsula	12.4	\$ 44.05	\$ 3.55
Wetborough	8	\$ 28.11	\$ 3.51
Daly City	8.5	\$ 29.75	\$ 3.50
CWS - South San Francisco	9.1	\$ 30.06	\$ 3.30
East Palo Alto	14.5	\$ 40.61	\$ 2.80
Menlo Park	16	\$ 32.11	\$ 2.01

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