

# NEWS

From Chairman Gary Ovitt  
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## **BOARD APPROVES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS FOR STREET AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS IN MONTCLAIR**

The Board of Supervisors approved today, as part of its 2009-2010 Action Plan for the County's 2005-2010 Consolidated Plan, a new project for construction of street and sidewalk improvements along Mission Boulevard between Ada and Benson Avenues in Montclair.

Supervisor Gary Ovitt whose Supervisorial District is the beneficiary of the new project said; "we're committing \$596,252 of CDBG funds toward this rehabilitation project that will make significant enhancements along Mission Boulevard in the City of Montclair."

Ovitt went on to say, "When completed, this rehabilitation project will upgrade Mission Boulevard functionally and aesthetically between the Los Angeles County line to Benson Avenue. This will be a 10 phase project. Phases 1-4 have been completed. Phases 5 and 6 are under construction. Phase 7 is complete. The completed phases include construction of a new roadway and raised median, curb, gutter and sidewalks, decorative crosswalks, streetlights, traffic signals, parkway and median landscaping, and storm drains."

Ovitt added, "A side benefit that has been realized from this project is the private investment that has followed as each phase has been completed. The City of Montclair has seen the completion of three new commercial developments, a new industrial park, and over 80 new single-family houses along the mission corridor as previous phases have been completed. Also along the corridor, a 115,000 square-foot self-storage facility is under construction and a 96,000 square-foot business park is entitled and in plan check. There have also been minor upgrades of several developed properties along the corridor after the completion of each previous phase. All of which reinforces my belief that public investment can spur private investment."

The estimated start date for construction of this project is December 2009 with an estimated completion date of March 2010.