# **Metro**

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room



Agenda - Final

Thursday, June 16, 2016 11:30 AM

One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90012, 3rd Floor, Metro Board Room

# **Executive Management Committee**

Mark Ridley-Thomas, Chair
John Fasana, Vice Chair
Michael Antonovich
Eric Garcetti
Paul Krekorian
Sheila Kuehl
Carrie Bowen, non-voting member
Phillip A. Washington, Chief Executive Officer

#### METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD RULES (ALSO APPLIES TO BOARD COMMITTEES)

#### PUBLIC INPUT

A member of the public may address the Board on agenda items, before or during the Board or Committee's consideration of the item for one (1) minute per item, or at the discretion of the Chair. A request to address the Board should be submitted in person at the meeting to the Board Secretary. Individuals requesting to speak on more than three (3) agenda items will be allowed to speak up to a maximum of three (3) minutes per meeting. For individuals requiring translation service, time allowed will be doubled.

The public may also address the Board on non-agenda items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board during the public comment period, which will be held at the beginning and/or end of each meeting. Each person will be allowed to speak for up to three (3) minutes per meeting and may speak no more than once during the Public Comment period. Speakers will be called according to the order in which the speaker request forms are received. Elected officials, not their staff or deputies, may be called out of order and prior to the Board's consideration of the relevant item. In accordance with State Law (Brown Act), all matters to be acted on by the MTA Board must be posted at least 72 hours prior to the Board meeting. In case of emergency, or when a subject matter arises subsequent to the posting of the agenda, upon making certain findings, the Board may act on an item that is not on the posted agenda.

CONDUCT IN THE BOARD ROOM - The following rules pertain to conduct at Metropolitan Transportation Authority meetings:

**REMOVAL FROM THE BOARD ROOM** The Chair shall order removed from the Board Room any person who commits the following acts with respect to any meeting of the MTA Board:

- a. Disorderly behavior toward the Board or any member of the staff thereof, tending to interrupt the due and orderly course of said meeting.
- b. A breach of the peace, boisterous conduct or violent disturbance, tending to interrupt the due and orderly course of said meeting.
- c. Disobedience of any lawful order of the Chair, which shall include an order to be seated or to refrain from addressing the Board; and
- Any other unlawful interference with the due and orderly course of said meeting.

#### INFORMATION RELATING TO AGENDAS AND ACTIONS OF THE BOARD

Agendas for the Regular MTA Board meetings are prepared by the Board Secretary and are available prior to the meeting in the MTA Records Management Department and on the Internet. Every meeting of the MTA Board of Directors is recorded on CD's and as MP3's and can be made available for a nominal charge.

#### **DISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTIONS**

The State Political Reform Act (Government Code Section 84308) requires that a party to a proceeding before an agency involving a license, permit, or other entitlement for use, including all contracts (other than competitively bid, labor, or personal employment contracts), shall disclose on the record of the proceeding any contributions in an amount of more than \$250 made within the preceding 12 months by the party, or his or her agent, to any officer of the agency, additionally PUC Code Sec. 130051.20 requires that no member accept a contribution of over ten dollars (\$10) in value or amount from a construction company, engineering firm, consultant, legal firm, or any company, vendor, or business entity that has contracted with the authority in the preceding four years. Persons required to make this disclosure shall do so by filling out a "Disclosure of Contribution" form which is available at the LACMTA Board and Committee Meetings. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the assessment of civil or criminal penalties.

#### ADA REQUIREMENTS

Upon request, sign language interpretation, materials in alternative formats and other accommodations are available to the public for MTA-sponsored meetings and events. All requests for reasonable accommodations must be made at least three working days (72 hours) in advance of the scheduled meeting date. Please telephone (213) 922-4600 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Our TDD line is (800) 252-9040.

#### LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

A Spanish language interpreter is available at all <u>Board</u> Meetings. Interpreters for <u>Committee</u> meetings and all other languages must be requested 72 hours in advance of the meeting by calling (213) 922-4600 or (323) 466-3876.



#### 323.466.3876 x3

한국어 日本語 中文 русскоий Հայերէն ภาษาไทย Tiếng Việt เกลียชีย

#### **HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS**

Copies of Agendas/Record of Board Action/Recordings of Meetings - (213) 922-4880 (Records Management Department)
General Information/Rules of the Board - (213) 922-4600
Internet Access to Agendas - www.metro.net
TDD line (800) 252-9040

NOTE: ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **ROLL CALL**

36. APPROVE Consent Calendar Items: 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41.

Consent Calendar items are approved by one motion unless held by a Director for discussion and/or separate action.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

37. RECEIVE AND FILE State and Federal Report.

2016-0491

Attachments: June 2016 Leg Matrix

**38.** CONSIDER: <u>2016-0437</u>

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No.1 to the Labor Compliance Bench (The Bench) Contract Numbers PS-21307700 A-J, for labor compliance monitoring services, to exercise the first one-year option and extend the contract term from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017 increasing the total authorized not-to-exceed amount by \$1,578,584 from \$13,478,064 to \$15.056.648:
- B. AUTHORIZING the award of a task order with Padilla & Associates, Inc. for Contract No. PS-21307700-E to perform labor compliance monitoring services on the South Western Light-Rail Vehicle Yard Project for a fixed price of \$772,575.87, increasing the total contract amount from \$78,413.23 to \$850,989.87;
- C. APPROVING Labor Compliance Monitoring Services task orders for the I-405 Sepulveda Pass Widening Project with Parsons Corporation (Task Order #1) for the fixed price amount of \$1,640,930.76; for the Crenshaw/LAX Project with the Solis Group (Task Order #32) for the fixed price amount of \$3,646,745; for the Regional Connector Transit Corridor Project with Perceptive Enterprises, Inc. (Task Order #45) for the fixed price amount of \$2,915,465.43; and for the Westside Subway Extension Section 1 Design/Build Project with Metro Compliance Services, JV (Task Order #48R) for the fixed price amount of \$3,952,560.03; and
- D. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to award and execute task

Metro Page 3 Printed on 6/10/2016

orders with the total authorized amount of \$15,056,648.

<u>Attachments:</u> Attachment B - Labor Compliance Task Orders

Attachment D - LC Monitoring Bench 6-11-11

Attachment A - Procurement Summary

Attachment C - DEOD Summary

39. AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amendment to the Exclusive Negotiations and Planning Agreement with A Community of Friends to extend its term for an additional 12 months, for the joint development of Metro-owned property at 1st and Lorena Street along the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension.

<u>2016-0310</u>

Attachments: Attachment A - Site Map.pdf

Attachment B - Director's Determination.pdf

Attachment C - Project Scope.pdf

**40.** CONSIDER: <u>2016-0316</u>

- A. ADOPTING the **Development Guidelines for the joint development** of 1.77 acres of Metro-owned property and 1.66
  acres of County-owned property at the **Expo/Crenshaw Station**;
- B. ADOPTING the **Development Guidelines for the joint development** of 1.44 acres of County-owned property at the **Fairview Heights Station**; and
- C. AUTHORIZING an Agreement with the County of Los Angeles for administering the Metro Joint Development process for the County-owned properties at the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights Stations.

Attachments: Attachment A - Location Maps

Attachment B - County Agreement Term Sheet

Attachment C - Expo Crenshaw Development Guidelines

Attachment D - Fairview Heights Development Guidelines

**Presentation** 

41. AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a six-month Short Term Exclusive Negotiation Agreement and Planning Document (Short Term ENA), with an option to extend up to three additional months, with Trammell Crow Company and Greenland USA, for the development of Metro-owned property at the North Hollywood Station (Site).

2016-0386

Attachments:

Attachment A - Procurement Summary.pdf

Attachment B - Depiction of North Hollywood Development Sites.pdf

<u>Attachment C – Site Plan and Rendering of Proposed Development Project</u>

Attachment D - Summary of the Proposed Development

#### NON-CONSENT

**46.** ADOPT staff recommended positions:

2016-0490

A. AB 1640 (Stone) - Retirement: Public Employees WORK WITH AUTHOR

AB 1640 (Stone) - Attachment A-

47. MOTION by Kuehl, Knabe, Solis and Antonovich that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to work with Access Services to convene an annual county-wide forum to address improvements in coordination and integration of services to older adults and the disabled. The forum shall include consultant specialists in gerontology and mental health as well as local governmental and non-governmental providers of transportation and social services to older adults and the disabled. Metro shall encourage municipal operators and local jurisdictions to participate in the annual forum. Each forum should occur no later than 90 days after the release of the annual report.

2016-0501

FURTHER MOVE that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to report back to the Metro Board in October 2016 with an action plan to better address the transportation needs of older adults and people with disabilities. The plan shall include the following elements:

- A. An overview of the agency-wide efforts to serve older adults and people with disabilities with a specific focus on those activities that go beyond meeting ADA requirements and with an objective to ensure coordination in planning and implementing necessary initiatives.
- B. Recommended metrics to measure challenges and successes.
- C. A roadmap and timeline to enhance community partnerships and the participation of non-profits and other stakeholders to ensure full public participation.
- D. An evaluation of the feasibility of enhancing Access Services to expand the area of services beyond the ADA minimum, including but not limited to, changing next day service to same day service, changing the requirement that clients must live within ¾ mile from a public transit line to 1 ½ mile.
- E. An analysis of Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Devices (EPAMD) and other power-driven devices as defined by the California Vehicle Code and the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Disability Rights Section. Analysis shall include, but not be limited to:

- 1. Existing Metro policies and/or the need to create a specific policy;
- Advancements in technology and ability to reduce greenhouse gas emissions;
- 3. Opportunity for expanding our countywide, ride-share program beyond bike-share and car-share to include EPAMD's and similar devices.
- Assessment of the infrastructure necessary to accommodate EPAMD's such as Class-I and Class-IV bike paths, enhanced sidewalks, etc.
- Legislative and policy challenges and prospects for promoting a mode-shift toward these and similar devices especially in conjunction with transit at the federal, state and local levels.

ADDITIONALLY MOVE that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to prepare an annual accessibility report, which will include, at a minimum, the following elements:

- A. All planned and implemented programs and projects, including timelines, in the Coordinated Plan including those utilizing 5310 federal funds as well as additional initiatives that are supported through other federal, state and local resources.
- B. Assessment of first mile/last mile accessibility, connectivity, and opportunities to, from and at transit stations and bus stops. This assessment should include, as well, an analysis of relevant policies and programs, such as those outlined in the Active Transportation Strategic Plan, and the ways that they are enhancing accessibility for older adults and people with disabilities.
- C. Analysis of the utilization of local return funds in order to determine the allocation towards accessibility and services that are specifically targeted for older adults and people with disabilities.
- D. Steps taken to improve outreach and education of older adults and people with disabilities so that they are more informed about available services and how to best utilize them.
- E. Identification of other metrics to evaluate how Metro and partnering agencies (governmental and non-governmental) are serving older adults and people with disabilities.
- F. Efforts made to expand the training of Metro staff to increase responsiveness to the needs of older adults and people with disabilities.

G. Summary of the results of the annual forum and any resulting actions.

48. RECEIVE AND FILE the Potential Ballot Measure Public Input and Polling Results.

2016-0464

# (ALSO ON PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE)

**49.** CONSIDER: 2016-0319

- A. ADOPTING the **Ordinance**, **including Expenditure Plan**, to implement Los Angeles County's Traffic Improvement Plan through a transportation sales tax measure;
- B. ADOPTING the Resolution requesting the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors place the Ordinance on the ballot with specific ballot language for the November 8, 2016 countywide general election; and
- C. AMENDING the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 budget to add \$10.9 million to fund election related and public information costs.

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>Attachment A - Ordinance 16-01</u>

Attach B - Resolution 2016 LA CountyTraffic Improvement Plan Measure - Draft

Attachment C - Systemwide Connectivity

Attach E - Schedule to Inclusion on Ballot

Attachment F - Major Project Descriptions.6.10

### (ALSO ON PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE)

# **Adjournment**

Consideration of items not on the posted agenda, including: items to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff; items to be placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee or Board; and/or items requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda.



# **Board Report**

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation
Authority
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room
Los Angeles, CA

File #: 2016-0491, File Type: Informational Report

Agenda Number: 37

**EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**JUNE 16, 2016

SUBJECT: STATE AND FEDERAL REPORT

**ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE** 

**RECOMMENDATION** 

RECEIVE AND FILE State and Federal Report.

**DISCUSSION** 

Executive Management Committee
Remarks Prepared By Raffi Haig Hamparian
Government Relations Director, Federal Affairs

Chairman Ridley-Thomas and members of the Executive Management Committee, I am pleased to provide an update on a number of federal affairs of interest to our agency. This report was prepared on June 3, 2016 and will be updated, as appropriate, at the Executive Management Committee meeting.

### Federal Grants for Fiscal Year 2016

I am pleased to share with you that Metro is pursuing a number of grants authorized by the FAST Act and/or backed by the Federal Fiscal Year 2016 transportation appropriations bill adopted by the U.S. Congress late last year. As I shared with the Board last month, Metro has submitted applications for the FASTLANE Grant program and TIGER Grant program to the U.S. Department of Transportation for their consideration. The projects submitted by our agency for these grants were outlined in a Board Box issued by our Chief Executive Officer in March.

Metro's Government Relations team will continue to actively seek Congressional support for our grant applications.

# Federal Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2017

Most recently, the U.S. Senate moved this May to approve the Federal Fiscal Year 2017 Transportation - HUD Appropriations Bill. We are pleased that the bill - as drafted - includes robust funding for Metro's New Starts projects. Specifically, the bill provides \$100 million for the Regional

Agenda Number: 37

Connector, \$100 million for the Purple Lines Extension Phase 1, and lastly the bill states that \$250 million will be available for California's three New Starts projects that are awaiting Full Funding Grant Agreements.

Over in the U.S. House or Representatives, the FY2017 Transportation-HUD Bill has been advanced through the Appropriations Committee and is waiting to be considered on the full floor of the House. Included in the House THUD bill is \$100 million for the Regional Connector, \$100 million for Purple Line Extension Phase 1, and \$100 million for Purple Line Extension Section 2. The House bill diverged, albeit slightly, from the Senate bill by specifically assigning the full funding amount for Westside Purple Line Extension Section 2. We will continue to work closely with our Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation as the Federal Fiscal Year 2017 Appropriations process develops.

# **Federal Regulations**

We continue to work with our colleagues in the planning department by commenting on federal rules and regulations being issued by the Federal Transit Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Aviation Administration, among other agencies. Our comments on federal rules and regulation are governed and guided by the policies outlined in our Board-approved 2016 Federal Legislative Program.

I look forward to expanding on this brief report at the Executive Management Committee meeting with any new developments that occur in the days ahead.

This concludes my remarks before the committee. I would welcome the opportunity to answer any questions from you Mr. Chairman or from members of this committee.

Executive Management Committee
Remarks Prepared By Michael Turner
DEO, Government Relations, State Affairs

Chairman Ridley-Thomas and members of the Executive Management Committee, I am pleased to provide an update on a number of state affairs of interest to our agency. This report was prepared on June 3, 2016 and will be updated, as appropriate, at the Executive Management Committee meeting.

# California State Legislative Budget Committees Consider Transportation and Cap and Trade Proposals

The Assembly Budget Subcommittee voted to deny the Governor's transportation funding proposal without prejudice. The effect of this is to force the consideration of the Governor's transportation funding proposal in the policy committee process, along with Senator Transportation and Housing Committee Chairman Beall's comprehensive bill (SB 1X1) in the Senate and Assembly Transportation Committee Chairman Frazier's comprehensive bill (AB 1591) in the Assembly. Chairman Frazier has indicated that he will soon introduce an amended version of his transportation funding proposal.

The committee also voted to approve a cap and trade expenditure plan revised in small ways from the Governor's budget proposal. The amount remains \$3.1 billion. This includes significant funds not appropriated in the 2015-16 session. The subcommittee proposal:

- Switches the \$100million proposed "low carbon road program" to active transportation;
- Moves \$30 million from the Dept. of Community Services and Development Energy Efficiency and Weatherization program to the Enhanced Fleet Modernization Program; and
- Dedicates some of the \$400 million Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program to certain unnamed grade separation projects.

The Budget Bill must be passed by midnight on June 15.

# California Appropriations Committees Act on the Suspense File, Senate and Assembly Floor Actions Update

California State Senate and Assembly Appropriations Committees met to address a number of bills that were held on suspense. After a lengthy Appropriations Committee hearing process, the Senate considered nearly 200 bills and the Assembly heard over 300 bills earlier this week as a final step before bills move to the opposite house for consideration.

Bills that were held in Appropriations Committees include: **SB 951 (McGuire)** which would establish a transit pass program for veterans, **AB 2742 (Nazarian)** which would extend the authorization to use Public Private Partnerships in California to the year 2030, and **AB 2014 (Melendez)** which would require Caltrans and the Department of Finance to regularly report certain data on the Freeway Service Patrol Program.

At the Senate Floor Hearing on Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, Senator Tony Mendoza requested to move **SB 1472** to the Senate Inactive File. The bill was recently amended in the Senate Appropriations Committee to add 8 seats to Metro's Board of Directors.

The Senate Floor voted 25-9 to move **SB 824 (Beall)** which would make changes to transit agencies ability to apply funds to operations and programs with more flexibility under the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program. The bill moves on to the Assembly for consideration.

The Assembly Floor moved **AB 2222 (Holden)** which would authorize the use of cap and trade funds to subsidize student transit passes for low-income students. The bill moves on to the Senate for consideration.

# California State Legislative Calendar Update

July 1 is the last day for policy committees to meet and report bills, Summer Recess begins upon adjournment provided the Budget Bill has been passed.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - June 2016 - Legislative Matrix

Prepared by: Michael Turner, DEO, Government Relations, (213) 922-2122

Raffi Hamparian, Director, Government Relations, (213) 922-3769

Reviewed by: Pauletta Tonilas, Chief Communications Officer, (213) 922-3777

Phillip A. Washington Chief Executive Officer

# Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) State and Federal Legislative Matrix JUNE 2016

**Metro Government Relations** 

## STATE LEGISLATION

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 33 Quirk D  Electrical corporations: procurement plans.	1/28/2016-S. E. U., & C. 1/28/2016-Re-referred to Coms. on E., U., & C. and E.Q.	The Public Utilities Act requires the Public Utilities Commission to review and accept, modify, or reject each electrical corporation's procurement plan and requires that each approved procurement plan accomplish specified objectives. This bill would require the commission, as part of a new or existing proceeding, to determine what role large scale energy storage could play as part of the state's overall strategy for procuring a diverse portfolio of resources and to consider specified factors in making that determination.	Monitor
AB 156 Perea D  California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: disadvantaged communities.	5/19/2016-A. ASSEMBLY 5/19/2016-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Assembly. (Ayes 24. Noes 15. Page 3899.).	Current law requires the California Environmental Protection Agency to identify disadvantaged communities and requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the State Air Resources Board and any other relevant state agency, to develop, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Current law requires the 3-year investment plan to allocate a minimum of 25% of the available moneys in the fund to projects that provide benefits to disadvantaged communities. This bill would require the state board to prepare and post on its Internet Web site a specified report on the projects funded to benefit disadvantaged communities.	Monitor
AB 326 Frazier D  Public works: prevailing wage rates: wage and penalty assessments.	5/10/2016-S. L. & I.R. 5/10/2016-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re- refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on L. & I.R.	Current law requires the Labor Commissioner to issue a civil wage and penalty assessment to a contractor or subcontractor, or both, if the Labor Commissioner determines, after investigation, that the contractor or subcontractor, or both, violated the laws regulating public works contracts, including the payment of prevailing wages. This bill would require the department to release the funds deposited in escrow plus interest earned to those persons and entities within 30 days following the conclusion of all administrative and judicial review. This bill contains other existing laws.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 620 Hernández, Roger D  High-occupancy toll lanes: exemptions from tolls.	2/18/2016-S. T. & H. 2/18/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Would require os Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to take additional steps, beyond the previous implementation of a low-income assistance program, to increase enrollment and participation in the low-income assistance program, as specified, through advertising and work with community organizations and social service agencies. The bill would also require LACMTA and the Department of Transportation to report to the Legislature by December 31, 2018, on efforts to improve the HOT lane program, including efforts to increase participation in the low-income assistance program. This bill contains other existing laws.	Neutral
AB 857 Perea D  California Clean Truck, Bus, and Off-Road Vehicle and Equipment Technology Program.	4/25/2016-S. RLS. 4/25/2016-Withdrawn from committee. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.	Would, between January 2, 2018, and January 1, 2023, inclusive, annually require no less than 50% or \$100,000,000, whichever is greater, of the moneys allocated for technology development, demonstration, precommercial pilots, and early commercial deployments of zero- and near-zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty truck technology be allocated and spent to support the commercial deployment of existing zero- and near-zero-emission heavy-duty truck technology that meets or exceeds a specified emission standard. This bill contains other existing laws.	Monitor
AB 869 Cooper D  Public transportation agencies: fare evasion and prohibited conduct.	SENATE 2 YEAR 9/11/2015 - Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 7/2/2015)	Existing law authorizes a public transportation agency to adopt and enforce an ordinance to impose and enforce civil administrative penalties for fare evasion or other passenger misconduct, other than by minors, on or in a transit facility or vehicle in lieu of the criminal penalties otherwise applicable, with specified administrative procedures for the imposition and enforcement of the administrative penalties, including an initial review and opportunity for a subsequent administrative hearing. This bill would provide that a person who fails to pay the administrative penalty when due or successfully complete the administrative process to dismiss the notice of fare evasion or passenger conduct violation may be subject to those criminal penalties. The bill would require the notice of fare evasion or passenger conduct violation to contain a printed statement that the person may be charged with an infraction or misdemeanor if the administrative penalty is not paid when due or dismissed pursuant to these provisions. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws. Last Amended on 6/18/2015	Support

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 1364 Linder R  California Transportation Commission.	2/4/2016-S. T. & H. 2/4/2016-Referred to Coms. on T. & H. and G.O.	Current law vests the California Transportation Commission with specified powers, duties, and functions relative to transportation matters. Current law requires the commission to retain independent authority to perform the duties and functions prescribed to it under any provision of law. This bill would exclude the California Transportation Commission from the Transportation Agency and establish it as an entity in the state government. The bill would also make conforming changes.	Watch
AB 1550 Gomez D Greenhouse gases: investment plan: disadvantaged communities.	6/2/2016-S. SENATE 6/2/2016-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate.	Current law requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the state board and any other relevant state agency, to develop, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill would require the investment plan to allocate a minimum of 25% of the available moneys in the fund to projects located within, and benefitting individuals living in, disadvantaged communities and a separate and additional unspecified percentage to projects that benefit low-income households, as specified, with a fair share of those moneys targeting households with incomes at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.	
AB 1572 Campos D School transportation.	4/25/2016-A. APPR. 4/25/2016-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Would entitle a pupil who attends a public, noncharter school that receives Title 1 federal funding to free transportation to and from school if certain conditions are met. The bill would require a school district not currently providing transportation to all pupils attending schools that receive Title 1 federal funding to implement a plan developed, in consultation with specified stakeholders, to ensure that all pupils entitled to free transportation receive the transportation.	

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 1591 Frazier D  Transportation funding.	2/1/2016-A. TRANS. 2/1/2016-Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and REV. & TAX.	Existing law provides various sources of funding for transportation purposes, including funding for the state highway system and the local street and road system. These funding sources include, among others, fuel excise taxes, commercial vehicle weight fees, local transactions and use taxes, and federal funds. Existing law imposes certain registration fees on vehicles, with revenues from these fees deposited in the Motor Vehicle Account and used to fund the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Department of the California Highway Patrol. Existing law provides for the monthly transfer of excess balances in the Motor Vehicle Account to the State Highway Account. This bill would create the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system. The bill would require the California Transportation Commission to adopt performance criteria to ensure efficient use of the funds available for the program. The bill would provide for the deposit of various funds for the program in the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account, which the bill would create in the State Transportation Fund, including revenues attributable to a \$0.225 per gallon increase in the motor vehicle fuel (gasoline) tax imposed by the bill, including an inflation adjustment as provided, an increase of \$38 in the annual vehicle registration fee, and a new \$165 annual vehicle registration fee applicable to zero-emission motor vehicles, as defined. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	
AB 1592 Bonilla D  Autonomous vehicles: pilot project.	4/28/2016-S. T. & H. 4/28/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Would, notwithstanding the above provision, authorize the Contra Costa Transportation Authority to conduct a pilot project for the testing of autonomous vehicles that do not have an operator and are not equipped with a steering wheel, a brake pedal, or an accelerator if the testing is conducted only at specified locations and the autonomous vehicle operates at speeds of less than 35 miles per hour. This bill contains other related provisions.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 1595 Campos D  Employment: human trafficking training: mass transportation employers.	5/27/2016 – Held in Appropriations Committee	Existing law establishes the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement in the Department of Industrial Relations for the enforcement of labor laws, and establishes certain obligations on an employer, including, requiring an employer to post specified wage and hour information in a location where it can be viewed by employees. Under existing law, any person who deprives or violates the personal liberty of another with the intent to obtain forced labor or services is guilty of the crime of human trafficking. This bill would require a private or public employer that provides mass transportation services, as specified, in the state to train its employees, who are likely to interact or come into contact with victims of human trafficking, in recognizing the signs of human trafficking and how to report those signs to the appropriate law enforcement agency. The bill would require the Department of justice to develop guidelines for the training, including, but not limited to, guidance on how to report human traffic king. The bill would require that, by January 1, 2018, the training be incorporated into the initial training process for all new employees and that all existing employees receive the training. Last Amended on 3/29/2016	Support
AB 1640 Stone, Mark D Retirement: public employees.	5/5/2016-Referred to Com. on P.E. & R.	PEPRA exempts from its provisions certain public employees whose collective bargaining rights are subject to specified provisions of federal law until a specified federal district court decision on a certification by the United States Secretary of Labor, or until January 1, 2016, whichever is sooner. This bill would extend indefinitely that exemption for those public employees, whose collective bargaining rights are subject to specified provisions of federal law and who became a member of a state or local public retirement system prior to December 30, 2014.	
AB 1641 Allen, Travis R Shuttle services: loading and unloading of passengers.	2/4/2016-A. TRANS. 4/4/2016-In committee: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.	Under current law, a person may not stop, park, or leave a vehicle standing alongside a curb space authorized for the loading or unloading of passengers of a bus engaged as a common carrier in local transportation when indicated by a sign or red paint on the curb, except that existing law allows local authorities to permit schoolbuses to stop alongside these curb spaces upon agreement between a transit system operating buses as common carriers in local transportation and a public school district or private school. This bill would also allow local authorities to permit shuttle service vehicles, as defined, to stop for the loading or unloading of passengers.	

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 1657 O'Donnell D  Air pollution: public ports and intermodal terminals.	5/11/2016-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE 5/27/2016-In committee: Held under submission.	Would establish the Zero- and Near-Zero-Emission Intermodal Terminals Program to be administered by the State Air Resources Board to fund equipment upgrades and investments at intermodal terminals, as defined, to help transition the state's freight system to be zero- and near-zero-emission operations. The bill would authorize the program to be implemented with moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor
AB 1661 McCarty D  Local government: sexual harassment training and education.	6/1/2016-S. RLS. 6/1/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.	Current law requires all local agency officials to receive training in ethics, at specified intervals, if the local agency provides any type of compensation, salary, or stipend to those officials. This bill would additionally require local agency officials, as defined, to receive sexual harassment training and education if the local agency provides any type of compensation, salary, or stipend to those officials, and would allow a local agency to require employees to receive sexual harassment training or information.	Monitor
AB 1663 Chiu D Firearms: assault weapons.	3/1/2016-A. APPR. 4/13/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.	Would classify a semiautomatic centerfire rifle that does not have a fixed magazine with the capacity to accept no more than 10 rounds as an assault weapon. The bill would require a person who, between January 1, 2001, and December 31, 2016, inclusive, lawfully possessed an assault weapon that does not have a fixed magazine, including those weapons with an ammunition feeding device that can be removed readily from the firearm with the use of a tool, and who, on or after January 1, 2017, possesses that firearm, to register the firearm by July 1, 2018.	Monitor
AB 1669 Hernández, Roger D  Displaced employees: service contracts: collection and transportation of solid waste.	5/12/2016-S. L. & I.R. 5/12/2016-Referred to Com. on L. & I.R.	Current law requires a local government agency letting a public transit service contract out to bid to give a bidding preference for contractors and subcontractors who agree to retain for a specified period certain employees who were employed to perform essentially the same services by the previous contractor or subcontractor. Such a contractor or subcontractor is required to offer employment to those employees, except for reasonable and substantiated cause. This bill would expand the application of these provisions to exclusive contracts for the collection and transportation of solid waste. The bill would require the information provided to a bona fide bidder to be made available in writing at least 30 days before bids for the service contract are due.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 1683 Eggman D  Alternative energy financing.	4/4/2016-A. REV. & TAX SUSPENSE FILE 4/4/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.	The California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority Act authorizes, until January 1, 2021, the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority to provide financial assistance in the form of a sales and use tax exclusion for projects, including those that promote California-based manufacturing, California-based jobs, advanced manufacturing, the reduction of greenhouse gases, or the reduction in air and water pollution or energy consumption. The act prohibits the sales and use tax exclusions from exceeding \$100,000,000 for each calendar year. This bill would instead prohibit the sales and use tax exclusions from exceeding \$200,000,000 for each calendar year.	Monitor
AB 1685 Gomez D  Vehicular air pollution: civil penalties.	5/19/2016-S. E.Q. 5/19/2016-Referred to Coms. on E.Q., T. & H. and JUD.	Current law provides that a manufacturer or distributor who does not comply with the emission standards or the test procedures adopted by the State Air Resources Board is subject to a civil penalty of \$50 per vehicle. This bill would increase those penalties to \$37,500 per action or vehicle. The bill would require the state board to adjust those penalties for inflation, as specified.	Monitor
AB 1710 Calderon D  Vehicular air pollution: zero- emission and near- zero-emission vehicles.	4/19/2016-A. APPR. 4/19/2016-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 6. Noes 3.) (April 18). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Would require, on or before January 1, 2019, the State Air Resources Board to develop and implement a comprehensive program comprised of a portfolio of incentives to promote zero-emission and near-zero-emission vehicle deployment in the state to drastically increase the use of those vehicles and to meet specified goals established by the Governor and the Legislature. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor
AB 1725 Wagner R  Vehicles: automated traffic enforcement systems.	4/7/2016-S. T. & H. 4/7/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Current law defines an "official traffic control signal" as any device, whether manually, electrically, or mechanically operated, by which traffic is alternately directed to stop and proceed and which is erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction. This bill would expressly state that a stop is required to be made at an official traffic control signal erected and maintained at a freeway or highway on ramp. This bill would also make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision. This bill contains other current laws.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 1732 Ting D Single-user restrooms.	4/21/2016-A. THIRD READING 4/21/2016-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.	Would, commencing March 1, 2017, require all single-user toilet facilities in any business establishment, place of public accommodation, or government agency to be identified as all-gender toilet facilities, as specified. The bill would authorize inspectors, building officials, or other local officials responsible for code enforcement to inspect for compliance with these provisions during any inspection.	Monitor
AB 1746 Stone, Mark D Transit buses.	4/28/2016-S. T. & H. 4/28/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Current law creates the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, the Central Contra Costa Transit Authority, the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority, the North County Transit District, the San Diego Association of Governments, the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System, and the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority with various powers and duties relative to the operation of public transit. This bill would additionally authorize the operation of transit buses on the shoulder of a segment of a state highway designated under the transit bus-only program within the areas served by the transit services of the 7 entities described above, subject to the same conditions and requirements.	Monitor
AB 1768 Gallagher R  Bonds: transportation.	4/12/2016-A. TRANS. 4/12/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Failed passage. Reconsideration granted.	Would provide that no further bonds shall be sold for high-speed rail purposes pursuant to the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century, except as specifically provided with respect to an existing appropriation for high-speed rail purposes for early improvement projects in the Phase 1 blended system. The bill, subject to the above exception, would require redirection of the unspent proceeds received from outstanding bonds issued and sold for other high-speed rail purposes prior to the effective date of these provisions, upon appropriation, for use in retiring the debt incurred from the issuance and sale of those outstanding bonds.	Monitor
AB 1813 Frazier D  High-Speed Rail Authority: membership.	4/28/2016-S. T. & H. 4/28/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Would provide for appointment of one Member of the Senate by the Senate Committee on Rules and one Member of the Assembly by the Speaker of the Assembly to serve as ex officio members of the High-Speed Rail Authority. The bill would provide that the ex officio members shall participate in the activities of the authority to the extent that participation is not incompatible with their positions as Members of the Legislature.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 1815 Alejo D  California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: disadvantaged communities.	4/12/2016-A. APPR. 4/12/2016-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Current law requires the California Environmental Protection Agency to identify disadvantaged communities and requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the State Air Resources Board and any other relevant state agency, to develop, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Current law requires the 3-year investment plan to allocate a minimum of 25% of the available moneys in the fund to projects that provide benefits to disadvantaged communities. This bill would require the agency to establish a comprehensive technical assistance program, upon the appropriation of moneys from the fund, for eligible applicants, as specified, assisting eligible communities, as defined.	Monitor
AB 1818 Melendez R  Transportation funds.	2/8/2016-A. PRINT 2/9/2016-From printer. May be heard in committee March 10.	Current law establishes a policy for expenditure of certain state and federal funds available to the state for transportation purposes. Under this policy, the Department of Transportation and the California Transportation Commission are required to develop a fund estimate of available funds for purposes of adopting the state transportation improvement program, which is a listing of capital improvement projects. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to this provision.	Monitor
AB 1833 Linder R  Transportation projects: environmental mitigation.	4/26/2016-A. APPR. 4/26/2016-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Would create the Advanced Mitigation Program in the Department of Transportation to implement environmental mitigation measures in advance of future transportation projects. The bill, by February 1, 2017, would require the department to establish a steering committee to advise the department in that regard.	Monitor
AB 1866 Wilk R  High-speed rail bond proceeds: redirection: water projects.	4/12/2016-A. TRANS. 4/12/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Failed passage. Reconsideration granted.	Would provide that no further bonds shall be sold for high-speed rail purposes pursuant to the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century, except as specifically provided with respect to an existing appropriation for high-speed rail purposes for early improvement projects in the Phase 1 blended system. The bill, subject to the above exception, would require redirection of the unspent proceeds received from outstanding bonds issued and sold for other high-speed rail purposes prior to the effective date of these provisions, upon appropriation, for use in retiring the debt incurred from the issuance and sale of those outstanding bonds.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 1873 Holden D  Office of Planning and Research: Board of Infrastructure Planning, Development, and Finance.	4/20/2016-A. APPR. 4/20/2016-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Would establish, within the Office of Planning and Research, the Board of Infrastructure Planning, Development, and Finance, to be composed of the Governor, Treasurer, Controller, Secretary of Transportation, Director of General Services, or their designee, one member appointed by the President pro Tempore of the Senate, and one member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly. The bill would require the board to categorize and recommend the priority of the state's infrastructure needs and develop funding to finance those projects.	Monitor
AB 1886 McCarty D  California Environmental Quality Act: transit priority projects.	5/27/2016-S. RLS. 5/27/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.	CEQA exempts from its requirements transit priority projects meeting certain requirements, including the requirement that the project be within 1/2 mile of a major transit stop or high-quality transit corridor included in a regional transportation plan. CEQA specifies that a project is considered to be within 1/2 mile of a major transit stop or high-quality transit corridor if, among other things, all parcels within the project have no more than 25% of their area farther than 1/2 mile from the stop or corridor. This bill would increase that percentage to 50%.	Monitor
AB 1919 Quirk D  Local transportation authorities: bonds.	5/19/2016-S. T. & H. 5/19/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	The Local Transportation Authority and Improvement Act provides for the creation in any county of a local transportation authority and authorizes the imposition of a retail transactions and use tax by ordinance, subject to approval of the ordinance by 2/3 of the voters. Current law requires the bond proceeds to be placed in the treasury of the local transportation authority and to be used for allowable transportation purposes, except that accrued interest and premiums received on the sale of the bonds are required to be placed in a fund to be used for the payment of bond debt service. This bill would require the premiums received on the sale of the bonds to be placed in the treasury of the local transportation authority to be used for allowable transportation purposes.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 1943 Linder R Vehicles: parking: public grounds.	5/5/2016-S. T. & H. 5/5/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Current law prohibits a person from driving or parking a vehicle or animal upon the driveways, paths, parking facilities, or grounds of specified public entities, including a public transportation agency and a county transportation commission, except with the permission of, and subject to any condition or regulation that may be imposed by, the governing body of the specified public entity. Current law defines "public transportation agency" for these purposes. This bill would revise the definition of "public transportation agency" to include a county transportation commission.	Monitor
AB 1964 Bloom D  High-occupancy vehicle lanes: vehicle exceptions.	5/19/2016-S. T. & H. 5/19/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Work with Author
AB 2014 Melendez R  Freeway Service Patrol Program Assessment.	4/14/2016-A. APPR. 4/14/2016-Re-referred to Com. on APPR. 5/27/2016 — Held in Appropriations	Would, by June 20, 2018, and every 5 years thereafter, require the Department of Transportation to publish and submit to the Legislature and the Department of Finance, as specified, a statewide Freeway Service Patrol Program Assessment that would, among other things, identify, quantify, and analyze existing freeway service patrols, identify opportunities to increase or expand service levels, and analyze and provide recommendations regarding the current and anticipated future financial condition of the program, as specified.	Monitor
AB 2049 Melendez R  Bonds: transportation.	4/12/2016-A. TRANS. 4/12/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Failed passage. Reconsideration granted.	Would provide that no further bonds shall be sold for high-speed rail purposes pursuant to the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century, expect as specifically provided with respect to an existing appropriation for high-speed rail purposes for early improvement projects in the Phase I blended system.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 2090 Alejo D  Low Carbon Transit Operations Program.	6/2/2016-S. RLS. 6/2/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.	Current law continuously appropriates specified portions of the annual proceeds in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to various programs, including 5% for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program, which provides operating and capital assistance for transit agencies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve mobility, with a priority on serving disadvantaged communities. This bill would additionally authorize moneys appropriated to the program to be expended to support the operation of existing bus or rail service if the governing board of the requesting transit agency declares a fiscal emergency and other criteria are met, thereby expanding the scope of an existing continuous appropriation.	
AB 2126 Mullin D  Public contracts: Construction Manager/General Contractor contracts.	5/19/2016-S. T. & H. 5/19/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Current law authorizes the Department of Transportation to use the Construction Manager/General Contractor method on no more than 6 projects, and requires 4 out of the 6 projects to use department employees or consultants under contract with the department to perform all project design and engineering services, as specified. This bill would authorize the department to use this method on 12 projects and would require 8 out of the 12 projects to use department employees or consultants under contract with the department to perform all project design and engineering services	Monitor
AB 2152 Gray D Elections: ballots: ballot order.	3/8/2016-A. E. & R. 4/27/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Failed passage.	Would, for the November 8, 2016, statewide general election only, authorize a county board of supervisors to direct the county elections official to place a local measure related to local transportation finance above state measures. This bill contains other related provisions.	Monitor
AB 2170 Frazier D  Trade Corridors Improvement Fund: federal funds.	6/1/2016-S. RLS. 6/1/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.	Would require revenues apportioned to the state from the National Highway Freight Program established by the federal Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act to be allocated for trade corridor improvement projects approved pursuant to specified provisions. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Support

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 2222 Holden D  Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Transit Pass Program.	6/2/2016-S. SENATE 6/2/2016-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate.	Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the State Air Resources Board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism relative to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Existing law continuously appropriates 10% of the annual proceeds of the fund to the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program and 5% of the annual proceeds of the fund to the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program. This bill would continuously appropriate \$50,000,000 annually from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for the Transit Pass Program, to be administered by the Department of Transportation. The bill would require that funding be allocated by the Controller, as specified, upon a determination by the department, that transit pass programs of public agencies to provide free or reduced-fare transit passes to public school students and community college, California State University, and University of California meet certain requirements. The bill would require the Department of Transportation, in coordination with the State Air Resources Board, to develop guidelines that describe the criteria that eligible transit providers shall use to make available free or reduced-fare transit passes to eligible participants and the methodologies that eligible participants would use to demonstrate that the proposed expenditures will reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The bill would require that at least 30% of the moneys allocated under the Transit Pass Program benefit disadvantaged communities, as specified. The bill would require eligible transit providers and eligible participants to enter into agreements for the distribution of free or reduced-fare transit passes to students . This bill contains other related provisions. Last Amended on 4/6/2016	
AB 2257 Maienschein R  Local agency meetings: agenda: online posting.	5/23/2016-S. RLS. 5/23/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.	Would require an online posting of an agenda by a local agency to have a prominent direct link to the current agenda itself. The bill would require the link to be on the local agency's Internet Web site homepage, not in a contextual menu on the homepage, and would require the agenda to be posted in an open format that meets specified requirements, including that the agenda is platform independent and machine readable. The bill would make these provisions applicable on and after January 1, 2019. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 2289 Frazier D  Department of Transportation: capital improvement projects.	5/5/2016-S. T. & H. 5/5/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H. 6/14/2016 1:30 p.m John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203) SENATE TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING, BEALL, Chair	Current law requires the Department of Transportation to prepare a state highway operation and protection program for the expenditure of transportation funds for major capital improvements that are necessary to preserve and protect the state highway system and that include capital projects relative to maintenance, safety, and rehabilitation of state highways and bridges that do not add a new traffic lane to the system. This bill would add to the program capital projects relative to the operation of those state highways and bridges.	Support
AB 2293 Garcia, Cristina D California Green Business Program and Green Assistance Program.	4/28/2016-A. APPR. 4/28/2016-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Current law creates the California Environmental Protection Agency, consisting of various boards, offices, and departments, including the State Air Resources Board and the Department of Toxic Substances Control. This bill would establish the Green Assistance Program within the California Environmental Protection Agency to, among other things, assist small businesses and small nonprofit organizations in applying for moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.	Monitor
AB 2343 Garcia, Cristina D Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: study.	4/28/2016-A. APPR. 4/28/2016-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Current law requires the Department of Finance to annually submit a report to the appropriate committees of the Legislature on the status of the projects funded with moneys in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill would require the department to include additional data in that annual report, as specified.	Monitor
AB 2348 Levine D  Department of Finance: infrastructure investment.	6/2/2016-S. RLS. 6/2/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.	Would authorize the Department of Finance to identify infrastructure projects in the state for which the department will guarantee a rate of return on investment for an investment made in that infrastructure project by the Public Employees 'Retirement System. The bill would create the Reinvesting in California Special Fund as a continuously appropriated fund and would require the moneys in the fund to be used to pay the rate of return on investment. The bill would require the rate of return on investment to be subject to the availability of moneys in the fund.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 2374 Chiu D  Construction Manager/General Contractor method: regional transportation agencies: ramps.	4/28/2016-S. T. & H. 4/28/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Current law authorizes regional transportation agencies to use the Construction Manager/General Contractor project delivery method, as specified, to design and construct certain expressways that are not on the state highway system if: (1) the expressways are developed in accordance with an expenditure plan approved by voters, (2) there is an evaluation of the traditional design-bid-build method of construction and of the Construction Manager/General Contractor method, and (3) the board of the regional transportation agency adopts the method in a public meeting. This bill would authorize regional transportation agencies also to use this authority on ramps that are not on the state highway system, as specified.	Monitor
AB 2411 Frazier D Transportation revenues.	6/2/2016-S. RLS. 6/2/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.	Current law requires certain miscellaneous revenues deposited in the State Highway Account that are not restricted as to expenditure by Article XIX of the California Constitution to be transferred to the Transportation Debt Service Fund in the State Transportation Fund, as specified, and requires the Controller to transfer from the fund to the General Fund an amount of those revenues necessary to offset the current year debt service made from the General Fund on general obligation transportation bonds issued pursuant to Proposition 116 of 1990. This bill would delete the transfer of these miscellaneous revenues to the Transportation Debt Service Fund, thereby eliminating the offsetting transfer to the General Fund for debt service on general obligation transportation bonds issued pursuant to Proposition 116 of 1990.	Support
AB 2415 Garcia, Eduardo D  California Clean Truck, Bus, and Off-Road Vehicle and Equipment Technology Program.	4/26/2016-A. APPR. 4/26/2016-Re-referred to Com. on APPR. 5/27/2016 – Held in Appropriations Committee	Current law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and to be available upon appropriation by the Legislature. This bill, between January 2, 2018, and January 1, 2023, would require no less than 50% of the moneys allocated each year for technology development, demonstration, precommercial pilots, and early commercial deployments of zero- and near-zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty truck and bus technology be allocated and spent to support the commercial deployment of existing zero- and near-zero-emission heavy-duty truck and heavy-duty bus technology that meets or exceeds a specified emission standard, with at least 2/3 of these funds to be allocated to heavy-duty truck projects.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 2431 Linder R  California Environmental Quality Act: subsequent projects.	2/19/2016-A. PRINT 2/22/2016-Read first time.	CEQA requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA authorizes the lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a proposed subsequent project if certain conditions are met. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.	Monitor
AB 2472 Linder R  Personal income taxes: credits: disabled veterans: service animals.	5/25/2016-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE 5/27/2016-In committee: Held under submission.	The Personal Income Tax Law allows various credits against the taxes imposed by that law. This bill, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2017, and before January 1, 2022, would allow a credit under the Personal Income Tax Law in an amount equal to 50% of the amounts paid or incurred during the taxable year by a qualified disabled veteran for the ownership and maintenance of a qualified animal, not to exceed \$2,000 for a taxable year. This bill contains other related provisions. Last Amended on 4/28/2016	Monitor
AB 2542 Gatto D  Streets and highways: reversible lanes.	4/19/2016-A. APPR. 4/19/2016-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 15. Noes 0.) (April 18). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.  To SENATE Committee on 05/19/2016 TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING.	Would require the Department of Transportation or a regional transportation planning agency, when submitting a capacity-increasing project or a major street or highway lane realignment project to the California Transportation Commission for approval, to demonstrate that reversible lanes were considered for the project.	Support
AB 2690 Ridley-Thomas D  Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority: contracting.	5/5/2016-S. T. & H. 5/5/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Existing law creates the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA), with various powers and duties with respect to transportation planning, programming, construction, and operations. This bill would also authorize LACMTA to establish disabled veteran business enterprise participation goals, and would define "disabled veteran business enterprise" for these purposes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws. Last Amended on 4/12/2016	Sponsor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 2673 Harper D  Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Hydrogen refueling Station Equipment	5/9/2016-A Rev and Tax Comm 05/09/2016 In ASSEMBLY Committee on REVENUE AND TAXATION: Failed passage.	Relates to sales and use tax laws. Exempts gross receipts from the sale of, and the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of, hydrogen refueling station equipment, purchased by a recipient of a grant pursuant to the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program for the development of hydrogen refueling stations. Authorizes counties and cities to impose local sales and use taxes. Last Amended 4/26/2016	Monitor
AB 2693 Dababneh D  Contractual assessments: financing requirements: property improvements.	6/2/2016-S. GOV. & F. 6/2/2016-Referred to Coms. on GOV. & F. and JUD.	Current law defines "property assessed clean energy bond," commonly known as a PACE bond, to mean a bond that is secured by a voluntary contractual assessment or by certain special taxes on property, as specified. This bill would delete the reference to bonds secured by special taxes. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.	Monitor
AB 2702 Atkins D Greenhouse gases: study.	4/19/2016-A. APPR. 4/19/2016-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 6. Noes 2.) (April 18). Re-referred to Com. on APPR. 5/27/2016 – Held in Appropriations Committee	Would require the State Air Resources Board to conduct a study that outlines best practices and policies for meeting state goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The bill also would authorize the state board to collaborate with air pollution control and air quality management districts.	Monitor
AB 2708 Daly D  Department of Transportation: Lean 6-SIGMA program.	4/27/2016-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE 4/27/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file. 5/27/2016 – Held in Appropriations Committee	Would require the Department of Transportation to conduct a study to assess the implementation of the Lean 6-SIGMA program as provided through the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development and the Government Operations Agency to determine the effectiveness of streamlining the application process for private architectural and engineering firms seeking to provide professional and technical project development services to the department.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 2722 Burke D  Transformative Climate Communities Program.	6/2/2016-S. SENATE 6/2/2016-Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate.	Would create the Transformative Climate Communities Program, to be administered by the Strategic Growth Council. The bill would provide that, upon appropriation by the Legislature, up to \$250,000,000 shall be available from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the council to administer the program. The bill would require the council, in coordination with the California Environmental Protection Agency Assistant Secretary for Environmental Justice and Tribal Affairs, to award competitive grants to specified eligible entities for the development of transformative climate community plans, and projects that implement plans, that contribute to the reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases.	Monitor
AB 2742 Nazarian D  Transportation projects: comprehensive development lease agreements.	4/27/2016-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE 4/27/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file. 5/27/2016 – Held in Appropriations Committee	Existing law authorizes the Department of Transportation and regional transportation agencies, as defined, to enter into comprehensive development lease agreements with public and private entities, or consortia of those entities, for certain transportation projects that may charge certain users of those projects tolls and user fees, subject to various terms and requirements. These arrangements are commonly known as public-private partnerships. Existing law prohibits a lease agreement from being entered into under these provisions on or after January 1, 2017. This bill would allow a lease agreement to be entered into under these provisions until January 1, 2030. The bill would include within the definition of "regional transportation agency" the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, thereby authorizing the authority to enter into public-private partnerships under these provisions.	Support
AB 2796 Bloom D  Active Transportation Program.	6/1/2016-S. RLS. 6/1/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.	Current law creates the Active Transportation Program in the Department of Transportation for the purpose of encouraging increased use of active modes of transportation. Current law requires the California Transportation Commission to award 50% and 10% of available funds to projects statewide and to projects in small urban and rural regions, respectively, with the remaining 40% of available funds to be awarded to projects by metropolitan planning organizations, with the funds available for distribution by each metropolitan planning organization based on its relative population. This bill would require a minimum of 5% of available funds in each of the 3 distribution categories to be awarded for planning and community engagement for active transportation in disadvantaged communities and a minimum of 10% of all available Active Transportation Program funds to be programmed for noninfrastructure purposes, except as provided.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
AB 2847 Patterson R  High-Speed Rail Authority: reports.	5/23/2016-S. T. & H. 5/23/2016-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and rerefer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on T. & H.	Current law requires the High-Speed Rail Authority, on a biennial basis, to prepare a business plan containing specified elements and also requires the preparation of various other reports. This bill would require the business plan to identify projected financing costs for each segment or combination of segments of the high-speed rail system, if financing is proposed by the authority. The bill, in the business plan and in another report, would require the authority to identify any significant changes in scope for segments of the high-speed rail system identified in the previous version of each report and to provide an explanation of adjustments in cost and schedule attributable to the changes.	Monitor
AB 2868 Gatto D Energy storage.	6/2/2016-S. RLS. 6/2/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.	Would, until January 1, 2020, require the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the State Air Resources Board and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, to direct electrical corporations to file applications for programs and investments to accelerate widespread deployment of distributed energy storage systems, as defined.	Monitor
AB 2906 Committee on Transportation Transportation: omnibus bill.	5/26/2016-S. T. & H. 5/26/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Current law requires that the issue, renewal, cancellation, retention, and transfer of the Olympic plates be subject to specified provisions as if they were environmental license plates, including, among others, provisions that impose a \$48 registration fee and a \$38 renewal fee for the issuance of the plates. This bill would repeal the provisions that require the Olympic plates to be subject to the environmental license plates provisions described above.	Monitor
ABX1 25 Allen, Travis R Shuttle services: loading and unloading of passengers.	1/11/2016-A. PRINT 1/12/2016-From printer.	Under current law, a person may not stop, park, or leave a vehicle standing alongside a curb space authorized for the loading or unloading of passengers of a bus engaged as a common carrier in local transportation when indicated by a sign or red paint on the curb, except that current law allows local authorities to permit schoolbuses to stop alongside these curb spaces upon agreement between a transit system operating buses as common carriers in local transportation and a public school district or private school. This bill would also allow local authorities to permit shuttle service vehicles, as defined, to stop for the loading or unloading of passengers alongside these curb spaces upon agreement between a transit system operating buses.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SB 86 Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review	3/7/2016-S. INACTIVE FILE 3/7/2016-Ordered to inactive file on request of Senator Leno.	The Budget Act of 2015 appropriated specified amounts for the support of state government for the 2015-16 fiscal year. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2015 by adding and amending items of appropriation. This bill contains other related provisions.	Monitor
Budget Act of 2015.			
SB 254 Allen D Campaign finance: voter instruction.	5/27/2016-S. ENROLLED 5/27/2016-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 12:30 p.m.	Would call a special election to be consolidated with the November 8, 2016, statewide general election. The bill would require the Secretary of State to submit to the voters at the November 8, 2016, consolidated election a voter instruction asking whether California's elected officials should use all of their constitutional authority, including proposing and ratifying one or more amendments to the United States Constitution, to overturn Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission (2010) 558 U.S. 310, and other applicable judicial precedents, as specified.	
SB 821 Block D Crimes: criminal threats.	4/14/2016-S. APPR. 4/22/2016-Set for hearing May 2.	Would require that any person who willfully threatens to commit a crime against another person or at a location or event that will result in death or great bodily injury to another person, with the specific intent that the statement, made verbally, in writing, or by means of an electronic communication device, is to be taken as a threat, even if there is no intent of actually carrying it out, be punished by imprisonment in a county jail not to exceed one year, or by imprisonment in the state prison. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SB 824 Beall D  Low Carbon Transit Operations Program.	06/01/2016 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. To ASSEMBLY. (25-9) 6/2/2016-A. DESK 6/2/2016-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.	Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the State Air Resources Board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism relative to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill would authorize a recipient transit agency that does not submit a project for funding under the program in a particular fiscal year to retain its funding share for expenditure in a subsequent fiscal year. The bill would allow a recipient transit agency to loan or transfer its funding share in any particular fiscal year to another recipient transit agency within the same region, to pool its funding share with those of other recipient transit agencies, or to apply to the department to reassign, to other eligible expenditures under the program, any savings of surplus moneys from an approved and completed expenditure under the program or from an approved expenditure that is no longer a priority, as specified. The bill would also allow a recipient transit agency to apply to the department for a letter of no prejudice for any eligible expenditures under the program for which the department has authorized a disbursement of funds, and, if granted, would allow the recipient transit agency to expend its own moneys and to be eligible for future reimbursement from the program, under specified conditions. The bill would also require a recipient transit agency to provide additional information to the department to the extent funding is sought for capital projects. This bill contains other existing laws. Last Amended on 4/11/2016	Support
SB 882 Hertzberg D Crimes: public transportation: minors.	6/2/2016-A. DESK 6/2/2016-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.	Current law makes it an infraction or a misdemeanor to evade the payment of a fare on a public transit system, to misuse a transfer, pass, ticket, or token with the intent to evade the payment of a fare, or to use a discount ticket without authorization or fail to present, upon request from a transit system representative, acceptable proof of eligibility to use a discount ticket. This bill would prohibit the minor from being charged with an infraction or a misdemeanor for those acts.	

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SB 885 Wolk D Construction contracts: indemnity.	6/2/2016-A. DESK 6/2/2016-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.	Would specify, with certain exceptions, for construction contracts entered into on or after January 1, 2017, that a design professional, as defined, only has the duty to defend himself or herself from claims or lawsuits that arise out of, or pertain or relate to, negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the design professional. Under the bill, a design professional would not have a duty to defend claims or lawsuits against any other person or entity arising from a construction project, except that person's or entity's reasonable defense costs arising out of the design professional's degree of fault, as specified.	Oppose
SB 895 Bates R  Land use: housing element.	2/4/2016-S. RLS. 2/4/2016-Referred to Com. on RLS.	Current law, the Planning and Zoning Law, requires each city, county, and city and county to prepare and adopt a general plan that contains certain mandatory elements, including a housing element. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that law.	Monitor
SB 903 Nguyen R Transportation funds: loan repayment.	2/4/2016-S. T. & H. 2/4/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.	Would acknowledge, as of June 30, 2015, \$879,000,000 in outstanding loans of certain transportation revenues, and would require this amount to be repaid from the General Fund by June 30, 2016, to the Traffic Congestion Relief Fund for allocation to the Traffic Congestion Relief Program, the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund, the Public Transportation Account, and the State Highway Account, as specified. The bill would thereby make an appropriation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SB 951 McGuire D Transportation: Golden State Patriot Passes Program.	4/26/2016-S. APPR. 4/26/2016-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR. 5/27/2016 – Held in Appropriations Committee	Existing law creates various state transportation agencies, including the Department of Transportation, with specified powers and duties, including, but not limited to, coordinating and assisting, upon request of, the various public and private transportation entities to strengthen their development and operation of balanced integrated mass transportation, highway, aviation, maritime, railroad, and other transportation facilities and services in support of statewide and regional goals. This bill would create the Golden State Patriot Passes Program to be administered by the Department of Transportation to provide veterans with free access to transit services. The bill would require the department to develop guidelines that describe the methodologies that a participating transit operator would use to demonstrate that proposed expenditures would increase veteran mobility and fulfill specified requirements. The bill would require the department to select 3 transit operators to participate, and would require a transit operator selected to participate in the program to match any state moneys that it receives through the program with local moneys. The bill would require the participating transit operators and the department to report on the program. The bill would repeal the program on January 1, 2022. Last Amended on 4/26/2016	
SB 998 Wieckowski D Vehicles: mass transit guideways.	5/16/2016-A. TRANS. 5/16/2016-Referred to Com. on TRANS.	Would prohibit a person from operating a motor vehicle, or stopping, parking, or leaving a vehicle standing, on a portion of the highway designated for the exclusive use of public transit buses, subject to specified exceptions. Because a violation of these provisions would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor
SB 1018 Liu D Interstate 710 North Gap Closure project: cost- benefit analysis.	4/11/2016-S. T. & H. 4/26/2016-April 26 set for first hearing. Testimony taken. Further hearing to be set.	Existing law creates the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority with specified powers and duties relative to transportation planning, programming, and operations in Los Angeles County. This bill would require the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, before making a final decision on the Interstate 710 North Gap Closure project, to take specified actions on a specified cost-benefit analysis for the project. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws. Last Amended on 4/7/2016	Oppose

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SB 1066 Beall D  Transportation funds: fund estimates.	5/9/2016-A. TRANS. 5/9/2016-Referred to Com. on TRANS.	Current law requires the Department of Transportation to submit to the California Transportation Commission an estimate of state and federal funds reasonably expected to be available for future programming over the 5-year period in each state transportation improvement program, and requires the California Transportation Commission to adopt a fund estimate in that regard. This bill would require the fund estimates prepared by the department and the commission to identify and include federal funds derived from apportionments made to the state under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act of 2015.	Monitor
SB 1208 Bates R  California Transportation Commission.	3/3/2016-S. RLS. 3/3/2016-Referred to Com. on RLS.	Current law creates the California Transportation Commission, with specified powers and duties relative to programming of transportation capital improvement projects and other related matters. Current law authorizes the commission to request and review reports of the Department of Transportation and other entities pertaining to transportation issues and concerns that the commission determines need special study. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to this provision.	Monitor
SB 1259 Runner R Vehicles: toll payment: veterans.	6/1/2016-A. V. A. 6/1/2016-Referred to Coms. on V.A. and TRANS	Would exempt vehicles registered to a veteran and displaying a specialized veterans license plate, as specified, from payment of a toll or related fines on a toll road, highoccupancy toll (HOT) lane, toll bridge, toll highway, a vehicular crossing, or any other toll facility. The bill would also make conforming changes.	Monitor
SB 1362 Mendoza D  Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority: security officers.	4/5/2016-S. PUB. S. 4/20/2016-April 19 set for first hearing canceled at the request of author.	Would allow persons regularly employed as security officers by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to detain individuals on properties owned, controlled, operated, and administered by the authority when exigent circumstances exist, as defined. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor
SB 1383 Lara D Short-lived climate pollutants.	6/2/2016-A. DESK 6/2/2016-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.	Would require the State Air Resources Board, no later than January 1, 2018, to approve and begin implementing that comprehensive strategy to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants to achieve a reduction in methane by 40%, hydrofluorocarbon gases by 40%, and anthropogenic black carbon by 50% below 2013 levels by 2030, as specified.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SB 1397 Huff R Highway safety and information program.	6/2/2016-S. INACTIVE FILE 6/2/2016-Ordered to inactive file on request of Senator Monning	Would enact the Highway Safety and Information Act. The bill would authorize the Department of Transportation, subject to federal approval, to enter into an agreement pursuant to a best value procurement and competitive process for a project with a contractor to construct, upgrade or reconstruct, and operate a network of changeable message signs within the rights-of-way of the state highway system that would include a demonstration phase of the project as a condition precedent to the full implementation of the agreement, as specified.	Monitor
SB 1398 Leyva D Public water systems: lead pipes.	6/2/2016-A. DESK 6/2/2016-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.	Would require a public water system to compile an inventory of lead pipes in use by July 1, 2018, and, after completing the inventory, to provide a timeline for replacement of lead pipes in the system to the board. This bill would require the board to establish best practices to ensure that chemicals introduced into public water systems do not create corrosion or contamination within the system.	Monitor
SB 1405 Pavley D  Zero-emission vehicles: transportation systems.	4/21/2016-S. APPR. 4/21/2016-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 7. Noes 0. Page 3644.) (April 20). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Would require the State Air Resources Board, by March 1, 2017, to revise its zero-emission vehicle standard regulation to expand the definition of "transportation systems eligible for zero-emission vehicle credits" under that regulation to include additional entities utilizing fleets of zero-emission vehicles, including rental car companies, transportation network companies, taxicab companies, and car-sharing companies, to the extent that the operations of those entities involve ridesharing features offered by those entities that reduce per-passenger emissions. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor
SB 1443 Galgiani D Incarcerated persons: health records.	4/26/2016-S. APPR. 4/26/2016-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Would authorize the disclosure of information between a county correctional facility, a county medical facility, a state correctional facility, or a state hospital to ensure the continuity of health care of an inmate being transferred between those facilities. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SB 1464 De León D  California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: greenhouse gas emissions reduction.	6/1/2016-A. DESK 6/1/2016-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.	Current law requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the state board and any other relevant state agency, to develop and update, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Current law requires the investment plan to, among other things, identify priority programmatic investments of moneys that will facilitate the achievement of feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions toward achievement of greenhouse gas reduction goals and targets by sector. This bill would require, in identifying priority programmatic investments, that the investment plan assess how proposed investments interact with current state regulations, policies, and programs, and evaluate if and how the proposed investments could be incorporated into existing programs.	Monitor
SB 1472 Mendoza D  Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.	6/2/2016-S. INACTIVE FILE 6/2/2016-Ordered to inactive file on request of Senator Mendoza.	Existing law creates the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority with specified powers and duties relative to transportation planning, programming, and operations in the County of Los Angeles. The authority is governed by a 14-member board of directors, including the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, 2 public members and one Los Angeles city council member appointed by the mayor, 4 members appointed from the other cities in the county, the 5 members of the board of supervisors, and one nonvoting member appointed by the Governor. This bill would expand the board of directors to 16 members by adding 2 members that reside in the County of Los Angeles, one member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and one member appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and would prohibit these members from residing in the same city as another member of the authority, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws. Last Amended on 4/11/2016	Oppose
SBX1 1 Beall D  Transportation funding: environmental mitigation: oversight.	4/21/2016-S. APPR. 4/21/2016-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Would create the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system and for other specified purposes. The bill would provide for the deposit of various funds for the program in the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account, which the bill would create in the State Transportation Fund.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SCA 5 Hancock D  Local government finance.	4/12/2016-S. GOV. & F. 4/12/2016-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on GOV. & F.	Would exempt from taxation for each taxpayer an amount up to \$500,000 of tangible personal property used for business purposes. This measure would prohibit the Legislature from lowering this exemption amount or from changing its application, but would authorize it to be increased consistent with the authority described above. This measure would provide that this provision shall become operative on January 1, 2019. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor
SCA 7 Huff R  Motor vehicle fees and taxes: restriction on expenditures.	5/28/2015-S. E. & C.A. 1/12/2016-Set for hearing January 19 in E. & C.A. pending receipt.	Would prohibit the Legislature from borrowing revenues from fees and taxes imposed by the state on vehicles or their use or operation, and from using those revenues other than as specifically permitted by Article XIX. The measure would also provide that none of those revenues may be pledged or used for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other indebtedness.	Support
ABX1 1 Alejo D  Transportation funding.	6/23/2015-A. PRINT 6/24/2015-From printer.	Existing law provides for loans of revenues from various transportation funds and accounts to the General Fund, with various repayment dates specified. This bill, with respect to any loans made to the General Fund from specified transportation funds and accounts with a repayment date of January 1, 2019, or later, would require the loans to be repaid by December 31, 2018. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor
ABX1 2 Perea D  Transportation projects: comprehensive development lease agreements.	6/25/2015-A. PRINT 6/26/2015-From printer.	Existing law authorizes the Department of Transportation and regional transportation agencies, as defined, to enter into comprehensive development lease agreements with public and private entities, or consortia of those entities, for certain transportation projects that may charge certain users of those projects tolls and user fees, subject to various terms and requirements. These arrangements are commonly known as public-private partnerships. Existing law provides that a lease agreement may not be entered into under these provisions on or after January 1, 2017. This bill would extend this authorization indefinitely and would include within the definition of "regional transportation agency" the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, thereby authorizing the authority to enter into public-private partnerships under these provisions. The bill would also delete obsolete cross-references and make technical changes to these provisions.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX1 3 Frazier D  Transportation funding.	9/24/2015-A. CONFERENCE COMMITTEE 9/24/2015-Senators Beall (Co-Chair), Allen, Leyva, Cannella, and Gaines appointed to Conference Committee.	Existing law requires the Department of Transportation to improve and maintain the state's highways, and establishes various programs to fund the development, construction, and repair of local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure in the state. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish permanent, sustainable sources of transportation funding to maintain and repair highways, local roads, bridges, and other critical infrastructure.	Monitor
ABX1 4 Frazier D Transportation funding.	9/3/2015-S. RLS. 9/3/2015-Referred to Com. on RLS.	Existing law establishes various programs to fund the development, construction, and repair of local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure in the state. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish permanent, sustainable sources of transportation funding to improve the state's key trade corridors and support efforts by local governments to repair and improve local transportation infrastructure.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX15	7/16/2015-A. PRINT	Existing law establishes a low-income housing tax credit program pursuant to which	Monitor
Hernández,	7/17/2015-From printer.	the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee provides procedures and requirements	
Roger D		for the allocation of state insurance, personal income, and corporation income tax	
		credit amounts among low-income housing projects based on federal law. Existing law	
Income taxes:		allows the credit for buildings located in designated difficult development areas or	
credits: low-		qualified census tracts that are restricted to having 50% of its occupants be special	
income housing:		needs households, as defined, even if the taxpayer receives specified federal credits, if	
farmworker		the credit allowed under this section does not exceed 30% of the eligible basis of that	
housing assistance.		building. Existing law limits the total annual amount of the credit that the committee	
		may allocate to \$70 million per year and allows \$500,000 per year of that amount to	
		be allocated for projects to provide farmworker housing, as specified. Existing law	
		defines farmworker housing to mean housing for agricultural workers that is available	
		to, and occupied by, only farmworkers and their households. This bill, under the	
		insurance taxation law, the Personal Income Tax Law, and the Corporation Tax Law,	
		would modify the definition of applicable percentage relating to qualified low-income	
		buildings that are farmworker housing projects, as provided. The bill would authorize	
		the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee to allocate that credit even if the	
		taxpayer receives specified federal and state credits or only state credits. The bill	
		would increase the amount the committee may allocate to farmworker housing	
		projects from \$500,000 to \$25,000,000 per year. The bill would also redefine	
		farmworker housing to mean housing for agricultural workers that is available to, and	
		occupied by, not less than 50% of farmworkers and their households. This bill contains	
		other related provisions.	]

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX1 6 Hernández, Roger D  Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program.	7/16/2015-A. PRINT 7/17/2015-From printer.	Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and to be available upon appropriation by the Legislature. Existing law continuously appropriates 20% of the annual proceeds of the fund to the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program, administered by the Strategic Growth Council, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through projects that implement land use, housing, transportation, and agricultural land preservation practices to support infill and compact development and that support other related and coordinated public policy objectives. This bill would require 20% of moneys available for allocation under the program to be allocated to eligible projects in rural areas, as defined. The bill would further require at least 50% of those moneys to be allocated to eligible affordable housing projects. The bill would require the council to amend its guidelines and selection criteria consistent with these requirements and to consult with interested stakeholders in this regard.	Monitor
ABX1 7 Nazarian D Public transit: funding.	7/16/2015-A. PRINT 7/17/2015-From printer.	Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the State Air Resources Board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism relative to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill would instead continuously appropriate 20% of those annual proceeds to the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program, and 10% of those annual proceeds to the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program, thereby making an appropriation. This bill contains other existing laws.	Monitor
ABX1 8 Chiu D  Diesel sales and use tax.	7/16/2015-A. PRINT 7/17/2015-From printer.	Existing law, beyond the sales and use tax rate generally applicable, imposes an additional sales and use tax on diesel fuel at the rate of 1.75%, subject to certain exemptions, and provides for the net revenues collected from the additional tax to be transferred to the Public Transportation Account. Existing law continuously appropriates these revenues to the Controller, for allocation by formula to transportation agencies for public transit purposes. This bill, effective July 1, 2016, would increase the additional sales and use tax rate on diesel fuel to 5.25%. By increasing the revenues deposited in a continuously appropriated fund, the bill would thereby make an appropriation. This bill contains other related provisions.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX1 9 Levine D  Richmond-San Rafael Bridge.	8/17/2015-A. PRINT 8/18/2015-From printer.	Existing law specifies the powers and duties of the Department of Transportation, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and the Bay Area Toll Authority with respect to the collection and expenditure of toll revenue from the 7 state-owned toll bridges within the geographic jurisdiction of the commission, including the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge. This bill would require the department, immediately, or as soon as practically feasible, but no later than September 30, 2015, to implement an operational improvement project that temporarily restores the third eastbound lane on State Highway Route 580 from the beginning of the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge in the County of Marin to Marine Street in the County of Contra Costa to automobile traffic and that temporarily converts a specified portion of an existing one-way bicycle lane along the north side of State Highway Route 580 in the County of Contra Costa into a bidirectional bicycle and pedestrian lane. The bill would require the department to keep the temporary lanes in place until the department has completed a specified project relating to the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge or until construction activity for that project necessitates removal of the temporary lanes. This bill contains other related provisions.	Monitor
ABX1 10 Levine D  Public works: contracts: extra compensation.	8/19/2015-A. PRINT 8/20/2015-From printer.	Existing law sets forth requirements for provisions in public works contracts awarded by a state entity. Under existing law, the state or any other public entity in any competitively bid public works contract may provide for the payment of extra compensation to the contractor for cost reduction changes. This bill would provide that a state entity in a megainfrastructure project contract, as defined, may not provide for the payment of extra compensation to the contractor until the megainfrastructure project, as defined, has been completed and an independent third party has verified that the megainfrastructure project meets all architectural or engineering plans and safety specifications of the contract. This bill would apply to contracts entered into or amended on or after the effective date of this bill.	Monitor
ABX1 11 Gray D  Transportation projects: County of Merced: campus parkway project.	8/20/2015-A. PRINT 8/21/2015-From printer.	Existing law provides various sources of funding for transportation projects. This bill would appropriate \$97,600,000 from the General Fund to the Merced County Association of Governments for construction of phase 2 and 3 of the Campus Parkway Project, a planned road project to connect the University of California, Merced to State Highway 99, in the County of Merced.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX1 12 Nazarian D  Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.	8/26/2015-A. PRINT 8/27/2015-From printer.	Existing law creates the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority with specified powers and duties relative to transportation planning, programming, and operations in Los Angeles County. This bill would authorize the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to enter into agreements with private entities for certain transportation projects in Los Angeles County, including on the state highway system, subject to various terms and requirements. The bill would authorize the authority to impose tolls and user fees for use of those projects. For any project on the state highway system, the bill would require the authority to implement the project in cooperation with the Department of Transportation pursuant to an agreement that addresses specified matters. The bill would provide that a facility constructed by a private entity would at all times be owned by a governmental agency, except as provided. The bill would authorize the authority to issue bonds to finance any costs necessary to implement a project and to finance any expenditures, payable from the revenues generated from the project or other available resources, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.	
ABX1 13 Grove R  Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: streets and highways.	8/31/2015-A. PRINT 9/1/2015-From printer.	The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The state board is required to adopt a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020. The act authorizes the state board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and to be available upon appropriation. Existing law continuously appropriates 20% of the annual proceeds of the fund to the Strategic Growth Council for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program, as provided. This bill would reduce the continuous appropriation to the Strategic Growth Council for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program by half. This bill contains other related provisions.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX1 14	8/31/2015-A. PRINT	Existing law requires the Department of Transportation to prepare a State Highway	Monitor
<u>Waldron</u> R	9/1/2015-From printer.	Operation and Protection Program every other year for the expenditure of transportation capital improvement funds for projects that are necessary to preserve	
State Highway		and protect the state highway system, excluding projects that add new traffic lanes.	
Operation and		Existing law provides for apportionment of specified portions of revenues in the	
Protection		Highway Users Tax Account derived from gasoline and diesel excise taxes to cities and	
Program: local streets and roads:		counties by formula, with the remaining revenues to be deposited in the State Highway Account for expenditure on various state transportation programs, including	
appropriation.		maintenance of state highways and transportation capital improvement projects. This bill would continuously appropriate \$1 billion from the General Fund, with 50% to be made available to the Department of Transportation for maintenance of the state highway system or for purposes of the State Highway Operation and Protection Program, and 50% to be made available to the Controller for apportionment to cities and counties by a specified formula for street and road purposes.	
ABX1 15 Patterson R	8/31/2015-A. PRINT 9/1/2015-From printer.	Existing law appropriates the sum of \$663,287,000 for the 2015-16 fiscal year from the State Highway Account to the Department of Transportation for Capital Outlay Support. This bill would reduce the \$663,287,000 appropriation for Capital Outlay	Monitor
State Highway		Support by \$500 million, and would appropriate \$500 million from the State Highway	
Operation and		Account for the 2015-16 fiscal year, with 50% to be made available to the Department	
Protection Program: local		of Transportation for maintenance of the state highway system or for purposes of the State Highway Operation and Protection Program, and 50% to be made available to	
streets and roads:		the Controller for apportionment to cities and counties by formula for street and road	
appropriation.		purposes. This bill contains other existing laws.	

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX1 16 Patterson R  State highways: transfer to local agencies: pilot program.	8/31/2015-A. PRINT 9/1/2015-From printer.	Existing law provides that the Department of Transportation has full possession and control of all state highways and associated property, and sets forth the powers and duties with respect to operation, maintenance, and improvement of state highways. Existing law authorizes the California Transportation Commission to exercise various powers and duties on transportation matters, including the allocation of certain transportation capital improvement funds available to the state. This bill would require the department to participate in a pilot program over a 5-year period under which 2 counties, one in northern California and one in southern California, are selected to operate, maintain, and make improvements to all state highways, including freeways, in the affected county. The bill would require the department, with respect to those counties, for the duration of the pilot program, to convey all of its authority and responsibility over state highways in the county to a county, or a regional transportation agency that has jurisdiction in the county. The bill would require the commission to administer and oversee the pilot program, and to select the counties that will participate in the program. The bill would require certain moneys to be appropriated for these purposes as a block grant in the annual Budget Act to a participating county, as specified. The bill would authorize any cost savings realized by a participating county to be used by the county for other transportation priorities. The bill would require the participating county to be used by the county for other transportation priorities. The bill would require the participating counties to report to the Legislature upon the conclusion of the pilot program.	Monitor
ABX1 17 Achadjian R  Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: state highway operation and protection program.	8/31/2015-A. PRINT 9/1/2015-From printer.	The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The state board is required to adopt a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020. The act authorizes the state board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and to be available upon appropriation. Existing law continuously appropriates 60% of the annual proceeds of the fund for transit, affordable housing, sustainable communities, and high-speed rail purposes. This bill, beginning in the 2016-17 fiscal year, would continuously appropriate 25% of the annual proceeds of the fund to fund projects in the state highway operation and protection program.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX1 18 Linder R  Vehicle weight fees: transportation bond debt service.	8/31/2015-A. PRINT 9/1/2015-From printer.	Existing law imposes weight fees on the registration of commercial motor vehicles and provides for the deposit of net weight fee revenues into the State Highway Account. Existing law provides for the transfer of certain weight fee revenues from the State Highway Account to the Transportation Debt Service Account to reimburse the General Fund for payment of debt service on general obligation bonds issued for transportation purposes. Existing law also provides for the transfer of certain weight fee revenues to the Transportation Bond Direct Payment Account for direct payment of debt service on designated bonds, which are defined to be certain transportation general obligation bonds issued pursuant to Proposition 1B of 2006. This bill, notwithstanding these provisions or any other law, effective January 1, 2016, would prohibit weight fee revenue from being transferred from the State Highway Account to the Transportation Debt Service Fund or to the Transportation Bond Direct Payment Account, and from being used to pay the debt service on transportation general obligation bonds.	
ABX1 19 Linder R  California Transportation Commission.	8/31/2015-A. PRINT 9/1/2015-From printer.	Existing law establishes in the state government the Transportation Agency, which includes various departments and state entities, including the California Transportation Commission. Existing law vests the California Transportation Commission with specified powers, duties, and functions relative to transportation matters. Existing law requires the commission to retain independent authority to perform the duties and functions prescribed to it under any provision of law. This bill would exclude the California Transportation Commission from the Transportation Agency and establish it as an entity in the state government. The bill would also make conforming changes.	Monitor
ABX1 20 Gaines, Beth R  State government: elimination of vacant positions: transportation: appropriation.	8/31/2015-A. PRINT 9/1/2015-From printer.	Existing law establishes the Department of Human Resources in state government to operate the state civil service system. This bill would require the department to eliminate 25% of the vacant positions in state government that are funded by the General Fund. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX1 21 Obernolte R  Environmental quality: highway projects.	8/31/2015-A. PRINT 9/1/2015-From printer.	The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA establishes a procedure by which a person may seek judicial review of the decision of the lead agency made pursuant to CEQA or proceeding challenging a lead agency's action on the grounds of noncompliance with CEQA. The bill would prohibit a court in a judicial action or proceeding under CEQA from staying or enjoining the construction or improvement of a highway unless it makes specified findings.	Monitor
ABX1 22 Patterson R  Design-build: highways.	9/1/2015-A. PRINT 9/2/2015-From printer.	Existing law authorizes the Department of Transportation to utilize design-build procurement for up to 10 projects on the state highway system, based on either best value or lowest responsible bid. Existing law requires the department to perform construction inspection services for those projects that are on or interfacing with the state highway system, as specified. Existing law establishes a procedure for submitting bids that includes a requirement that design-build entities provide a statement of qualifications submitted to the transportation entity that is verified under oath, subject to penalty of perjury. This bill would authorize the department to utilize design-build procurement on an unlimited number of projects and would require the department to contract with consultants to perform construction inspection services for those authorized projects. The bill would eliminate the requirement that the department perform the construction inspection services for the projects on or interfacing with the state highway system. By authorizing the design-build method of procurement to be utilized in an unlimited number of projects, the bill would expand the number of projects in which the statement of qualifications requirement, subject to penalty of perjury, is applicable, thereby expanding the scope of an existing crime and imposing a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX1 23	9/4/2015-A. PRINT 9/5/2015-From printer.	Existing law requires the Department of Transportation to prepare a State Highway Operation and Protection Program every other year for the expenditure of transportation capital improvement funds for projects that are necessary to preserve and protect the state highway system, excluding projects that add new traffic lanes. Existing law provides for the programming of transportation capital improvement funds for other objectives through the State Transportation Improvement Program administered by the California Transportation Commission, which includes projects recommended by regional transportation planning agencies through adoption of a regional transportation improvement program and projects recommended by the department through adoption of an interregional transportation improvement program, as specified. This bill, by January 1, 2017, would require the California Transportation Commission to establish a process whereby the department and local agencies receiving funding for highway capital improvements from the State Highway Operation and Protection Program or the State Transportation Improvement Program prioritize projects that provide meaningful benefits to the mobility and safety needs of disadvantaged community residents, as specified. This bill contains other related	Monitor
		provisions and other existing laws.	]

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
ABX1 24 Levine D  Bay Area Transportation Commission: election of commissioners.	9/11/2015-A. PRINT 9/12/2015-From printer.	Existing law designates the Metropolitan Transportation Commission as the regional	
ABX1 25 Allen, Travis R  Shuttle services: loading and unloading of passengers.	1/11/2016-A. PRINT 1/12/2016-From printer.	Under existing law, a person may not stop, park, or leave a vehicle standing alongside a curb space authorized for the loading or unloading of passengers of a bus engaged as a common carrier in local transportation when indicated by a sign or red paint on the curb, except that existing law allows local authorities to permit schoolbuses to stop alongside these curb spaces upon agreement between a transit system operating buses as common carriers in local transportation and a public school district or private school. This bill would also allow local authorities to permit shuttle service vehicles, as defined, to stop for the loading or unloading of passengers alongside these curb spaces upon agreement between a transit system operating buses engaged as common carriers in local transportation and a shuttle service provider, as defined. The bill would state that it is the intent of the Legislature to not replace public transit services. This bill contains other related provisions.	

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SBX1 1 Beall D  Transportation funding: environmental mitigation: oversight.	4/21/2016-S. APPR. 4/21/2016-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Existing law provides various sources of funding for transportation purposes, including funding for the state highway system and the local street and road system. These funding sources include, among others, fuel excise taxes, commercial vehicle weight fees, local transactions and use taxes, and federal funds. Existing law imposes certain registration fees on vehicles, with revenues from these fees deposited in the Motor Vehicle Account and used to fund the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Department of the California Highway Patrol. Existing law provides for the monthly transfer of excess balances in the Motor Vehicle Account to the State Highway Account. This bill would create the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system and for other specified purposes. The bill would provide for the deposit of various funds for the program in the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account, which the bill would create in the State Transportation Fund, including revenues attributable to a \$0.12 per gallon increase in the motor vehicle fuel (gasoline) tax imposed by the bill and \$0.10 of a \$0.22 per gallon increase in the diesel fuel excise tax imposed by the bill, an increase of \$35 in the annual vehicle registration fee, a new \$100 annual vehicle registration fee applicable to zero-emission motor vehicles, as defined, a new annual road access charge on each vehicle, as defined, of \$35, and repayment, by June 30, 2016, of outstanding loans made in previous years from certain transportation funds to the General Fund. The bill would provide that revenues from future adjustments in the applicable portion of the fuel tax rates, the annual vehicle registration fee increase, and the road access charge would also be deposited in the account. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	
SBX1 2 Huff R  Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.	6/30/2015-S. T. & I.D. 9/1/2015-September 1 set for first hearing. Failed passage in committee. (Ayes 3. Noes 9. Page 56.) Reconsideration granted.	Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the State Air Resources Board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism relative to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill would exclude from allocation under these provisions the annual proceeds of the fund generated from the transportation fuels sector. The bill would instead provide that those annual proceeds shall be appropriated by the Legislature for transportation infrastructure, including public streets and highways, but excluding high-speed rail. This bill contains other existing laws.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SBX1 3 Vidak R  Transportation bonds: highway, street, and road projects.	9/14/2015-S. DEAD 9/14/2015-Returned to Secretary of Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 62(a).	Existing law, the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century, approved by the voters as Proposition 1A at the November 4, 2008, general election, provides for the issuance of general obligation bonds in the amount of \$9 billion for high-speed rail purposes and \$950 million for other related rail purposes. Article XVI of the California Constitution requires measures authorizing general obligation bonds to specify the single object or work to be funded by the bonds and further requires a bond act to be approved by a 2/3 vote of each house of the Legislature and a majority of the voters. This bill would provide that no further bonds shall be sold for high-speed rail purposes pursuant to the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century, except as specifically provided with respect to an existing appropriation for high-speed rail purposes for early improvement projects in the Phase 1 blended system. The bill, subject to the above exception, would require redirection of the unspent proceeds from outstanding bonds issued and sold for other high-speed rail purposes prior to the effective date of these provisions, upon appropriation, for use in retiring the debt incurred from the issuance and sale of those outstanding bonds. The bill, subject to the above exception, would also require the net proceeds of bonds subsequently issued and sold under the high-speed rail portion of the bond act, upon appropriation, to be made available to the Department of Transportation for repair and new construction projects on state highways and freeways, and for repair and new construction projects on local streets and roads, as specified. The bill would make no changes to the authorization under the bond act for the issuance of \$950 million in bonds for rail purposes other than high-speed rail. These provisions would become effective only upon approval by the voters at the June 7, 2016, statewide primary election.	Monitor
SBX1 4 Beall D  Transportation funding.	9/24/2015-S. CONFERENCE COMMITTEE 9/24/2015-Senators Beall (Co-Chair), Allen, Leyva, Cannella and Gaines appointed to Conference Committee.	Existing law requires the Department of Transportation to improve and maintain the state's highways, and establishes various programs to fund the development, construction, and repair of local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure in the state. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact statutory changes to establish permanent, sustainable sources of transportation funding to maintain and repair the state's highways, local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SBX1 5 Beall D  Transportation funding.	9/1/2015-A. DESK 9/1/2015-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.	Existing law establishes various programs to fund the development, construction, and repair of local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure in the state. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish permanent, sustainable sources of transportation funding to improve the state's key trade corridors and support efforts by local governments to repair and improve local transportation infrastructure.	Monitor
SBX1 6 Runner R  Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: transportation expenditures.	9/14/2015-S. DEAD 9/14/2015-Returned to Secretary of Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 62(a).  reenhouse Gas eduction Fund: ansportation expenditures.  Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 62(a).  rependitures.  9/14/2015-S. DEAD  Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the Star Air Resources Board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-base compliance mechanism relative to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill would delete the continuous appropriations from the fund for the high-speed rail project, and would prohibit any of the proceeds from the fund from being used for that project. The bill would continuously appropriate the remaining 65% of annual proceeds of the fund the California Transportation Commission for allocation to high-priority transportation state highway projects, 40% to local street and road projects divided equally between cities and counties, and 20% to public transit projects. This bill contains of		Monitor
SBX1 7 Allen D  Diesel sales and use tax.	9/3/2015-Read second time and additional sales and use tax on diesel fuel at the rate of 1.75%, subject to certain exemptions, and provides for the net revenues collected from the additional tax to transferred to the Public Transportation Account. Existing law continuously		Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SBX1 8 Hill D  Public transit: funding.	9/2/2015-S. APPR. 9/2/2015-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 8. Noes 0. Page 57.) (September 1). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the State Air Resources Board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism relative to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill would instead continuously appropriate 20% of those annual proceeds to the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital	Monitor
		Program, and 10% of those annual proceeds to the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program, thereby making an appropriation. This bill contains other existing laws.	
SBX1 9 Moorlach R	9/14/2015-S. DEAD 9/14/2015-Returned to Secretary of Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 62(a).	relative to the state highway system and other transportation programs. This bill would prohibit the department from using any nonrecurring funds, including, but not	
Department of Transportation.		limited to, loan repayments, bond funds, or grant funds, to pay the salaries or benefits of any permanent civil service position within the department. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SBX1 10	7/16/2015-S. T. & I.D.	Existing law establishes the state transportation improvement program process,	Monitor
Bates R	9/9/2015-September 8 hearing:	pursuant to which the California Transportation Commission generally programs and	
	Testimony taken. Hearing postponed by	allocates available state and federal funds for transportation capital improvement	
Regional	committee.	projects, other than state highway rehabilitation and repair projects, over a multiyear	
transportation		period based on estimates of funds expected to be available. Existing law provides	
capital		funding for these interregional and regional transportation capital improvement	
improvement		projects through the state transportation improvement program process, with 25% of	
funds.		funds available for interregional projects selected by the Department of Transportation	
		through preparation of an interregional transportation improvement program and 75%	
		for regional projects selected by transportation planning agencies through preparation	
		of a regional transportation improvement program. Existing law requires funds	
		available for regional projects to be programmed by the commission pursuant to the	
		county shares formula, under which a certain amount of funding is available for	
		programming in each county, based on population and miles of state highway. Existing	
		law specifies the various types of projects that may be funded with the regional share	
		of funds to include state highways, local roads, transit, and others. This bill would	
		revise the process for programming and allocating the 75% share of state and federal	
		funds available for regional transportation improvement projects. The bill would	
		require the department to annually apportion, by the existing formula, the county	
		share for each county to the applicable metropolitan planning organization,	
		transportation planning agency, or county transportation commission, as a block grant.	
		These transportation capital improvement funds, along with an appropriate amount of	
		capital outlay support funds, would be appropriated annually through the annual	
		Budget Act to regional transportation agencies. The bill would require the regional	
		transportation agencies, in their regional transportation improvement programs, to	
		identify the transportation capital improvement projects to be funded with these	
		moneys, and would require the California Transportation Commission to incorporate	
		the regional transportation improvement programs into the state transportation	
		improvement program. The bill would eliminate the role of the California	
		Transportation Commission in programming and allocating funds to these regional	
		projects, but would retain certain oversight roles of the commission with respect to	
		expenditure of the funds. The bill would repeal provisions governing computation of	
		county shares over multiple years and make various other conforming changes.	

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SBX1 11 Berryhill R  Environmental quality: transportation infrastructure.	9/4/2015-S. T. & I.D. 9/4/2015-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on T. & I.D.		Monitor
SBX1 12 Runner R  California Transportation Commission.	8/20/2015-S. APPR. 8/20/2015-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Existing law establishes in state government the Transportation Agency, which includes various departments and state entities, including the California Transportation Commission. Existing law vests the California Transportation Commission with specified powers, duties, and functions relative to transportation matters. Existing law requires the commission to retain independent authority to perform the duties and functions prescribed to it under any provision of law. This bill would exclude the California Transportation Commission from the Transportation Agency, establish it as an entity in state government, and require it to act in an independent oversight role. The bill would also make conforming changes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SBX1 13 Vidak R  Office of the Transportation Inspector General.	9/3/2015-S. APPR. 9/3/2015-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Existing law creates various state transportation agencies, including the Department of Transportation and the High-Speed Rail Authority, with specified powers and duties. Existing law provides for the allocation of state transportation funds to various transportation purposes. This bill would create the Office of the Transportation Inspector General in state government, as an independent office that would not be a subdivision of any other government entity, to build capacity for self-correction into the government itself and to ensure that all state agencies expending state transportation funds are operating efficiently, effectively, and in compliance with federal and state laws. The bill would provide for the Governor to appoint the Transportation Inspector General for a 6-year term, subject to confirmation by the Senate, and would provide that the Transportation Inspector General may not be removed from office during the term except for good cause. The bill would specify the duties and responsibilities of the Transportation Inspector General, would require an annual report to the Legislature and Governor, and would provide that funding for the office shall, to the extent possible, be from federal transportation funds, with other necessary funding to be made available from the State Highway Account and an account from which high-speed rail activities may be funded.	Monitor
SBX1 14 Cannella R  Transportation projects: comprehensive development lease agreements.	7/16/2015-S. T. & I.D. 8/17/2015-August 19 set for first hearing canceled at the request of author.	Existing law authorizes the Department of Transportation and regional transportation agencies, as defined, to enter into comprehensive development lease agreements with public and private entities, or consortia of those entities, for certain transportation projects that may charge certain users of those projects tolls and user fees, subject to various terms and requirements. These arrangements are commonly known as public-private partnerships. Existing law provides that a lease agreement may not be entered into under these provisions on or after January 1, 2017. This bill would extend this authorization indefinitely and would include within the definition of "regional transportation agency" the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, thereby authorizing the authority to enter into public-private partnerships under these provisions. The bill would also delete obsolete cross-references and make technical changes to these provisions.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
SCAX1 1 Huff R  Motor vehicle fees and taxes: restriction on expenditures.	9/9/2015-S. APPR. 9/9/2015-From committee: Be adopted and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 13. Noes 0. Page 72.) (September 8). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	(1) Article XIX of the California Constitution restricts the expenditure of revenues from taxes imposed by the state on fuels used in motor vehicles upon public streets and highways to street and highway and certain mass transit purposes, and restricts the expenditure of revenues from fees and taxes imposed by the state upon vehicles or their use or operation to state administration and enforcement of laws regulating the use, operation, or registration of vehicles used upon the public streets and highways, as well as to street and highway and certain mass transit purposes. These restrictions do not apply to revenues from taxes or fees imposed under the Sales and Use Tax Law or the Vehicle License Fee Law. This measure would prohibit the Legislature from borrowing revenues from fees and taxes imposed by the state on vehicles or their use or operation, and from using those revenues other than as specifically permitted by Article XIX. The measure would also prohibit those revenues from being pledged or used for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other indebtedness. The measure would delete the provision that provides for use of any fuel tax revenues allocated to mass transit purposes to be pledged or used for payment of principal and interest on voter-approved bonds issued for those mass transit purposes, and would instead subject those expenditures to the existing 25% limitation applicable to the use of fuel tax revenues for street and highway bond purposes. O This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Monitor
SCRX1 1 De León D  2015-16 First Extraordinary Session: Joint Rules.	6/23/2015-A. DESK 6/23/2015-In Assembly. Held at Desk.	This measure adopts the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly for the 2015-16 Regular Session, as set forth in Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 37, as the Joint Rules, except as specified, for the 2015-16 First Extraordinary Session.	Monitor

Bill ID/Topic	Location	Summary	Position
<u>De León</u> D	6/30/2015-S. ADOPTED 6/30/2015-Unanimous consent granted to take up without reference to file.	This measure adopts the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly for the 2015-16 Regular Session, as set forth in Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 37, as the Joint Rules, except as specified, for the 2015-16 First Extraordinary Session.	Monitor
	Read. Adopted. (Ayes 25. Noes 0.)		

FEDERAL LEGISLATION				
BILL/AUTHOR	DESCRIPTION	STATUS		
H.R. 3620 Bass D	Would permit transportation agencies to consider the hiring of local workers in the evaluation of bids and proposals for highway and transit projects where federal funds are being used.	January 2014 – SUPPORT  Referred to House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittees on Highways and Transit and Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials		
H.R. 680 Blumenauer D	Would gradually increase the federal gas tax by 15-cents, index the gas tax to inflation and seek to replace the federal gas tax with a more stable alternative by 2024.  Board previously supported HR 3636 bill last session.	May 2015 – SUPPORT  Referred to the House Committees on Ways and Means and House Transportation and Infrastructure		
H.R. 935 Hahn D-CA	Would direct 5% of all import duties collected by Customs and Border Protection (CBP) at Ports of Entry to be spent on freight transportation through the creation of the National Freight Network Trust Fund.  Board previously supported HR 5101 bill last session.	May 2015 – SUPPORT WORK WITH AUTHOR  Subcommittee on Rail, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee  House Ways and Means Committee		

H.R. 990		May 2015 - SUPPORT	
King R-NY	I WOULD AUTHORIZE AND DITHO DAILY DELWEEL THE DAIKING AND CLAUSIC COMMUTER		
H.R. 1308 Lowenthal D-CA	Would establish a Freight Transportation Infrastructure Trust Fund and create a freight specific formula and competitive grant program for multimodal projects.	May 2015 - SUPPORT WORK WITH AUTHOR	
	Board previously supported HR 5624 bill last session.	Subcommittee on Water, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	
		House Ways and Means Committee	
H.R. 1461 Massie R-KY	Would end the longstanding practice of the mass transit account receiving funding through the Highway Trust Fund. Additionally, it repeals the Transportation	May 2015 – OPPOSE  House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee  House Ways and Means Committee	
H.R. 1551 Sanford R-SC	Would phase out the Mass Transit Account from receiving any funding through the Highway Trust Fund by incrementally decreasing funding from 2016-2020.	May 2015 – OPPOSE  House Ways and Means Committee	

H.R. 2485	The Regional Infrastructure Accelerator Act of 2015 would, if enacted into	June 2015 - SUPPORT		
Torres D-CA	federal law, create a two-tiered grant program aimed at increasing private investment in public infrastructure projects. The legislation seeks to establish and fund regional infrastructure accelerator organizations to provide regional analysis of potential Public-Private Partnership (P3) Infrastructure projects. The regional accelerators would then have the ability to provide technical expertise and funding to states, cities and public entities for pre-development activities on a potential P3 project. This legislation authorizes, subject to appropriations, funding in the amount of \$25 million for the two-tiered grant program outlined in the Regional Infrastructure Accelerator Act of 2015.	5/21/15 Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment for House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee		
H.R. 2495	The TIGER Grants for Job Creation Act would, if enacted into federal law,	June 2015 - SUPPORT		
Waters D-CA	provide an emergency supplemental appropriation of \$7.5 billion over the next 6 years for the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery	5/21/15		
	(TIGER) discretionary grant program.	House Appropriation and Budget Committees		
H.R. 2410 DeFazio D-OR	The GROW America Act would, if enacted into federal law, authorize a six-year \$478 billion surface transportation bill. H.R. 2410 represents President Obama's surface transportation bill that his Administration has transmitted to Congress through his Fiscal Year 2016 Budget. The authorized funding level of \$478 billion in the bill is the same funding figure that the U.S. Department of Transportation has determined is needed to assist in funding our nation's state-of-good-repair backlog maintenance as well as continue to invest in new transportation projects required to properly address America's future population growth.	June 2015 - SUPPORT		
Co-sponsors of H.R. 2410 from the Los Angeles Congressional Delegation include Congresswoman Grace Napolitano (D-32) and Congresswoman Julia Brownley (D-26)				
H.R. 4343	H.R. 4343 (Blumenauer) – The Bikeshare Transit Act of 2016 would, if enacted into federal law, clarify the definition of bikeshare projects that qualify as an "associated transit improvement" under Title 49 of U.S. Code, add bikeshare projects to the definition of "capital project" under Title 49 of U.S. Code, and make bikeshare projects eligible for funding under the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) under Title 23 of U.S. Code. The legislation seeks to add bikeshare projects to the formal definition of transit projects as well as make clear to states that administer Federal Highway Administration funding that bikeshare is eligible to receive federal funding.	MARCH 2016 - SUPPORT		

Deferred=bill will be brought up at another time; Chaptered=bill has become law; LA=Last Amended; Enrolled=bill sent to Governor for approval or veto Note: "Status" will provide most recent action on the legislation and current position in the legislative process. 6/6/2016

Extends the national deadline by five years to implement PTC, from 31, 2015 to December 31, 2020. Two one year extensions beyon included in the legislation, but the extensions are at the discretion Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation.		MAY 2015 – OPPOSE  Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee		
S. 797 Booker D-NJ	Amends the Railroad Rehabilitation and Improvement Financing Program (RRIF) to expand the eligibility for financing transit oriented development.	May 2015 – SUPPORT WORK WITH AUTHOR Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee		
S. 880 (Schatz-D-HI)	Amends the TIFIA program, as authorized in MAP-21, to include TOD as an eligible expense to finance through the TIFIA program.	May 2015- SUPPORT Senate Environment and Public Works Committee		
S. 1006 (Feinstein-D-CA)	Extend the national deadline to implement Positive Train Control by one year	MAY 2015 – SUPPORT Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee		
Omnibus Appropriations Bill For Fiscal Year 2016	An omnibus appropriations bill that keeps all federal programs, agencies, and services funded until September 30, 2016.	Signed into law by President Obama, December 18, 2015		
HR 22 (formerly known as the DRIVE Act) Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act)	Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act), the long-term surface transportation authorization bill authorizes approximately \$305 billion for Highway, Transit and Railroad programs over 5 years (\$61 billion per year).	Signed into law by President Obama, December 4, 2015		



## **Board Report**

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation
Authority
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room
Los Angeles, CA

Agenda Number: 38

# EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE JUNE 23, 2016

SUBJECT: LABOR COMPLIANCE MONITORING BENCH

ACTION: APPROVE LABOR COMPLIANCE MONITORING BENCH CONTRACT(S)

#### RECOMMENDATION

File #: 2016-0437, File Type: Contract

#### CONSIDER:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No.1 to the Labor Compliance Bench (The Bench) Contract Numbers PS-21307700 A-J, for labor compliance monitoring services, to exercise the first one-year option and extend the contract term from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017 increasing the total authorized not-to-exceed amount by \$1,578,584 from \$13,478,064 to \$15,056,648;
- B. AUTHORIZING the award of a task order with Padilla & Associates, Inc. for Contract No. PS-21307700-E to perform labor compliance monitoring services on the South Western Light-Rail Vehicle Yard Project for a fixed price of \$772,575.87, increasing the total contract amount from \$78,413.23 to \$850,989.87;
- C. APPROVING Labor Compliance Monitoring Services task orders for the I-405 Sepulveda Pass Widening Project with Parsons Corporation (Task Order #1) for the fixed price amount of \$1,640,930.76; for the Crenshaw/LAX Project with the Solis Group (Task Order #32) for the fixed price amount of \$3,646,745; for the Regional Connector Transit Corridor Project with Perceptive Enterprises, Inc. (Task Order #45) for the fixed price amount of \$2,915,465.43; and for the Westside Subway Extension Section 1 Design/Build Project with Metro Compliance Services, JV (Task Order #48R) for the fixed price amount of \$3,952,560.03; and
- D. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to award and execute task orders with the total authorized amount of \$15,056,648.

### **ISSUE**

On June 16, 2011, the Board of Directors authorized the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to establish a qualified list of candidates to perform labor compliance monitoring services for Metro construction projects under RFIQ PS-2130-7700 to the recommended consultants (Attachment A), for a period of five years with five, one year options. The expiration date for the base five year period for the Labor Compliance Monitoring Bench is June 30, 2016. Staff is seeking approval to exercise the first of five, one year options in order to meet the requirements of the California Labor Code, Davis Bacon and related Acts that require Metro to ensure all construction workers employed to work on Metro

funded construction projects are compensated according to the state and federal prevailing wage laws and regulations.

Task orders have been issued for various amounts (see Attachment A) on the premise that the funding for Labor Compliance Monitoring services was authorized within the Board of Directors approved life of project (LOP) budgets for the various capital projects. The Board Report in June 2011 stated all costs will be included in the approved LOP budgets for each capital project.

Staff, with the end of the contract term approaching, reviewed the initial Board Report and contracts in order to exercise the first of the five, one year options. Upon review of all relevant documentation it was determined the June 2011 Board Report had not:

- 1. Provided for specific authorization to the CEO to execute task orders under the individual Bench Contracts within a specified amount; and
- 2. Establish a total not-to-exceed amount for the Bench.

Although the Board authorized award of the bench contracts, the board action did not specifically include funding authority. The CEO, pursuant to his Board delegated authority, authorized award and execution of task orders up to \$500,000 per contract. Staff needed to obtain Board approval of task orders that exceed the limit of \$500,000 per contract. Staff issued a total of 48 task orders under the ten bench contracts. However, staff inadvertently exceeded their authority on four of the contracts by awarding task orders in excess of the \$500,000 contract limit. Item C of this recommendation is a request for ratification of those four task orders.

Vendor/Contract Management (V/CM) engaged in a review of all bench contracts and single contracts where task orders are issued to determine if any other task orders had been issued exceeding Board approved authorizations. V/CM reviewed these contracts and found they were compliant and consistent with Board approved authority.

V/CM has proceeded with corrective action to ensure such incidents do not happen in the future. In the short term, by June 30, 2016, V/CM will receive a daily report generated in the Contract Information Management System (CIMS) listing all bench contracts and the task order amounts awarded-to-date. This report will provide the V/CM team, Contract Administrators, Buyers and management, daily awarded balances for all active bench contracts to manually compare against the Board approved funding amounts.

In the long term, V/CM will work with the Information Technology (IT) department to program and implement a solution of systematic controls through a detailed bench contract tracking application, to be completed within six months (November 2016). The application will provide daily tracking of bench contract awards, and electronically reconcile the contract awards to the authorized contract

limit, and create warning notifications to the Project Manager and V/CM management when the approved bench value reaches 75 percent of authorized contract limit. This solution has already been developed in concept, within the capabilities of CIMS, but the actual program coding needs to be developed.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The California Labor Code, and the Davis Bacon Act and related Acts require Metro to ensure that all construction workers employed to work on Metro funded construction projects are compensated according to state and federal prevailing wage laws and regulations. The Consultants on the Bench are responsible for evaluating, monitoring, and advising Metro on enforcing prevailing wage requirements on assigned construction projects. This includes maintaining all required records, providing assistance to field personnel, conducting field interviews and investigations and other duties in accordance with applicable laws and regulations governing public works projects.

Since the inception of the Bench, 48 task orders have been issued to date (See Attachment A), totaling \$13,478,063.38. The Bench has been an effective tool, specifically on Metro's mega, high profile projects. Currently, nine of the ten prime Bench consultants are certified as DBE's and SBE's. SBE's and DBE's have been awarded \$12,702,523 of the \$13,478,063 awarded to date (approximately 94% of the total awarded value). Metro's Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program, Small Business Prime Program, or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program are applied to the task order solicitations based on funding sources and estimated task order value.

As new capital projects have been approved by the Board, the funds for Labor Compliance monitoring services have been included in the approved LOP budgets for each capital project. The process to issue task orders on approved capital projects is as follows:

- An independent cost estimate and Scope of Work are developed by the Diversity & Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) Project Manager.
- A requisition is developed by the DEOD finance unit and approved by the Project Manager for the capital project. DEOD submits the approved requisition, scope of work and information sheet to the Contract Administrator (CA) to issue a written request for a proposal from the members of the Bench.
- The CA receives proposal(s) and distributes them to the evaluation committee.
- The evaluation committee evaluate the proposals, the quality of work on previous task orders, demonstrated capabilities, the quality of deliverables, existing workload, cost control, price and other relevant factors (small business utilization, staff availability and hours proposed)
- The DEOD Project Manager prepares a recommendation memo and submits to CA, who
  determines the price is fair and reasonable.
- The CA issues a Notice of Intent to Award to inform the entire Bench of contractor selection and issues a Firm Fixed Price task order to the selected firm. Concurrently, the awardee submits a payment schedule to be approved by the DEOD Project Manager.

The Labor Compliance Monitoring Bench has been successful in providing DBE/SBE opportunities, meeting established goals, effective monitoring based on state and federal regulations and ensuring that workers on Metro's project are being paid the correct prevailing wage rates.

File #: 2016-0437, File Type: Contract

Agenda Number: 38

#### <u>DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT</u>

The approval of this recommended action will not have any direct impact on the safety of our customers and employees.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

Labor Compliance funding for capital projects have been included in the various budgets for new projects in FY17, which in most instances, is transferred to Cost Center 2130 (DEOD) and spent from there; if the funds remain in the Construction Cost Centers, DEOD staff is included in the approval hierarchy.

A total of \$1,578,584 has been estimated for FY17 for current task orders and issuing new task orders. The \$772,575.87 for the task order award listed in Recommendation B (Southwestern Light-Rail Vehicle Yard Project) is included in the total estimated amount for FY17. The remaining \$806,009 will be used to issue new task orders on various anticipated capital projects.

Capital project funding will be the source of funding for the Labor Compliance Monitoring task orders. DEOD will continue to work with Project Managers and cost center managers to budget cost in current and future years.

Impact to Budget

Capital project funding including federal, state, sales tax and grant funds is the source of funding for the Labor Compliance Monitoring task orders. Labor Compliance is built into the LOP and/or operating project budgets charged under the contracts identified in this report.

#### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

An alternative is to perform labor compliance monitoring services using only Metro staff by adding additional FTEs. This alternative is not recommended because the volume of capital construction work is constantly changing making this activity subject to peak periods alternating with periods of low activity.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon approval of the requested recommendations, staff will continue to award individual task orders for prevailing wage compliance monitoring services within the total Board approved funds, using funds included in the approved life of project budgets for capital projects in FY17.

Staff will continue to provide oversight on the active task orders under the existing Bench contracts.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

File #: 2016-0437, File Type: Contract

Agenda Number: 38

A. Procurement Summary

B. List of Consultants & Awarded Task Orders

C. DEOD Summary

D. Board Report EMAC8

Prepared by: Miguel Cabral, Executive Officer

Diversity & Economic Opportunity (213) 922-2232

Wendy White, Project Manager

Diversity & Economic Opportunity (213) 922-2648

Reviewed by: Ivan Page, Interim Executive Director

Vendor/Contract Management (213) 922-6383

Phillip A. Washington Chief Executive Officer

#### PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

#### LABOR COMPLIANCE MONITORING BENCH / PS21307700 A-J

1.	Contract Number: PS21307700 A-J					
2.	Contractor: Multiple Firms (Labor Compliance Bench Firms)					
3.	Mod. Work Description: Administrative Changes to Labor Compliance Bench Contract					
4.	<b>Work Description</b> : Conduct labor compliance monitoring services for all construction projects that require the contractor pay prevailing wages under California State Labor Code.					
5.	The following data is					
6.	Contract Completion Status:		Financial Status:			
		1 -				
	Award Date:	June 16, 2011	Board Approved NTE Amount:	N/A		
	Notice to Proceed (NTP):	June 30, 2011	Total Contract Modification Authority (CMA):	N/A		
	Original Completion Date:	June 30, 2016	Value of Task Orders and Mods. Issued to Date (including this action):	\$13,478,064		
	Current Est. Complete Date:	June 30, 2020 for Task Orders	Pending Approval Amount:	\$ 1,578,584		
7.	Contract Administrator: Barbara A. Gatewood		<b>Telephone Number</b> : (213) 922-7317			
8.	Project Manager: Wendy White		<b>Telephone Number</b> : (213) 922-2648			

#### A. Procurement Background

This Board action is to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No. 1 to the Labor Compliance Bench contracts, numbers PS21307700 A-J, to exercise the first, one year option extending the contract term from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017, and increasing the total authorized not-to-exceed amount by \$1,578,584 from \$13,478,064 to \$15,056,648.

In addition, staff is requesting the Board authorize the award of Task Order No. 47 with Padilla & Associates, Inc, Contract No. PS2130-7700 - E for Labor Compliance Monitoring on the Southwestern Light-Rail Vehicle Yard Project for the fixed price amount of \$772,575.87.

Lastly, the Board is requested to approve Labor Compliance Monitoring Services Task Order No. 1 for the I-405 Sepulveda Pass Widening Project with Parsons Corporation for the fixed price amount of \$1,640,930.76; Task Order No. 32 for the Crenshaw/LAX Project with the Solis Group for the fixed price amount of \$3,646,745; Task Order No. 45 for the Regional Connector Transit Corridor Project

with Perceptive Enterprises, Inc. for the fixed price amount of \$2,915,465.43; and Task Order No. 48R for the Westside Subway Extension Section 1 Design/Build Project with Metro Compliance Services, JV for the fixed price amount of \$3,952,560.03.

All Task Orders and Contract Modifications are handled in accordance with Metro's Acquisition Policy. The contract type is a firm fixed price.

### B. Cost/Price Analysis

The recommended price for this action has been determined to be fair and reasonable based on fact finding and negotiations in accord with Metro's Acquistions Policy. All future task orders and modifications will be determined to be fair and reasonable in accordance with Metro's Acquisition Policy at the time of issuance and award.

# LABOR COMPLIANCE BENCH MONITORING ALL TASK ORDER AWARDS & PAID TO DATE VALUES

Α	R	ALL TASK ORDER AWARDS & PAID TO DATE VALUES  B C D E G H				
	Task Order #	Contract Number	Project Description	LC Bench Consultant	Life of Task Order Total Amount	Amount Paid to Date
1	6	C0-940	Division 3 Master Plan	Avant Garde	\$ 14,856.00	\$ 14,856.00
2	9	OP-3344-2103	Trash & Vegitation Removal	Avant Garde	\$ 39,319.00	\$ 39,319.00
3	18	C0-983	I-405 Soundwall Package 5&7	Avant Garde	\$ 105,898.00	\$ 105,898.00
4	22	C-1016	Lighting Upgrade @ Maintenance Building	Avant Garde	\$ 4,350.00	\$ 4,350.00
5	24	C-1022	Bus Stop Amenity Improvements @ Locations Along Slauson Ave.	Avant Garde	\$ 2,285.00	\$ 2,285.00
6	38	C-1037R	Bus Div. Generators (Div. 1, 7 & 8 w/options @ Div. 3)	Avant Garde	\$ 18,701.00	\$ 18,701.00
7	49R	C-1056	Westside Subway Ext. Advance Utlity Relocation (LaCienga Station)	Avant Garde	\$ 62,680.00	\$ 7,487.00
				Avant Garde Subtotals:	\$ 248,089.00	\$ 192,896.00
8	2	C0-943	Metro Orange Line Extension	Casamar Group	\$ 151,825.80	\$ 151,825.80
9	46	C-1043	Universal City Pedestrian Bridge	Casamar Group	\$ 50,562.23	\$ 48,193.68
10	39	OP-8380-3019	Division 13 CNG Fueling Facility D/B	Casamar Group	\$ 16,042.50	\$ 16,042.50
				Casamar Group Subtotals:	\$ 218,430.53	\$ 216,061.98
11	40	C-0981	Regional Connector Advance Utilities Relocation	Gail Charles Consulting Services (GCCS)	\$ 30,847.65	\$ 30,847.65
				GCCS Subtotals:	\$ 30,847.65	\$ 30,847.65
12	14	C-1000	Div.2 Cyclone Replacement	Metro Compliance Services, JV (MCS)	\$ 7,064.25	\$ 7,064.25
13	48R	C-1045	Westside Subway Extension Section 1 Design/Build	MCS	\$ 3,952,560.03	\$ 27,727.02
14	3	C0-958	El Monte Transit Center	MCS	\$ 130,144.80	\$ 130,144.80
15	44	C-1067	Pavement Replacement @ Divison 8	MCS	\$ 10,601.73	\$ 10,601.73
16	41	C-1020	MRL Union Station West Entrance Skylight Ventilation Modification	MCS	\$ 7,180.03	\$ 7,180.03
17	34	C-1038R	Vault House Relocation Div. 2, 8, 10 & 15 (Phase 1)	MCS	\$ 8,626.00	\$ 8,626.00
18	35	C-1058	Division 9 Transportation Building Addition and Renovation	MCS	\$ 44,558.00	\$ 44,558.00
				MCS Subtotals:	\$ 4,160,734.84	\$ 235,901.83
19	11	C0-990	Crenshaw Advanced Utilities Project	Padilla & Associates	\$ 22,698.95	\$ 22,698.95
20	12	C0-985R	Lankershim Depot Rehabilitation	Padilla & Associates	\$ 4,846.52	\$ 4,846.52
21	13	C0-986	Harbor Transit Video Surveillance	Padilla & Associates	\$ 3,970.67	\$ 3,970.67
22	27	C-1042	Re-Roofing @ Div. 10 Tranp. Bldg.	Padilla & Associates	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
23	31	C-1048	Westside Subway Extension Project - Advanced Utility Relocations (La Brea Station)	Padilla & Associates	\$ 19,028.02	\$ 19,028.02
24	33	C0-973A	Sound Wall Package 6 & 8	Padilla & Associates	\$ 19,869.07	\$ 19,869.07

# LABOR COMPLIANCE BENCH MONITORING ALL TASK ORDER AWARDS & PAID TO DATE VALUES

Α	В	С	ALL TASK ORDER AWARDS & PAID TO D	E E	G		Н
	Task Order #	Contract Number	Project Description	LC Bench Consultant	Life of Task Order Total Amount	Aı	nount Paid to Date
25	47	C0-991	Division 16 Southwestern Yard Design/ Build (Recommendation D)	Pending Award		\$	-
				Padilla & Associates Subtotals:	\$ 78,413.23	\$	78,413.23
26	1	C0-882	I-405 Sepulveda Pass Widening Project	Parsons	\$ 1,640,930.76	\$	1,640,930.76
				Parsons Subtotals:	\$ 1,640,930.76	\$	1,640,930.76
27	4	C0-938	In Ground Hoist Replacement	Perceptive Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 12,750.00	\$	12,750.00
28	7	OP-3340-2480	Red Line Civic Center Station Escalator Replacement	Perceptive Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 40,795.00	\$	40,795.00
29	19	C0-963	D/B Metro Green Line Storage Bldg @ Division 22	Perceptive Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 9,553.47	\$	9,553.47
30	20	C0-999R	Division 10 Pavement Replacement (Employee Parking)	Perceptive Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 4,584.98	\$	4,584.98
31	23	C-1017	Landscape Improvements	Perceptive Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 4,145.11	\$	4,145.11
32	30	C0-998R	Pasadena Goldline Repairs D/B	Perceptive Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 34,097.71	\$	34,097.71
33	45	C-0980	Regional Connector Transit Corridor	Perceptive Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 2,915,465.43	\$	422,995.68
34	42	C-1013R	MOL to MRL North Hollywood Station West Entrance	Perceptive Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 63,651.64	\$	63,651.64
				Perceptive Enterprises, Inc. Subtotals:	\$ 3,085,043.34	\$	592,573.59
35	5	C0-975	Harbor Transit Improvements	The "G" Crew	\$ 21,209.00	\$	21,209.00
36	8	OP-3344-2235	Anti-Graffiti Film	The "G" Crew	\$ 32,218.41	\$	32,218.41
37	10	OP-3344-2634	Roll-Up Door Maintenance	The "G" Crew	\$ 79,812.27	\$	71,723.01
38	16	OP-8380-2788R	Automated Portable Toilet	The "G" Crew	\$ 10,423.60	\$	10,423.60
39	17	C0-974	Div.13 Bus Maint. & Oper. Facility	The "G" Crew	\$ 122,502.56	\$	122,502.56
40	21	C-1015R	Division 1 Cyclone Replacement	The "G" Crew	\$ 5,512.83	\$	5,512.83
41	25	C-1026	Pavement Replacement @ Blue Line	The "G" Crew	\$ 15,282.31	\$	15,282.31
42	26	C-1033	Pavement Replacement @ Blue Line Artesia Station Bus Terminal & Terminal 26	The "G" Crew	\$ 5,512.83	\$	5,512.83
43	28	C-1051	Radiant Heater Replacement @Div. 7 (Incl. Amend. #1)	The "G" Crew	\$ 5,974.17	\$	5,974.17
44	29	C-1031	Div. 9 & 18 Water Recycling System	The "G" Crew	\$ 5,974.17	\$	5,974.17
45	36	C-1046	Vault House Relocation @ Div. 1,5,9 & 18 (Phase 1)	The "G" Crew	\$ 17,686.61	\$	17,686.61
46	37	C-1030R	Div 8, 10 & 15 Metal Bin Canopies & Building Awnings (Phase 1)	The "G" Crew	\$ 17,686.61	\$	17,686.61
47	43	PS-12-6430-306R	Gateway Building Carpet Replacement	The "G" Crew	\$ 23,994.96	\$	23,994.96
				The "G" Crew Subtotals:	\$ 363,790.33	\$	355,701.07
48	15	C-1018	Div. 3 Maintenance Pit Waste Oil	The Solis Group	\$ 5,039.30	\$	5,039.30

# LABOR COMPLIANCE BENCH MONITORING ALL TASK ORDER AWARDS & PAID TO DATE VALUES

Α	В	С	D	E	G	Н
	Task Order #	Contract Number	Project Description	LC Bench Consultant	Life of Task Order Total Amount	Amount Paid to Date
49	32	C0-988	Crenshaw / LAX	The Solis Group	\$ 3,646,745.00	\$ 759,338.20
				The Solis Group Sutotals:	\$ 3,651,784.30	\$ 764,377.50
		ATES CLOSED TASK ORDERS		Totals	\$ 13,478,063.98	\$ 4,107,703.61

#### RECOMMENDATION "C"

#### REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AWARD LIST

4	4	В	С	D	E	F		F
	Т	ask Order #	Contract Number	Project Description	LC Bench Consultant	e of Task Order Total Amount	Ar	mount Paid to Date
1	1	48R	C-1045	Westside Subway Extension Section 1 Design/Build	Metro Compliance Services, JV	\$ 3,952,560.03	\$	27,727.02
2	2	1	C0-882	I-405 Sepulveda Pass Widening Project	Parsons	\$ 1,640,930.76	\$	1,640,930.76
	3	45	C-0980	Regional Connector Transit Corridor	Perceptive Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 2,915,465.43	\$	422,995.68
4	4	32	C0-988	Crenshaw / LAX	The Solis Group	\$ 3,646,745.00	\$	759,338.20
	C		ATES CLOSED TASK ORDERS			\$ 12,155,701.22	\$	2,850,991.66

#### **DEOD SUMMARY**

#### LABOR COMPLIANCE MONITORING BENCH / PS-2130-7700 A thru J

#### A. Small Business Participation

There are a total of ten Primes on the Bench, nine of whom are Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Small Business Enterprise (SBE) certified firms. Parsons Constructors, Inc. is the only non-DBE Prime.

Each task order has either a 35% DBE or SBE goal depending on the funding source of the task order. DBE and SBE participation is based on the aggregate value of all task orders issued. The Primes have exceeded the DBE or SBE goals on all task orders awarded to date, except for Opportunity Marketing Group which has yet to receive a task order.

	DBE/SBE Primes & Subcontractors	Current DBE Participation	Current SBE Participation
1	Padilla & Associates	100%	0%
	TOTAL	100%	0%
2	Parsons Constructors, Inc.		
	CVL Consulting	47.92%	0%
	The G crew	0%	0%
	Construction Planning & Management	0%	0%
	LCPtracker	0%	0%
	Hill International, Inc.	0%	0%
	TOTAL	47.92%	0%
3	The Solis Group	94.6%	0%
	CS & Associates (CS&A)	5.4%	0%
	TOTAL	100%	0%
4	Perceptive Enterprises	95.6%	0%
	Gail Charles Consulting Services	4.4%	0%
	GCAP Services	0%	0%
	Diana Ho Consulting Services	0%	0%
	TOTAL	100%	0%
5	Metro Compliance Services, JV	100%	100%
	TOTAL	100%	100%
6	Avant Garde	100%	100%
	TOTAL	100%	100%
7	Casamar Group, LLC	100%	100%
	TOTAL	100%	100%

8	The G Crew	100%	100%
	TOTAL	100%	100%
9	Gail Charles Consulting Service	100%	0%
	TOTAL	100%	0%
10	Opportunity Marketing Group	0%	0%
	E.W. Moon, Inc.	0%	0%
	Administration Rescue, Inc.	0%	0%
	Vahishta, Inc.	0%	0%
	TOTAL	0%	0%



Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority One Gateway Plaza Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952 213.922.2000 Tel metro.net

# EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE JUNE 16, 2011

SUBJECT: LABOR COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

ACTION: ESTABLISH PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BENCH

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to establish a qualified list of candidates to perform labor compliance monitoring activities for Metro construction projects under Request for Interests and Qualifications (RFIQ) PS-2130-7700 to consultants recommended in the Procurement Summary (Attachment A) for a contract period of five years with five one year options.

#### **ISSUE**

Metro is required to monitor the payment of prevailing wages to workers performing on construction projects in accordance with the California Labor Code and the US Department of Labor, Davis-Bacon and Related Acts.

#### DISCUSSION

The California Labor Code and the Davis Bacon and Related Acts require Metro to ensure that all construction workers employed to work on Metro funded construction projects are compensated according to the state and federal prevailing wage laws and regulations. Although the penalty for not paying construction workers appropriately are typically levied against the construction contractors, the State of California clearly identifies the responsibility for oversight lies with the public agency through guidance found in the California Labor Code.

ATTACHMENT D

The volume of construction projects is expected to significantly increase in the months and years to come based upon the following factors: 1) The Metro Board adopted the Long Range Transportation Plan update on March 2010 including the addition of Measure R, which will result in a variety of construction projects that will require prevailing wage monitoring ranging from street and facility maintenance to the construction of major rail projects; 2) The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) will provide funds to be used for transportation capital projects.

The consultants on the labor compliance monitoring bench will be responsible for evaluating, monitoring, and enforcing prevailing wage requirements on construction projects as assigned. This will include maintaining all required records, providing assistance to field personnel, conducting field interviews and investigations and any other duties in accordance with applicable laws and regulations governing public works projects.

Metro staff will provide compliance oversight that will consist of periodic audits of contractor files and review and approval of all underpayment and restitution activities. Metro will also conduct orientations to ensure requirements are clearly explained to contractors awarded construction projects. All matters relative to technical or legal aspects of projects will be deferred to Metro.

The details of the procurement are included in the Procurement Summary in Attachment B. A total of eight firms have been selected for the bench. Of the eight firms, seven are certified small businesses. The DBE/SBE goal for the bench contracts is 35%.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

A total of \$450,000 has been included in the FY12 budget in cost center 2130, DEOD to fund currently active projects. As new capital projects are approved by the Board, budget amendments will be requested to add funds to the budget to issue task orders to fund the new work. All costs will be included in the approved life-of-project budgets for each capital project.

Since this is an on-going state and federal requirement, the cost center manager and Chief Administrative Services Officer will be accountable for budgeting the cost in future years.

#### Impact to Budget

The source of the funds for Labor Compliance monitoring is a combination of capital and operating fund sources including federal, state, sales taxes and grant funds. The following table shows the fund allocation. Labor Compliance funding for capital projects will be included in the life of project (LOP) budget for new projects from inception.

#### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

One alternative is to perform the duties using Metro staff by adding additional FTEs. A minimum of four FTEs are forecasted to perform prevailing wage monitoring. The cost for this option is estimated at \$400,000 per year. This is a viable option that represents a savings to Metro. This alternative is not recommended because the volume of capital construction work is constantly changing making this activity subject to peak periods alternating with periods of low activity.

A second alternative is to rely upon the contractor's monitoring and required reporting activities to Metro. This alternative also presents a savings to Metro. This alternative is not recommended because it would be impossible for Metro to ensure that all contractors are complying with the federal and state laws without an independent oversight role.

#### <u>NEXT STEPS</u>

Begin to award individual task orders for prevailing wage compliance monitoring. The first projects to be awarded include the I-405 Sepulveda Pass Widening Project; the Orange Line Extension and the El Monte Busway and Transit Center.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

A. Procurement Summary

Prepared by: Linda B. Wright, Deputy Executive Officer, DEOD

Michelle Lopes Caldwell

Michelle Lopes Caldwell

Chief Administrative Services Officer

Arthur T. Leahy

**Chief Executive Officer** 

#### PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

1.	Contract Number: PS-2130-7700	A-H			
2.	Recommended Vendor: See attack	nment A-1			
3.	Type of Procurement (check one)	: ☐ IFB   RFIQ ☐ RFP – A&E			
	☐ Non-Competitive ☐ Modifica	tion 🔲 Task Order			
4.	Procurement Dates: PS 2130-7700				
	A. Issued: December 30, 2010				
	B. Advertised/Publicized: January	3, 2011			
	C. Pre-proposal/Pre-Bid Conference	ce: January 21, 2011			
	D. Proposals/Bids Due: March 2, 2011				
	E. Pre-Qualification Completed: To be completed by 5/20/12				
	F. Conflict of Interest Form Submitted to Ethics: May 12, 2011				
	G. Protest Period End Date: N/A				
5.	5. Solicitations Picked Bids/Proposals				
up/Downloaded: 44 Received:Bids/Proposals Received					
	8				
6.	Contract Administrator:	Telephone Number:			
	Tommye Williams	(213) 922-1051			
7.	Project Manager:	Telephone Number:			
	Linda Wright	(213) 922-2638			

#### A. Procurement Background

The source selection methodology for this procurement was a Request for Interest and Qualifications (RFIQ). This methodology was the most advantageous as it would afford maximum opportunity for small business entities to participate on the Labor Compliance Monitoring Services bench for up to a ten-year period. It was also determined to be in Metro's best interest and in the interest of small business entities to have a provision that allows firms to be added to the bench in future years; that provision was included in the RFIQ.

The RFIQ was issued on December 30, 2010, and was advertised in various publications the first week in January 2011. A pre-proposal conference was held on January 21, 2011. Questions were received and answered in Amendment No. 1, which was issued on February 2, 2011. Additional questions were received to clarify the small business participation requirements at time of submission. Amendment No. 2 was issued on February 23, 2011, in response to the additional questions that were received. Eight firms submitted statements of interests and qualifications in response to the RFIQ.

#### B. Background on Recommended Contractors

#### **Avant Garde Corporation**

Advanced Avant Garde dba as Avant Garde was incorporated under the laws of the State of California on September 13, 2002. The company has been providing professional consulting services to municipalities and government agencies since that time with an emphasis on program management, community outreach and capital improvement project support services. Avant Garde's clients include Temple City, the City of La Mirada and Bellflower.

The company's principal has more than 10 years experience in performing labor compliance monitoring services.

Avant Garde is DBE certified.

#### Casamar Group

Casamar Group (Casamar) was established in 2007 for the purpose of administering, monitoring and enforcing labor (prevailing wage) compliance as well as to provide construction management and compliance services for public works construction projects.

Casamar staff has extensive experience in labor compliance monitoring and enforcement in accordance with Department of Industrial Relations Labor Compliance Program standards as well as Federal compliance standards and Project Labor Agreement requirements.

Casamar's clients include Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority, Alhambra Unified School District, City of Long Beach, Inglewood Unified School District, Long Beach Transit, San Bernardino Community College District, San Diego Unified School District, City of Long Beach, and Pasadena Gold Line Authority.

Its principal has more than 27 years of professional project and construction management experience.

The Casamar Group is DBE and SBE certified.

### Metro Compliance Services

Metro Compliance Services (MCS) is a joint venture comprised of two established small businesses: GCAP Services, Inc. (GCAPP) and Comprehensive Housing Services, Inc. (CHS). The combined strengths of the partnership provides comprehensive experience in monitoring all sizes and types of construction projects including public agency experience.

Clients for the joint venture partners include the City of Huntington Beach, the City of Oxnard, and the City of Santa Monica, Orange County Transportation Authority, City of Los Angeles and LA Dept. of Water and Power.

MCS is DBE and SBE certified.

### Opportunity Marketing Group

Opportunity Marketing Group (OMG) specializes in Labor Compliance and Compliance Solutions. Its owner has been providing labor compliance services for more than 19 years.

OMG has provided labor compliance services on similar projects and has extensive experience performing labor compliance services on major construction projects in the Southern California area. Its clients include L.A. Live, the Staples Center, King Drew Magnet High School, and the California Museum of Science and Industry.

OMG is DBE and SBE certified.

### Padilla & Associates

Padilla & Associates, Inc. has more than 17 years of labor compliance (prevailing wage) monitoring and enforcement service experience on large public works projects within the State of California. The combined years of the firm's principal and its senior managers totals more than 60 years of experience as former public administrators within large regional, federal and state agencies. This firm has served as prime contractor to numerous public agencies in the development and implementation of labor compliance monitoring, enforcement and training programs in the region.

Its list of clients include the City of Long Beach, Riverside Community College District, Los Angeles Community College District, Exposition Metro Line Authority, SCRRA, Oxnard Unified School District, Caltrans Toll Bridge Program, and LA County Department of Public Works.

Padilla & Associates is DBE certified.

#### Parsons Constructors, Inc.

Parsons Constructors, Inc. (PCI) is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Parsons Corporation. PCI is a state-certified third party labor compliance contractor and has been engaged in the building and construction industry for more than 40 years. During the past 40 years, PCI has provided labor relations, safety and labor compliance services throughout North America both in the public and private sector.

The client list includes San Diego County Water Authority and the United States Postal Service.

### Perceptive Enterprises, Inc.

Perceptive Enterprises, Inc. was formed as a sole proprietorship in 1994. The firm's consulting experience includes working with both the public and Private sector. PEI is an approved Labor Compliance Program Third Party Administrator by the State Department of Industrial Relations.

PEI has provided prevailing wage consulting services to cities, school districts, colleges/universities and other public agencies. Their list of clients includes LA Unified School District, California State University campuses, City of Long Beach, Rosemead School District, and Montebello School District.

PEI is DBE and SBE certified.

#### The Solis Group

The Solis Group was established in 1992 and its principals have provided labor compliance services to public sector clients for the past 19 years. This firm has direct experience working with California transit agencies including the Pasadena Blue Line Authority, Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority, the Orange County Transportation Authority, Gold Coast Transit, SCRRA and the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority. The Solis Group is also an approved Labor Compliance Program Third Party Administrator by the State Department of Industrial Relations.

The Solis Group is DBE certified.

### C. Evaluation of Proposals/Bids

This was an explicit factors/weighted guidelines evaluation process. Minimum qualifications were identified that respondents had to meet in order to be considered beyond preliminary evaluation. The firms that met the minimum qualifications were then evaluated on the following criteria: Qualifications (Skills and Experience) of Prime Contractor and staff (40 points), Experience and Capabilities of the Firms on the Prime Contractor's Team (30 points) and Effectiveness of Management Plan/Understanding of Work (30 points). Price was not an evaluation factor at time of initial submission; however, price will be an evaluation factor during the task order award process.

Discussions, clarifications, and proposer interviews were conducted with the firms that responded to the RFIQ and upon completion of this process, it was determined that all eight respondents were qualified to participate on the bench. Contracts will be issued to each firm on the bench upon approval of staff's recommendation and then task orders will be issued for the specific projects that require labor compliance monitoring services using the task order award process specified in the RFIQ. That process will include Metro's issuance of a request for task order proposal to firms on the bench. Factors to be evaluated in the task order award process are experience on similar size projects, price, quality of contractor's performance under previous task orders, existing workloads, small business participation, staff availability and other relevant factors.

### D. Cost/Price Analysis Explanation of Variances

Respondents provided initial billing rates for various labor classifications for the first year of the contract at time of proposal due date, for information purposes only. However, bench contractors will be required to submit detailed cost and price data when submitting proposals for task orders and price will be an evaluation factor in the award of each task order.

### E. Small Business Participation (Completed by DEOD)

The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) established a 35% goal for this Task Order/Bench contract for the participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), Underutilized Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (UDBE), and Small Business Enterprise (SBE) certified firms. The type of goal that will apply for each Task Order will be based on the funding source as follows:

Funding Source	Small Business Program	Goal to be Applied
Federal	Metro DBE Program	DBE Anticipated Level of Participation (DALP)
Federal – Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	Caltrans DBE Program	UDBE Goal
State and/or Local	Metro SBE Program	SBE Goal

Of the eight firms deemed qualified to participate on the bench, seven are certified DBE, four are certified SBE, and six qualify as Caltrans UDBE. The following chart outlines the certification status of each firm (including their proposed subcontractors).

Prime (P) Sub (S)	Name of Firm	DBE	SBE	UDBE
P	Avant Garde Corporation	Yes	No	Yes
 P	Casamar Group	Yes	Yes	No
Р	Metro Compliance Services (MCS)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Р	Opportunity Marketing Group (OMG)	Yes	Yes	Yes
S	E.W. Moon, Inc.	Yes	No	Yes
S	Administration Rescue, Inc.	No	No	No
S	Vahishta, Inc.	No	No	No
P	Padilla & Associates, Inc.	Yes	No	Yes
P	Parsons Constructors, Inc.	No	No	No
S	The "G" Crew	Yes	Yes	Yes
S	Construction Planning &	No	No	No
	Management			NI -
S	LCPtracker, Inc.	No	No	No
S	Hill International, Inc	No	No	No
Р	Perceptive Enterprises, Inc. (PEI)	Yes	Yes	Yes
S	GCAP Services	Yes	No	No
S	Diana Ho Consulting Services, Inc.	Yes	No	Yes
P	The Solis Group	Yes	No	Yes
S	CS & Associates (CS&A)	Yes	No	Yes

Firms will be evaluated for SBE and UDBE responsiveness for each Task Order. DALP recommendation is encouraged but is neither a condition of award nor an issue of responsiveness.



### **Board Report**

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation
Authority
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room
Los Angeles, CA

File #: 2016-0310, File Type: Agreement Agenda Number: 39.

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
JUNE 16, 2016

SUBJECT: 1ST AND LORENA JOINT DEVELOPMENT

ACTION: AUTHORIZE AMENDMENT TO EXTEND EXISTING EXCLUSIVE NEGOTIATING

**AGREEMENT FOR 12 MONTHS** 

#### RECOMMENDATION

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amendment to the **Exclusive Negotiations** and **Planning Agreement with A Community of Friends** to extend its term for an additional 12 months, for the joint development of Metro-owned property at 1st and Lorena Street along the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension.

#### **ISSUE**

In December 2015, the LACMTA Board of Directors (Board) authorized a 6- month extension to the Exclusive Negotiations and Planning Agreement (ENA), dated June 27, 2013, with A Community of Friends (ACOF) (Developer) for the development of a 49-unit mixed-use affordable housing project (Proposed Project) at 1st and Lorena Street (See Attachment A, Site Map). During this extension term, the Developer has diligently pursued and performed its obligations under the ENA and the proposed project was on track to proceed to the Joint Development Agreement (JDA) phase with Metro by the end of the 6-month extension term. However, Metro recently learned that a CEQA appeal has been filed against the Proposed Project with the City of Los Angeles (City). In light of this appeal and the need for additional time to allow Developer to resolve the matter, Metro staff recommends that the Board authorize an additional extension to the ENA term for a period of 12 months and grant an exception to the JD Policy's term limit to allow a full ENA term for a period of 48 months.

#### DISCUSSION

#### Background

On June 27, 2013, the Developer and Metro entered into the ENA to plan and consider the terms and conditions of a potential JDA and Ground Lease (GL) for development of a transit-oriented mixed-use affordable housing development at 1st and Lorena in Boyle Heights. The term of the original ENA was 18 months. During that timeframe, the Developer advanced the Project through final design, and diligently pursued entitlements and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) approval

process, and project approval requirements by the City. Community meetings were also held, as well as individual presentations to various community groups. However, additional time was needed to complete the City's entitlement/CEQA review and approval process, and to continue the community engagement process. The Board granted an additional 12 months in December 2014 and, as discussed above, another 6-month extension in December 2015.

When the Board approved the most recent 6-month extension, they also granted an exception to the JD Policy which stipulates that the timeframe for an ENA shall not exceed 30 months. If the requested extension is provided, the total term of the ENA will be for 48 months, requiring another exception to the JD Policy.

During the course of the ENA term to date, Developer has been actively working to progress the Proposed Project to the JDA state. Activities included conducting multiple community meetings to further engage the community and obtain their input, securing approval from the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council (BHNC) as well as the Boyle Heights Design Review Advisory Committee (DRAC) and seeing the Project CEQA process through a final determination.

#### The Project

The original project scope included 48 affordable housing units; 24 units for households with special needs and 24 family units, with one manager's unit, and limited ground floor commercial. The Developer has been meeting with community stakeholders since the project's inception, and during the recent ENA extension periods held 12 additional meetings with stakeholders. In response to stakeholder feedback, the project scope has been modified. The project will now have 24 units of affordable housing for disabled/homeless veterans, 24 units of affordable family housing and 10,000 square feet of ground floor commercial space (see Attachment C Project Scope). In response to community feedback, the Developer is exploring including child care and fitness facilities, and approximately 5000 square feet of general retail business services. This modified scope, as well as the final design, was presented to the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council on July 22nd, 2015. The Council enthusiastically approved the project 15-1. Their testimony spoke to the need for housing for veterans and low income families. Sixty percent of the units will be for individuals/families with 30% Average Median Income (AMI).

#### **Entitlement Status**

The City Planning Department issued a Director's Determination dated March 2, 2016 (See Attachment B Director's Determination) approving certain incentives for the Proposed Project, and approving a Mitigated Negative Declaration and corresponding Mitigation Monitoring Program as the Proposed Project's environmental clearance pursuant to CEQA. The deadline to file an appeal to the Director's Determination was March 17, 2016, and no appeal was filed by that date. As such, the Developer filed a Notice of Determination with the County of Los Angeles on March 21, 2016. Thereafter, a CEQA appeal was filed with the City of Angeles by an adjacent property owner on April 20, 2016, and the City has accepted the appeal

It is anticipated that the appeal will go before the City Council's Planning and Land Use Committee as well as the City Council, in the coming months. We are recommending a 12-month extension to

File #: 2016-0310, File Type: Agreement Agenda Number: 39.

the ENA to allow time for the resolution of the CEQA matter.

#### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Approval of this item will have no impact on safety as it only seeks a time extension for the ENA. No improvements will be constructed during the exclusive negotiations period. An analysis of safety impacts will be completed and submitted to the Board if negotiations result in a Joint Development Agreement and a Ground Lease.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

Funding for joint development activities is included in the FY16 budget under Project 610011.

#### Impact to Budget

There is no impact to the FY15-16 budget. Staff costs are included in the proposed FY17 budget to negotiate the proposed transaction, supervise any related design, review environmental documents and provide Metro oversight during construction. However, no new capital investment or operating expenses are anticipated to implement this project. Revenues from the Developer deposit will offset continued staff and project related professional services costs.

#### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board could choose not to extend the ENA term and solicit a new developer. Staff does not recommend this alternative due to current Developer's longstanding commitment to and financial investment in the Proposed Project, substantial progress achieved towards the Proposed Project's development and overall community benefits. Moreover, the Developer has engaged the community, culminating in obtaining approval of the Proposed Project from the BHNC in a 15-1 vote. This project will serve the needs of those with the lowest income - one of the most needed forms of housing in the Boyle Heights community.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon approval of the recommended action, staff will prepare and execute an amendment to the ENA providing for a 12-month extension for the term. Staff will continue working with the Developer to finalize negotiations for a JDA and GL, and will present the terms of such agreements to the Board for its consideration following resolution of the CEQA matter.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Site Map

Attachment B - Director's Determination

Attachment C - Project Scope

Prepared by: Vivian Rescalvo, Senior Director, 213-922-2563 Jenna Hornstock, Senior Executive Officer, 213-922-7437 Calvin Hollis, Managing Executive Officer, 213-922-7319

Reviewed by: Therese W. McMillan, Chief Planning Officer, (213) 922-7077

### **ATTACHMENT A**

## Site Plan of Proposed Development Project



Development site

#### Attachment B

#### DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

DAVID H. J. AMBROZ

RENEE DAKE WILSON VICE-PRESIDENT

ROBERT L. AHN CAROLINE CHOE RICHARD KATZ JOHN W. MACK SAMANTHA MILLMAN VERONICA PADILLA DANA M. PERLMAN

JAMES K. WILLIAMS COMMISSION EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT II
(213) 978-1300

### CITY OF LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA



**ERIC GARCETTI** MAYOR

**EXECUTIVE OFFICES** 

200 N. SPRING STREET, ROOM 525 LOS ANGELES, CA 90012-4801

VINCENT P. BERTONI, AICP DIRECTOR (213) 978-1271

LISA M WERRER AICH DEPLITY DIRECTOR (213) 978-1274 JAN ZATORSKI DEPUTY DIRECTOR (213) 978-1273

FAX: (213) 978-1275

INFORMATION http://planning.lacity.org

#### DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION DENSITY BONUS AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCENTIVES

March 2, 2016

Applicant

Dora Leong Gallo A Community of Friends 3701 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 700 Los Angeles, CA 90010

**Property Owner** 

METRO

1 Gateway Plaza, Mail Stop 99-23-4 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Representative

Noah Adler Craig Lawson & Co., LLC 3221 Hutchison Ave., Ste. D Los Angeles, CA 90034

Case No. DIR-2015-1998-DB CEQA:

ENV-2014-2392-MND Location: 3401-3415 E. 1st St. and

116-126 S. Lorena St.

Council District: 14

Neighborhood Council Boyle Heights Community Plan Area:

**Boyle Heights** Land Use Designation:

**Community Commercial** C2-1 and R3-1 Zone:

Legal Description:

Lots: 19, 20, 21, FR22, FR23, 24 and 25; Block:

None: Tract: Subdivision of the Cheesbrough

Last Day to File an Appeal: March 17, 2016

### **DETERMINATION – Density Bonus Affordable Housing Incentives**

Pursuant to the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 12.22 A.25, I have reviewed the proposed project and as the designee of the Director of Planning, I hereby:

Approve the following two Incentives requested by the applicant for a project that will reserve a minimum of 11 percent, or 6 units, of the total 49 dwelling units proposed, for Very Low Income Household occupancy for a period of 55 years, subject to the Conditions of Approval herein.

1. Height. A six-foot increase in the transitional height requirement for a portion of the building on the C2-1 zoned lots, allowing 70 feet in height in lieu of the required 64 feet within the distance of 50 to 99 feet from the

easterly property line of the A1-1XL zone along Lorena Street and a sixfoot increase in the height requirement for a portion of the building on the R3-1 zoned lots, allowing 51 feet in height in lieu of the required 45 feet.

 Averaging of Floor Area Ratio, Density, Parking or Open Space and permitting Vehicular Access. An averaging of floor area, density, parking, and open space over the project site that consists of seven contiguous parcels and permit vehicular access from a less restrictive zone C2-1 to a more restrictive zone R3-1.

Adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration ENV-2014-2392-MND, and the corresponding Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP) as the project's environmental clearance pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and Section 21082.1(c)(3) of the California Public Resources Code.

Adopt the attached Findings.

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 2 of 16

#### **CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

- 1. Site Development. Except as modified herein, the project shall be in substantial conformance with the plans and materials submitted by the applicant, stamped "Exhibit A," and attached to the subject case file. No change to the plans will be made without prior review by the Department of City Planning, Project Planning Division, and written approval by the Director of Planning. Each change shall be identified and justified in writing. Minor deviations may be allowed in order to comply with the provisions of the Los Angeles Municipal Code or the project conditions.
- 2. Residential Density. The project shall be limited to a maximum density of 49 dwelling units.
- 3. Restricted Affordable Units. A minimum of 11 percent, or 6 units, of the total 49 dwelling units of the project, shall be reserved for habitation by Very Low Income Households, as defined by the State Density Bonus Law 65915 (C)(2).
- 4. Changes in Restricted Affordable Units. Deviations that increase the number of restricted affordable units or that change the composition of units or change parking numbers shall be consistent with LAMC Section 12.22 A.25 (9a-d).
- 5. Housing Requirements. Prior to issuance of a building permit, the owner shall execute a covenant to the satisfaction of the Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department (HCIDLA) to make six units available to Very Low Income Households for sale or rental, as determined to be affordable to such households by HCIDLA for a period of 55 years. Enforcement of the terms of said covenant shall be the responsibility of HCIDLA. The applicant will present a copy of the recorded covenant to the Department of City Planning for inclusion in this file. The project shall comply with any monitoring requirements established by the HCIDLA. Refer to the Density Bonus Legislation Background section of this determination.
- 6. **Height.** The building height on the R3-1 zoned lots shall be limited to a maximum of 51 feet. The building height on the C2-1 zoned lots shall be limited to a maximum of 70 feet.
  - (NOTE: The project is permitted a maximum height incentive of 11 feet for setting aside 11 percent of the dwelling units for habitation by Very Low Income Households. A clarification of this Letter of Determination will be required in the event the applicant increases the building height.)
- 7. Averaging of Floor Area Ratio, Density, Parking or Open Space and Permitting Vehicular Access. The project is permitted to average the floor area, density, open space and parking over the project site that consists of seven contiguous parcels, and vehicular access from a less restrictive zone C2-1 to a more restrictive zone R3-1 shall be permitted, provided that:
  - a. A minimum of 11 percent of the total dwelling units restricted to Very Low Income Households; and
  - b. The proposed use is permitted by the underlying zones of each parcel; and
  - c. No further lot line adjustment or any other action that may cause the project site to be subdivided subsequent to this grant shall be permitted.
- 8. Residential Automobile Parking. Vehicle parking for Restricted Affordable Units shall be provided consistent with LAMC Section 12.22 A.25, Parking Option 2, which permits one

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 3 of 16

parking space for each Restricted Affordable Unit, except that Restricted Affordable Units that are set aside for Low or Very Low Senior Citizens and/or Disabled Persons may provide one-half parking space per unit and Restricted Affordable Units within a Residential Hotel may provide one-quarter parking space per unit. The applicant proposes to set aside 48 Restricted Affordable Units, of which 24 units are set aside for Very Low Income Households and 24 units are set aside for Very Low Income Disabled Persons. A minimum of 36 parking spaces shall be provided for the 48 Restricted Affordable Units. The project will contain one market rate two-bedroom unit. Parking spaces for all other non-restricted units, including any manager's units, shall be provided pursuant to LAMC Section 12.21.

- Commercial and Retail Automobile Parking. Parking spaces for commercial and retail uses shall be provided pursuant to LAMC Section 12.21. The Parking Plan shall indicate parking space allocation for commercial/retail and residential uses. Parking spaces for commercial and retail uses shall not be located on R3-1 zoned lots, consistent with Condition of Approval Number 7.b.
- 10. Adjustment of Parking. In the event that the number of Restricted Affordable Units should increase, or the composition of such units should change (i.e. the number of bedrooms or the number of units made available to Senior Citizens and/or Disabled Persons), or the applicant selects another Parking Option (including Bicycle Parking Ordinance) and no other Condition of Approval or incentive is affected, then no modification of this determination shall be necessary, and the number of parking spaces shall be re-calculated by the Department of Building and Safety based upon the ratios set forth above.
- 11. Bicycle Parking. Bicycle parking shall be provided consistent with LAMC 12.21 A.16.

#### **Environmental Mitigation Conditions**

- 12. Hazardous Materials. Pursuant to the Los Angeles Building Code, the Applicant will engage in the Construction Site Plan Review (CSPR) process with the California Department of Conservation, Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources (DOGGR). The CSPR process includes, but is not limited to locating, excavating, and conducting a methane leak test on the well, providing DOGGR with a site plan indicating the footprint of the proposed structure and well location, and provide DOGGR with a well evaluation and work plan to re-abandon the well, as necessary.
- 13. Public Services (Fire Protection). The following recommendations of the Fire Department relative to fire safety shall be incorporated into the building plans, which includes the submittal of a plot plan for approval by the Fire Department either prior to the recordation of a final map or the approval of a building permit. The plot plan shall include the following minimum design features: fire lanes, where required, shall be a minimum of 20 feet in width; all structures must be within 300 feet of an approved fire hydrant, and entrances to any dwelling unit or guest room shall not be more than 150 feet in distance in horizontal travel from the edge of the roadway of an improved street or approved fire lane.
- 14. Public Services (Police). The plans shall incorporate the Design Guidelines (defined in the following sentence) relative to security, semi-public and private spaces, which may include

but not be limited to access control to building, secured parking facilities, walls/fences with key systems, well-illuminated public and semi-public space designed with a minimum of dead space to eliminate areas of concealment, location of toilet facilities or building entrances in high-foot traffic areas, and provision of security guard patrol throughout the Project Site if

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 4 of 16

needed. Please refer to "Design Out Crime Guidelines: Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design," published by the Los Angeles Police Department. These measures shall be approved by the Police Department prior to the issuance of building permits.

#### **Administrative Conditions**

- 15. Final Plans. Prior to the issuance of any building permits for the project by the Department of Building & Safety, the applicant shall submit all final construction plans that are awaiting issuance of a building permit by the Department of Building & Safety for final review and approval by the Department of City Planning. All plans that are awaiting issuance of a building permit by the Department of Building & Safety shall be stamped by Department of City Planning staff "Final Plans". A copy of the Final Plans, supplied by the applicant, shall be retained in the subject case file.
- 16. **Notations on Plans.** Plans submitted to the Department of Building & Safety, for the purpose of processing a building permit application shall include all of the Conditions of Approval herein attached as a cover sheet, and shall include any modifications or notations required herein.
- 17. Approval, Verification and Submittals. Copies of any approvals, guarantees or verification of consultations, review of approval, plans, etc., as may be required by the subject conditions, shall be provided to the Department of City Planning prior to clearance of any building permits, for placement in the subject file.
- 18. Code Compliance. Use, area, height, and yard regulations of the zone classification of the subject property shall be complied with, except where granted conditions differ herein.
- 19. Department of Building & Safety. The granting of this determination by the Director of Planning does not in any way indicate full compliance with applicable provisions of the Los Angeles Municipal Code Chapter IX (Building Code). Any corrections and/or modifications to plans made subsequent to this determination by a Department of Building & Safety Plan Check Engineer that affect any part of the exterior design or appearance of the project as approved by the Director, and which are deemed necessary by the Department of Building & Safety for Building Code compliance, shall require a referral of the revised plans back to the Department of City Planning for additional review and sign-off prior to the issuance of any permit in connection with those plans.

#### 20. Indemnification and Reimbursement of Litigation Costs.

Applicant shall do all of the following:

- a) Defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City from any and all actions against the City relating to or arising out of, in whole or in part, the City's processing and approval of this entitlement, including <u>but not limited to</u>, an action to attack, challenge, set aside, void, or otherwise modify or annul the approval of the entitlement, the environmental review of the entitlement, or the approval of subsequent permit decisions, or to claim personal property damage, including from inverse condemnation or any other constitutional claim.
- b) Reimburse the City for any and all costs incurred in defense of an action related to or arising out of, in whole or in part, the City's processing and approval of the entitlement, including but not limited to payment of all court costs and attorney's fees, costs of any judgments or awards against the City (including an award of attorney's fees), damages, and/or settlement costs.

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 5 of 16

- c) Submit an initial deposit for the City's litigation costs to the City within 10 days' notice of the City tendering defense to the Applicant and requesting a deposit. The initial deposit shall be in an amount set by the City Attorney's Office, in its sole discretion, based on the nature and scope of action, but in no event shall the initial deposit be less than \$25,000. The City's failure to notice or collect the deposit does not relieve the Applicant from responsibility to reimburse the City pursuant to the requirement in paragraph (b).
- d) Submit supplemental deposits upon notice by the City. Supplemental deposits may be required in an increased amount from the initial deposit if found necessary by the City to protect the City's interests. The City's failure to notice or collect the deposit does not relieve the Applicant from responsibility to reimburse the City pursuant to the requirement in paragraph (b).
- e) If the City determines it necessary to protect the City's interest, execute an indemnity and reimbursement agreement with the City under terms consistent with the requirements of this condition.

The City shall notify the applicant within a reasonable period of time of its receipt of any action and the City shall cooperate in the defense. If the City fails to notify the applicant of any claim, action, or proceeding in a reasonable time, or if the City fails to reasonably cooperate in the defense, the applicant shall not thereafter be responsible to defend, indemnify or hold harmless the City.

The City shall have the sole right to choose its counsel, including the City Attorney's office or outside counsel. At its sole discretion, the City may participate at its own expense in the defense of any action, but such participation shall not relieve the applicant of any obligation imposed by this condition. In the event the Applicant fails to comply with this condition, in whole or in part, the City may withdraw its defense of the action, void its approval of the entitlement, or take any other action. The City retains the right to make all decisions with respect to its representations in any legal proceeding, including its inherent right to abandon or settle litigation.

For purposes of this condition, the following definitions apply:

"City" shall be defined to include the City, its agents, officers, boards, commissions, committees, employees, and volunteers.

"Action" shall be defined to include suits, proceedings (including those held under alternative dispute resolution procedures), claims, or lawsuits. Actions includes actions, as defined herein, alleging failure to comply with <u>any</u> federal, state or local law.

Nothing in the definitions included in this paragraph are intended to limit the rights of the City or the obligations of the Applicant otherwise created by this condition.

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 6 of 16

#### **PROJECT BACKGROUND**

The proposed project involves the construction of an approximately 90,000-square-foot mixed-use development containing 10,000 square feet of commercial/retail space and 49 dwelling units consisting of 1 market-rate unit, 24 units reserved for Very Low Income Households, and 24 units reserved for Very Low Income Disabled Persons. The proposed building will vary in height, ranging from four stories, or 51 feet, on the R3-1 zoned lots to five stories, or 70 feet, on the C2-1 zoned lots. All parking spaces will be located in a single-level semi-subterranean parking garage, which will be accessible via an ingress and egress driveway on Lorena Street. Commercial loading access will be provided along the alley located to the east of the project site, perpendicular to East 1st Street. The main pedestrian entrance to the retail uses will be provided along East 1st Street. The primary entrance to the residential use will be through the residential lobby fronting on Lorena Street, and a secondary entrance will be provided on East 1st Street.

The project site is located within the Boyle Heights Community Plan area. The project site consists of seven lots, comprising approximately 55,153 square feet of lot area. Lots 19-21, fronting on Lorena Street, are zoned R3-1 and designated for Community Commercial General Plan Land Uses. Lots FR22, FR23, 24, and 25, fronting on East 1st Street, are zoned C2-1 and designated for Community Commercial General Plan Land Uses.

In accordance with California State Law (including Senate Bill 1818, and Assembly Bills 2280 and 2222), the applicant is proposing to utilize Section 12.22 A.25 (Density Bonus Ordinance) of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), which permits a density bonus of up to 35 percent based on the percentage of total dwelling units set aside for habitation by Low, Very Low, and/or Moderate Income households for a period of 55 years. A 35 percent density bonus would allow for 49 dwelling units in lieu of the 36 by-right dwelling units on the R3-1 zoned lots and 95 dwelling units in lieu of the 70 by-right units on C2-1 zoned lots, totaling 144 dwelling units. However, the applicant is proposing 49 dwelling units, which is less than the allowable by-right density.

Consistent with the Density Bonus Ordinance, the applicant is granted a reduction in required parking spaces based on two Parking Options. The applicant selected Parking Option 2, which requires 0.5 parking space per dwelling unit for the proposed 24 units restricted to Very Low Income Disabled Persons and one parking space per dwelling unit for the proposed 24 units set aside for habitation by Very Low Income Households. In total, the applicant is required to provide 36 parking spaces for the 48 Restricted Affordable Units. The non-restricted units and commercial and retail uses in the project are required to comply with the automobile parking provisions of LAMC Section 12.21.

#### **Housing Replacement**

With Assembly Bill 2222, applicants of Density Bonus projects filed as of January 1, 2015 must demonstrate compliance with the housing replacement provisions, which require replacement of rental dwelling units that either exist at the time of application of a Density Bonus project or have been vacated or demolished in the five-year period preceding the application of the project. This applies to all pre-existing units that have been subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that restricts rents to levels affordable to persons and families of lower or very low income; are subject to any other form of rent or price control; or are occupied by Low or Very Low Income Households. Pursuant to the Determination made by the Housing and Community Investment Department (HCIDLA) dated October 15, 2015, no units will need to be replaced with units affordable to Low or Very Low Income Households as there were no residential units on the property for the last five years. [Refer to the Density Bonus Legislation Background section of this determination for additional information.]

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 7 of 16

#### Los Angeles Municipal Code Criteria

Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.22 A.25 (e)(2), in order to be eligible for any on-menu incentives, a Housing Development Project (other than an Adaptive Reuse Project) shall comply with the following criteria, which it does:

a. The façade of any portion of a building that abuts a street shall be articulated with a change of material or a break in plane, so that the façade is not a flat surface.

The proposed building has a street frontage along Lorena Street and one along East 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Both facades will be articulated with a change of material, including plastic composite panel screens, metal panel cladding, and cement plaster. The building facades will incorporate perforated sheet metal guardrails and metal guardrails with glass panels, which contributes to a break in plane and modulation. The facades will have various colors, which will further accentuate the architecture and articulation. Therefore, as evident in Exhibit A, attached to the case file, the building facades will be articulated with a change of material and a break in plane.

b. All buildings must be oriented to the street by providing entrances, windows architectural features and/or balconies on the front and along any street facing elevation.

The proposed building is located on a corner lot, providing two street frontages along Lorena Street and East 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Pedestrian entrances are located on both streets. Residential entry is located on Lorena Street and is highlighted with a metal canopy above the entrance. The project proposes commercial spaces on the ground floor with large storefronts facing the streets, creating a pedestrian-friendly environment. The building will have projecting balconies and canopies above windows on both street frontages. Therefore, entrances, windows, architectural features and balconies are located on the front and along the street-facing elevations, and the proposed building is oriented to the streets.

c. The Housing Development Project shall not involve a contributing structure in a designated Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ) and shall not involve a structure that is a City of Los Angeles designated Historic-Cultural Monument (HCM).

The proposed project is not located within a designated Historic Preservation Overlay Zone, nor does it involve a property that is designated as a City Historic-Cultural Monument.

d. The Housing Development Project shall not be located on a substandard street in a Hillside Area or in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone as established in Section 57.25.01 of the LAMC.

The project fronts on 1st Street, which is designated as a Avenue II, per the Mobility Plan 2035 of the City of Los Angeles General Plan. Standard Local Streets have a standard right-of-way width of 60 feet and roadway width of 36 feet. Therefore, the project is not located on a substandard street, which is a street with a width less than 36 feet and paved to a roadway width of less than 28 feet. The project is not located in a Hillside Area, nor is it located in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 8 of 16

#### **DENSITY BONUS/AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCENTIVES COMPLIANCE FINDINGS**

- 1. Pursuant to Section 12.22 A.25(c) of the LAMC, the Director shall approve a density bonus and requested incentive(s) unless the director finds that:
  - a. The incentives are not required to provide for affordable housing costs as defined in California Health and Safety Code Section 50052.5 or Section 50053 for rents for the affordable units.

The record does not contain substantial evidence that would allow the Director to make a finding that the requested incentives are not necessary to provide for affordable housing costs per State Law. The California Health & Safety Code Sections 50052.5 and 50053 define formulas for calculating affordable housing costs for Very Low, Low, and Moderate Income households. Section 50052.5 addresses owner-occupied housing and Section 50053 addresses rental households. Affordable housing costs are a calculation of residential rent or ownership pricing not to exceed 25 percent gross income based on area median income thresholds dependent on affordability levels.

The list of on-menu incentives in 12.22 A.25 was pre-evaluated at the time the Density Bonus Ordinance was adopted to include types of relief that minimize restrictions on the size of the project. As such, the Director will always arrive at the conclusion that the density bonus on-menu incentives are required to provide for affordable housing costs because the incentives by their nature increase the scale of the project.

The applicant is requesting two on-menu incentives that will facilitate the provision of affordable housing at the site. These incentives permit exceptions to zoning requirements that result in building design or construction efficiencies that provide for affordable housing costs and allow the developer to expand the building envelope so the additional units can be constructed and the overall space dedicated to residential uses is increased. These incentives support the applicant's decision to set aside Very Low Income dwelling units for 55 years.

#### Height

The project qualifies for an increase in the height requirement, as the project site is not located within 15 feet of a lot classified in the R2 zone, within 50 feet of a lot classified in an R1 or more restrictive residential zone, or on a lot sharing a common lot line with or across an alley from a lot classified in an R1 or more restrictive zone.

The project site has two zoning designations and is subject to varying height restrictions. A portion of the building on the R3-1 zoned lots is limited to a maximum height of 45 feet. The applicant requests a six-foot increase in the allowable building height to permit 51 feet in lieu of the required 45 feet on the R3-1 zoned lots.

A commercial zoned property in Height District No. 1 does not have a height restriction. However, portions of buildings on a C zoned lot are subject to the transitional height limits when located within specific distances from a RW1 or more restrictive zoned lot, except when the highest elevation of the RW1 or more restrictive zoned property exceeds the grade of the C zoned property by more than feet, the building on the C zoned property may exceed the height limit by the difference in grade.

Some portions of the proposed building on the C2-1 zoned lots are located within 199 feet from the A1-1XL zoned property that is currently improved with a cemetery and are therefore subject to the transitional height limits. However, the highest elevation of the A1-1XL zoned lot exceeds the grade of the C2-1 zoned lots by significantly more than

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 9 of **16** 

five feet, as measured in the attached Survey. Portions of the building on these C2-1 zoned lots are therefore allowed to exceed the transitional height limits by the difference in grade, which is 31 feet. The applicant requests a six-foot increase in the height to permit 70 feet in lieu of the required 64 feet (including the 31-foot difference in grade) within the distance of 50 to 99 feet from the cemetery. The height requirement, Density Bonus height incentive, and proposed building height are summarized in Table 1 below.

Table 1. Height Requirement and Proposed Building Height on C2-1 Zoned Lots

Distance <sup>1</sup>	Transitional Height Requirement	Height Adjustment per the Exception <sup>2</sup>	Density Bonus Height Incentive	Maximum Height Allowed	Proposed Height
0 - 49'	25'	31'	11'	67'	N/A
50 - 99'	33'	31'	11'	75'	70'
100 - 199'	61'	31'	11'	103'	70'

# Averaging of Floor Area Ratio, Density, Parking or Open Space and Permitting Vehicular Access

The project site consists of two zones, which have different requirements for floor area ratio (FAR), density, parking, open space, and vehicular access. The C2-1 zone allows a 1.5:1 FAR, and the R3-1 zone allows a 3:1 FAR. Based on the buildable area and FAR for each zone, the FAR averaging permits a total of 102,203 square feet to be allocated to the entire project site (see Table 2).

C2-1 zone requires the density of a R4 zone (400 square feet of lot area per dwelling unit) for portions of buildings used for residential purposes. The allowable density for R3-1 zone is 800 square feet of lot area per dwelling unit. Based on the lot area, including the one-half alley, the C2-1 zone permits 70 dwelling units by right, and the R3-1 zone permits 36 units by right, totaling 106 dwelling units. The project proposes 49 units, which is less than the maximum permitted in each zone individually as well as throughout the entire project site.

Table 2 summarizes the requirement for floor area ratio (FAR) and density.

	C2-1 Requirements	R3-1 Requirements	Totai Allowed	Proposed
FAR	22,677 SF Buildable Area x 1.5 FAR = 34,016 SF	22,729 SF Buildable Area x 3 FAR = 68,187 SF	102,203 SF	90,000 SF
Density	27,961 SF / 400 SF Lot Area = 70 Units	29,025 SF / 800 SF Lot Area = 36 Units	106 Units	49 Units

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 10 of 16

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Distance is measured from the easterly property line of the A1-1XL zoned lots (Evergreen Cemetery), located to the west of the project site, across Lorena Street.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Difference in grade measured from the grade of the existing building on the A1-1XL zoned lots to the grade of the proposed building on the C2-1 zoned lots.

The averaging of parking and open space also allows the project to be allocated to the entire project site. The project will provide a minimum of 6,176 square feet of open space based on the number of dwelling units and bedrooms proposed. The proposed open space is dispersed throughout the project site. Based on the number and Restricted

Affordable Unit types proposed, the applicant is required to provide 36 parking spaces for the Restricted Affordable Units. The project proposes one market-rate unit and 10,000 square feet of retail space, which are conditioned to comply with the parking requirements pursuant to LAMC Section 12.21.

Pursuant to the Density Bonus Ordinance, the project shall meet three conditions in order to request an on-menu incentive to average and permit vehicular access. First, the proposed use shall be permitted by the underlying zone of each parcel. Commercial parking is not an allowed use in a residential zone, and therefore, the project is conditioned to limit commercial parking in the R3-1 zoned lots. Second, the project is required to include 11 percent or more of the units as Restricted Affordable Units for Very Low Income households, or 20 percent of the units for Low Income households, or 30 percent of the units for Moderate Income households for requesting this incentive. The Density Bonus Ordinance requires projects requesting two on-menu incentives to set aside a minimum of 10 percent of dwelling units for habitation by Very Low Income Households, However, the project is conditioned to set aside a minimum of 11 percent. rather than 10 percent, in order to grant the requested on-menu incentive to average floor area, density, parking, and open space and permit vehicular access. Lastly, no further lot line adjustment or any other action that may cause the project site to be subdivided subsequent to the grant of the on-menu incentive shall be permitted. The project is conditioned to meet these requirements for the requested on-menu incentive.

The project proposes one level of semi-subterranean parking garage that will provide parking spaces for both residential and commercial/retail uses. The garage design and circulation requires vehicles to traverse from the less restrictive C2 zone to the more restrictive R3 zone, which is permitted with the approval of this on-menu incentive.

b. The Incentive will have specific adverse impact upon public health and safety or the physical environment, or on any real property that is listed in the California Register of Historical Resources and for which there is no feasible method to satisfactorily mitigate or avoid the specific adverse Impact without rendering the development unaffordable to Very Low, Low and Moderate Income households. Inconsistency with the zoning ordinance or the general plan land use designation shall not constitute a specific, adverse impact upon the public health or safety.

There is no evidence that the proposed incentive will have a specific adverse impact. A "specific adverse impact" is defined as, "a significant, quantifiable, direct and unavoidable impact, based on objective, identified written public health or safety standards, policies, or conditions as they existed on the date the application was deemed complete" (LAMC Section 12.22.A.25(b)). The proposed project and potential impacts were analyzed in accordance with the City's California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and the City's L.A. CEQA Thresholds Guide. These two documents establish guidelines and thresholds of significant impact, and provide the data for determining whether or not the impacts of a proposed project reach or exceed those thresholds. Analysis of the proposed project involved the preparation of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) (ENV-2014-2392-MND), and it was determined that the proposed Project may have an impact on the following environmental factors: hazards and hazardous materials and public services.

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 11 of 16

Mitigation measures will reduce impacts to less than significant and are imposed as Conditions of Approval herein (Conditions 13 through 15). The Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP) is a document that is separate from the MND and is prepared and adopted as part of the project's approval. Section 21081.6 of the Public Resources

Code requires a Lead Agency to adopt a "reporting or monitoring program for the changes made to the project or conditions of project approval, adopted in order to mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment." In addition to the mitigation measures required of the project and any proposed project design features, the applicant shall adhere to any applicable Regulatory Compliance Measures (RCM) required by existing law. Therefore, there is no substantial evidence that the proposed project will have a specific adverse impact on the physical environment, on public health and safety, and on property listed in the California Register of Historic Resources.

The Initial Study and MND was circulated for public review from September 24, 2015 to October 14, 2015. During the review period, the Department of City Planning received two comment letters from Los Angeles Unified School District and a public member. Comments and concerns received during the circulation are addressed in the Response to Comments document, prepared by Meridian Consultants on October 26, 2015, and through mitigation measures identified as Conditions 13, 14, and 15 in this Determination Letter.

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 12 of 16

#### **DENSITY BONUS LEGISLATION BACKGROUND**

The California State Legislature has declared that "[t]he availability of housing is of vital statewide importance," and has determined that state and local governments have a responsibility to "make adequate provision for the housing needs of all economic segments of the community." Section §65580, subds. (a), (d). Section 65915 further provides that an applicant must agree to, and the municipality must ensure, the "continued affordability of all Low and Very Low Income units that qualified the applicant" for the density bonus.

With Senate Bill 1818 (2004), state law created a requirement that local jurisdictions approve a density bonus and up to three "concessions or incentives" for projects that include defined levels of affordable housing in their projects. In response to this requirement, the City created an ordinance that includes a menu of incentives (referred to as "on-menu" incentives) comprised of eight zoning adjustments that meet the definition of concessions or incentives in state law (California Government Code Section 65915). The eight on-menu incentives allow for: 1) reducing setbacks; 2) reducing lot coverage; 3) reducing lot width, 4) increasing floor area ratio (FAR); 5) increasing height; 6) reducing required open space; 7) allowing for an alternative density calculation that includes streets/alley dedications; and 8) allowing for "averaging" of FAR, density, parking or open space. In order to grant approval of an on-menu incentive, the City utilizes the same findings contained in state law for the approval of incentives or concessions.

California State Assembly Bill 2222 went into effect January 1, 2015, and with that Density Bonus projects filed as of that date must demonstrate compliance with the housing replacement provisions which require replacement of rental dwelling units that either exist at the time of application of a Density Bonus project, or have been vacated or demolished in the five-year period preceding the application of the project. This applies to all pre-existing units that have been subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that restricts rents to levels affordable to persons and families of lower or very low income; subject to any other form of rent or price control (including Rent Stabilization Ordinance); or is occupied by Low or Very Low Income Households (i.e., income levels less than 80 percent of the area median income [AMI]). The replacement units must be equivalent in size, type, or both and be made available at affordable rent/cost to, and occupied by, households of the same or lower income category as those meeting the occupancy criteria. Prior to the issuance of any Director's Determination for Density Bonus and Affordable Housing Incentives, the Housing and Community Investment Department (HCIDLA) is responsible for providing the Department of City Planning, along with the applicant, a determination letter addressing replacement unit requirements for individual projects. The City also requires a Land Use Covenant recognizing the conditions be filed with the County of Los Angeles prior to granting a building permit on the project.

Assembly Bill 2222 also increases covenant restrictions from 30 to 55 years for projects approved after January 1, 2015. This determination letter reflects these 55 year covenant restrictions.

Under Government Code Section § 65915(a), § 65915(d)(2)(C) and § 65915(d)(3) the City of Los Angeles complies with the State Density Bonus law by adopting density bonus regulations and procedures as codified in Section 12.22 A.25 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code. Section 12.22 A.25 creates a procedure to waive or modify zoning code standards which may prevent, preclude or interfere with the effect of the density bonus by which the incentive or concession is granted, including legislative body review. The Ordinance must apply equally to all new residential development.

In exchange for setting aside a defined number of affordable dwelling units within a development, applicants may request up to three incentives in addition to the density bonus and parking relief which are permitted by right. The incentives are deviations from the City's development standards,

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 13 of 16

thus providing greater relief from regulatory constraints. Utilization of the Density Bonus/Affordable Housing Incentives Program supersedes requirements of the Los Angeles Municipal Code and underlying ordinances relative to density, number of units, parking, and other requirements relative to incentives, if requested.

For the purpose of clarifying the Covenant Subordination Agreement between the City of Los Angeles and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) note that the covenant required in the Conditions of Approval herein shall prevail unless pre-empted by State or Federal law.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS/PRO-FORMA

Pursuant to the Affordable Housing Incentive Density Bonus provisions of the LAMC (Section 12.22 A.25), proposed projects that involve on-menu incentives are required to complete the Department's Master Land Use Permit Application form, and no supplemental financial data is required. The City typically has the discretion to request additional information when it is needed to help make required findings. However, the City has determined that the level of detail provided in a pro forma is not necessary to make the findings for on-menu incentives. This is primarily because each of the City's eight on-menu incentives provides additional buildable area, which, if requested by a developer, can be assumed to provide additional project income and therefore provide for affordable housing costs. When the menu of incentives was adopted by ordinance, the impacts of each were assessed in proportion to the benefits gained with a set-aside of affordable housing units. Therefore, a pro-forma illustrating construction costs and operating income and expenses is not a submittal requirement when filling a request for on-menu incentives. The City's Density Bonus Ordinance requires "a pro forma or other documentation" with requests for off-menu incentives but has no such requirement for on-menu requests.

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 14 of 16

#### TIME LIMIT - OBSERVANCE OF CONDITIONS

All terms and conditions of the Director's Determination shall be fulfilled before the use may be established. Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.25 A.2, the instant authorization is further conditional upon the privileges being utilized within **three years** after the effective date of this determination and, if such privileges are not utilized, building permits are not issued, or substantial physical construction work is not begun within said time and carried on diligently so that building permits do not lapse, the authorization shall terminate and become void.

#### TRANSFERABILITY

This determination runs with the land. In the event the property is to be sold, leased, rented or occupied by any person or corporation other than yourself, it is incumbent that you advise them regarding the conditions of this grant. If any portion of this approval is utilized, then all other conditions and requirements set forth herein become immediately operative and must be strictly observed.

#### VIOLATIONS OF THESE CONDITIONS, A MISDEMEANOR

The applicant's attention is called to the fact that this grant is not a permit or license and that any permits and licenses required by law must be obtained from the proper public agency. Furthermore, if any condition of this grant is violated or not complied with, then the applicant or his successor in interest may be prosecuted for violating these conditions the same as for any violation of the requirements contained in the Municipal Code, or the approval may be revoked.

Section 11.00 of the LAMC states in part (m): "It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any provision or fail to comply with any of the requirements of this Code. Any person violating any of the provisions or failing to comply with any of the mandatory requirements of this Code shall be guilty of a misdemeanor unless that violation or failure is declared in that section to be an infraction. An infraction shall be tried and be punishable as provided in Section 19.6 of the Penal Code and the provisions of this section. Any violation of this Code that is designated as a misdemeanor may be charged by the City Attorney as either a misdemeanor or an infraction.

Every violation of this determination is punishable as a misdemeanor unless provision is otherwise made, and shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not more than six months, or by both a fine and imprisonment."

#### APPEAL PERIOD - EFFECTIVE DATE

The Determination in this matter will become effective and final fifteen (15) days after the date of mailing of the Notice of Director's Determination unless an appeal there from is filed with the City Planning Department. It is strongly advised that appeals be filed early during the appeal period and in person so that imperfections/incompleteness may be corrected before the appeal period expires. Any appeal must be filed on the prescribed forms, accompanied by the required fee, a copy of this Determination, and received and receipted at a public office of the Department of City Planning on or before the above date or the appeal will not be accepted. Forms are available on-line at <a href="https://www.cityplanning.lacity.org">www.cityplanning.lacity.org</a>.

DIR-2015-1998-DB Page 15 of 16

Planning Department public offices are located at:

Downtown Office Figueroa Plaza 201 North Figueroa Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 482-7077 Valley Office Marvin Braude Constituent Service Center 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard, Suite 251 Van Nuys, CA 91401 (818) 374-5050

Only an applicant or any owner or tenant of a property abutting, across the street or alley from, or having a common corner with the subject property can appeal this Density Bonus Compliance Review Determination. Per the Density Bonus Provision of State Law (Government Code Section §65915) the Density Bonus increase in units above the base density zone limits and the appurtenant parking reductions are not a discretionary action and therefore cannot be appealed. Only the requested incentives are appealable. Per Section 12.22 A.25 of the LAMC, appeals of Density Bonus Compliance Review cases are heard by the City Planning Commission.

Verification of condition compliance with building plans and/or building permit applications are done at the Development Services Center of the Department of City Planning at either Figueroa Plaza in Downtown Los Angeles or the Marvin Braude Constituent Service Center in the Valley. In order to assure that you receive service with a minimum amount of waiting, applicants are encouraged to schedule an appointment with the Development Services Center either by calling (213) 482-7077, (818) 374-5050, or through the Department of City Planning website at <a href="http://cityplanning.lacity.org">http://cityplanning.lacity.org</a>. The applicant is further advised to notify any consultant representing you of this requirement as well.

The time in which a party may seek judicial review of this determination is governed by California Code of Civil Procedures Section 1094.6. Under that provision, a petitioner may seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, only if the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section is filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision becomes final.

Vincent P. Bertoni, AICP Director of Planning

Approved by:

Prepared by:

Blake Lamb, Senior Planner

Nuri Cho, Planning Assistant

Nuri.Cho@lacity.org

Greatory S. Shoop, City P

Reviewed by:

### **Project Scope**



### **Project Description:**

- > 48 affordable housing units
  - 24 units for disabled homeless veterans
  - 24 units affordable family housing
- > 10,000 sq. ft. retail space
- > 66 parking spaces
  - 35 residential
  - 20 commercial

Developer: A Community of Friends (ACOF)



# **Board Report**

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation
Authority
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room
Los Angeles, CA

Agenda Number: 40

**EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**JUNE 16, 2016

SUBJECT: CRENSHAW/LAX TRANSIT CORRIDOR JOINT DEVELOPMENT

ACTION: ADOPT DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES AND AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT WITH THE

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES** 

#### RECOMMENDATION

File #: 2016-0316, File Type: Program

#### CONSIDER:

- A. ADOPTING the **Development Guidelines for the joint development** of 1.77 acres of Metro-owned property and 1.66 acres of County-owned property at the **Expo/Crenshaw Station**;
- B. ADOPTING the **Development Guidelines for the joint development** of 1.44 acres of County -owned property at the **Fairview Heights Station**; and
- C. AUTHORIZING an Agreement with the County of Los Angeles for administering the Metro Joint Development process for the County-owned properties at the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights Stations.

#### **ISSUE**

Completed in June 2015, the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Joint Development (JD) Strategic Plan (Strategic Plan) identified publicly-owned properties along the under-construction light rail corridor and identified development opportunities on Metro and County owned properties, including properties at the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights Stations as depicted in Attachment A. Per direction from the Metro Board, the JD team is working with the County of Los Angeles through an MOU with the Community Development Commission (CDC) to administer the JD process for the two County-owned JD opportunity sites. In accordance with the JD Policy, staff has conducted community outreach to support the creation of Development Guidelines (Guidelines) for the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights opportunity sites. If adopted by the Board, the Guidelines will be included in the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the sites. In order to move forward with the JD process for the County-owned sites, Board authorization is also requested for Metro to enter into an agreement with the CDC to implement a services arrangement.

#### DISCUSSION

File #: 2016-0316, File Type: Program

Agenda Number: 40

# Background

Metro owns, maintains and operates properties throughout Los Angeles County for its current and future transportation operations. As part of Metro's Joint Development (JD) Program, staff evaluates these properties for potential joint development and selects properties for beneficial transit-supportive development.

On March 26, 2015, the Board directed JD staff to develop a strategic plan for joint development activities along the Crenshaw/LAX (C/LAX) Transit Corridor and to work with public sector partners to implement JD activities on publicly-owned land. The Strategic Plan, released in June 2015, identified development opportunity sites and strategic public sector partnerships, and outlined a community engagement process to lead to the preparation and implementation of site-specific development visions that reflect the community's broader goals for each station area under consideration. The Strategic Plan guided the preparation of the Guidelines for the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights opportunity sites, which are also part of the Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Demonstration Program.

# Development Guidelines

The Guidelines reflect the community's visions and aspirations for the sites and also include a set of development and planning principles that are applicable to the sites and consistent with Metro's adopted JD Policy, City of Los Angeles land use regulations and Metro operational requirements. The Guidelines are not intended to provide specific design and construction related criteria associated with a particular project, but rather help shape the program and design response to align with the community and Metro's expectations. If approved, the Guidelines will be included in the RFP to solicit development proposals and will serve, in part, as the benchmark for the evaluation of responses. Both sets of Guidelines are generally organized into six sections:

- Overview executive summary of how to use the guidelines, Metro JD process and community outreach to-date
- 2. Joint Development Opportunity introduces opportunity sites and describes community context
- 3. Vision for Joint Development summarizes general station area plans and policies, community -driven development vision and market conditions
- 4. Regulatory and Policy Framework describes key municipal regulatory land use plans and policies that will govern development of the sites
- 5. Transit Facilities and Accommodations provides specific requirements for planned transit facilities and opportunities to improve transit access and connectivity
- 6. Design Considerations series of guidelines to inform the site planning and urban design recommendations relative to building design and the public realm

### Expo/Crenshaw Site

The Expo/Crenshaw JD site incorporates two properties in the City of Los Angeles: (1) a County Probation Department facility located at 3606 W. Exposition Boulevard (southwest corner of Exposition and Crenshaw Boulevards) which the County plans to vacate to repurpose the site for transit oriented development; and (2) Metro-owned property on the southeast corner of Exposition and Crenshaw Boulevards that currently serves as construction staging for the C/LAX Transit Project.

The Metro property was originally slated to be a surface park-and-ride lot; however, per Board direction, it was examined and determined to have higher and better use potential. Metro is seeking approval from the FTA to accommodate the required parking in the West Angeles parking structure approximately 1½ blocks to the north where Metro currently leases parking space and there is additional capacity. The Guidelines will be revised to reflect any on-site Metro parking requirements following FTA determination.

Located at the intersection of the Expo Line and the future C/LAX Line, the site has superior regional connectivity to employment and activity centers including Santa Monica, Culver City, USC, Downtown LA and LAX. The Guidelines for this site identify the opportunity for a culturally distinct gateway destination and pedestrian-scaled community serving residents and visitors with high quality and local-serving retail uses and a range of housing types affordable to existing residents. It also identifies opportunities to foster job growth with attractive office or incubator space. The Guidelines build upon the City of Los Angeles' recently prepared Draft Amended Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan and Draft Crenshaw Streetscape Plan, and will be adjusted, as necessary, prior to the RFP release to match the most current information available in draft or final City plans. The Expo/Crenshaw Guidelines are included as Attachment C.

# Fairview Heights Site

The County of Los Angeles owns the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) facility located at 923 E. Redondo Boulevard in the City of Inglewood adjacent to the Fairview Heights Station. The County plans to vacate the facility to repurpose the site for transit oriented development.

The future Fairview Heights Station is surrounded by character single family homes to the north, multifamily, commercial and light industrial uses to the east, and Edward Vincent Jr. Park-a large recreation amenity-to the west, creating an opportunity for future station area development to create a village destination that stitches together surrounding uses. The Guidelines for the Fairview Heights site align with the draft TOD Zoning Plans for the area prepared by the City of Inglewood and envision a pedestrian-friendly residential project that serves individuals with a range of incomes along with quality ground-floor neighborhood retail. Consistent with the community's expressed desires, the Guidelines also encourage uses that support the existing arts-oriented community and local youth and create strong connections to the adjacent park. The Fairview Heights Guidelines are included as Attachment D, and will be adjusted, as necessary, prior to the RFP release to match the most current information available in draft or final City TOD Zoning Plans.

#### Community Outreach

Over the last year, working closely with the C/LAX Transit Project Community Leadership Council and Construction Relations staff, Metro JD staff attended more than 25 community meetings and events to introduce the Metro JD process to local stakeholders and to build relationships in order to better understand the community priorities and aspirations for future development along the C/LAX Transit Line. In December 2015, an outside consultant team led by John Kaliski Architects was hired that included architecture/urban design, economic and market analysis, and community relations expertise to assist with outreach and analysis leading to the creation of the Guidelines.

Focused outreach meetings hosted by Metro included:

File #: 2016-0316, File Type: Program

Agenda Number: 40

 Five roundtable discussions with key Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights stakeholder representatives from resident and homeowners associations, business groups, faith-based organizations, arts organizations, and other community-based organizations.

• Four community workshops for the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights station areas (two each) which attracted between 35-50 attendees each.

The community workshops were promoted through the distribution of more than 18,000 flyers within ½ mile of each site and on Metro busses and trains; creative utilization of social media including Facebook, Twitter, and NextDoor; phone calls; and door-to-door engagement along commercial corridors to personally encourage community participation. Additionally, elected official newsletters and local newspapers such as *The Wave* and *LA Sentinel* were also utilized to promote the workshops.

# County Agreement

Metro and the County, acting through the CDC, entered into an MOU on October 29, 2015 for predevelopment cooperation and planning in anticipation of future redevelopment of County properties at the Crenshaw/Expo and Fairview Heights stations, through Metro's JD process. The existing MOU covers planning activities through the preparation of Guidelines for the County property. It is necessary to prepare an additional agreement between the parties that memorialize the relationship, roles and responsibilities beyond initial planning stages. The terms are described in Attachment B, with key points including:

- County shall retain ownership of County properties
- Metro and the County will work jointly in administering the JD process including soliciting, selecting and negotiating with developer(s) for the County property. The County shall reimburse Metro for third party costs incurred in connection with the development of County properties from proceeds of sale/lease of the County sites

#### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

The adoption of Development Guidelines and approval of the County Agreement will have no direct impact on safety. The eventual implementation of JD projects at the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights Stations will offer opportunities to improve safety for transit riders, through better pedestrian and bicycle connections.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

Funding for JD activities related to the Guidelines and any subsequent, related development activity, including the RFP process, is included in the FY17 budget in Cost Center 2210 (Joint Development) under Project 401045 (Crenshaw/LAX JD). Third party costs associated with the Development Guidelines, RFP solicitation and Developer selection are encumbered through active contracts and the cost attributable to administering the JD process for County property will be reimbursed by the County from future development proceeds.

Since development of the properties is a multi-year process, the project manager will be accountable

File #: 2016-0316, File Type: Program

Agenda Number: 40

for budgeting any costs associated with the JD activities that will occur in future years.

#### Impact to Budget

The source of funds for JD activities is local right-of-way lease revenues, which are eligible for bus/rail operating and capital expenses. Adoption of the Guidelines and authorization of the agreement with the County will not impact ongoing bus and rail operating and capital costs, the Proposition A and C and TDA administration budget or the Measure R administration budget.

#### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board could choose not to adopt the Development Guidelines. That is not recommended because new developments are desired by these communities and will increase ridership. Further, the Guidelines were developed with considerable stakeholder input and the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights communities are expecting movement on the development at the station sites; adoption of the Guidelines is a precursor to moving forward with the JD process.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

After adoption of the Guidelines and authorization to enter into an agreement with the CDC, staff will negotiate and execute the agreement with the CDC and will issue RFPs for the development of the JD sites inclusive of the Guidelines. The RFPs are expected to be released in summer 2016. Staff anticipates bringing recommendations for selection of Developers to the Board in late 2016/early 2017.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Location Maps

Attachment B - County Agreement Term Sheet

Attachment C - Expo Crenshaw Development Guidelines Attachment D - Fairview Heights Development Guidelines

Prepared by: Nicole Velasquez, Transportation Project Manager, (213) 922-7439

Nicholas Saponara, Director, (213) 922-4313

Jenna Hornstock, Deputy Executive Officer, (213) 922-7437 Calvin Hollis, Managing Executive Officer, (213) 922-7319

Reviewed by: Therese W. McMillan, Chief Planning Officer, (213) 922-7077

Phillip A. Washington Chief Executive Officer

# **ATTACHMENT A - LOCATION MAPS**

# **Expo/Crenshaw Station**



# ATTACHMENT A – LOCATION MAPS (continued)

# **Fairview Heights Station**



#### ATTACHMENT B - COUNTY AGREEMENT TERM SHEET

#### 1 Parties:

- a. County of Los Angeles acting through its Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles (CDC)
  - i. The CDC pursuant to the Master Agreement dated August 7, 2012, and Board of Supervisors action on October 13, 2015 and subsequent date of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2016, will be executing the MOU on behalf of the County and substantially performing the County responsibilities under the MOU.
  - ii. All references to the County shall also mean the CDC acting on behalf of the County.
- b. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro)

# 2 Properties subject to MOU:

### a. County Properties

- i. 3606 W. Exposition Boulevard, Los Angeles (Probation Department Site)
- ii. 923 E. Redondo Boulevard, Inglewood (Department of Public Social Services Site)

# b. Metro Property:

 Southeast corner of Exposition Boulevard and Crenshaw Boulevard (which consists of the parcels with the following addresses: 3630 S. Crenshaw Blvd., 3642 S. Crenshaw Blvd., 3510 W. Exposition Blvd., 3505 Rodeo Rd. and 3635 S. Bronson Ave.)

#### c. Ownership:

- i. County shall retain ownership interest in County Property.
- ii. Metro shall retain ownership in the Metro Property.

#### **3 Joint Development Process**

#### a. **Genera**l

i. As more specifically described herein, Metro and CDC will work jointly to administer the joint development of the County and Metro Properties including soliciting, selecting and negotiating with a developer(s) for the County and Metro Properties and coordinating with the developer and overseeing construction of the joint development project. Upon completion of the joint development project, the County will be responsible for the operations and management of its County Property unless directed otherwise by the Board of Supervisors, and Metro will be responsible for the operations and management of the Metro Property.

- ii. For the form of documents and agreements, Metro and CDC will use Metro's standard procurement documents and joint development agreements as modified to include any County required language as requested by CDC.
- iii. The Metro Property and the Probation Department Site will be made available for development as part of the same Request for Proposal, as mutually agreed to by Metro and CDC.
- iv. The Department of Public Social Services Site will be made available for development in a separate Request for Proposal. Metro and CDC will jointly select the proposer for this site.
- v. The policies of both the County and Metro will apply to these joint development transactions, and to the extent that the policies are in conflict, the more stringent policy will apply.

#### b. Request for Proposal (RFP) and Exclusive Negotiation Agreement (ENA)

- i. Metro will handle all administrative tasks associated with issuing and processing the RFP in compliance with Metro and County policies and procedures, including, without limitation, any advertising requirements and being the single point of contact during the procurement process.
- ii. Metro will issue an RFP with an attached ENA in forms mutually agreed upon by CDC and Metro. The RFP will include Metro's board adopted development guidelines for the sites and any County requirements as requested by CDC, including any requirement to leaseback to County space in the proposed development.
- iii. Metro, County and CDC will have members of the proposal evaluation process and developer selection.
- iv. Metro, in consultation with the CDC, will hire third-party consultants, including outside legal counsel and economists, as needed to assist with the evaluation of proposals and negotiation of ENA.
- v. CDC will obtain all authorizations needed from the County to allow Metro to jointly issue the RFP and for CDC to enter into the ENA with the selected developer.
- vi. Metro and CDC will work cooperatively and in good faith to process the RFP including, without limitation, timely meeting all deadlines, and responding to proposers by providing information and documentation regarding their respective properties.

# c. Joint Development Agreement (JDA) and Ground Lease (GL)

i. Metro and CDC will both participate in the negotiations of the JDA and GL.

- ii. Metro, in consultation with the CDC, will hire third-party consultants, including outside legal counsel, as needed to assist with the negotiation of the JDA and GL.
- iii. CDC will obtain all authorizations needed from the County to allow CDC to enter into the JDA and GL with the selected developer.

### 4 Other Obligations of the Parties

- a. Metro and CDC will work cooperatively to seek street vacation at the Probation Department Site and exploring an additional Metro Rail station entrance on the Probation Department Site. This may include requiring the developer to provide the plaza and real estate for the station entrance as part of a joint use requirement.
- b. Metro and CDC will remain responsible for the cost for any environmental remediation needed, if any, on their respective properties. Metro will not assume any liability or obligation to remediate the County Properties as part of this agreement. County will not assume any liability or obligation to remediate the Metro Property as part of this agreement.
- c. Metro will be reimbursed for third party costs incurred in connection with the development of the County Properties as follows: Metro will receive 100% reimbursement of the third party costs incurred for the Department of Public Social Services Site and 100% reimbursement of the third party costs incurred for the Probation Department Site with the exception of any costs which are customarily recovered from the developer. Reimbursement for these costs as well as costs incurred in connection with the predevelopment activities will have the first priority on future revenues generated from the developments.
- d. County will have no obligation to pay for third party costs incurred in connection with the development of the Metro Property.

#### 5 Schedule:

- a. The County anticipates it will vacate the Probation Department Site by \_\_\_\_TBD\_\_\_ and the Department of Public Social Services Site by \_\_\_\_TBD\_\_\_. CDC will advise Metro of the relocation efforts which may affect availability of these two County sites.
- b. Metro and CDC will evaluate any impact to schedule and the development from timely adoption of planning regulatory documents in LA and Inglewood.
- c. Metro anticipates the Crenshaw/LAX Project construction will be complete by 2019 which leaves the Metro Property available for the development. Metro will advise CDC of the Crenshaw/LAX Project construction progress which may affect availability of the Metro Property.

# Development Guidelines for Expo/Crenshaw Station Joint Development Opportunity

JUNE 2016





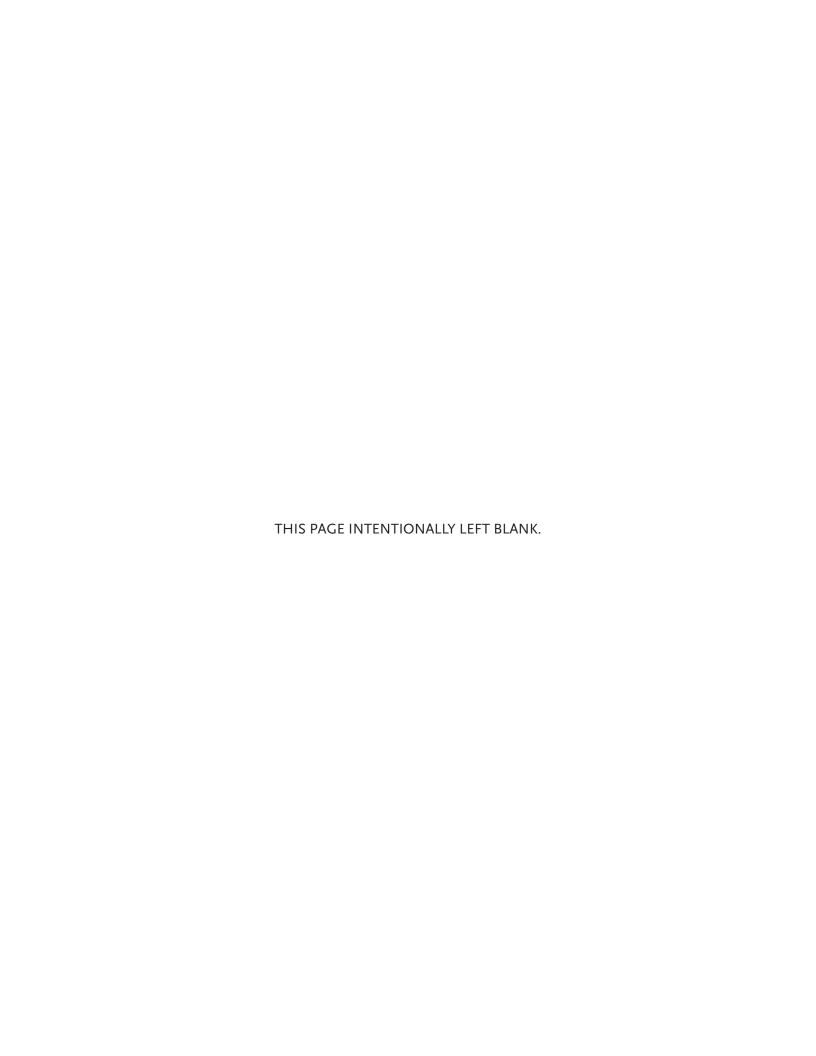
Wanderers, 2012 WILLIE MIDDLEBROOK, Artist Commissioned by Metro Art, Expo/Crenshaw Station

Middlebrook's mosaic panels portray diverse populations, interspersed with imagery of the earth to remind viewers of our shared planet. The artworks are integrated into the platform gateway entrances and seating modules.

# DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - EXPO/CRENSHAW STATION

# **Table of Contents**

l.	Overview
II.	The Joint Development Opportunity
III.	Vision for Joint Development
IV.	Joint Development Sites Regulatory and Policy Framework
V.	Transit Facilities and Accommodations
VI.	Development and Design Considerations and Guidelines
APPE	NDIX
Α.	Community Outreach Process Summary



#### I. Overview

#### 1. HOW TO USE THE DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority ("Metro"), with extensive community input, has developed these guidelines to affirmatively shape the program and design responses to the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Expo/Crenshaw Joint Development Opportunity Sites ("the Opportunity Site{s}").

Developers and their teams should carefully review, and to the extent feasible, adhere to these guidelines as they develop their project development parameters, program(s), and design for the Opportunity Sites. Adherence to these guidelines will be among the factors considered as potential projects, and project teams, are evaluated.

#### 2. THE OPPORTUNITY SITES

The opportunity defined as a whole provides for the development of two parcels totaling approximately 3.5 acres that anchor the northern terminus of the under-construction Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project (see Figure 1). Site A on the southwest corner of Exposition and Crenshaw Boulevards and is the present location for the County of Los Angeles Probation Department that will be relocated by the County. This parcel is located immediately south of the existing eastbound Expo Line, Expo/Crenshaw station platform and is proximate to a knock-out panel for the under-construction Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project, allowing for direct connection from this site to the new below-grade light-rail station.

Site B is located on the southeast corner of Exposition and Crenshaw Boulevards and to the south of the westbound Expo Line station platform. This site will include a transit plaza with escalators, stairs, and elevator access to the below-grade Expo/Crenshaw Station.

The Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project is anticipated to be completed in 2019 and when completed, this location will serve Metro patrons using the existing Expo Line light-rail that runs from Downtown Los Angeles to Downtown Santa Monica as well as the new line which will run south from this location to LAX and the South Bay.



Figure 1 Expo/Crenshaw Station and the Opportunity Sites

1

#### 3. METRO JOINT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

Metro owns, maintains and operates properties throughout Los Angeles County for its current and future transportation operations. As part of Metro's Joint Development Program, staff evaluates these properties for potential Joint Development uses. Metro does not develop private uses on its properties and rights-of-way on its own but engages in Joint Development with private developers who design, finance, build, and operate these uses typically through long-term ground leases and development agreements with Metro.

The first step in the Joint Development process is engaging the community to help shape the vision for the opportunity that is reflected in site-specific development guidelines. Upon Metro Board of Directors (Board) approval of the Development Guidelines, Metro issues an RFP to solicit development proposals for Joint Development sites, evaluates the proposals received, and the Metro Board then, as appropriate, authorizes an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement (ENA) with the recommended developer(s).

With an approved ENA, a project is refined by the developer and further shaped based upon input from the community and Metro staff. Upon completion of entitlements and California Environmental Quality Act requirements and negotiation of final terms, a Joint Development Agreement and Ground Lease are typically completed and approved by the Metro Board. Once these steps are completed, implementation, permitting, and construction of the project proceeds.

Occasionally, Metro partners with other public entities to support the development of publicly-owned land adjacent to the Metro system utilizing Metro's Joint Development Program, as is the case with County-owned property at the Expo/Crenshaw Station. References to Metro's Joint Development process should generally be interpreted as applying to the County-owned property though County procedures and approvals may vary from the typical Metro Joint Development process as more specifically described in the RFP.

#### 4. COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Metro has undertaken an extensive community outreach process, attending more than two dozen meetings to inform the surrounding community and stakeholders about Metro's Joint Development Program and to solicit ideas and feedback to help shape potential development opportunities at this site as well as other sites along the under-construction 8.5-mile Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project.

Metro also hosted a series of meetings specifically addressing the Joint

# **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - EXPO/CRENSHAW STATION**

Development opportunities at the Expo/Crenshaw Station including:

- May 13, 2015 Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project Community Leadership Council (CLC) Meeting
- November 5, 2015 Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project CLC Economic Development Work Group Meeting
- March 3, 2016 Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project CLC Economic Development Work Group Meeting
- March 5, 2016 Expo/Crenshaw Stakeholder Roundtable #1
- March 8, 2016 Expo/Crenshaw Stakeholder Roundtable #2
- ▶ March 11, 2016 Crenshaw/LAX Corridor Business Roundtable
- March 19, 2016 Expo/Crenshaw Community Workshop #1
- April 16, 2016 Expo/Crenshaw Community Workshop #2

At these meetings, community members reviewed the parameters of the Joint Development Program, described community issues and aspirations associated with the Opportunity Sites, suggested preferred programs and amenities, and noted examples of projects that they liked (see Figures 2 and 3). Hundreds of comments were written down and collated, and development themes emerged. Community members also noted an abiding commitment to stay involved throughout the Joint Development process, a commitment that Metro will honor with continued public input opportunities throughout the development of the project.

The community input received has directly shaped these Development Guidelines. Additionally, a more detailed summary of the outreach process and comments received is included as Appendix A of this document.



Figure 2 Expo/Crenshaw Workshop 1 Use Board Voting



Figure 3
Expo/Crenshaw Workshop 1 Small Group Discussions

# **II. The Joint Development Opportunity**



Figure 4 Regional context



Figure 5 Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project

#### 1. THE GREATER CONTEXT

The Opportunity Sites are located at the intersection of Metro's under-construction north to south 8.5-mile light-rail Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project and the in-service east to west Expo Line. Combined, these two light-rail corridors provide the greater Crenshaw community with superior access to Culver City and Santa Monica to the west, USC, Downtown Los Angeles, and Union Station to the east, and Downtown Inglewood, Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and South Bay cities to the south (see Figure 4). Site C is the subject of a separate RFP.

The Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project's Expo/Crenshaw Station is the northernmost of eight new stations along the light-rail corridor. The Opportunity Sites associated with this station (see Figure 5, Site A and Site B) are ideally situated to build upon the significant investment in transit infrastructure being undertaken by Metro and to support and grow transit use and ridership. A distinctive project that builds upon the strong cultural assets of the area and community aspirations can catalyze local investment with a mix and range of high-quality and architecturally compelling residential, retail, and jobs-producing uses.

Opportunity Sites A and B are immediately adjacent to the new underground Expo/Crenshaw Station sitting, respectively, to the southwest and southeast of Crenshaw Boulevard's intersection with West Exposition Boulevard. The Opportunity Sites will be supported by a combined estimated ridership on the two lines of over 45,000 persons a day. An additional approximate 65,000 vehicle trips a day traverse the main streets passing by the sites, Crenshaw Boulevard and Rodeo Road. Located at the northern terminus of the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project, the Opportunity Sites are centered on and provide quick access to hundreds of thousands of jobs in Downtown Los Angeles, Culver City, Santa Monica, LAX, and points south.

The Opportunity Sites are one stop north of a regional shopping center, Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza, whose owners have proposed a major mall renovation and two million square foot expansion. Upon completion, this regional shopping center will be complemented by new office space, a new hotel and both rental and for-sale housing. Additionally, Kaiser Permanente recently broke ground on a new 100,000 square foot medical office facility just to the west of Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza and the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project's Martin Luther King Jr. Station.

# **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - EXPO/CRENSHAW STATION**

One stop to the south of the mall, the City of Los Angeles is spearheading the planning and revitalization of Leimert Park Village, an historic in-town suburban main street first developed in the late 1920s (see Figure 6). This district includes and hosts many cultural resources and events including art walks, Afro-centric stores, businesses, and the under-renovation Vision Theater. Two stops further south along the light-rail, Los Angeles County and Metro are teaming up to facilitate the development of a County-owned parcel adjacent to the Fairview Heights Station (see Figure 5, Site C). This parcel is the subject of a parallel Joint Development opportunity planning and implementation process.

At the next stop to the southwest, the City of Inglewood is moving forward with a downtown project that includes approximately 250 market-rate workforce housing units and 50,000 square feet of retail and restaurant uses. Other major investments along the light-rail line include major improvements proposed for LAX. These improvements, including the proposed Automated People Mover, Intermodal Transportation Facility, and the Regional Rental Car Facility. These airport facilities will be directly connected by the people mover to the Crenshaw/LAX Line at a future 96th Street Station, providing easy access from the Crenshaw District and the Opportunity Sites to the airport and national and global destinations.



Figure 6 Leimert Park Village Main Street

#### 2. THE JOINT DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY SITES

The Expo/Crenshaw Joint Development opportunity incorporates two parcels of land, one owned by Metro and the other by Los Angeles County. The west Opportunity Site, Site A, owned by Los Angeles County, is an approximate 1.66-acre "L" shaped parcel with approximately 150' of frontage along Crenshaw Boulevard to the east; 300' of frontage along West Exposition Boulevard to the north opposite the Expo Line light-rail platform; 300' of frontage along residentially-oriented Victoria Avenue to the west; and 140' of frontage along Rodeo Road to the south (see Figure 5, Site A). This site presently houses a Los Angeles County Probation Department facility, which operates out of a one-story building served by a surface parking lot (see Figure 7). This use is being relocated by Los Angeles County and Metro and Los Angeles County are working together to ensure the redevelopment of the site for high-quality transit-oriented development.

The east Opportunity Site, Site B, is controlled by Metro and is an approximate 1.77-acre and approximate 300' by 250' trapezoidal parcel surrounded by Exposition Place to the north, Bronson Avenue to the east, Rodeo Road to the south, and Crenshaw Boulevard to the west (see Figure 5, Site B). Currently used for construction staging, this parcel will include access to the underground station (stair, escalator,



Figure 7
Joint Development Opportunity Site A

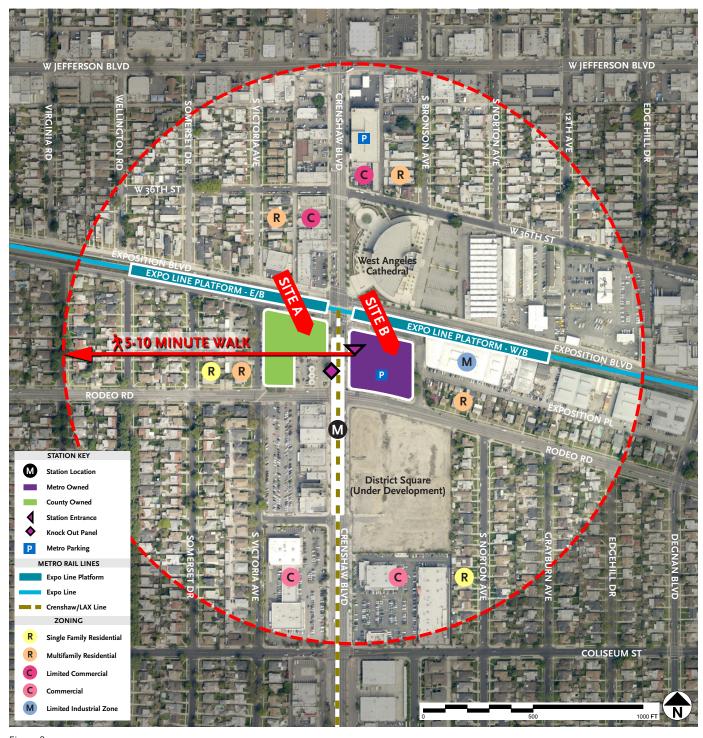


Figure 8
The Opportunity Site Context

#### **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - EXPO/CRENSHAW STATION**

and elevators), and was initially planned to include a 110-space surface parking lot serving Metro commuters and patrons (see Figure 9). Metro is examining options to relocate and/or incorporate this parking off-site to facilitate the highest-quality development project on this site. Upon completion of the Metro construction, Bronson Avenue will dead-end approximately 150 feet north of Rodeo Road where a cul-desac is proposed. Just to the north of the cul-de-sac, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power will be providing an at-grade facility that serves Metro's utility needs.

As further discussed in Section V.I, potential street vacations may present opportunities to expand the limits of Site A and Site B.



Figure 9
Joint Opportunity Site B

#### 3. THE MARKET OPPORTUNITY

Located at the intersection of two light-rail lines, the Opportunity Sites are directly linked to three of the Los Angeles basin's major job centers: Downtown Los Angeles (297,000 jobs), Santa Monica (83,000 jobs) and the LAX area (100,000 jobs). These connections and the Opportunity Sites' visibility on a major arterial suggest strong opportunities for both residential and commercial uses.

There are approximately 7,100 people currently living in 2,700 households located within a half-mile of the station area. These households reside in a mix of owner-occupied homes (47% of total households) and rentals (53% of households). The rate of owner-occupied homes is substantially higher in the station area than the percentage in the City of Los Angeles as a whole (38% of owner-occupied units), pointing to the stability of the immediate surrounding area.

The primary market area (shown in Figure 10) has largely recovered from the 2008 – 2011 recession. Recent single-family home prices within the primary market area are close to 2007 levels and apartments in more recently constructed buildings yield higher than average area rents. Recently the community has seen major investment in new retail uses, including Capri Development's announcement to renovate and expand the mix of uses at the Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza, one mile to the south of the Expo/Crenshaw Station (see Figure 11).

A market demand study completed in advance of the writing of these guidelines indicates that there is strong demand for a number of retail uses in the station area. The demand study also indicates strong support for new market rate residential uses.

While no new office buildings have been built within the station area in over 10 years, to the west of the station area, adjacent to the Expo Line



Figure 10
Expo/Crenshaw Station area development will draw from a larger primary market area, shown above.

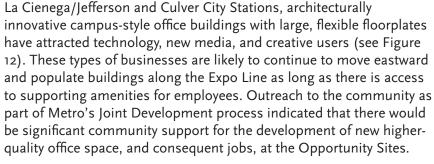


Figure 11 Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza

Photo by Primestor



Figure 12 EOM Samitaur Tower



The combination of retail and housing demand, coupled with strong community support for office uses, suggests that a mixed use project at the Opportunity Sites would be well received both by the community and the market.

#### 4. THE IMMEDIATE CONTEXT

A low-scale generally single-family home neighborhood lies to the west of Site A with two-story garden apartments surrounded by generously landscaped front and side yard setbacks immediately across Victoria Avenue adjacent to Site A (see Figure 13).

A combination of light industrial uses along the Expo Line corridor surrounded by single- and multi-family residential uses lie to the east of Site B. Immediately to the south along Crenshaw Boulevard are sidewalk-oriented retail and office buildings as well as a large development site, the approximate 6.5-acre District Square project. While specific plans and the program for this project are still being reformulated, the developer of this project has most recently proposed large retail uses along with residential rental units.

To the immediate north of the Opportunity Sites are the split platforms of the existing Expo Line light-rail (Downtown-bound platform on the west side of Crenshaw Boulevard and Santa Monica-bound platform on the east side). A portion of Exposition Boulevard/Exposition Place separates these two train platforms from the Opportunity Sites. The stretch adjacent to Site B is in the process of being vacated by Metro; the approximately 300' long stretch of street adjacent to Site A could also be vacated as part of a development proposal. These vacated streets could establish an open space amenity between the east-west light-rail right-of-way and the north frontages of the Opportunity Sites creating an enhanced pedestrian connection between the Expo Line and the future Crenshaw/LAX Line (see Figure 14).

Crenshaw Boulevard to the north of the Opportunity Sites is typically lined with small street-facing businesses in one-story structures (see Figure 15). By contrast, the landmark 5,000-seat West Angeles



Figure 13 View south along Victoria Avenue



Figure 14
View east along West Exposition Boulevard towards
Crenshaw Boulevard; this portion of the street could
be vacated and an open space amenity fronting the
west opportunity site realized.

# **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - EXPO/CRENSHAW STATION**

Cathedral, completed in 1999, anchors the northeast intersection of the Expo Line with Crenshaw Boulevard, attracting large and vibrant crowds on Sundays and holidays (see Figure 16). The northern campus of this church is two blocks north along Crenshaw Boulevard. Between these two church sites, on the east side of Crenshaw Boulevard, is the Cathedral's 500-space parking structure (see Figure 17). During the week, and when the church is not active, this garage, a short four to five-minute walk from the Metro Stations, doubles as a commuter parking resource for light-rail patrons.



Figure 15 View north along Crenshaw Boulevard



Figure 16 West Angeles Cathedral



Figure 17
West Angeles Cathedral parking structure

# **III. Vision for Joint Development**

#### 1. GENERAL STATION AREA POLICIES

The greater Crenshaw community has a long history of active participation in the shaping of goals, objectives, and visioning of the area surrounding the Expo/Crenshaw Station. Over the past decade these efforts include:

- The Crenshaw Corridor: A Multi-Generational Vision for Our Collective Future (Local Initiatives Support Coalition {LISC}, Community Build, Inc., 2009); a strategy plan to introduce sustainable approaches to housing, education, jobs, mental health, and social services for people of all ages.
- The Mid-City Crenshaw Vision Plan (Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles {CRA/LA}, 2009); a vision and streetscape plan for the Crenshaw Corridor between Interstate 10 to the north and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard to the south.
- The Crenshaw Corridors Transit Linkages Project (California Department of Transportation {Caltrans}, Institute for Community Economic Development, Los Angeles Department of Transportation {LADOT}, and Los Angeles Urban League, 2012); a bicycle access and walkability plan for proposed light rail stations and districts along Crenshaw Boulevard.
- Safe Routes to School Strategic Plan (LADOT, launched 2011); means to increase and implement safety related to children walking and bicycling to local schools.
- The City of Los Angeles Sustainable City Plan (Office of Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, 2015); introduction of metrics and benchmarks including those for enhanced streetscapes, enhanced active transportation (i.e. walking and bicycling), and mixed-use development at transit stations to measure sustainability progress.

The Opportunity Sites are located within the Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan area. The City of Los Angeles recently completed an extensive outreach effort to update the Specific Plan which is in the final stages of adoption. The Expo/Crenshaw Station area is identified in the Draft Amended Specific Plan as a transit-oriented district with increased intensity of uses in the vicinity of the Expo Line and Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project. While the vision for this area, inclusive

of the Joint Development Opportunity Sites, allows for increased densities and heights, the plans also clearly delineate the need to relate and transition to the smaller-scale and surrounding residential context, particularly along Victoria Avenue between West Exposition Boulevard and Rodeo Road.

The community specifically anticipates that any project within the Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan area, including projects proposed for the Opportunity Sites, will adhere to the goals, objectives, and requirements of the Specific Plan. This plan emphasizes and encourages:

- economic revitalization
- a balance of commercial uses that address the specific needs of the surrounding communities including but not limited to local-serving retail and provision of high-quality food purveyors and restaurants
- a compatible relationship to and carefully designed transitions between new projects and existing and contiguous residential neighborhoods
- a high-level of pedestrian activity and pedestrian-friendly design that activates and ensures the safety of sidewalks
- ▶ the promotion of sustainable community development.

The draft West Adams—Baldwin Hills—Leimert Community Plan, also pending adoption following an update effort by the City of Los Angeles, further emphasizes important community aspirations related to the realization of a healthy and sustainable community. In this plan, sustainability is linked to continuity of social and cultural identity. The plan states, "(t) he collective sense of place existing within the neighborhoods of the West Adams—Baldwin Hills—Leimert Community Plan is an enduring source of cultural and civic pride. The area's numerous historic and cultural resources continue to serve as invaluable assets toward developing positive neighborhood identity. Preservation and enhancement of the area's legacy of architectural and urban planning resources, as well as identification of future resources, is extremely important toward ensuring continued and overall sustainability for the area."

See Section IV.2 and Section IV.3 for a more detailed discussion of the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert Park Community Plan and the Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan, respectively, as it relates to the Opportunity Sites.

#### 2. GENERAL STAKEHOLDER VISION

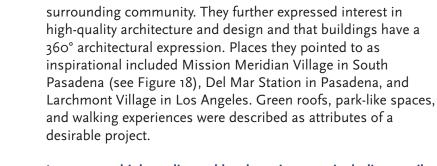
Metro engaged in a one-year outreach process to inform the communities surrounding the Expo/Crenshaw Station area about the potential of the Joint Development opportunity and to solicit input, ideas, and feedback regarding the community's development aspirations, goals and objectives. A broad range of ideas was expressed during this time and common themes and ideas emerged. Key community based concepts that should shape a future Joint Development project include:

# Realize a culturally distinct and iconic gateway destination that serves residents and attracts visitors.

Community members pointed to the unique multi-cultural history of the surrounding community and stated that these factors should shape and differentiate a project at the Expo/Crenshaw Joint Development Opportunity Sites. Stakeholders also expressed an interest that the realized project should serve as a high-quality icon along the Crenshaw Corridor for both present and future residents and visitors.



Stakeholders desired that the Joint Development project have a village-like sensibility and scale and that massing and bulk be broken down to better relate to the smaller scale of the



Incorporate high-quality and local-serving uses including retail, sit-down restaurants, and a neighborhood grocery. Stakeholders expressed strong interest in the incorporation of high-quality neighborhood-responsive retail uses in a Joint Development project. To best serve the community, they noted that there should be neighborhood-serving retail opportunities with a variety of price points that serve everyday needs. There was also specific interest stated in locating a grocery purveyor of fresh and organic foods in the project as well as sit-down restaurants and cafes.

Develop a range of housing types affordable to existing residents including seniors and families.

Participants were in favor of mixed-use development with



Pedestrian oriented activities and scale at Mission Meridian Village, a transit oriented development along the Gold Line in South Pasadena.

Photo by Moule & Polyzoides

housing located above ground level retail. They noted the need for market rate housing as well as housing affordable to residents of the existing community including seniors and working families. Realizing a Joint Development project incorporating housing accessible for people who have lived in the community for their entire lives was seen as a critical place-keeping development strategy.

# ► Foster community job growth and opportunity during and after development.

Community members see job creation and long-term job growth and stability in the community as an integral component of the Joint Development process and outcome. In this regard stakeholders stated a preference for a project that incorporates attractive office, creative, incubator, and/or community spaces that could be utilized by local and entrepreneurial business people and non-profits, including social benefit organizations working to improve health and well being (see Figure 19).

# Offer sufficient parking for commuters and minimize parking impacts on surrounding communities.

Residents of the community do not want the combination of project and commuter parking to spill into the surrounding neighborhoods. They want the project to address commuter needs and offer adequate parking appropriate for the proposed Joint Development uses.

# Encourage and provide opportunities for ongoing community input in the Joint Development process and proposed project.

Stakeholders want to ensure their ongoing participation including opportunities for review and comment throughout the Joint Development process. They want project proponents to engage in continued outreach efforts to create project transparency that ensures community understanding at all project phases, thereby furthering the realization of the community's project vision.

A successful Joint Development project will be evaluated, in part, on its ability to accommodate the above themes through careful programming and design strategies. A successful project and development team will further promote the broadest range of community objectives that have been expressed throughout the outreach process. These include recognition that new transit-oriented development in the Crenshaw district will create increased opportunities, linkages, and facilities for walking, biking, and healthier lifestyles. New development can respond to the need for housing and jobs for all existing residents and build upon the strengths of the local community, businesses, institutions, and culture. Most importantly, a successful project is as much about place-keeping for the existing community and local culture as it is about place making that all users enjoy.



Figure 19 Platform, a transit oriented development in Culver City adjacent to the Expo Line, is a carefully curated retail experience with restaurant and creative office space.

Photo by Ricardo DeAratanha, Los Angeles Times

# IV. Joint Development Sites Regulatory and Policy Framework

Metro, Los Angeles County, and City of Los Angeles policies and plans will shape the Joint Development project proposal and implementation. The following key policies and plans are noted below and should be carefully reviewed and utilized as part of the Joint Development process.

# 1. METRO'S JOINT DEVELOPMENT POLICY

Metro's Joint Development Policy (Policy), updated in February of 2016, guides Metro's property asset development activities and projects. The Policy establishes the framework by which Metro prioritizes and approves Opportunity Site proposals and reviews and implements these projects.

A key objective of the Policy is to realize transit-oriented projects that increase transit ridership. At the same time Metro seeks to appropriately fit projects that it sponsors within existing communities. Metro seeks to do this by optimizing community engagement, both by Metro and the selected development team, and realizing projects that reflect and support community needs and desires.

Metro's Joint Development program also seeks to **facilitate construction of affordable housing units** such that 35% of the total housing units in the Metro Joint Development portfolio are affordable for residents earning 60% or less of the Area Median Income (AMI) as defined by the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (TCAC). Regardless of the project type that is proposed and implemented, Metro is committed to pursuing high-quality design that enhances the surrounding community and creates inviting spaces and places around Metro facilities.

Metro's Joint Development financial policies emphasize risk minimization and maximizing revenue through ground lease payments, which is the preferred transaction structure as opposed to fee disposition. Metro does not contribute funding to Joint Development projects, though the Joint Development Policy does allow for partial land discounting below fair market value in order to support affordable housing. Developers are encouraged to obtain capital or in-lieu contributions from other public agencies to create greater community economic benefit.

Joint Development proposals are evaluated based on their support of Metro's Joint Development policies. Proposers should fully examine

the Metro Joint Development Program: Policies and Process (see media.metro.net/projects\_studies/joint\_development/images /JDP\_Policy\_0225\_2016.pdf) and to the maximum extent feasible conform to the objectives, goals, and policies of this program.

In addition to the Metro Joint Development Policy, additional County policies and requirements may apply as more specifically described in the RFP.

#### 2. WEST ADAMS - BALDWIN HILLS - LEIMERT COMMUNITY PLAN

The existing West Adams—Baldwin Hills—Leimert Community Plan (Community Plan) was last updated and adopted in 1997 and is the City of Los Angeles policy document defining the means by which the City guides land use and economic development decision-making at the Joint Development Opportunity Sites and in the surrounding community. Interestingly, twenty years ago, when this plan was adopted, a key objective was to maximize "...the development opportunities of the future rail transit system while minimizing adverse impacts".

The existing general land use designation for the Opportunity Sites is commercial, typically allowing for development of commercial, residential, institutional, and mixed-uses with restrictions on industrial and manufacturing uses. The sites immediately to the east and south of the Opportunity Sites are also designated as commercial sites. However, to the immediate west of Site A, the land use changes to lower density, multiple-family uses, requiring a transition in intensity of uses and design along this interface.

The existing intensity of uses on the Opportunity Sites are controlled by a height district designation that generally limits density and height to reflect the existing one, two, and three story surroundings. Within the vicinity of the station area these designations are evolving through a community plan update process. An update to the Community Plan is being prepared by the City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning (LADCP), and is in the final stages of adoption. The Community Plan, a component of the Land Use Element of the Los Angeles General Plan, includes updated goals, objectives and overarching standards and guidelines for the community's future growth and improvement. These include density increases and a 15' over-existing-standards height increase within the Crenshaw/Expo Transit Oriented District, which is inclusive of the Opportunity Sites. Proposers should consider the Community Plan when developing their concepts.



Figure 20
The Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan is the primary guiding document for the Joint Development Opportunity Sites.

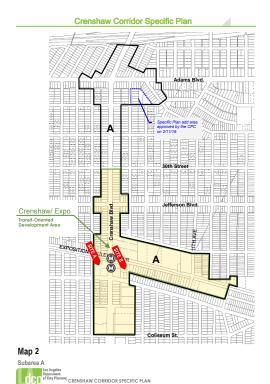


Figure 21 Transit-Oriented Development Area, Subarea A per the Draft Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan which is pending City Council adoption.

# 3. CRENSHAW CORRIDOR SPECIFIC PLAN AND CITY OF LOS ANGELES ZONING

The existing Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan (Specific Plan), in coordination with City of Los Angeles zoning requirements, implements the goals, objectives, and provisions of the Community Plan along the length of the Crenshaw Boulevard corridor. The Specific Plan was first adopted in 2004 and refines zoning criteria last updated in 2000. An amendment to update the Specific Plan is being prepared by LADCP and is in the final stages of adoption (see Figure 20). The amended Specific Plan affirmatively addresses the opportunities associated with new transit infrastructure along the Crenshaw Corridor as well as community desires to ensure that the Specific Plan addresses walkability, conservation of cultural and historic resources, and revitalization of historic Leimert Park Village.

Within the designated Crenshaw/Expo Transit Oriented Development Area (Subarea A), which includes the Opportunity Sites, the amended plan provides for upward adjustments of density and height (see Figure 21). Density at the two sites is generally increased from a FAR of 1.5:1.0 to a FAR of 3.0:1.0 for mixed-use projects with a residential component. General height allowances are raised from 45' to 75'. With the provision of fully subterranean parking, FAR may be further increased one foot for each foot of parking placed below grade to a maximum of an additional 1.0:1.0 FAR. In this last regard, project proponents should take into consideration that the historic high mark of the water table is located approximately 20' deep and has been noted as shallower on adjoining properties.

To ensure that a new project on Site A better relates to its multi-family residential neighbors along Victoria Avenue, maximum development heights are limited along this frontage to 30' for the first 50' of project lot depth. The amended Specific Plan also includes additional provisions for the design of signs, limitations of free-standing fast food establishments, additional limitations on off-site alcohol sales, and limitations on automobile uses.

A key provision of the amended Specific Plan is a 50% reduction of parking requirements within the boundaries of a transit-oriented development area, i.e. Subarea A. The parking provisions of this plan also note that the maximum parking permitted for proposed uses in this subarea may not exceed 90% of what is otherwise allowed by City of Los Angeles zoning.

Preliminary analysis of the two sites indicates that an approximate 215,000 square foot project could be realized on Site A and an approximate 230,000 square foot project developed on Site B assuming a 3.0:1.0 FAR (see Figure 22). These densities could be

# **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - EXPO/CRENSHAW STATION**

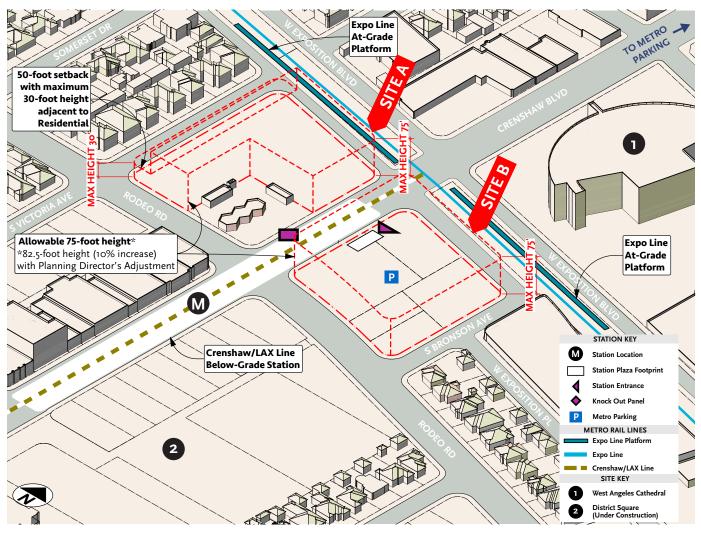


Figure 22 Allowable Building Area Diagram per the Draft Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan which is pending City Council adoption.

increased up to an additional 1.0:1.0 FAR with the provision of underground parking. Projects could also include additional affordable housing units through the utilization of the City's affordable housing density bonus (see City of Los Angeles Zoning Code Section 12.22 A.25, Affordable Housing Incentives — Density Bonus). Additionally, there may be potential to vacate and utilize existing right-of-way and any associated FAR along West Exposition Boulevard and Exposition Place immediately north of the Opportunity Sites as further discussed in Section V.1.c. This preliminary analysis should be carefully reviewed by project proponents to ensure that a proposed project addresses City of Los Angeles planning requirements including those of the amended Specific Plan.

Given the overlapping plan requirements – Community Plan, zoning, Amended Specific Plan – and complexity, the prevailing requirements of all of these documents should be carefully reviewed, City of Los Angeles planning staff consulted, and adopted regulations closely adhered to when developing a project concept for the Opportunity Sites.

#### 4. CRENSHAW BOULEVARD STREETSCAPE PLAN

The Crenshaw Boulevard Streetscape Plan: A Transit Neighborhood Plans Project (Streetscape Plan) is being prepared by LADCP and is anticipated to be adopted in Summer 2016 (see Figure 23). This plan complements the Specific Plan (see Section IV.3 above) and provides for streetscape improvements in the public right-of-way that enhance the walkability, sustainability, identity, and transit-friendliness of Crenshaw Boulevard. Importantly, the Streetscape Plan establishes the criteria for a "complete, multi-modal street that reflects the proposed Metro Crenshaw LAX Line Light rail Transit (LRT) project". Upon adoption, new construction, such as may be proposed at the Joint Development Opportunity Sites, will be required to meet and implement the requirements of the Streetscape Plan.

The Catalina Ironwood is the unifying tree throughout the corridor. To create a sense of district identity specific to this portion of the corridor, proposed improvements include the planting of Sycamore trees at the sidewalk curb. In open spaces and plazas, as well as within rights-of-way where space permits, Tipuana Tipu trees are suggested as accent trees. Pedestrian-scale street lights are proposed as well as standardized specifications for bus shelters, trash receptacles, benches and bike racks. While Metro may be providing some of these improvements and requirements as part of their construction of the light-rail line and station portal and plaza at the Expo/Crenshaw Station, this plan should be carefully consulted so that all required elements are incorporated into the proposed Joint Development project.



Figure 23 Crenshaw Boulevard Streetscape Plan

#### 5. OTHER KEY METRO POLICIES

#### a. Metro Complete Streets Policy

Complete streets are streets that provide safe, comfortable, and convenient travel along and across thoroughfares through a comprehensive, integrated transportation network that serves all users, including pedestrians, users and operators of public transit, bicyclists, persons with disabilities, seniors, children, motorists, users of green modes including rideshare, transit, and clean fueled vehicles, and movers of commercial goods. Metro adopted a complete streets policy in October 2014 to identify opportunities and actions that support local complete street integration (see Figure 24). This policy (see media.metro.net/projects\_studies/sustainability/images /policy\_completestreets\_2014-10.pdf) should be reviewed and referred to when developing a project concept. Projects that incorporate complete street components and integration may be prioritized.

#### b. Metro First Last Mile Strategic Plan

The Joint Development Opportunity Sites are subject to Metro's First Last Mile Strategic Plan, which presents planning and design guidelines to improve the connections to station stops from origins and destinations within three miles of the station (see media.metro.net/docs/First\_Last\_Mile\_Strategic\_Plan.pdf). The plan introduces a "pathway" concept that provides planning criteria for the layout of transit access networks and components within Metro station areas (see Figure 25).

Pathway connectivity enhances transit transfers, increases user safety, offers information and wayfinding signage, and provides accommodations such as lockers or car share that facilitate and expand transit use, an important factor at a station such as Expo/Crenshaw which integrates two light rail lines, bus routes, and parking. This policy should be reviewed and its principles incorporated into a project concept. Projects that utilize first last mile strategies to shape the program and design may be prioritized.

# c. Metro Active Transportation Plan

Metro's Active Transportation Plan adopted in May 2016 focuses on enhancing access to stations and developing a regional network for people who choose to take transit, walk, and/or bike (see https://www.metro.net/projects/active-transportation-strategic-plan/). This policy builds and expands

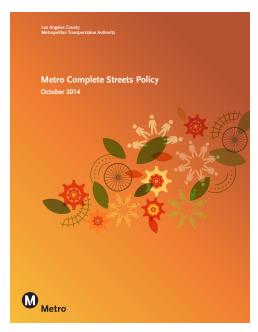


Figure 24 Metro Complete Streets Policy

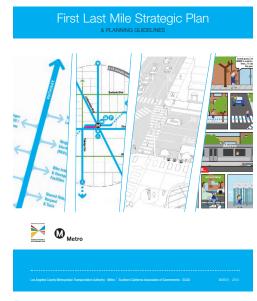


Figure 25 Metro First Last Mile Strategic Plan

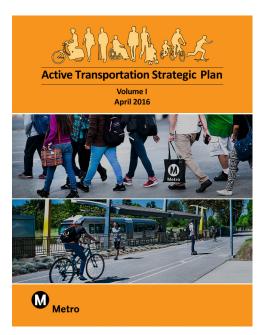


Figure 26 Metro Active Transportation Strategic Plan

upon Metro's Complete Streets Policy and First Last Mile Strategic Plan (see Figure 26).

While much of the Active Transportation Plan is devoted to enhancing the regional active transportation network through cooperation between Metro and local agencies, focused policies do address destinations and station stops. These include policies that encourage implementation of easy to achieve improvements that enhance use of Metro's system for all users such as landscaping with tree shade, introduction of street furniture and lighting, and other improvements to open spaces adjacent to Metro platforms, portals, and plazas. This policy should be reviewed and its principles incorporated into a project concept. Projects that incorporate in their design active transportation components may be prioritized.

# V. Transit Facilities and Accommodations

#### 1. THE CRENSHAW/LAX LIGHT-RAIL LINE IMPROVEMENTS

The Metro Joint Development opportunity consists of two sites; one site is located to the west of Crenshaw Boulevard (Site A) and one to the east (Site B). Both sites straddle an approximate 800' long subterranean station box running beneath Crenshaw Boulevard and can accommodate improvements associated with improved transit functionality and connectivity.

The under-construction Expo/Crenshaw Station and associated transit improvements such as the transit plaza on Site B must be maintained as an entrance to the Station. However, a developer may build over the portal to facilitate utilization of the full development allowances provided by the City of Los Angeles as subject to Metro design criteria, approval, and review. Existing vent shafts, emergency exits, and other similar station facilities as depicted in Figure 27 shall remain intact and future development shall not impair or hinder their functionality or structural integrity. With Metro's approval, such facilities may be modified; however, no loss of functionality or structural compromise shall occur, and the costs of such modifications will not be borne by Metro.

a. Site A Opportunity Site Transit and Mobility Improvements
Site A adjoins the underground Expo/Crenshaw Station box
along its eastern frontage (see Figure 27). As part of the
light-rail construction project, Metro is building improvements
along the Opportunity Site Crenshaw Boulevard frontage
including widened sidewalks, new street trees, and street
lighting. A bus turnout is being constructed at the north end of
the block (see Figure 27). To ensure long-term connectivity and
safe transit patron movements from the station to the
surrounding area, including direct connection between the
Crenshaw/LAX Line and the eastbound platform of the Expo
Line, a western "knockout" panel is being provided at the
station mezzanine level, approximately 110 feet north of the
intersection of Crenshaw Boulevard with Rodeo Road.

Joint Development concepts for Site A shall accommodate an additional access portal to the station mezzanine and light-rail platform below. The second transit access point and accompanying improvements such as a second portal and canopy, plaza, bicycle facilities, and landscape should be fully integrated into the proposed development. The activation of

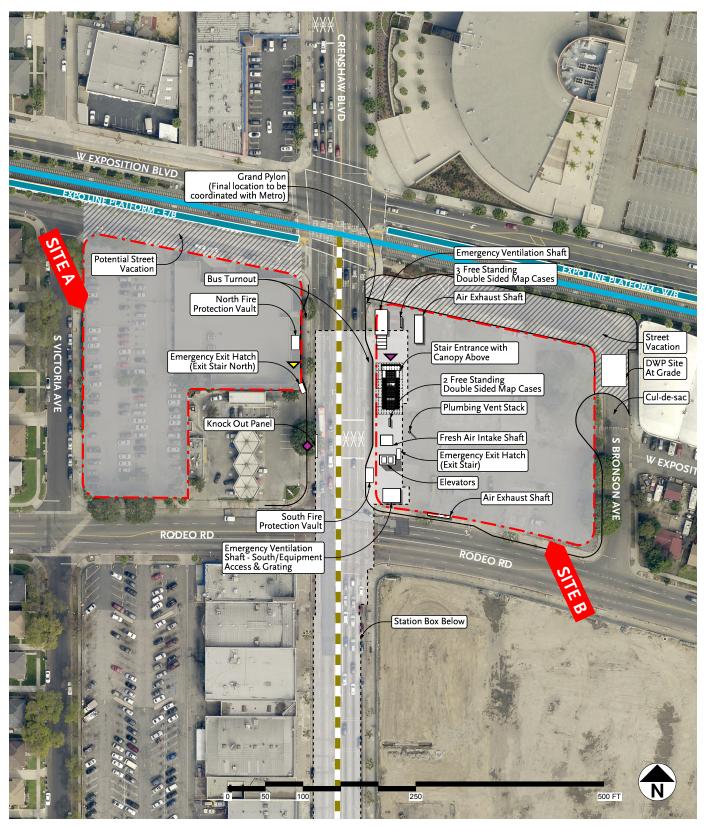


Figure 27
Site Transit and Mobility Improvements

this knockout panel and implementation of the second station entrance will enhance the identity of the station area and facilitate safe transfers between transit lines and transit modes including pedestrian movements under Crenshaw Boulevard. This provides an additional opportunity to provide activated open space opportunities, which is a community priority.

Project proposals shall not preclude the ability to construct the secondary entrance at Site A which shall include, at minimum, one escalator, one stair, one elevator, and associated signage and wayfinding including mapcases at street level. Potential configurations include a straight run north-south vertical circulation alignment (see Figure 28), similar to the proposed station entry at Site B, or an east-west switch back configuration (see Figure 29). The inclusion of a secondary entrance would eliminate the need for an emergency exit stair/hatch currently proposed on the west side of Crenshaw Boulevard.

If included as part of an open-air transit plaza, a canopy similar to that which is depicted on Site B in Figure 30 will be required, consistent with Metro's system wide station design standards. The portal may be developed over with a minimum clearance height of 20' subject to Metro review and approval to ensure the integrity of the transit infrastructure and station operations is not compromised. Note, the potential Site A entry configuration concepts are provided for initial planning purposes and will require further design development and engineering and close coordination with future development plans for Site A.

b. Site B Opportunity Site Transit and Mobility Improvements Site B incorporates the initial transit plaza and portal that will serve the Crenshaw/LAX Line (see Figure 27). This plaza is oriented north to south along the Crenshaw Boulevard frontage from Exposition Place to Rodeo Road and has a depth perpendicular to Crenshaw Boulevard of approximately 50'. Within this area Metro will provide transit improvements including a steel and glass entrance canopy that covers two public escalators and stairs leading to the below-grade station mezzanine level. Other plaza elements include two elevators, at-grade wayfinding elements such as map cases and an identity pylon, enhanced paving, landscape, shafts for ventilation, and access to underground equipment and in-pavement emergency exit hatches. A bus turnout and stop is carved into the Crenshaw curbside and placed in front of the portal canopy, establishing a clear link for patrons connecting between bus and rail.

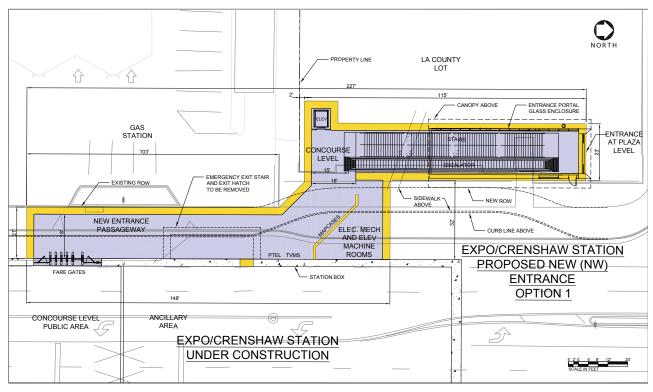


Figure 28
Option 1 Expo/Crenshaw Station proposed entrance.

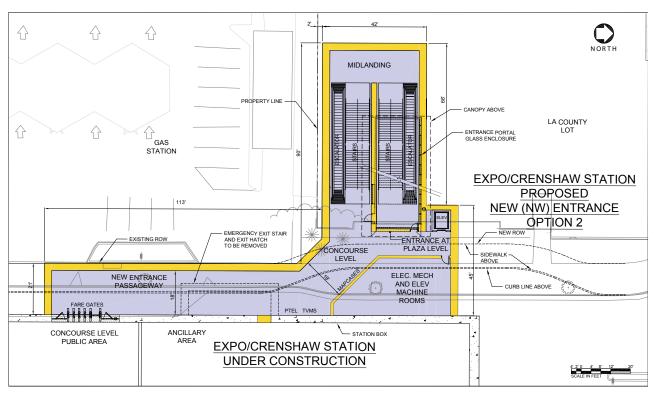


Figure 29
Option 2 Expo/Crenshaw Station proposed entrance.

The Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project scope includes the provision of 110 park-and-ride spaces at the Expo/Crenshaw Station.

These spaces were originally planned to be accommodated in a surface parking lot at Site B, though Metro is currently exploring relocating the spaces to a nearby location within easy walking distance to the two Metro light-rail stations at Expo/Crenshaw to allow for higher and better uses at Site B.

However, the development on Site B will still need to accommodate a minimum of 10 spaces of park-and-ride stalls on site, the cost of which shall be borne by the developer. The spaces shall be publicly accessible and segregated from development-related parking.

### c. Street Vacation Consideration

The West Exposition Boulevard and Exposition Place frontage on the north side of Sites A and B, respectively, separate these lots from the Expo Line right-of-way. Vacating these streets will allow for safer pedestrian connections between the Crenshaw/ LAX station portal(s) and the Expo Line east- and west-bound platforms, which are located on either side of Crenshaw Boulevard. The Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project is securing a street vacation for the portion of Exposition Place north of Site B between Crenshaw Boulevard and S. Bronson Avenue. There is also the potential to vacate and utilize the portion of West Exposition Boulevard north of Site A between and Crenshaw Boulevard and S. Victoria Avenue (see Figure 27). Metro has held exploratory conversations with the City of Los Angeles and is initiating the street vacation process. While vacating these existing rights-of-way may increase the developable square footage of the adjacent Opportunity Sites, these zones should be preserved as open space and explored as an opportunity to be programmed with project and community amenities.

### d. Wireless Facility Room Accommodation

Metro has contracted with a third-party to provide wireless telecommunication capabilities to allow riders to access wireless voice, data and video transmission services underground throughout the Metro system. The future Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project includes three underground stations and two additional underground tunnel sections that will need to be supported. To provide this service, it is necessary to install a neutral Distributed Antenna System (DAS) system as well as each individual wireless carriers' equipment in a centralized location or Base Station Hub/ Hotel. The Metro-owned property at Opportunity Site B has been identified as a potential host site. Development proposals



Figure 30 Rendering of proposed transit improvements at Site B (view looking northeast). Surface parking lot shown will be replaced by the Joint Development opportunity.

shall accommodate a Base Station Hub/Hotel on the Metro property at this site that meets the following specifications:

- The Station Hub/Hotel shall be located above ground; it may be within an above-grade parking structure
- The location of the Station Hub/Hotel shall be located relatively proximity to the entrance to the underground station for fiber access to the station box to connect to the equipment inside the station (does not need Crenshaw Boulevard frontage; may be tucked behind development)
- The Station Hub/Hotel shall provide approximately 800 square feet of usable space. If a stand-alone building (i.e. communication shelter), then 1000 square feet of construction footage shall be provided to account for the building, the emergency generator to back up air conditioning units, and the transformer to step down power (400A at 480V)
- The Station Hub/Hotel shall be provided with minimum 10 foot clear ceiling heights
- The Station Hub/Hotel shall be engineered to accommodate a minimum live load of 250 psf
- A minimum 3' by 7' door shall be provided for equipment access

### VII. Development and Design Considerations and Guidelines

Joint Development Opportunity Site proposals will be evaluated, in part, on their compliance with the development and design considerations and guidelines of this section. While a project is not required to meet all of the guidelines and considerations, a project that complies with all or most of the design guidelines may be given priority.

### 1. UTILIZE EXISTING COMMUNITY PLANS

The primary document providing a framework for development of both Site A and Site B Joint Development sites is the City of Los Angeles amended Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan (Specific Plan). This document should be closely adhered to when developing a Joint Development concept and design.



Figure 31
Community members voted for 12 different potential uses based on feedback from a series of small roundtable discussions with local stakeholders.

### 2. ALLOWABLE USES GUIDELINE

Allowable uses on the Opportunity Sites include a range of retail, commercial, and residential uses. In this regard the use standards of the Specific Plan should be followed (see Section IV.3 above). At the same time, as project proponents develop programs, they should closely consider the aspirations of the community as defined in the Vision section of this document (see Section III.2, "General Stakeholder Vision" above, and Figure 31) and in the attached "Community Outreach Process Summary" (Appendix A).

### 3. DEVELOPMENT INTENSITY CONSIDERATION

Metro is seeking a Joint Development project that provides for intensity and vitality of uses and supports and facilitates transit use and the safety of community members and transit patrons. A preferred use will fully utilize, while respecting, the mixed-use planning allowances provided by the amended Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan.



Figure 32 Platform, the transit oriented retail center in Culver City, utilizes signage and a varied skyline to face both the street and the raised Expo Line.

Photo by Ricardo DeAratanha, Los Angeles Times

### 4. HEIGHT ALLOWANCE GUIDELINE

The Specific Plan provides for a maximum height of 75'. Additionally, the Specific Plan provides for a transition from higher heights to lower heights along the length of Victoria Avenue to relate new development to the height, scale, and texture of this traditional multi-family

residential street. Height considerations also include the design of a varied skyline expression to reduce the sense of project bulk and scale (see Figure 32). The Specific Plan allows for and encourages skyline expression including the use of uninhabited architectural features such as towers to create identity and design contrast. These height allowances and parameters should be followed to ensure the realization of a compatible community-oriented project.

### 5. VILLAGE SCALE GUIDELINE

The Joint Development design should incorporate distinct human-scale massing and elements that create a variety of forms, scales, and open space types that reduce any sense of overarching bulk or excess mass. The project design should learn from, refer to, utilize, and transition to the surrounding neighborhood residential scale to create a sense of fit between the Joint Development project and the surrounds, including along the Victoria Avenue and Bronson Avenue interfaces. An overall village sensibility should be emphasized with human-scale components such as shop-fronts, building entrances, a sense of shade and shadow, and breaks in plane and mass occurring along sidewalks and pathways, as well as identifiable architectural components that combine to create a whole design visible as both parts and whole to people from medium as well as further distances (see Figure 33).



Figure 33 Larchmont Village in Los Angeles was referenced consistently by stakeholders and residents as a quintessential example of village scale, and high quality retail.

Photo by Sony Holland

### 6. PROJECT ORIENTATION GUIDELINE

The Opportunity Sites should affirmatively face and create a sense of activity and oversight along the major public rights-of-way. Active uses, programs, and architectural components such as entrances and storefronts should open onto transit improvements such as transit plazas (see Figure 34). New transit improvements proposed on Site A should be integral to creating a sense of entry to the light-rail station, and promote activity and identity at this location. The Joint Development project should also create a positive interface with sidewalks, uses, and entries facing Victoria Avenue and Bronson Avenue. While all projects have ingress and egress and service requirements, these should be designed to be minimal, unobtrusive, integrated with the overall architectural and open space character, and accessed to the maximum extent feasible from the following locales.

Site A - Vehicular access to the site and service areas should be located to the maximum extent feasible from Rodeo Road. As needed, additional vehicular access and service points may be located along Victoria Avenue. However, any vehicular and or service adjacency to Victoria Avenue shall lead to service areas



Figure 34
Fruitvale Village is a mixed-use transit oriented development adjacent to the BART Station in the East Bay. The building is oriented to and faces a pedestrian plaza which hosts farmer's markets and events.

Photo by youthvoices.net

that are internal to the site and screened from view with architectural treatments that match the overall design quality of the project, and designed to minimize visual and noise impacts on adjacent residential uses.

▶ Site B – Vehicular access to the site and service areas should be located off of Rodeo Road or Bronson Avenue and balance traffic circulation needs with sensitivity to adjacent single family homes to the east. Service areas should be internal to the site and screened from view with architectural treatments that match the overall design quality of the project, and designed to minimize visual and noise impacts on adjacent residential uses.

### 7. SETBACKS GUIDELINE

In general, projects should provide varied setbacks about the perimeter of the Opportunity Sites. Varied setbacks provide opportunities for the provision of at-grade landscape, small plazas for outdoor dining and cafes, open spaces (see Figure 35), sidewalk retail with shop fronts at the back of sidewalk, as well as select widened sidewalks that facilitate connectivity between in-place and proposed transit improvements and pathways.

Along Victoria Street, consideration should be given to providing a landscaped setback that is similar in depth to those seen at the multifamily residences on the opposite side of the street. This street, lined with mature Jacaranda trees, has a sense of quietude and familial grace that the new project needs to address and relate to with regards to landscape, scale, and use.



Figure 35 Broadway Housing in Santa Monica makes use of setbacks to create open space and circulation.

Photo by Iwan Baan

### 8. TRANSIT ACCESS GUIDELINE

Joint Development projects should prioritize the provision of additional connections to the Expo/Crenshaw below-grade station, particularly through the provision of a second transit access component on Site A associated with the western knockout panel. Projects at this site should anticipate provision of additional open space, landscape, portal canopy, and signage that facilitates transit patron movement from Site A to the underground station.

Additionally, project design should consider the location of bus stops and entrances to the Expo Line at the intersection of Crenshaw Boulevard. The proposed projects right-of-way considerations should include enhancement to the bus stop zones and intermodal connectivity enhancements including landscaping, street furniture,



Figure 36 Transit plaza of Del Mar Station Transit Village, located at the southern edge of downtown Pasadena, along the Gold Line.

Photo by Moule & Polyzoides

lighting and other pedestrian-scaled improvements. Additionally, signage and wayfinding between transit modes as well as to key local destinations and community amenities is encouraged in coordination with Metro.

Anticipation of additional active transportation connectivity through the design of pathways across the Opportunity Sites, provision of areas for bike facilities, heightened pedestrian-oriented lighting levels, and clear and safe pathway linkages between parking and transit portals and facilities should be integral to the design and development of the proposed project (see Figure 36).

### 9. ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER CONSIDERATIONS

High-quality and enduring project design and character are an essential component of a successful Joint Development project. An architecturally successful design should incorporate details that create a sense of interest to the pedestrian as well as the viewer from afar. Particular attention should be focused on creating building fronts and facades at the ground level that have a sense of human-scale, intricacy, and texture that enhance pedestrian transit user interest. Designs should utilize high-quality materials that will endure and maintain their appearance (see Figure 37).

Building design character, elements, and components should be implemented at all portions of the project, i.e. 360° architecture, also establish both a sense of place by relating to the climate and light conditions of the district, as well as a sense of cultural continuity through incorporation of existing community narratives as described in these Development Guidelines. While a specific style of architecture is not required, design teams should carefully examine the landmark architecture in the community, its style, scale, and sensibility, and be able to address how new architecture builds upon the lessons of older designs. This includes consideration and mutually compatible design with the existing West Angeles Cathedral to the north of Site B and the District Square project proposed to the south. Innovative design is also encouraged, and the broadest definition of sustainable and resilient design recommended.

The use of chain and/or brand architecture related to national commercial and credit enterprises, or an architectural scheme reliant upon changing out storefronts with chain and brand architecture is strongly discouraged at both the individual storefront scale as well as the overall project scale. In this regard signage and signage programs should be carefully considered and fully described and integrated within the project design program, oriented both to the pedestrian, transit user, as well as passing vehicles, and be integral to the



Figure 37
Residential transition at Mission Meridian Village, a transit oriented development along the Gold Line in Pasadena.

Photo by Moule & Polyzoides

architecture of the project. This project should establish a sense of specific identity and place through architecture and landscape that is first and foremost unique to this community.

### 10. ON-SITE OPEN SPACE AND LANDSCAPING GUIDELINE

Well-landscaped areas utilizing drought-tolerant plant materials and enhanced hardscape, well-appointed open spaces including additional transit amenities such as plazas and pathways that provide access between the Crenshaw/LAX Line portal(s) and the Expo Line platforms are encouraged to both facilitate connections but also encourage transit patrons to engage with the surrounding development and commercial offerings. Other outdoor amenities such as pathways that cross the Opportunity Sites and rooftop terraces should be considered to distinguish the design of a proposed project (see Figure 38).



Figure 38 9,000 square foot green roof at Central Avenue Constituent Services Center in Los Angeles, California. Photo by Genaro Molina, LA Times

### 11. STREETSCAPE DESIGN STANDARDS

The streetscape design standards and guidelines of the Draft Crenshaw Boulevard Streetscape Plan (see Section IV.4 above) should serve as a guide for the implementation of both off-site as well as on-site sidewalk, pathway, and street improvements (see Figure 39). Projects will be required to implement the improvements noted in this plan and designs should incorporate the plan elements to enhance the sense of connection and continuity between the streetscape and on-site open space and curb-facing architectural elements.

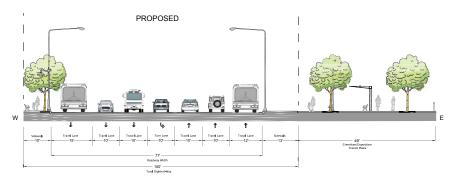


Figure 39 Proposed cross section of Crenshaw Boulevard per Crenshaw Boulevard Streetscape Plan. Image from Crenshaw Boulevard Streetscape Plan

### 12. PUBLIC ART CONSIDERATIONS

Metro's public art program and arts programming enhances the customer experience with innovative visual and performing arts that

### **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - EXPO/CRENSHAW STATION**

encourages ridership and connect people, sites and neighborhoods throughout Los Angeles County (see Figure 40). A diverse range of site-specific artworks are integrated into the growing Metro system, improving the quality of transit environments, creating a sense of place, and strengthening ties with the communities Metro serves. From photography installations to onboard posters, art tours, and live performances, Metro's multi-faceted art programs add vibrancy and engage people throughout Los Angeles County.

Public art or arts programming is an opportunity to introduce visual and physical enhancement(s) to the Opportunity Sites that enhances the project quality, making people and transit users more aware of their cultural, historical, social, and/or environmental surroundings and place. Metro encourages respondents to include an Art Plan for a permanent public art component or cultural facility as an integral part of the development. Artist or cultural facility participation on the design team through implementation of a site-specific arts program is encouraged from the outset of architectural design to ensure full integration into the project.

As the Joint Development project evolves, Metro Art will review will review the Art Plan in the schematic and final design stages to ensure that it is a result of a collaborative effort, is in a publicly accessible location, and contributes to the project as a whole.

As it may apply to the Joint Development opportunity, the City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) requires that each owner of an eligible private development project, valued at \$500,000 or more, pay an arts fee based on the square footage of office, retail, manufacturing, and hotel space in a building or one-percent of the project's Building and Safety permit valuation, whichever is lower.

Project applicants should consult with both Metro Art and the DCA to determine arts fee compliance requirements and options for public art or cultural facility integration as related to the Joint Development opportunity.

### 13. SAFETY AND SECURITY THROUGH DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

The safe use of transit and associated facilities is of paramount interest to Metro. A Joint Development project at a Metro station site should enhance transit patron's sense of well-being by utilizing passive and active strategies to enhance individual safety and security. Strategies, including utilization of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) approaches, should be used during the design of the Joint Development project to enhance project and user safety. At the same time project proponents should incorporate



Figure 40
Universal Delights, 2010
STEPHEN JOHNSON, Artist
Commissioned by Metro Art, Universal City Station

The 58-foot long mosaic mural commemorates the birthplace of the film and television industry with abstracted and colorful imagery referencing camera, stage and star motifs. The artwork is integrated into the area above the concourse ticket vending machines.



Figure 41 Safety & Comfort provision from First Last Mile Strategic Plan for Enhanced Bus Waiting Area. Goals include: enhance transit riders' level of comfort and improve safety for users at night by improving facility visibility.

Image from First Last Mile Strategic Plan

into their developments safety concepts noted in both Metro's First Last Mile Strategic Plan and Active Transportation Plan. These concepts extend the sense of safety to include design stratagems that reduce pedestrian, bicyclist, and vehicle conflicts, and enhance transit patrons comfort when using the light-rail, bus (see Figure 41), transit plaza, and parking interfaces that will be associated with the Joint Development project. Key design components of a project safety and security approach and program will include an "eyes on the street" strategy that places uses such as overlooking residential or active storefronts in locations that enhance oversight and activity in relationship to transit facilities, plazas, sidewalks, and interfaces between the project and its surrounds.



**APPENDIX A** 

### A. Community Outreach Process Summary

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Completed in June 2015, the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Joint Development (JD) Strategic Plan identified development opportunities on Metro and County owned properties along the under-construction light rail line, including properties at the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights Stations. In December 2015, an outside consultant team led by John Kaliski Architects (JKA) was hired that included architecture/ urban design expertise, and was supported by economic and market analysis firm HR&A Advisors (HR&A), and community relations firm The Robert Group (TRG). The consultant team was charged with assisting with outreach and analysis leading to the creation of the Development Guidelines.

Over the last year, Metro staff presented at or led over 25 community meetings and events to introduce the Metro JD process to local stakeholders, build relationships, and better understand community priorities and aspirations for future development along the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project. The result of this robust community outreach process was the creation of Development Guidelines for each JD opportunity site, which set the program, massing, and architecture/urban design expectations for JD proposals. The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the community outreach process and a summary of the input received.

### 2. OUTREACH STRATEGY

Understanding the diverse interests and aspirations of residents, business owners and other stakeholders along the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project alignment was crucial to shaping Metro's plan to engage the neighborhoods surrounding each JD site. Metro staff worked closely with the City of Los Angeles, the City of Inglewood and the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Community Leadership Council (CLC) — a community stakeholder-led Metro project advisory group — to engage community-based organizations and neighborhood stakeholders.

Metro and the consultant (Metro Team) worked closely with the Crenshaw/LAX CLC leadership to ensure the project's outreach strategy leveraged the long-standing relationship the CLC has with the community and its understanding of community sensitivities. With guidance from the CLC, the Metro Team sought to facilitate discussions around community aspirations, desired community

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROCESS SUMMARY - EXPO/CRENSHAW STATION

benefits, and build upon the history of efforts to-date in order to achieve sensitivity, transparency, and accountability. While the JD projects were seen as opportunities to benefit a broad range of existing and future residents, Metro acknowledged concerns about gentrification, displacement, and increased housing costs, and would emphasize the concept of "place keeping."

In order to solicit input from a broad array of area stakeholders and help shape the Development Guidelines, Metro facilitated meetings with the CLC, organized three intimate roundtable discussions with stakeholder representatives including one focused on business interests, and hosted two large public workshops to discuss community aspirations. Summaries of the outreach meetings are included within this document and all presentation materials from the meetings are posted on our website: https://www.metro.net/projects/jd-crenshawlax/past-meetings/.

### 3. COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP COUNCIL ENGAGEMENT

In addition to working closely with the CLC leadership and providing updates at CLC meetings in May and November 2015 and February 2016, the Metro Team presented the Crenshaw/LAX Joint Development program to the CLC Economic Development Work Group on March 3, 2016. The following questions were asked to stimulate discussion.

- 1. What makes the corridor special today?
- **2.** What needs aren't being met?
- 3. How can future development further community aspirations and goals (uses, design, etc.)?
- **4.** Are there projects that we should look to for inspiration?
- How can implementation of the Joint Development program respond to community priorities and build faith in the process?

The Crenshaw Corridor was seen as the "next frontier for South Los Angeles development." The area has a unique history as a center of African American culture already making it a destination for visitors. The area was seen as lacking weekend and nightlife activities, with locals spending their dollars in other neighborhoods. Restaurants and increased retail options were identified as needs, along with coworking space for young professionals. CLC members and community stakeholders also encouraged the JD project to look 40-50 years to the future when considering what to build and to encourage and facilitate participation by local developers, non-profit organizations, and small businesses.

### 4. STAKEHOLDER ROUNDTABLES

On March 5 and March 8, 2016, two stakeholder roundtable discussions were held with over 20 representatives from Expo/Crenshaw resident and homeowners associations, business groups, faith-based organizations, arts organizations, and other community-based organizations. Intimate by design, these discussions were intended to engage area stakeholders and community leaders to elicit major concerns and development ideas. The format for the roundtables involved a brief presentation with an overview of the Joint Development process and the Expo/Crenshaw Opportunity Sites followed by a group discussion. The questions from the CLC Economic Development Work Group were used to initiate discussion.

Roundtable participants saw the JD sites as an opportunity to create much-needed affordable housing and living wage jobs for area residents. Centrally located with proximity to the beach, Downtown Los Angeles, and the 10 freeway was highlighted as an attractive feature of this neighborhood. A high-quality, yet affordable grocery store was identified as a need. As at the meetings with the CLC, the desire for sit-down restaurants and increased retail options were discussed in great detail. The discussions also recognized that new transit-oriented development creates increased opportunities, linkages, and facilities for walking, biking and healthier lifestyles. Abbot Kinney in Venice and Larchmont Village were referenced as having favorable pedestrian-oriented scale compatible with the surrounding neighborhood, and offering a range of uses from creative office space to art galleries.

An additional roundtable discussion was held on March 11, 2016 with business leaders representing the entire Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor. Following an overview of the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights Joint Development Opportunities, the following questions tailored to the business community were used to initiate discussion.

- **1.** What are the assets of the Crenshaw/LAX commercial corridor?
- 2. What types of businesses could be attracted to the area that would provide quality jobs for local residents, and have positive community impacts?
- 3. What do you think can/should be done to maintain and strengthen local businesses?
- 4. How can the Joint Development sites help attract business and fulfill the commercial potential of the area?
- 5. What specific types of business services would benefit local business operations and revenues?

Again the central location of the Crenshaw Corridor within Los Angeles County was mentioned as a major asset. Providing amenities such as parking and more dining options were identified as potential ways to help to strengthen existing small businesses, as well as attract new ones. Improved safety and security was also discussed as being key to encouraging economic development. With the proximity to two transit lines and existing office being outdated and under-utilized, participants saw an opportunity for new office space at the sites.

### 5. COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

Metro's community engagement continued through March and April with workshops held for Expo/Crenshaw on March 19 and April 16, 2016. The prior roundtable discussions were instrumental in shaping the format and content of these site-specific workshops.

### Community Workshop #1

The first Community Workshop was intended to orient and inform the community of the Expo/Crenshaw Joint Development Opportunity Sites as well as learn about community priorities, needs and aspirations. In addition to presenting information on the sites and the surrounding neighborhood, an overview of the in-progress regulatory plans being prepared by the City of Los Angeles and a snapshot of the current neighborhood demographics and market conditions were presented.

Metro worked diligently to reach and involve all members of the community, employing several modes of media outlets and methods to invite, inform and learn from neighbors. The community workshops were promoted through the distribution of more than 7,000 flyers within 1/2 mile of the Expo/Crenshaw site and on Metro busses and trains; creative utilization of social media including Facebook, Twitter, and NextDoor; phone calls; and door-to-door engagement along commercial corridors to personally encourage community participation. Additionally, elected official newsletters and local newspapers such as The Wave and LA Sentinel were utilized to promote the workshops. Understanding not all stakeholders have time to participate in meetings, comment cards were distributed at all workshops and stakeholder roundtables so participants could share with neighbors who were unable to attend. A comment form was also made available on the Crenshaw/LAX Joint Development website.

Over 50 community members attended the first workshop and shared their vision and concerns for future development of the Expo/Crenshaw Opportunity Sites. Following a presentation and overview of the sites, participants were split into groups of

10-12 people. To facilitate the discussions, the following six questions were asked at the breakout tables:

- 1. Fill in the blank "In 5 years, the Crenshaw/LAX Line will be open and this intersection will be \_\_\_\_\_?
- **2.** What types of uses would you like to see at these sites?
- 3. What would be the look, feel, or design of a successful project here?
- **4.** What are some community needs a future project here could help meet?
- 5. Is there a project or place you enjoy that we can look to for inspiration for these sites?
- 6. As Metro moves forward on this development, how would you like to stay informed and involved in the process?

Feedback from the tables revealed six reoccurring themes:

### 1. Realize a gateway destination with a mix of uses that serve the neighborhood and attract visitors.

The participants noted that the community surrounding the Expo/Crenshaw station has a unique multicultural history that its older residents remember and wish to maintain and pass on to the next generation. The community's unique history fosters the aspiration for a project with a unique sensibility and uses. As one resident stated, "the charm of the neighborhood comes locally." Participants at the workshop were in favor of differentiating the site from other regionally-oriented developments such as Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza. Participants were interested in "things you would be proud to show your friends from out-of-town." Participants noted that this northernmost stop along the under-construction Crenshaw/LAX Line should be an iconic gateway for existing and future residents and visitors.

### 2. Create a village scale; a walkable and safe community place with open space.

Participants highlighted the need for safety fostered by "open design, lighting, transparency, visibility." They also noted the need for walkability where the "building doesn't have a back: activities on all sides of the block, not just Crenshaw Blvd." They pointed to projects that they felt were of interest. These small-scale to medium-scale mixed-use projects included Mission Meridian in South Pasadena, Del Mar Station in Pasadena, and Larchmont Village in Los Angeles. Participants stated comfort with massing of four to five story buildings

with, "hang out space, open space, play space, dog space", "gathering spaces" and "places to meet our neighbors." Open spaces were encouraged including parks, walking trails, and green roofs. A village-like sensibility and sense of scale and place was emphasized.

### 3. Ensure quality commercial uses with specialty retail, restaurants, and a neighborhood grocery store.

Participants have had "enough of national brands" and want more variety. There was a strong interest in quality retail businesses. People mentioned the need for sit-down restaurants and cafes "at a mix of price points," grocery stores with fresh produce, and neighborhood-serving retail. Protection of existing small businesses was also mentioned as being high-priority.

### 4. Provide a range of housing affordable to existing residents including seniors and families.

Participants were in favor of mixed-use developments with ground floor retail and housing above. There was a strong desire expressed for mixed income housing that could serve existing community residents including seniors and families; due to the "dire need" and "long wait list."

### 5. Incorporate job space for entrepreneurs, professionals, and non-profit organizations.

Participants noted a community need for new high-quality office space to attract and maintain jobs in the area. There was a described need for co-working space, creative space for entrepreneurs, business incubator space, conference space, and space which could be used by local non-profits. People also noted the need for provision of high speed internet. A few participants noted the Joint Development sites could be seen as an annex location for major regional employers such as USC and UCLA.

### 6. Leverage local/community-based organizations in Joint Development implementation.

Whenever possible, Metro should involve local developers, contractors, community-based organizations, etc. in the implementation of Joint Development at these sites.

At the first workshop, members of the public were also invited to demonstrate their preferences for 12 different potential uses for the Expo/Crenshaw site by voting with 4 green "yes" stickers and 2 red "no" stickers and leaving written comments on boards. The 12 different potential uses were identified based on the roundtable discussions. The top three "yes" and "no" responses were as follows:

### **Top Three Yes Votes**

- **1.** Grocery Store (20 votes)
- **2.** Restaurant (16 votes)
- **3.** Evening Activities (15 votes)

### **Top Three No Votes**

- **1.** Hotel (13 votes)
- 2. Medical (12 votes)
- 3. Market Rate Housing (4 votes)

Participants voted most positively for a grocery store use, depicted on the boards with photos of the With Love Market & Cafe and Lassens Natural Foods. Many comments noted the need for fresh produce with calls for a Sprouts or Lassens, showing an interest in a neighborhood oriented grocery store. Comments for restaurant and evening activities also called for neighborhood scale with an interest for "local quality, no chain, organic, specialty, and no fast food."

Many participants were not in favor of hotel and medical uses. Participants noted concerns of regional competition with the hotel proposed at Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza and the proposed Kaiser facility at Marlton Square. Votes for cafe (14 "yes" votes) and community facility (11 "yes" votes) fared well and it's notable that neither received a "no" vote.

The full results of the Uses Board exercise are shown in Figure A.1.

Following the workshop, a summary with findings and recurring themes was prepared and made available to the public.

### **Community Workshop #2**

The second Expo/Crenshaw Community Workshop held on April 16, 2016 was designed to share Metro's findings from outreach endeavors to date including the first workshop, introduce market feasibility studies for suggested uses on the

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROCESS SUMMARY - EXPO/CRENSHAW STATION

# TOP 'YES' ANSWERS 20 Grocery Store 16 Restaurant 15 Evening Activities 14 Cafe 12 Transit Plaza / Gathering Space 11 Affordable Housing 11 Community Facility 9 Retail & Office Mixed Use 9 Coworking Office



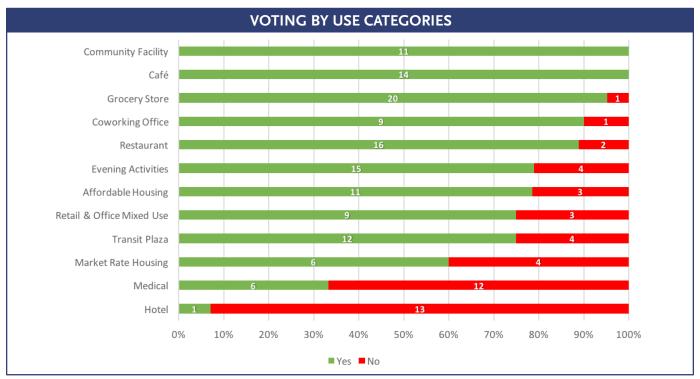


Figure A.1

sites and obtain additional input. The format included a presentation, feedback forms, and six information stations around key themes from the first workshop.

The six stations were:

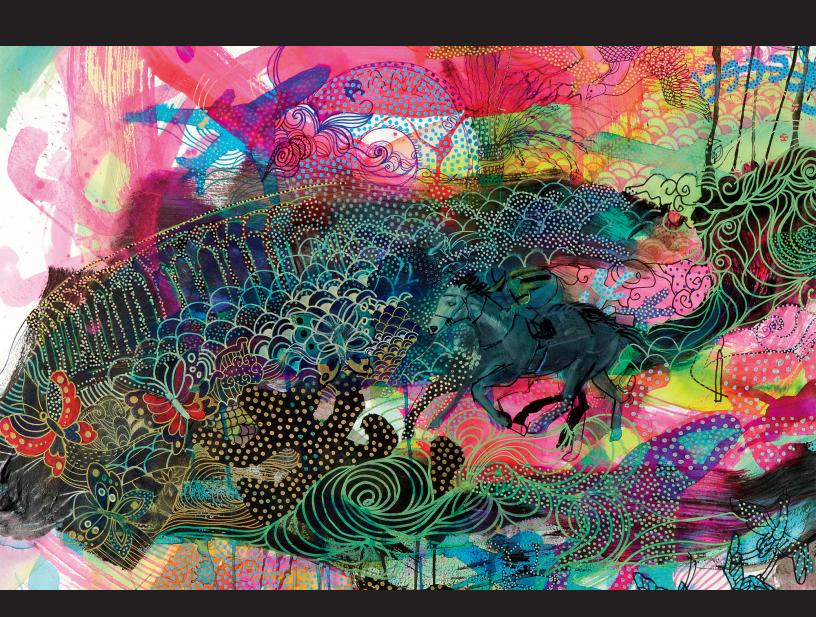
- 1. Housing
- 2. Design/Planning
- 3. Commercial Uses
- 4. Community Amenities
- Parking
- **6.** Metro Joint Development

Over 20 surveys were completed. When asked for comments on affordable versus market rate housing, most respondents supported mixed income/use developments. With a variety of high-quality ground floor retail, residents felt a future project could attract more visitors by giving transit riders a reason to stop and enjoy the area. A grocery store or sit-down restaurant with adequate parking were mentioned multiple times in the surveys. Creative office space similar to what is seen in parts of Culver City and Santa Monica were also pointed to as potential uses at Expo/Crenshaw. Participants expressed a strong interest in architectural design elements that reflect both the historic and evolving character of the community. Public gathering space such as a plaza, public art components, and pedestrian-oriented features were also highlighted as important. Any future project should encourage transit ridership and create safety and security for the community. Overall, the second Community Workshop reinforced what Metro heard from community members at the Expo/Crenshaw roundtable discussions and first Community Workshop.

Participants also emphasized the importance of continued community engagement throughout the development of the Joint Development project, which Metro is committed to. In order to create a successful project with broad community support, the development team for the future Expo/Crenshaw JD project will be required to regularly engage and solicit input from area stakeholders during development and implementation.

### Development Guidelines for Fairview Heights Station Joint Development Opportunity

JUNE 2016





Inglewood, 2012 WAKANA KIMURA, Artist Commissioned by Metro Art, Through the Eyes of Artists Poster Series

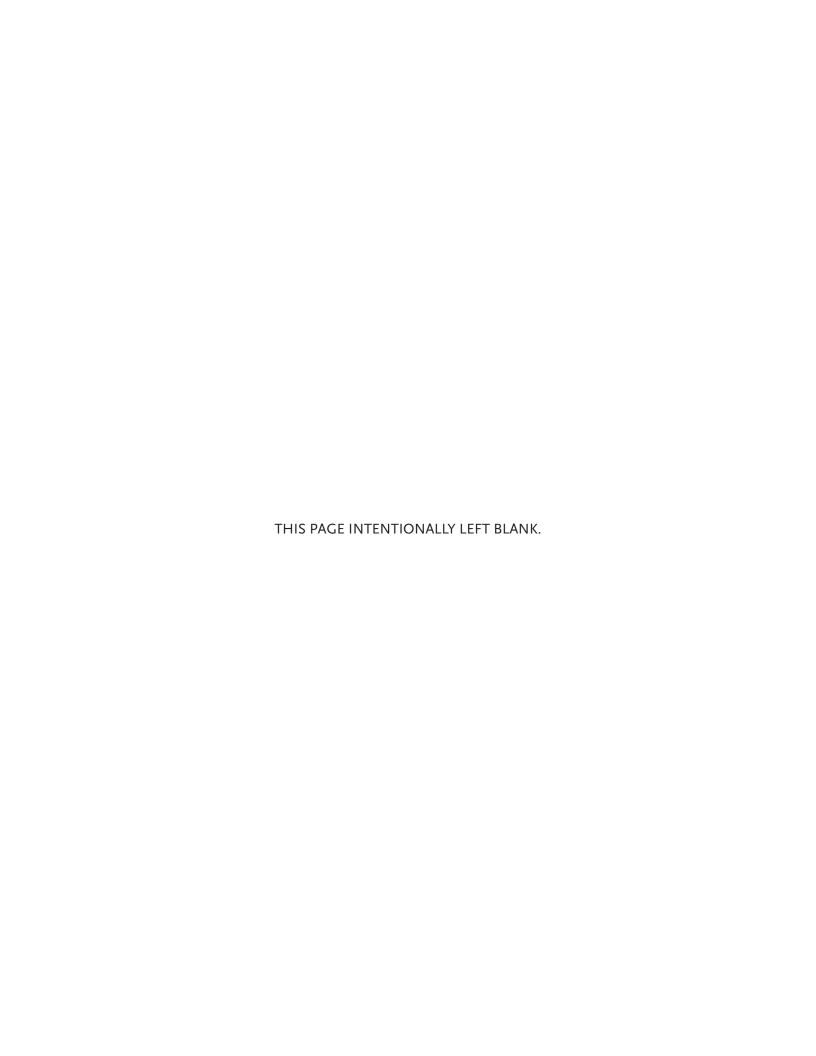
Kimura compiled images from the Hollywood Park Race Track, LAX, and the beach, to highlight Inglewood as a Metro destination for display on Metro bus and rail.

### **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS STATION**

### **Table of Contents**

l.	Overview
II.	The Joint Development Opportunity
III.	Vision for Joint Development
IV.	Joint Development Project, Site, and Policy Frameworks
V.	Development and Design Considerations and Guidelines
APPE	ENDIX
Α.	Community Outreach Process Summary

i



### I. Overview

### 1. HOW TO USE THE DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority ("Metro"), with extensive community input, has developed these guidelines to affirmatively shape the program and design responses to the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Fairview Heights Joint Development Opportunity Site ("the Opportunity Site").

Developers and their teams should carefully review, and to the extent feasible, adhere to these guidelines as they develop their project development parameters, program(s), and design for the Opportunity Site. Adherence to these guidelines will be among the factors considered as potential projects and project teams are evaluated.

### 2. THE OPPORTUNITY SITE

The opportunity provides for the development of an approximately 1.4-acre site northwest of the Fairview Heights Station in the City of Inglewood and located midway along the under-construction Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project, anticipated to be completed in 2019 (see Figure 1). The site currently houses a County of Los Angeles Department of Public Social Services facility which the County intends to relocate to repurpose the site for a catalytic transit-oriented development.

### 3. METRO JOINT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

Metro owns, maintains and operates properties throughout Los Angeles County for its current and future transportation operations. As part of Metro's Joint Development Program, staff evaluates these properties for potential Joint Development uses. Metro does not develop private uses on its properties and rights-of-way on its own but engages in Joint Development with private developers who design, finance, build, and operate these uses typically through long-term ground leases and development agreements with Metro.

The first step in the Joint Development process is engaging the community to help shape the vision for the opportunity that is reflected in site-specific development guidelines. Upon Metro Board of Directors (Board) approval of the Development Guidelines, Metro issues an RFP to solicit development proposals for the Joint Development site, evaluates the proposals received, and the Metro Board then, as appropriate, authorizes an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement (ENA) with the recommended developer(s).



Figure 1
Fairview Heights Station and the Opportunity Site

1

With an approved ENA, a project is refined by the developer and further shaped based upon input from the community and Metro staff. Upon completion of entitlements and California Environmental Quality Act requirements and negotiation of final terms, a Joint Development Agreement and Ground Lease are typically completed and approved by the Metro Board. Once these steps are completed, implementation, permitting, and construction of the project proceeds.

Occasionally, Metro partners with other public entities to support the development of publicly-owned land adjacent to the Metro system utilizing Metro's Joint Development Program, as is the case with County-owned property at the Fairview Heights Station. References to Metro's Joint Development process should generally be interpreted as applying to the County-owned property though County procedures and approvals may vary from the typical Metro Joint Development process as more specifically described in the RFP.

### 4. COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Metro has undertaken an extensive community outreach process, attending more than two dozen meetings to inform the surrounding community and stakeholders about Metro's Joint Development Program and to solicit ideas and feedback to help shape potential development opportunities at this site as well as other sites along the under-construction 8.5-mile Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project.

Metro also hosted a series of meetings specifically addressing the Joint Development opportunities at the Fairview Heights Opportunity Site including but not limited to the following:

- May 13, 2015 Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project Community Leadership Council (CLC) Meeting
- November 5, 2015 Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project CLC Economic Development Work Group Meeting
- March 3, 2016 Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project CLC Economic Development Work Group Meeting
- ▶ March 11, 2016 Crenshaw/LAX Corridor Business Roundtable
- March 12, 2016 Fairview Heights Stakeholder Roundtable #1
- March 15, 2016 Fairview Heights Stakeholder Roundtable #2
- April 2, 2016 Fairview Heights Community Workshop #1
- April 30, 2016 Fairview Heights Community Workshop #2

### **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS STATION**

At these meetings, community members reviewed the parameters of the Joint Development Program, described community issues and aspirations associated with the Opportunity Site, suggested preferred programs and amenities, and noted examples of projects that they liked (see Figures 2 and 3). Hundreds of comments were written down and collated, and development themes emerged. Community members also noted an abiding commitment to stay involved throughout the Joint Development process, a commitment that Metro will honor with continued public input opportunities throughout the development of the project.

The community input received has directly shaped these Development Guidelines. Additionally, a more detailed summary of the outreach process and comments received is included as Appendix A of this document.



Figure 2
Fairview Heights Workshop 1 Use Board Voting



Figure 3 Fairview Heights Workshop 1 Small Group Discussions

### **II. The Joint Development Opportunity**



Figure 4
Regional context

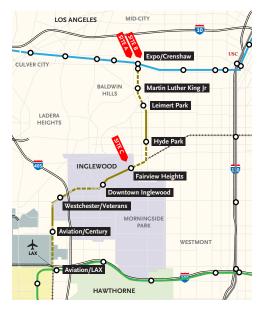


Figure 5 Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project

### 1. THE GREATER CONTEXT

The Fairview Heights Station Opportunity Site is located at the midway point of Metro's under-construction north to south 8.5-mile light-rail Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project, which connects to the in-service east to west Expo Line. Combined, these two light-rail corridors provide the Fairview Heights community with superior regional accessibility to Culver City and Santa Monica to the west, USC, Downtown Los Angeles, and Union Station to the east, and Downtown Inglewood, Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), and South Bay cities to the south (see Figure 4). Sites A and B are the subject of a separate RFP.

The Fairview Heights Station (see Figure 5, Site C) is located along an existing Metro-owned railroad right-of-way, the Harbor Subdivision, within the City of Inglewood and adjacent to the City of Los Angeles. The proposed 6.4-mile Rail to River pedestrian and bike path will start at the Fairview Heights Station and connect a regional network of alternate transit pathways east towards the Los Angeles River. East of the station, along a portion of Crenshaw Boulevard, streetscape improvements extend regional investment through the City of Los Angeles Great Streets Initiative.

The Opportunity Site project can serve as a catalyst building upon the significant investment in transit infrastructure being undertaken by Metro. The development project will support existing and additional transit use and ridership, catalyze local investment already underway throughout the transit corridor, and realize a distinctive design that harmonizes with the character of the existing single-family residential neighborhoods that are to the north of the site. In this regard, the community has indicated a strong interest in a development with a mix and range of high-quality and architecturally compelling residential and retail uses, arts-related programming, and streetscape improvements that help connect the Metro station and frontage of the Joint Development project to Edward Vincent Jr. Park.

Approximately one mile southwest of the Fairview Heights Station is the Downtown Inglewood Station where the City of Inglewood is moving forward with a downtown project that includes approximately 250 market-rate workforce housing units and 50,000 square feet of retail and restaurant uses. Furthermore, southeast of downtown, the proposed 80,000-seat Inglewood Stadium will serve as the home of the Los Angeles Rams of the NFL. As part of the City of Champions Revitalization Initiative, the stadium will reconfigure the previously-approved Hollywood Park plan to allow for 890,000 square feet of

### **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS STATION**

retail, 780,000 square feet of office space, and up to 2,500 residential units. Across the street from the proposed stadium is The Forum (see Figure 6), an historic indoor arena and former home of the NBA's Los Angeles Lakers and NHL's Los Angeles Kings. The Forum now hosts several prominent concerts and events. The City of Inglewood and Metro are exploring several options for regional transit system connectivity between the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project, The Forum and the proposed stadium, which may include enhanced walking and biking connections.

Other major investments along the light-rail line include major improvements proposed for LAX. These improvements include the proposed Automated People Mover, Intermodal Transportation Facility, and the Regional Rental Car Facility. These airport facilities will be directly connected by the people mover to the Crenshaw/LAX Line at a future 96th Street Station, providing easy access from Inglewood and the Opportunity Site to the airport and national and global destinations.



Figure 6
The Forum, located at 3900 West Manchester
Boulevard in the City of Inglewood.

Photo by The Forum

### 2. THE JOINT DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY SITE

The Opportunity Site is located on the north side of Redondo Boulevard between High Street and Long Street just northwest of the future aboveground Fairview Heights Station. The Opportunity Site is the current location of a Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services facility (see Figure 7), which the County plans to relocate to re-purpose for high-quality transit-oriented development.

The site is an approximate 1.4-acre rectangular shaped parcel with approximately 520' of frontage along Redondo Boulevard to the south, a shared residential alley to the north, and approximately 120' of frontage along the residential- and commercial-oriented Long Street to the east. A small commercial building abuts the parcel to the west. Park-and-ride spaces serving Metro commuters and patrons will be provided at the Fairview Heights Station but will not directly impact the Opportunity Site.



Figure 7
The Opportunity Site is the current location of the Los
Angeles County Department of Public Social Services
facility.

### 3. THE MARKET OPPORTUNITY

During the Joint Development outreach process, the community expressed desire for mixed-use projects with quality housing and neighborhood-serving retail that relates to the existing cultural activities, use, as well as area residents (see Section III below). For the past five decades, the area surrounding the station has been underserved by commercial uses. With the investment in transit infrastructure along the Crenshaw Corridor, an area historically

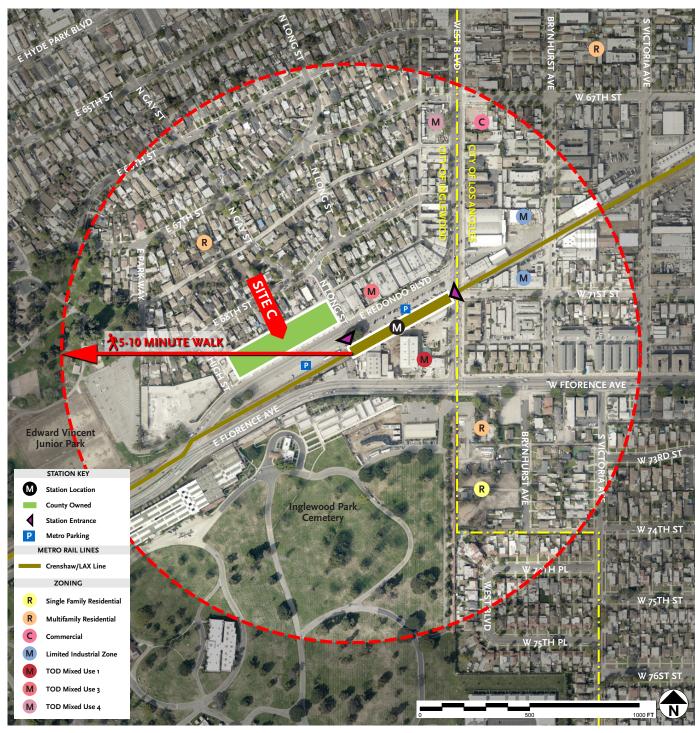


Figure 8
The Opportunity Site Context

### **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS STATION**

underserved in retail, a recently completed market demand study indicates that there is market demand for new neighborhood-serving retail uses in the station area, which aligns with community preferences (see Figure 9). The market demand study indicates that the Opportunity Site can support new small-scale neighborhood-serving retail uses such as a dry cleaner or florist or dining options such as a coffee shop, café, pizza place or bakery.

Community members expressed interest in a broad range of housing types that would serve the range of households and support cultural activities already present in the area. The market demand study projects increasing demand for rental housing over the next 10 to 20 years in the Fairview Heights station area. Strong demand for rental housing, in part, reflects an overall community where approximately 70% of the householders are renters. The market demand study also revealed, on a smaller scale, demand for ownership housing. However, it should be noted that ownership housing may be constrained on a site where a ground lease is anticipated.

## Highe Park Station WESTCHESTER Fairview Heights Half-Mile Station Area Station Area Station Area Sub-Market O Aviation/LAX Station HAWTHORNE

Figure 9 Fairview Heights Station area development will draw from a larger market area, shown above.

### 4. THE IMMEDIATE CONTEXT

The Joint Development Opportunity Site (see Figure 8, Site C) sits at the confluence of a stable single-family district to the north – the historic Fairview Heights neighborhood (see Figure 10), a large multifamily residential neighborhood and a small industrial area in the City of Los Angeles to the east, the Inglewood Park Cemetery to the south, and the 55-acre Edward Vincent Junior Park to the west.

Within a 5- to 10-minute walk of the Opportunity Site are over 3,200 households, 70% of which are renter-occupied. The area also hosts a large youth population of 0-19 years (31% compared to 26% for Los Angeles County). Within the City of Inglewood, the majority of households are owner-occupied; within the City of Los Angeles, the majority of dwelling units are renter-occupied. Serving these homes and population, the future Fairview Heights Station will be located opposite and to the immediate southeast of the Opportunity Site. A pedestrian entry at the west end of the light-rail platform will connect with a crosswalk that spans Redondo Boulevard, bringing Metro patrons to the southeast corner of the Joint Development Opportunity site.

To the immediate east of the development site, along Redondo Boulevard, are small one-story commercial buildings that house local businesses and neighborhood organizations. On West Boulevard to the north of Redondo Boulevard, some of the small commercial buildings are occupied by artists and crafts people who have moved into the area over the past two decades (see Figure 11). Further north



Figure 10
Typical home of the area, 1940's.

Image from West Boulevard Community Linkages and Revitalization Plan



Figure 11
View north along West Boulevard

along Hyde Park Boulevard, small mom and pop shops, artist spaces, and live-work residences occupy small structures and older homes. Across the new light-rail tracks and to the south of the Joint Development Opportunity Site is a triangular shaped parcel(s) of land that presently contains industrial uses. This site has been reimagined through a City of Inglewood transit-oriented district planning process as a higher intensity gateway residential and/or institutional use that, in tandem with the Joint Development Opportunity Site potential, anchor a more pedestrian-friendly and transit-accessible neighborhood.

### **III. Vision for Joint Development**

### 1. GENERAL STAKEHOLDER VISION

Metro engaged in a one-year outreach process to inform the communities surrounding the Fairview Heights Station area about the potential of the Joint Development opportunity and to solicit input, ideas, and feedback regarding the community's development aspirations, goals and objectives. A broad range of ideas was expressed during this time and common themes and ideas emerged. Key community based concepts that should shape a future Joint Development project include:

### Provide high quality mixed-use residential that serves a range of incomes.

Participants were in favor of a range of housing price points that would serve to further stabilize the adjoining single-family residential neighborhoods. Residents noted that the Fairview Heights community has a higher youth population, which was reflected in participants' request for family-oriented two and three bedroom units including townhomes.

### Incorporate quality neighborhood-serving retail.

Participants were clear in the desire for a mixed-use project with residential uses over quality neighborhood-serving retail on the ground floor facing Redondo Boulevard. The Fairview Heights Station is one stop away from the busier Downtown Inglewood Station and the new retail developments on Market Street. Participants were most interested in modest neighborhood serving locally owned businesses. Retail use was envisioned as a means to bring the community together. Other neighborhood serving uses described included a coffee shop/café, grocery store with fresh produce, dry cleaners, and childcare.

### Connection to the existing arts-oriented community.

The Fairview Heights community takes pride in the artist community who set up residence in live-work buildings along West Boulevard and Hyde Park Boulevard over the past 25-years. The artist community contributed identity and social support to the area at a time when resources were leaving it. Residents face the promise of new investment and development mindful of their shared history with the existing artist community. Although participants voiced a primary need for retail-oriented uses, an arts component or connection to the arts framework remains an aspiration. Participants were in favor of live-work lofts along the alley between the County property and residential uses over retail as a way to activate the ground level.



Figure 12
The Havenhurst building in West Hollywood, located adjacent to the historic Andalusia Apartments, utilizes setbacks, stepbacks, and architectural features to create a contextual affordable housing project.

Photo by KFA Architecture



Figure 13
Edward Vincent Junior Park, view east from La
Colina Drive.

# Pedestrian connectivity from the train station to Edward Vincent Junior Park.

Participants expressed the need to connect the site, the train station, and Edward Vincent Junior Park (see Figure 13). This park adjoins the station area and includes an outdoor amphitheater, Inglewood Playhouse, and hosts summer concerts, free shows, and community gatherings. Participants envisioned a transit plaza as a vibrant gathering space with an emphasis on linkage between the station and the park.

#### Use of the local architectural style to reflect the surrounding context and scale.

The County site sits adjacent to the Fairview Heights neighborhood to the north comprised of traditional and well-kept one-story single-family residences. Participants were excited that a project that supported their community may be realized at this station stop but want the project and its character and identity to be compatible with the architectural look, history, and feel of the adjacent neighborhood.

# ► Offer sufficient parking for commuters and minimize parking impacts on surrounding communities.

Residents of the community do not want the combination of project and commuter parking to spill into the surrounding neighborhoods. They want the project to offer adequate parking appropriate for the proposed Joint Development uses.

# Promote the well-being and needs of the youth population. Participants noted the need to address the needs of the youth population, which is slightly higher in the immediate Fairview Heights Station Area relative to the broader Station Area submarket. Participants noted the need for job training, retail geared towards youth interests, and car-alternative transit infrastructure for bikes and skateboards. The provision of a youth center was a

common interest of many workshop participants.

► Encourage and provide opportunities for ongoing community input in the Joint Development process and proposed project.

Stakeholders want to ensure their ongoing participation including opportunities for review and comment throughout the Joint Development process. They want the selected development team to engage in continued outreach efforts to create project transparency that ensures community understanding at all project phases, thereby furthering the realization of the community's project vision.

#### IV. Joint Development Project, Site, and Policy Frameworks

Metro, Los Angeles County, and City of Inglewood projects, policies and plans will shape the Joint Development project proposal and implementation. The following key Metro Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project parameters, policies and planning parameters are noted below and should be carefully reviewed and utilized as part of the Joint Development Opportunity Site planning and design process.

### 1. THE CRENSHAW/LAX TRANSIT PROJECT FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS STATION IMPROVEMENTS

The Opportunity Site is located immediately northwest of the aboveground Crenshaw/LAX Fairview Heights Station platform (see Figure 14). This station stop incorporates an eastern pedestrian entry at West Boulevard between Redondo Boulevard and West 71st Street and a west pedestrian entry at the intersection of Redondo Boulevard and Long Street. The latter opens on to a crosswalk connecting the southeast corner of the Joint Development Opportunity Site with the light-rail station. This light-rail station also incorporates Metro park-and-ride spaces along the railroad right-ofway, south of Redondo Boulevard. Redondo Boulevard is proposed to be further improved with pedestrian amenities along the Joint Development Opportunity Site to the entry of Edward Vincent Jr. Park, approximately one block to the west. In this locale, High Street is proposed to be reconfigured and extended across the light-rail right-of-way to Florence Avenue, with Redondo Boulevard terminating at High Street, realizing a safer rail crossing and a more pedestrian-friendly crossing at this street intersection into and out of the Edward Vincent Jr. Park.

#### 2. METRO'S JOINT DEVELOPMENT POLICY

Metro's Joint Development Policy (Policy), updated in February of 2016, guides Metro's property asset development activities and projects. The Policy establishes the framework by which Metro prioritizes and approves Opportunity Site proposals and reviews and implements these projects.

A key objective of the Policy is to realize transit-oriented projects that increase transit ridership. At the same time Metro seeks to appropriately fit projects that it sponsors within existing communities. Metro seeks to do this by optimizing community engagement, both by Metro and the selected development team,

and realizing projects that reflect and support community needs and desires.

Metro's Joint Development program also seeks to <u>facilitate</u> <u>construction of affordable housing units</u> such that 35% of the total housing units in the Metro Joint Development portfolio are affordable for residents earning 60% or less of the Area Median Income (AMI) as defined by the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (TCAC). Regardless of the project type that is proposed and implemented, Metro is committed to pursuing high-quality design that enhances the surrounding community and creates inviting spaces and places around Metro facilities.

Metro's Joint Development financial policies emphasize risk minimization and maximizing revenue through ground lease payments, which is the preferred transaction structure as opposed to fee disposition. Metro does not contribute funding to Joint Development projects, though the Joint Development Policy does allow for partial land discounting below fair market value in order to support affordable housing. Developers are encouraged to obtain capital or in-lieu contributions from other public agencies to create greater community economic benefit.

Joint Development proposals are evaluated based on their support of Metro's Joint Development policies. Proposers should fully examine the Metro Joint Development Program: Policies and Process (see media.metro.net/projects\_studies/joint\_development /images/JDP\_Policy\_0225\_2016.pdf) and to the maximum extent feasible conform to the objectives, goals, and policies of this program.

In addition to the Metro Joint Development Policy, additional County policies and requirements may apply as more specifically described in the RFP.

#### 3. LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE INGLEWOOD GENERAL PLAN

Adopted in 1980, the Land Use Element of the Inglewood General Plan outlined the existing conditions and proposed land use for the development of Inglewood. At the time of writing, Inglewood had undergone a 15-year economic decline and was experiencing resurgence in the development of its industrial base and the rehabilitation and expansion of its housing stock. Among the proposed land use designation changes at this time was the change of commercial use along West Boulevard north of Florence Avenue to low-medium residential use, which is reflected in the inclusion of mixed-use designations along West Boulevard continuing to



Figure 14
Site Transit and Mobility Improvements

Redondo Boulevard in the draft Downtown Inglewood and Fairview Heights TOD Overlay Plan (see Section IV.4 below).

# 4. DOWNTOWN INGLEWOOD AND FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS TOD OVERLAY PLAN

The existing Inglewood Municipal Code designates the Opportunity Site as a Heavy Commercial Zone. This present zoning reflects the former freight uses of the old railroad right-of-way. However, in anticipation of the completion of the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project along this rail way, the City of Inglewood has prepared a draft Downtown Inglewood and Fairview Heights Transit-Oriented Development Overlay Plan (TOD Overlay Plan). This plan is scheduled for adoption in Summer/Fall 2016.

The goal of the TOD Overlay Plan is to proactively respond to the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project with a community-defined vision regarding people, economics, and place for both the Downtown Inglewood Station and the Fairview Heights Station, including the Joint Development Opportunity Site. When adopted, the TOD Overlay Plan will supersede the existing zoning set forth in the Inglewood Municipal Code. Community stakeholders have reviewed and shaped these plans and have supported projects that meet these adopted plans and their criteria. The TOD Overlay Plan requirements should be carefully reviewed and understood when preparing proposals for the Opportunity Site.



Figure 15
Concept drawing of Fairview Heights transit-oriented development.

Image from the TOD Overlay Plan

The TOD Overlay Plan designates sites under several frameworks: urban design, arts, environmental sustainability, streetscapes, open spaces, mobility, and parking (see Figure 15). Under the TOD Overlay Plan, the Opportunity Site is designated as a major transit oriented development site encouraging active and pedestrian-oriented street frontage. Redondo Boulevard, from the Fairview Heights Station to the east entrance of Edward Vincent Junior Park, is designated a Primary Pedestrian Promenade with parking. Placemaking and pedestrian movement are given the highest priority with recommendations for street trees and street furniture in keeping with the historic character of the Fairview Heights neighborhood. Long Street, which fronts the east side of the Opportunity Site, is designated a Pedestrian and Bicycle Route to Station and will provide a connection to the station from the residential neighborhood to the north.

The Opportunity Site is given a designation of TOD Mixed-Use 3 (MU-3). This zone allows for residential, retail, office or institutional uses at the Opportunity Site. There are no density requirements or restrictions as the TOD Overlay Plan utilizes form-based prototypes "to ensure that development proceeds in a contextually-sensitive

#### **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS STATION**

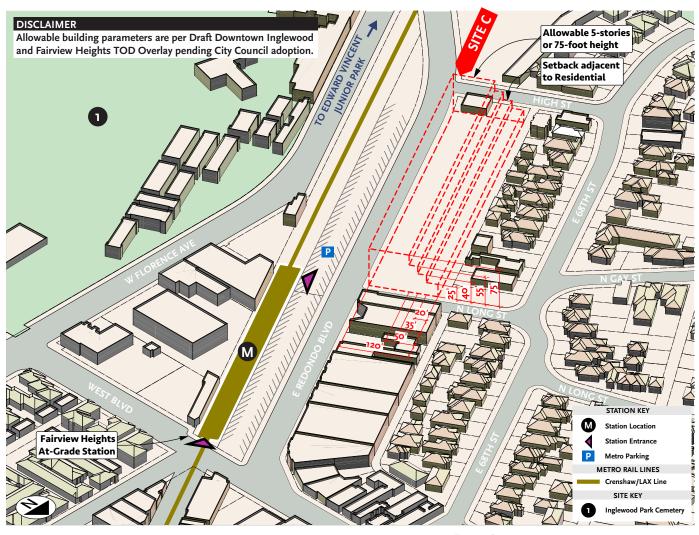


Figure 16 Allowable Building Area Diagram per the TOD Overlay Plan which is pending City Council adoption.

manner, utilizing historic building forms that complement the street, promote pedestrian activity, and reinforce the character of the neighborhood." Accordingly, the Opportunity Site is allowed a maximum height of 5-stories or 75-feet with incremental step-backs to two-stories or 25-feet at the rear alley adjacent to the single-family residences (see Figure 16 and the Downtown Inglewood and Fairview Heights TOD Overlay Plan, Fairview Heights Development Standards and Design Guidelines).

The parking requirements for MU-3 under the TOD Overlay Plan are less restrictive than current zoning. Residential uses are required to provide one parking space per dwelling unit. General Commercial uses are required to provide two parking spaces per 1,000-square feet. Additionally, in accordance with the Plan, parking may be met by purchasing zoning credits for publicly available parking that may become available.

Development standard reductions or waivers are available through an Affordable Housing Density Bonus. These include increased height allowances or reduced parking requirements with the provision of affordable housing which range in affordability from very low-income to moderate-income common interest development. In addition, all projects within MU-3 zones are subject to design review under the "D" Supplemental Design Review Zone and must undergo the review process described in Chapter 12, Article 14 of the Inglewood Municipal Code.

Given the overlapping plan requirements – General Plan, zoning, proposed TOD Overlay Plan – and complexity, the prevailing requirements of all of these documents should be carefully reviewed, City of Inglewood planning staff consulted, and as appropriate, adopted, or to-be-adopted regulations closely adhered to when developing a project concept for the Opportunity Site.

# 5. WEST BOULEVARD COMMUNITY LINKAGES AND REVITALIZATION PLAN

The West Boulevard Community Linkages and Revitalization Plan, adopted in February 2012, was prepared by Metro working with the Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative (LANI) to study the TOD opportunities of the proposed Fairview Heights Station in the surrounding neighborhood, to produce revitalization strategies, and to act as a guiding document for future "community groups and city agencies as a tool to maintain a focused approach over time through strategic implementation of plan elements." The plan studies the development of the neighborhood over time, starting from the single-family residences built in the 1920's (see Figure 17) located northwest

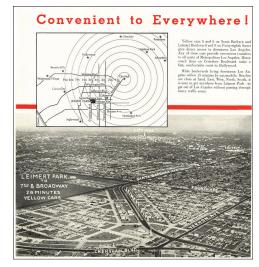


Figure 17
1920's "New Deal" Home Buyer's Brochure.

Image from West Boulevard Community Linkages and Revitalization Plan

of the future Fairview Heights Station to long term phasing strategies for 2027 and beyond. The plan helped inform the TOD Overlay Plan and may provide useful context for the area.

#### 6. OTHER KEY METRO POLICIES

#### a. Metro Complete Streets Policy

Complete streets are streets that provide safe, comfortable, and convenient travel along and across thoroughfares through a comprehensive, integrated transportation network that serves all users, including pedestrians, users and operators of public transit, bicyclists, persons with disabilities, seniors, children, motorists, users of green modes including rideshare, transit, and clean fueled vehicles, and movers of commercial goods. Metro adopted a complete streets policy in October 2014 to identify opportunities and actions that support local complete street integration (see Figure 18). This policy (see media.metro.net/projects\_studies/sustainability/images /policy\_completestreets\_2014-10.pdf) should be reviewed and referred to when developing a project concept. Projects that incorporate complete street components and integration may be prioritized.

#### b. Metro First Last Mile Strategic Plan

The Joint Development opportunity site is subject to Metro's First Last Mile Strategic Plan, which presents planning and design guidelines to improve the connections to station stops from origins and destinations within three miles of the station (see media.metro.net/docs/First\_Last\_Mile\_Strategic\_Plan .pdf). The plan introduces a "pathway" concept that provides planning criteria for the layout of transit access networks and components within Metro station areas (see Figure 19).

Pathway connectivity enhances transit transfers, increases user safety, offers information and wayfinding signage, and provides accommodations such as lockers or car share that facilitate and expand transit use, an important factor at a station such as Fairview Heights which integrates light rail, nearby bus routes, and parking. This policy should be reviewed and its principles incorporated into a project concept. Projects that utilize first last mile strategies to shape the program and design may be prioritized.

#### c. Metro Active Transportation Plan

Metro's Active Transportation Plan adopted in May 2016 focuses on enhancing access to stations and developing a

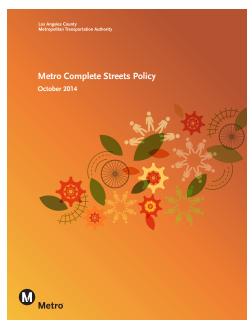


Figure 18 Metro Complete Streets Policy



Figure 19 Metro First Last Mile Strategic Plan

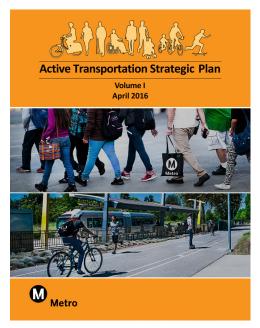


Figure 20 Metro Active Transportation Strategic Plan

regional network for people who choose to take transit, walk, and/or bike (see https://www.metro.net/projects/active -transportation-strategic-plan/). This policy builds and expands upon Metro's Complete Streets Policy and First Last Mile Strategic Plan (see Figure 20).

While much of the Active Transportation Plan is devoted to means to enhance the regional active transportation network through cooperation between Metro and local agencies, focused policies do address destinations and station stops. These include policies that encourage implementation of easy to achieve improvements that enhance use of Metro's system for all users such as landscaping with tree shade, introduction of street furniture and lighting, and other improvements to open spaces adjacent to Metro platforms, portals, and plazas. This policy should be reviewed and its principles incorporated into a project concept. Projects that incorporate in their design active transportation components may be prioritized.

#### V. Development and Design Considerations and Guidelines

The Opportunity Site proposals will be evaluated, in part, on their compliance with the development and design considerations and guidelines of this section. While projects are not required to meet all of the guidelines and considerations, a project that complies with all or most of the design guidelines may be given priority.

#### 1. UTILIZE EXISTING COMMUNITY PLANS

The primary document providing a framework for development of the Opportunity Site is the Draft Downtown Inglewood and Fairview Heights TOD Overlay Plan (TOD Overlay Plan). This plan (see Figure 21) should be closely adhered to when developing a Joint Development concept and design.

#### 2. ALLOWABLE USES GUIDELINE

Allowable uses on the Opportunity Site per the TOD Overlay Plan include a range of retail, commercial, and residential uses (see Section IV.4). At the same time, as project proponents develop programs, they should closely consider the aspirations of the community as defined in the Vision section of this document (see Section III, "General Stakeholder Vision" above and Figure 22) and in the attached "Community Outreach Process Summary" (Appendix A).

#### 3. DEVELOPMENT INTENSITY CONSIDERATION

Metro is seeking a Joint Development project that provides for intensity and vitality of uses and supports and facilitates transit use and the safety of community members and transit patrons. A preferred use will fully utilize, while respecting, the mixed-use planning allowances provided by the TOD Overlay Plan.

#### 4. HEIGHT ALLOWANCE GUIDELINE

The TOD Overlay Plan provides for a maximum height of 75' or 5 stories (see Section IV.4 above). Additionally, the TOD Overlay Plan provides for a transition from higher to lower heights from Redondo Boulevard to the alley to the north in order to relate new development to the height, scale, and texture of the existing adjacent single-family residential neighborhood. The TOD Overlay Plan allows for and encourages skyline expression including the use of uninhabited

# Form Based Concept Plans and TOD Zoning THE NEW DOWNTOWN INGLEWOOD and FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS



Public Review Draft - February 25, 201

Figure 21

The Downtown Inglewood and Fairview Heights TOD Overlay Plan is the primary guiding document for the Joint Development Opportunity Site.



Figure 22
Community members discussed potential uses based on feedback from a series of small roundtable discussions with local stakeholders.



Figure 23

Platform, the transit oriented retail center in Culver City, utilizes signage and a varied skyline to face both the street and the raised Expo Line.

Photo by Ricardo DeAratanha, Los Angeles Times

architectural features such as towers to create identity and design contrast. These height allowances and parameters should be followed to ensure the realization of a compatible community-oriented project (see Figure 23). The TOD Overlay Plan also allows for a height increase through the use of the Affordable Housing Density Bonus, the use of which should be weighed against the interests of the community as outlined in the attached "Community Outreach Process Summary" (Appendix A).

#### 5. VILLAGE SCALE GUIDELINE

The Opportunity Site project design should incorporate distinct human-scale massing and elements that create a variety of forms, scales, and open space types that reduce any sense of overarching bulk or excess mass. The project design should learn from, refer to, utilize, and transition to the surrounding neighborhood residential scale to create a sense of fit between the Opportunity Site and the surrounds, including along the residential alley interface. An overall village sensibility should be emphasized with human-scale components such as shop-fronts, building entrances, a sense of shade and shadow, and breaks in plane and mass occurring along sidewalks and pathways, as well as identifiable architectural components that combine to create a whole design visible as both parts and whole to people from medium as well as further distances (see Figure 24).



Figure 24 Culver City was referenced consistently by stakeholders and residents as a quintessential example of village scale, and high quality retail.

Photo by alex-aroundtheworld.com

#### 6. PROJECT ORIENTATION GUIDELINE

The Opportunity Site proposal should affirmatively face and create a sense of activity and oversight along Redondo Boulevard. Additionally, the project should create a sense of oversight and "eyes on the street" overlooking the alley frontage. A sense of entry, activity, and identity should also be promoted where the pedestrian crossing from the station platform meets the Opportunity Site at the corner of Redondo Boulevard and Long Street. The design proposal should also directly relate to and build upon the Redondo Boulevard Promenade concept developed by the City of Inglewood. In this regard, a green, shaded, and inviting pathway should be designed along the north sidewalk of Redondo Boulevard from the transit-oriented plaza to Edward Vincent Junior Park. Active uses, programs, architectural components that add visual interest such as entrances, storefronts, and/or stoops transitional open spaces (see V.10) and landscape should be provided along this pathway.

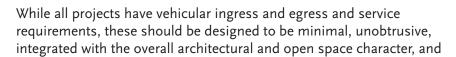




Figure 25
Fruitvale Village is a mixed-use transit oriented development adjacent to the BART Station in the East Bay. The building is oriented to and faces a pedestrian plaza which hosts farmer's markets and events.

Photo by youthvoices.net

#### **DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES - FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS STATION**

to the maximum extent feasible, located off the northern alley or side streets. Curb cuts leading to Joint Development Opportunity Site projects that are located along Redondo Boulevard are strongly discouraged.

#### 7. SETBACKS GUIDELINE

In general, projects should provide varied setbacks about the perimeter of the Opportunity Site. Varied setbacks provide opportunities for the provision of at-grade landscape, small plazas for outdoor dining and cafes, open spaces (see Figure 26), sidewalk retail with shop fronts at the back of the sidewalk, as well as select widened sidewalks, where feasible.



Figure 26
Broadway Housing in Santa Monica makes use of setbacks to create open space and circulation.

Photo by Iwan Baan

#### 8. TRANSIT ACCESS GUIDELINE

Joint Development projects should anticipate active transportation connectivity through the design of pathways across the Opportunity Site, provision of areas for bike facilities, heightened pedestrian-oriented lighting levels, and clear and safe pathway linkages between parking and transit portals and facilities that are integral to the design and development of the proposed project (see Figure 27). Additionally, signage and wayfinding between transit modes as well as to key local destinations and community amenities is encouraged in coordination with Metro.



Figure 27 Transit plaza of Mission Meridian Village, utilizes transit schedules and ticketing, shaded seating, bike facilities, and public art

#### 9. ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER CONSIDERATIONS

High-quality and enduring project design and character are an essential component of a successful Joint Development project. An architecturally successful design should incorporate details that create a sense of interest to the pedestrian as well as the viewer from afar. Particular attention should be focused on creating building fronts and facades at the ground level that have a sense of human-scale, intricacy, and texture that enhance pedestrian transit user interest. Designs should utilize high-quality materials that will endure and maintain their appearance (see Figure 28).

Building design character should also establish both a sense of place by relating to the climate and light conditions of the district as well as a sense of cultural continuity through incorporation of existing community narratives. While a specific style of architecture is not required, design teams should carefully examine the landmark architecture in the community, its style, scale, and sensibility, and be able to address how new architecture builds upon the lessons of older



Figure 28
Residential transition at Mission Meridian Village, a transit oriented development along the Gold Line in Pasadena.

Photo by Moule & Polyzoides

designs. Innovative design is also encouraged, and the broadest definition of sustainable and resilient design recommended.

The use of chain and/or brand architecture related to commercial enterprises is strongly discouraged at both the individual storefront scale as well as the larger scale. In this regard signage and signage programs should also be carefully considered, oriented both to the pedestrian, transit user, as well as passing vehicles, and be integral and subservient to the architecture of the project. This project should establish a sense of specific identity and place through architecture and landscape that is first and foremost unique to this community.



Figure 29 9,000 square foot green roof at Central Avenue Constituent Services Center in Los Angeles, California.

Photo by Genaro Molina, LA Times

#### 10. ON-SITE OPEN SPACE AND LANDSCAPING GUIDELINE

Well-landscaped areas utilizing drought-tolerant plant materials and enhanced hardscape, well-appointed open spaces including additional transit amenities such as plazas and rooftop terraces should be considered to distinguish the design of a proposed project (see Figure 29).

#### 11. STREETSCAPE DESIGN STANDARDS

The streetscape design standards and guidelines of the TOD Overlay Plan (see Section IV.4 above) should serve as a guide for the implementation of both off-site as well as on-site sidewalk, pathway, and street improvements (see Figure 30). Projects will be required to implement the improvements noted in this plan and designs should incorporate the plan elements to enhance the sense of connection and continuity between the streetscape and on-site and off-site open space.

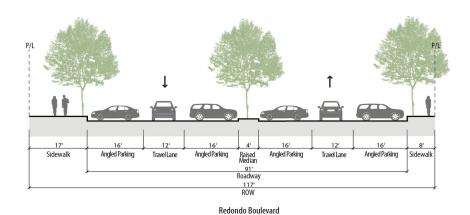


Figure 30
Proposed cross section of Redondo Boulevard per TOD Overlay Plan.
Image from TOD Overlay Plan

#### 12. PUBLIC ART CONSIDERATIONS

Metro's public art program and arts programming enhances the customer experience with innovative visual and performing arts that encourages ridership and connect people, sites and neighborhoods throughout Los Angeles County (see Figure 31). A diverse range of site-specific artworks are integrated into the growing Metro system, improving the quality of transit environments, creating a sense of place, and strengthening ties with the communities Metro serves. From photography installations to onboard posters, art tours, and live performances, Metro's multi-faceted art programs add vibrancy and engage people throughout Los Angeles County.

Public art or arts programming is an opportunity to introduce visual and physical enhancement(s) to the Opportunity Sites that enhances the project quality, making people and transit users more aware of their cultural, historical, social, and/or environmental surroundings and place. Metro encourages respondents to include an Art Plan for a permanent public art component or cultural facility as an integral part of the development. Artist or cultural facility participation on the design team through implementation of a site-specific arts program is encouraged from the outset of architectural design to ensure full integration into the project.

As the Joint Development project evolves, Metro Art will review the Art Plan in the schematic and final design stages to ensure that it is a result of a collaborative effort, is in a publicly accessible location, and contributes to the project as a whole.

As it may apply to the Joint Development opportunity, the City of Inglewood's Public Art ordinance specifies that 1% of all development costs in eligible projects be allocated to art. Project applications should consult with both Metro Art and the City of Inglewood's Arts Commission to determine arts fee compliance requirements and options for public art or cultural facility integration as related to the Joint Development opportunity.

Project applicants should consult with both Metro Art and the City of Inglewood's Public Art ordinance to determine arts fee compliance requirements and options for public art or cultural facility integration as related to the Joint Development opportunity.

#### 13. SAFETY AND SECURITY THROUGH DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

The safe use of transit and associated facilities is of paramount interest to Metro. A Joint Development project at a Metro station site should enhance transit patron's sense of well-being by utilizing passive



Figure 31
Universal Delights, 2010
STEPHEN JOHNSON, Artist
Commissioned by Metro Art, Universal City Station

The 58-foot long mosaic mural commemorates the birthplace of the film and television industry with abstracted and colorful imagery referencing camera, stage and star motifs. The artwork is integrated into the area above the concourse ticket vending machines.



Figure 32
Safety & Comfort provision from First Last Mile
Strategic Plan for Enhanced Bus Waiting Area. Goals
include: enhance transit riders' level of comfort and
improve safety for users at night by improving facility
visibility.

Image from First Last Mile Strategic Plan

and active strategies to enhance individual safety and security. Strategies, including utilization of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) approaches, should be used during the design of the Opportunity Site to enhance project and user safety. At the same time project proponents should incorporate into their development safety concepts noted in both Metro's First Last Mile Strategic Plan and Active Transportation Plan. These concepts extend the sense of safety to include design stratagems that reduce pedestrian, bicyclist, and vehicle conflicts, and enhance transit patrons comfort when using the light-rail, bus (see Figure 32), transit plaza, and parking interfaces that will be associated with the Joint Development project.

#### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROCESS SUMMARY - FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS STATION**

**APPENDIX A** 

#### A. Community Outreach Process Summary

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Completed in June 2015, the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Joint Development (JD) Strategic Plan identified development opportunities on Metro and County owned properties along the under-construction light rail line, including properties at the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights Stations. In December 2015, an outside consultant team led by John Kaliski Architects (JKA) was hired that included architecture/ urban design expertise, and was supported by economic and market analysis firm HR&A Advisors (HR&A), and community relations firm The Robert Group (TRG). The consultant team was charged with assisting with outreach and analysis leading to the creation of the Development Guidelines.

Over the last year, Metro staff presented at or led over 25 community meetings and events to introduce the Metro JD process to local stakeholders, build relationships, and better understand community priorities and aspirations for future development along the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project. The result of this robust community outreach process was the creation of Development Guidelines for each JD opportunity site, which set the program, massing, and architecture/urban design expectations for JD proposals. The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the community outreach process and a summary of the input received.

#### 2. OUTREACH STRATEGY

Understanding the diverse interests and aspirations of residents, business owners and other stakeholders along the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project alignment was crucial to shaping Metro's plan to engage the neighborhoods surrounding each JD site. Metro staff worked closely with the City of Los Angeles, the City of Inglewood and the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Community Leadership Council (CLC) — a community stakeholder-led Metro project advisory group — to engage community-based organizations and neighborhood stakeholders.

Metro and the consultant (Metro Team) worked closely with the Crenshaw/LAX CLC leadership to ensure the project's outreach strategy leveraged the long-standing relationship the CLC has with the community and its understanding of community sensitivities. With guidance from the CLC, the Metro Team sought to facilitate discussions around community aspirations, desired community

benefits, and build upon the history of efforts to-date in order to achieve sensitivity, transparency, and accountability. While the JD projects were seen as opportunities to benefit a broad range of existing and future residents, Metro acknowledged concerns about gentrification, displacement, and increased housing costs, and emphasized the concept of "place keeping."

In order to solicit input from a broad array of area stakeholders and help shape the Development Guidelines for the Fairview Heights Station JD Opportunity Site, Metro facilitated meetings with the CLC, organized three intimate roundtable discussions with stakeholder representatives including one focused on business interests, and hosted two large public workshops to discuss community aspirations. Summaries of the outreach meetings are included within this document and all presentation materials from the meetings are posted on the Metro website: https://www.metro.net/projects/jd-crenshawlax/past-meetings/.

#### 3. COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP COUNCIL ENGAGEMENT

In addition to working closely with the CLC leadership and providing updates at CLC meetings in May and November 2015 and February 2016, the Metro Team presented the Crenshaw/LAX Joint Development program to the CLC Economic Development Work Group on March 3, 2016. The following questions were asked to stimulate discussion.

- **1.** What makes the corridor special today?
- **2**. What needs aren't being met?
- 3. How can future development further community aspirations and goals (uses, design, etc.)?
- **4.** Are there projects that we should look to for inspiration?
- 5. How can implementation of the Joint Development program respond to community priorities and build faith in the process?

The CLC highlighted that the Fairview Heights area has a unique history with live/work buildings for artists. Restaurants and increased retail options were identified as needs, as locals are spending their dollars in other areas. With a substantial youth population, CLC members also encouraged the JD project look 40-50 years to the future to consider what to build for the next generation of Inglewood residents. Local developers, non-profit organizations, and small businesses should be encouraged to participate in the Joint Development project.

#### 4. STAKEHOLDER ROUNDTABLES

On March 12 and March 15, 2016, two stakeholder roundtable discussions were held with 10 representatives from Fairview Heights resident and homeowners associations, business groups, City of Inglewood staff, arts organizations, and other community-based organizations. Intimate by design, these discussions were intended to engage area stakeholders and community leaders to elicit major concerns and development ideas. The format for the roundtables involved a brief presentation with an overview of the Joint Development process and the Fairview Heights Opportunity Site followed by a group discussion. The questions from the CLC Economic Development Work Group were used to initiate discussion.

Roundtable participants highlighted the quaint vintage homes in the area. Drawn to the area because of its affordability, artists moved in along West Boulevard and Hyde Park Boulevard and have contributed to the eclectic character of the neighborhood. With a substantial youth population, participants felt the area would be well-served by additional community organizations and centers like Chuco's located on Redondo Blvd. Residents did not express opposition to change, but urged that any new project in the area avoid modern architectural styles incompatible with the nearby single family homes. The participants referred to their neighborhood as a "residential oasis," but would like to see small to medium-sized restaurants or retail shops. They would like to be able to walk to make small purchases like a cup of coffee or sandwich, rather than traveling by car to other areas. Improving pedestrian connections between the ID project site and the nearby Edward Vincent Junior Park was identified as a community priority. Residential units with varying levels of affordability above ground floor retail were favorable to most participants. Roundtable participants felt big box chain stores would be more appropriate in the Downtown Inglewood area. Downtown Long Beach and Silverlake were mentioned as areas to look to for inspiration for the JD site.

An additional roundtable discussion was held on March 11, 2016 with business leaders representing the entire Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor. Following an overview of the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights Joint Development Opportunities, the following questions tailored to the business community were used to initiate discussion.

- **1.** What are the assets of the Crenshaw/LAX commercial corridor?
- 2. What types of businesses could be attracted to the area that would provide quality jobs for local residents, and have positive community impacts?
- 3. What do you think can/should be done to maintain and strengthen local businesses?

- **4.** How can the Joint Development sites help attract business and fulfill the commercial potential of the area?
- 5. What specific types of business services would benefit local business operations and revenues?

The central location of Fairview Heights in Los Angeles County was mentioned as a major asset. The proposed NFL Stadium is set to dramatically change the City of Inglewood. The Fairview Heights Station's close proximity to the proposed stadium has the potential to create many opportunities for economic development. Participants felt that Inglewood lacks meeting space, so a community center with conference/meeting space by the station would be convenient. Improved safety and security was also discussed as being key to encouraging economic development.

#### 5. COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

Metro's community engagement continued through April with workshops held for Fairview Heights on April 2 and April 30, 2016. The prior roundtable discussions were instrumental in shaping the format and content of these site-specific workshops.

#### Community Workshop #1

The first Community Workshop was intended to orient and inform the community of the Fairview Heights Joint Development Opportunity Site as well as learn about community priorities, needs and aspirations. In addition to presenting information on the sites and the surrounding neighborhood, an overview of the in-progress regulatory plans being prepared by the City of Inglewood and a snapshot of the current neighborhood demographics and market conditions were presented.

Metro worked diligently to reach and involve all members of the community, employing several modes of media outlets and methods to invite, inform and learn from neighbors. The community workshops were promoted through the distribution of more than 4,000 flyers within 1/2 mile of the Fairview Heights site and on Metro busses and trains; creative utilization of social media including Facebook, Twitter, and NextDoor; phone calls; and door-to-door engagement along commercial corridors to personally encourage community participation. Additionally, elected official newsletters and local newspapers such as The Wave and LA Sentinel were utilized to promote the workshops. Understanding not all stakeholders have time to participate in meetings, comment cards were

distributed at all workshops and stakeholder roundtables so participants could share with neighbors who were unable to attend. A comment form was also made available on the Crenshaw/LAX Joint Development website.

Over 30 community members attended the first workshop and shared their vision and concerns for future development of the Fairview Heights Opportunity Site. Following a presentation and overview of the site, participants were split into groups of 8-10 people. To facilitate the discussions, the following six questions were asked at the breakout tables:

- 1. Fill in the blank "In 5 years, the Fairview Heights
  Station will be in full operation and this neighborhood will be \_\_\_\_\_?
- **2.** What types of uses would you like to see at this site?
- 3. What would be the look, feel, or design of a successful project here?
- **4.** What are some community needs a future project here could help meet?
- 5. Is there a project or place you enjoy that we can look to for inspiration for this site?
- **6.** As Metro moves forward on this development, how would you like to stay informed and involved in the process?

Feedback from the tables revealed five reoccurring themes:

#### 1. Connection to Arts-Oriented Community.

The Fairview Heights community takes pride in the artist community who set up residence in live-work buildings along West Boulevard and Hyde Park Boulevard for the past 25 years. The artist community contributed identity and social support to the area at a time when resources were leaving it. Residents face the promise of new investment and development mindful of their shared history with the artist community. Although participants voiced a primary need for retail-oriented uses, an arts component or connection to the arts framework remained an integral part of the conversation: "shops with eateries, art studios - these encourage positive community interaction." Participants were in favor of live-work lofts along the alley between the County property and residential properties as a way to activate the ground level with art studios and living space above.

#### 2. Pedestrian Connections.

Participants expressed the need to connect the site, the train station and Edward Vincent Junior Park both physically - walking and bike paths, "landscaping, public art, lighting and safety" - and programmatically - access to the outdoor amphitheater, Inglewood Playhouse, "summer concerts, free shows." Participants envisioned a new transit plaza that is vibrant, colorful and serves as an "inviting and compatible connection" between the station and park.

# 3. Local Architectural Style: reflect the surrounding context and scale.

The County site sits south of the Fairview Heights Neighborhood comprised of mostly one-story single-family residences. Participants were excited for the "once in a lifetime investment" but wanted to see a mixed-use project "scaled properly" and responsive to the architectural look and feel of the adjacent neighborhood.

#### 4. Mixed-Use Quality Neighborhood-Serving Retail.

Participants highlighted the need for a mixed-use project with quality neighborhood-serving retail on the ground floor facing Redondo Boulevard and residential uses above. Attendees acknowledged that the future Fairview Heights Station will be one stop away from the Downtown Inglewood Station and the new retail developments on Market Street, emphasizing an interest in modest neighborhood-serving "retail that invests in the community" and locally-owned uses that "keep money here." Retail use was envisioned with a "social component to bring the community together; restaurants, supper clubs, entertainment." Other neighborhood-serving uses included: coffee shop/café, grocery store with fresh produce, dry cleaners and child care.

#### Mixed-Use/Mixed-Income High-Quality Housing.

Participants were in favor of mixed-income housing as long as it is "architecturally beautiful and well managed." The Fairview Heights community has a higher youth population, which was reflected in participants' request for, "affordable housing, family-oriented two-three bedroom units." A few participants noted a high rental population and expressed a desire for condos and/or townhouses, "there is a need for an ownership component, this creates stability and pride of ownership."

At the first workshop, members of the public were also invited to demonstrate their preferences for 12 different potential uses for the Fairview Heights site by voting with 4 green "yes" stickers and 2 red "no" stickers and leaving written comments on boards. The 12 different potential uses were identified based on the roundtable discussions. The top three "yes" and "no" responses were as follows:

#### **Top Three Yes Votes**

- 1. Neighborhood Retail (14 votes)
- **2.** Restaurant (13 votes)
- **3.** Transit Plaza / Gathering Space (12 votes)

#### **Top Three No Votes**

- 1. Affordable Housing (5 votes)
- 2. Health Center (4 votes)
- 3. Job Center (4 votes)

Participants voted most positively for neighborhood retail use, depicted on the boards with street view photos of SoMa (San Francisco), Third Street (Santa Monica), and Pentagon Row (Arlington, Virginia). One participant noted, "I've been driving far away to shop. I want to shop here." Retail was seen as both an attractor - "retail will drive people to the area" - and a community benefit - "vibrant storefronts keep eyes on the streets making it safer." A need for sit-down restaurants and public spaces was also expressed. A transit plaza/gathering space "located next to the park could create an opportunity for a vital, artistic community center."

Fewer participants placed their red stickers. Opinions on affordable housing were split - 5 "no" votes and 8 "yes" votes. Mixed-income and affordable housing uses were preferred over low income housing options. Opinions also differed greatly on job and health center uses for the site, with one commenter noting that these are 9-5 uses that "don't promote a 24-hour community. The full results of the Uses Board exercise are shown in Figure A.1.

Following the workshop, a summary with findings and recurring themes was prepared and made available to the public.

#### Community Workshop #2

The second Fairview Heights Community Workshop held on April 30, 2016 was designed to share Metro's findings

#### COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROCESS SUMMARY - FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS STATION

# TOP 'YES' ANSWERS 14 Neighborhood Retail 13 Restaurant 12 Transit Plaza / Gathering Space 11 Market Rate Housing 9 Café 9 Neighborhood Market 13 Live-Work Loft 14 Neighborhood Market 15 Youth Center 16 Affordable Housing

# TOP 'NO' ANSWERS 5 Affordable Housing 4 Health Center 4 Job Center

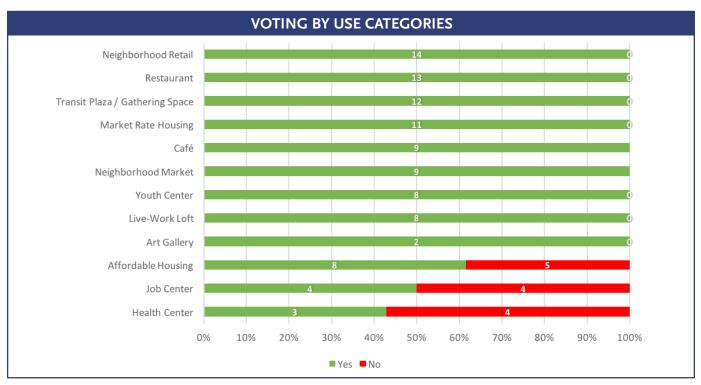


Figure A.1

from outreach endeavors to date including the first workshop, introduce market feasibility studies for suggested uses on the site and obtain additional input. The format included a presentation, feedback forms, and five information stations around key themes from the first workshop.

The five stations were:

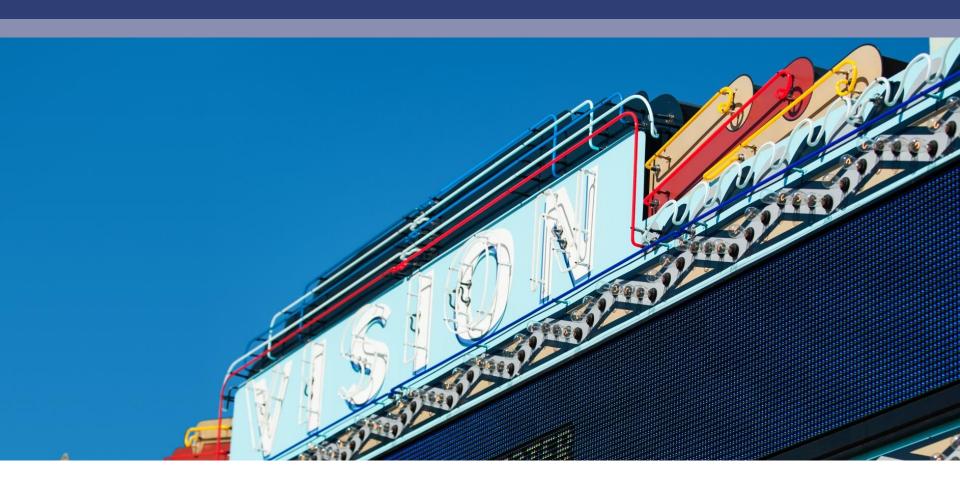
- Housing
- 2. Design/Planning
- 3. Commercial Uses
- **4.** Community Amenities
- **5.** Metro Joint Development

Eight surveys were completed. When asked for comments on affordable versus market rate housing, most respondents supported affordable and workforce housing. Ground floor retail should be small in scale, but high quality in order to give transit riders a reason to stop and enjoy the area. Participants expressed a strong interest in architectural design elements compatible with the existing character of the community. Public gathering space such as a plaza, public art components, and pedestrian-oriented features were also highlighted as important. Any future project should encourage transit ridership and create safety and security for the community. Overall, the second workshop reinforced what Metro heard from community members at the Fairview Heights roundtable discussions and first workshop.

Participants also emphasized the importance of continued community engagement throughout the development of the Joint Development project, which Metro is committed to. In order to create a successful project with broad community support, the development team for the future Fairview Heights JD project will be required to regularly engage and solicit input from area stakeholders during development and implementation.

# Crenshaw/LAX Joint Development

Metro



**Executive Management Committee June 16, 2016** 

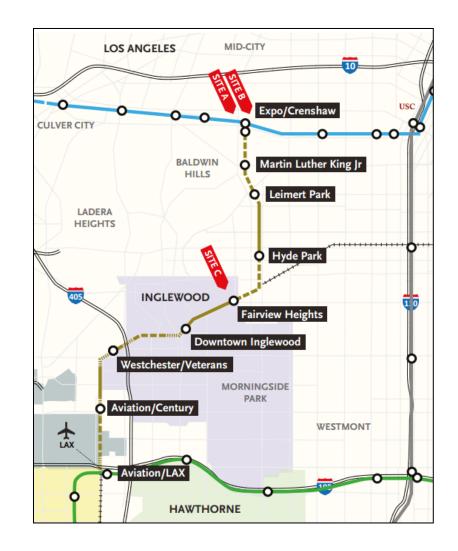
# Recommendations

- Adopt the Development Guidelines for the joint development of Metro-owned property and County-owned property at the Expo/Crenshaw Station.
- Adopt the Development Guidelines for the joint development of County-owned property at the Fairview Heights Station.
- Authorize an Agreement with the County of Los Angeles for administering the Metro Joint Development process for the County-owned properties at the Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights Stations.



# Overview and Background

- June 2015 Crenshaw/LAX Joint Development Strategic Plan released per Board Directive
- Joint Development opportunities identified at Expo/Crenshaw and Fairview Heights Stations
- October 2015 Metro/County executed MOU to cooperate on Joint Development of Countyowned sites





# **Expo/Crenshaw Station Overview**

#### SITE A

- 1.66-acre County-owned property
- County to relocate existing
   Probation Department function to repurpose site for development

#### SITE B

- 1.77-acre Metro-owned property
- Current construction staging ground; originally planned as a surface park-and-ride facility





# Expo/Crenshaw Station Development Vision

- Create a culturally distinct gateway destination and pedestrian-scaled community with high quality retail and range of housing types/affordability
- Opportunity to foster job growth with attractive office or incubator space
- Build upon City's Amended Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan (draft) and Crenshaw Corridor Streetscape Plan (draft)





# **Fairview Heights Station Overview**

#### SITE C

- 1.44-acre County-owned property
- County to relocate existing
   Department of Public Social
   Services function to repurpose site
   for development





# Fairview Heights Station Development Vision

- Create a pedestrian-friendly residential project affordable to a range of incomes with ground-floor, neighborhood-serving retail.
- Promote uses that support the existing arts-oriented community and local youth
- Build upon City's TOD Overlay Plan (draft) and vision for a village destination with strong connections to the adjacent Edward Vincent Jr. Park





# **Community Participation**

- Development Guidelines are a direct result of a robust community engagement process and close coordination with the Crenshaw/LAX Community Leadership Council (CLC)
- Over the last year, staff attended more than 25 community meetings and events including hosting five (5) roundtable discussions and four (4) public workshops
- Utilized Crenshaw/LAX Project mailing list (5,000 stakeholders), flyer distribution (18,000), social media outlets, door-to-door engagement, phone calls and elected offices to get the word out



# **County Agreement**

- Memorializes relationship, roles and responsibilities beyond initial planning stages
- County shall retain ownership of County properties
- Metro and the County will work jointly in soliciting, selecting and negotiating with developer(s)
- County shall reimburse Metro for third party costs



# **Next Steps**

- Summer 2016 Execute agreement with County; issue RFPs to solicit development proposals
- "Meet the Developers" receptions planned to encourage local partnerships and small business participation in the formation of development team and innovate development proposals
- Late 2016/early 2017 Board approval of ENAs with selected Developers





#### **Board Report**

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation
Authority
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room
Los Angeles, CA

File #: 2016-0386, File Type: Agreement Agenda Number: 41

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
JUNE 16, 2016

SUBJECT: NORTH HOLLYWOOD JOINT DEVELOPMENT

ACTION: AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT OF A SHORT TERM EXCLUSIVE

**NEGOTIATION AND PLANNING DOCUMENT** 

#### RECOMMENDATION

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a six-month **Short Term Exclusive Negotiation Agreement and Planning Document** (Short Term ENA), with an option to extend up to three additional months, with Trammell Crow Company and Greenland USA, for the development of Metro-owned property at the **North Hollywood Station (Site)**.

#### **ISSUE**

Metro owns, maintains and operates properties throughout Los Angeles County for its current and future transportation operations. As part of Metro's Joint Development Program, staff evaluates these properties for potential joint development and selects properties for beneficial transit-supportive development. The properties at the North Hollywood Station are ideal for joint development because of their size and location near a key commercial center and one of the busiest stations in the Metro system. In December 2015, Metro released a Request for Proposals for Development of Metro-owned Parcels at the North Hollywood station (RFP) to two developers that had been short-listed through a Request for Information and Qualifications (RFIQ). On April 8, 2016, Metro received one proposal submitted jointly by the two short-listed developers, Trammell Crow Company and Greenland USA (together, "Developer"). After reviewing the proposal, staff has determined that, while the proposal responds to Metro's vision for the Site, additional considerations with respect to the transit infrastructure surrounding the site and alternative financing sources for the project will require further input from the community, Metro, and other public agency stakeholders to finalize the project definition. A Short-term ENA would provide an interim period to better define the project site plan, phasing and financing strategy before executing a full ENA.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The North Hollywood station is a regional multi-modal transportation hub that includes the termini of the Metro Red and Orange lines, two bus layover facilities and Metro's park-and-ride lot. The Site is comprised of four parcels, one easterly and three westerly of Lankershim Boulevard with potential transit connections available via underground access panels. The Site has arterial and freeway

access and extensive public transportation access. Attachment B includes a map of the Metro properties for joint development and their approximate acreages. In total, the Site comprises 15.6 acres situated at the heart of North Hollywood Arts District, and as such is a powerful opportunity for Metro to achieve the objectives of the updated Joint Development Policy approved by the Board in February 2016. The Site is also part of Metro's Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Demonstration Program.

#### **Developer Proposal**

The proposal received in response to Metro's RFP for the site articulates a project vision that fundamentally follows the objectives identified in the North Hollywood Station Guide for Development, which was adopted by the Board on December 3, 2015. In accordance with the Guide for Development, the proposal includes specific strategies for achieving a variety of shared community and Metro goals for the site, including generating economic development benefits and opportunities, increasing ridership, supporting active transportation, and meeting Metro's infrastructure needs. The proposal identifies two development scenarios in order to illustrate the full potential of the site with the support of third party grants and public financing tools. A site plan along with renderings and a summary of the development proposals are provided as Attachments C and D, respectively.

#### The Short Term ENA

Typically, following the proposal solicitation process, a developer is selected to enter into an ENA with Metro with a term of up to 18 months. After careful consideration, however, staff has determined that an interim step is required to allow the parties the ability to directly communicate about potential development and public benefit scenarios and explore alternative financing opportunities, consider evolving transit infrastructure requirements, and seek further community input. The proposal identified a variety of opportunities to support a more comprehensive development program if alternative financing sources are available. Finally, the City of Los Angeles and the community should be engaged while these important issues are discussed and before certain project scoping details are decided.

The Short Term ENA will provide Metro and the Developer with six months to evaluate these financial and physical opportunities in an open dialogue with community stakeholders before Metro commits to a longer, more substantial ENA.

At the end of the ENA period, the team will produce:

- A Project Conceptual Site Plan that shows the extent of public infrastructure to be constructed by the project (including replacement parking), the location and development program for each building to be constructed under the Project, and circulation throughout the site, including proposed driveway locations, bike facilities, and pedestrian flows;
- A Phasing Plan that sets out the sequencing of the development blocks and clearly describes
  the interim steps required to ensure safe and acceptable level of service at the Metro stations;
  and.
- A Financing Plan that identifies sources of project funding, including private debt and equity,

public financing tools ( if any), and grant sources and presents a detailed strategy for securing these sources.

Additional community engagement will be part of this project scoping process. Once these deliverables are completed to the satisfaction of Metro staff, and before the Short Term ENA is expired, Metro staff will prepare a standard ENA for the Board's consideration.

#### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Approval of this item will have no impact on safety. Within this Short Term ENA period Metro's operations staff will review and comment on the proposed development to ensure that the station, portal and public areas on Metro's property are maintained at the highest levels of safety.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

Funding for joint development activities related to the ENA and the proposed project is included in the FY1 budget in Cost Center 2210 (New Business Development), under Project 610011 (Economic Development) as well as the approved 2017 budget for this department.

#### Impact to Budget

Metro project planning activities and related costs will be funded from local right-of-way lease revenues and any deposits secured from the Developer, as appropriate. Local right-of-way lease revenues are eligible for bus/rail operating and capital expenses. Execution of the Short Term ENA will not impact ongoing bus and rail operating and capital budget, Proposition A and C and TDA administration budget or Measure R administration budget.

#### ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board could choose not to proceed with the recommended action and could direct staff to (a) enter into a full ENA, (b) continue clarification talks with the Developer outside of an ENA or (c) prepare and release a new RFP. Staff does not recommend proceeding with these alternatives because the recommended action will ensure the most transparent process with the community and other public sector stakeholders, and appropriately builds upon the significant community input and procurement process that has been transpired thus far. A new RFP process would delay the development of the Site and Metro may fail to take advantage of currently favorable conditions in the real estate market. Further, if the outcome of the discussion during the Short Term ENA process does not create a project proposal suitable to the community or the Board, other options could still be considered.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon approval of the recommended action, the Short Term ENA will be executed, and Joint Development staff and the Developer will commence negotiations in parallel with community, internal and external outreach to inform stakeholders about the refinements to the development proposal. If successful, staff will return to the Board for the authority to execute a full term ENA that includes the

File #: 2016-0386, File Type: Agreement

Agenda Number: 41

project scope defined by the community, internal and external outreach process.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Procurement Summary

Attachment B - Depiction of North Hollywood Development Sites

Attachment C - Site Plan and Rendering of Proposed Development Project

Attachment D - Summary of the Proposed Development Project

Prepared by: Wells Lawson, Director, (213) 922-7217

Jenna Hornstock, Deputy Executive Officer, (213) 922-7437 Calvin Hollis, Managing Executive Officer, (213) 922-7319

Reviewed by: Ivan Page, Interim Executive Director, Vendor/Contract Management,

(213) 922-6383

Therese W. McMillan, Chief Planning Officer, (213) 922-7077

Phillip A. Washington Chief Executive Officer

#### PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

#### NORTH HOLLYWOOD JOINT DEVELOPMENT/PS5186000

1.	Contract Number: PS5186000				
2.	Recommended Vendor: Joint Venture Group, Trammell Crow Co. and Greenland USA				
3.	Type of Procurement (check one): ☐ IFB ☐ RFP ☐ RFP-A&E				
	☐ Non-Competitive ☐ Modification ☐ Task Order     Joint Development				
4.	Procurement Dates:				
	A. Issued: December 4, 2015				
	B. Advertised/Publicized: December 4, 2015				
	C. Pre-proposal/Pre-Bid Conference: N/A				
	D. Proposals/Bids Due: April 8, 2016				
	E. Pre-Qualification Completed: N/A				
	F. Conflict of Interest Form Submitted to Ethics: N/A				
	G. Protest Period End Date: N/A				
5.	Solicitations Picked	Bids/Proposals Received: 1			
	up/Downloaded: 2				
6.	Contract Administrator:	Telephone Number:			
	Jesse Zepeda	(213) 922-4156			
7.	Project Manager:	Telephone Number:			
	Wells Lawson	(213) 922-7217			

#### A. Procurement Background

This Board Action is to approve the Short Term Exclusive Negotiation Agreement (Short Term ENA) and Planning document issued in support of community outreach and project scoping regarding a mixed-use real estate development of Metro-owned property at the North Hollywood station.

A two-step procurement process was used in order to obtain the broadest competition for this Joint Development opportunity which is larger and more complex than typical Joint Development projects.

Step One, or Request for Interest and Qualifications (RFIQ), issued March 2, 2015, was for the selection of potential developers based on qualifications, track record, financial capacity, and preliminary conceptual plans. Step Two, or Request for Proposal (RFP), was for the selected potential developers to respond to the detailed RFP to provide a development plan for each site along with a financial proposal and phasing schedule. The RFIQ presented an opportunity to as many firms as possible without creating undue burdens on developers and staff in preparing and reviewing the submittals, respectively.

The RFIQ and RFP were issued in accordance with Metro's Joint Development Policy and will result in a Short Term ENA.

Three amendments were issued to the RFP:

- Amendment No. 1, issued on February 4, 2016, provided responses to five questions received;
- Amendment No. 2, issued on February 4, 2016, provided North Hollywood Station Entrance Plan Sections: and
- Amendment No. 3, issued on March 3, 2016, provided responses to five questions received and a due date extension to this RFP.

A pre-proposal conference for this RFP was not necessary.

One joint venture proposal was received on April 8, 2016.

#### B. Evaluation of Proposals/Bids

A Proposal Evaluation Team (PET) consisting of staff from Metro's Joint Development (JD) team and City of Los Angeles was convened and conducted a comprehensive technical evaluation of the proposal received.

The proposal was evaluated based on the following evaluation criteria:

- 1. Vision (10%)
- 2. Design (25%)
- 3. Financials (25%)
- 4. Implementation (20%)
- 5. Community Benefits (20%)

The evaluation criteria are appropriate and consistent with criteria developed for other, similar Short Term ENAs. Several factors were considered when developing these weights, giving the greatest importance to the design, financials and implementation.

Two firms, Trammell Crow Co. and Greenland USA, were short-listed firms from the RFIQ phase. The two firms partnered under a cost sharing agreement to submit one joint venture proposal in response to the RFP.

Distribution of the proposal was held on April 11, 2016, to the four PET members. Clarification discussions were held on April 28, 2016, with the joint venture, Trammell Crow Co./Greenland USA team, to answer PET members' questions. During the discussions, the team focused on the components of the proposal that address the requirements of the RFP, the joint venture team's experience with all aspects of the required tasks, and each firm's commitment to the success of the project. The joint venture team was asked questions relative to the team's proposed alternatives and previous experience. On May 2, 2016, final evaluation scores were determined.

#### **Qualifications Summary of Firms**

#### TRAMMEL CROW AND GREENLAND USA

The joint venture proposal brings together the strengths of the two teams: Greenland USA with its expertise in larger master-planned projects and bold design; and Trammell Crow Co. for its expertise with transit-oriented revitalization projects, public-private partnerships and local knowledge.

The proposal articulates a project vision that fundamentally follows the objectives identified in the Board adopted Development Guidelines provided in the RFP and includes specific strategies for achieving a variety of shared community and Metro goals for the site, including generating economic development benefits and opportunities, increasing ridership, supporting active transportation, and meeting Metro's infrastructure needs.

The proposal identifies a baseline development scenario along with a more intensive scenario in order to illustrate the full potential of the site with the support of other grants and public financing tools. A variety of opportunities to support a more comprehensive development program with public financing sources such as the formation of an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District , Federal and State grants and loans, and other local partnerships.

	Trammell Crow Company/Greenland USA	Average Score	Factor Weight	Weighted Average Score	Rank
1	Vision	85	10.00%	8.5	
2	Design	85	25.00%	21.25	
3	Financials	72.5	25.00%	18.13	
4	Implementation	92.5	20.00%	18.5	
5	Community Benefits	85	20.00%	17	
	Total		100.00%	83.38	1

#### C. <u>Background on Recommended Developer</u>

The recommended firm is the joint venture, Trammell Crow Co. and Greenland USA. Trammell Crow Co., founded in 1948, is one of the nation's leading developers and investors in commercial real estate. Greenland USA, founded in 2013, is a leading developer of residential and commercial properties that both transform communities and exemplify modern living.

Trammell Crow Co. has developed or acquired nearly 2,600 buildings valued at nearly \$60 billion and over 540 million square feet. It is dedicated to building value for its clients with professionals in 16 major cities throughout the U.S. The company

serves users of, and investors in, office, transit oriented developments, multifamily, industrial, retail, healthcare, hotel, public tax-exempt, adaptive reuse, and mixed use projects. For those who occupy real estate, Trammell Crow Co. can execute the development or acquisition of facilities tailored to meet its clients' needs. For investor clients, the company specializes in joint venture speculative development, acquisition/re-development ventures, build-to-suit development, or providing incentive-based fee development services.

Trammell Crow Co. Los Angeles business unit provides more than 40 years of experience and expertise in development, investment and construction of 36.5 million square feet of office, mixed use, retail and industrial space in excess of \$10 billion. It is committed to creating the right product in the right market while supporting quality economic growth for our community.

Greenland USA couples its extensive international track record, commitment to design innovation, quality and efficiency, and its local market expertise to bring landmark properties to fruition. Its strategic acquisitions, including the development of Pacific Park in New York City and Metropolis in downtown Los Angeles, exemplify its vision for properties that are amenity-rich, catalyze local economies and foster the growth of the surrounding communities.

Greenland USA partners with the best in the business, as with the successful partnership on the Metropolis project; the more than \$1 billion mixed-use project in downtown Los Angeles sits on a 6.3 acre parcel of land that sat vacant for nearly 25 years until Greenland USA's acquisition in January 2014. Comprised of three residential towers, a boutique hotel and a curated retail experience, upon completion, Metropolis will truly redefine the Los Angeles streetscape, skyline and lifestyle.

Greenland USA is committed to creating properties that will become the cornerstone of their communities. It takes a holistic and long-term view at each of their projects because they are driven by the promise of what urban centers can become in the U.S

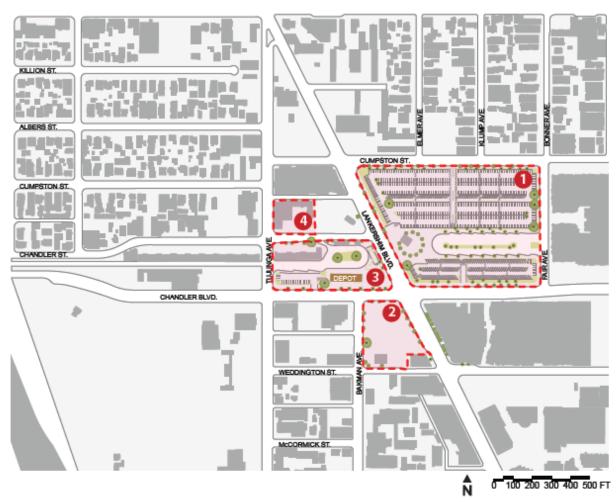
#### **D. DEOD Summary**

Metro strongly encourages partnerships with Community-Based Organizations (CBO) that provide affordable housing and other community serving programs and uses to its joint development sites as part of the Development Team.

Metro also encourages Development Teams to create opportunities to include Metro-certified SBE/DBE and DVBE firms in their projects, through professional or construction services.

CBO participation on the Development Team: The Affordable Housing Developer is the Cesar Chavez Foundation.

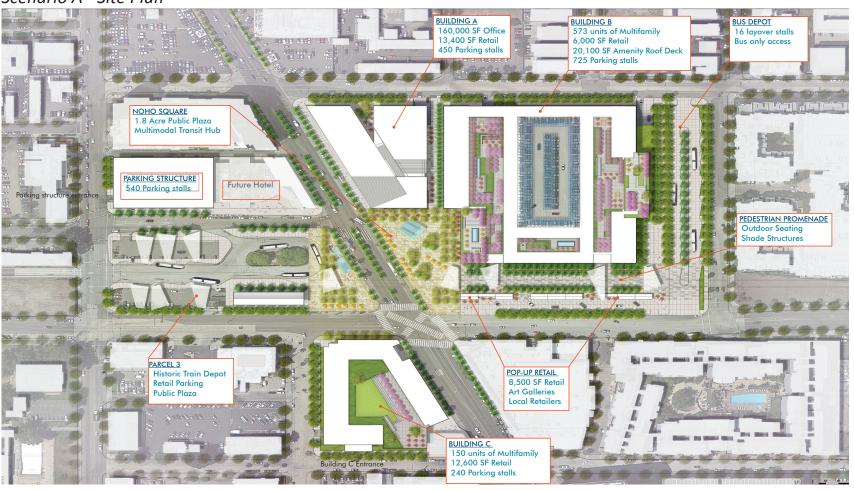
#### **Depiction of Development Sites**



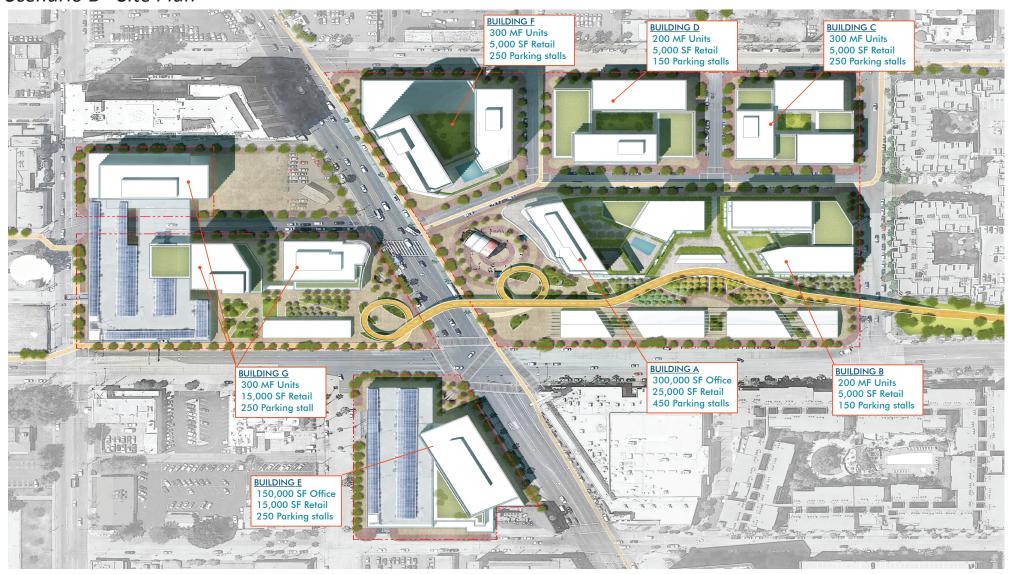
- 1 Station | Parking | Bus Layover Area (10.5 Acres)
- Weddington Property (1.8 Acres)

- Metro Orange Line Terminus (2.6 Acres)
  Excludes Historic Train Depot
- Currently Short-term Leased to Costume Shop And Plumbing Supply Store (.66 Acres)

Scenario A - Site Plan

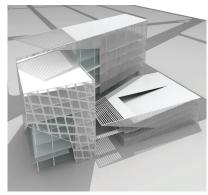


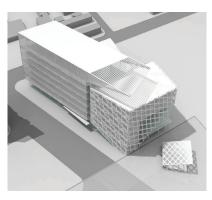
Scenario B - Site Plan

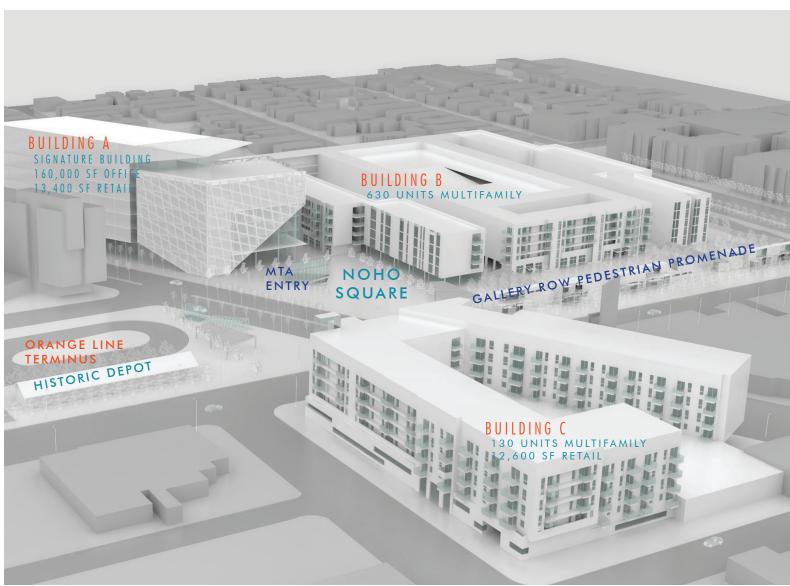


Scenario A - Rendering









Scenario B - Rendering



#### **Development Summary**

#### **Developer Team**

Master Developers: Trammell Crow Company + Greenland USA

Affordable Housing Developer: Cesar Chavez Foundation

Commercial Architects: Gensler + HKS Architects Multifamily Architect: Killefer Flammang Architects Landscape + Urban Designer: Meléndrez, Inc.

#### **Development Program**

In order to demonstrate the potential spectrum of development attainable on the North Hollywood Metro-Owned Parcels, the Trammell Crow Company and Greenland team proposed two alternative development scenarios for the site. The development program for these two scenarios is described below:

Type	Option A	Option B
Residential	750 Units	1500 Units
	35% Affordable	35% Affordable
	Housing	Housing
Retail	40,500 sf	150,000 sf
Office	200,000 sf	450,000 sf
Total Parking	3600 stalls	5400 stalls
Total Development	1,400,000 gross sf	2,500,000 gross sf

Both scenarios propose the same approach to the public realm, transit infrastructure and project circulation including a large central square tying together the West and East sides of Lankershim with the bus plazas, new mixed-use development and pedestrian and bike paths.



#### **Board Report**

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation
Authority
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room
Los Angeles, CA

File #: 2016-0490, File Type: Federal Legislation / State Legislation (Position)

Agenda Number: 46

### EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE JUNE 16, 2016

SUBJECT: STATE LEGISLATION

ACTION: ADOPT STAFF RECOMMENDED POSITIONS

#### RECOMMENDATION

ADOPT staff recommended positions:

A. AB 1640 (Stone) - Retirement: Public Employees WORK WITH AUTHOR

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - AB 1640 (Stone) Legislative Analysis

Prepared by: Michael Turner, DEO, Government Relations, (213) 922-2122

Desarae Jones, Government Relations Administrator, (213) 922-2230

Reviewed by: Pauletta Tonilas, Chief Communications Officer, (213) 922-3777

Phillip A. Washington Chief Executive Officer BILL: ASSEMBLY BILL 1640

AUTHOR: ASSEMBLYMEMBER MARK STONE

(D-SCOTTS VALLEY)

SUBJECT: RETIREMENT: PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

STATUS: PENDING REFERRAL TO SENATE

ACTION: WORK WITH AUTHOR

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Board adopt a Work with Author position on Assembly Bill 1640 (Stone).

#### <u>ISSUE</u>

Assemblymember Mark Stone has introduced AB 1640, a bill that would extend indefinitely a specified exemption under the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA) for those public employees, whose collective bargaining rights are subject to specified provisions of federal law and who became a member of a state or local public retirement system prior to December 30, 2014.

#### AB 1640 would:

- Permanently exempt certain public transit workers, who first became members of a public retirement system between January 1, 2013 and December 29, 2014 from the requirements of PEPRA.
- Deletes provisions related to specified federal district court rulings regarding the certification of federal transit funding.

#### DISCUSSION

Existing law enacted by AB 1222 (Bloom and Dickenson), Chapter 527, Statutes of 2013, makes an exemption to PEPRA for employees who are covered by 13(c) arrangements until either a federal district court rules that the United States Secretary of Labor (or his or her designee) erred in determining that application of PEPRA precludes certification of federal transit funding or January 1, 2015, whichever is sooner.

A recent decision in the State of California v. United States Department of Labor ended the exemption provided to transit employees by AB 1222. Transit districts are currently appealing the federal court decision, and AB 1640 (Stone) would clarify that workers hired during the exemption between January 1, 2013 and December 29, 2014 should continue to receive classic employee retirement benefits instead of PEPRA employee retirement benefits.

According to information provided to the Assembly Public Employment, Retirement and Social Security Committee by CalPERS, 1,431 members from 36 different CalPERS covered employers were reclassified back into PEPRA membership after the December 30, 2014 ruling.

Staff finds that the primary cost to Metro relates to paying the employee' contributions to the CalPERS plan: \$2.0 million through calendar year 2015 plus approximately \$2.7 million annually (in 2016 dollars) going forward before adjusting for wage escalation. The provisions outlined in AB 1640 would affect 395 current Metro employees and would increase costs to Metro while increasing benefits for employees.

The bill is supported by the Teamsters and Amalgamated Transit Union which represent Metro employees.

Staff is recommending that the Board of Directors adopt a Work with Author position on AB 1640 (Stone).

#### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Staff has determined that there is no direct impact to safety as a result of this proposal.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

Staff has estimated that there could be an annual fiscal impact of \$2.7 million annually for future costs before wage escalation related to an increased share of Metro CalPERS contributions on behalf of affected employees to the agency as the result of the provisions outlined in this bill.

#### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

Alternatives to the Work with Author position will be considered with respect to our agency's past positions on legislation related to exempting public transit employees from the provisions of PEPRA.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

Should the Board decide to adopt a Work with Author position on AB 1640 (Stone), staff will communicate the Board's position to the author and work to address any concerns that the agency has with respect to potential fiscal impacts and employee retirement plans. Staff will continue to keep the Board informed as this issue is addressed throughout the legislative session.



#### **Board Report**

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation
Authority
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room
Los Angeles, CA

File #: 2016-0464, File Type: Informational Report

Agenda Number: 48

PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE
JUNE 15, 2016
EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
JUNE 16, 2016

SUBJECT: POTENTIAL BALLOT MEASURE PUBLIC INPUT AND POLLING RESULTS

ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE

#### RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE AND FILE the Potential Ballot Measure Public Input and Polling Results.

#### **ISSUE**

The Metro Communications Team implemented a multi-faceted public outreach and input process across Los Angeles County to educate the public about the Potential Ballot Measure and get feedback on the proposed plan.

The public input process occurred through four main sectors of the community: Elected Officials Engagement, Key Stakeholder Engagement, Public Engagement, and Media Engagement.

Metro staff attended 84 stakeholder and community presentations and meetings, conducted numerous briefings with elected officials, held nine public meetings and one virtual online meeting, co-hosted two meetings with stakeholder partners, and conducted 14 telephone town hall meetings.

As another means of soliciting feedback, Metro also conducted a public opinion poll about the potential ballot measure to gage voter sentiment on a local sales tax measure to ease traffic and improve transportation. Staff collaborated with the professional polling firm FM3, which conducted the telephone survey May 21-June 1 in English and Spanish to 2,125 likely voters.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The public input process provided an opportunity for the public to submit their input through various ways - online comments, US Mail, voice mail, flip charts at the public meetings, comment cards, and social media. Metro received a total of 1,567 comments.

In addition, Metro received 91 letters from elected officials, city councils, key stakeholders, community groups, and business organizations. The comments were evaluated and compiled into

major themes that emerged. The major general feedback falls into the following topics:

- Build fewer projects, get them done faster
- Support 50-year sales tax so more projects could be built
- Increase Local Return
- Transit Connectivity: Support for Transit-Oriented Communities (TOC), Complete Streets, First/Last Mile, Green Streets, Active Transportation Projects
- Provide more funding for rail and bus; less for highways
- Provide more funding for highways
- Continue sales tax to keep the system in good working condition
- Increase quality and reliability of bus and rail service

There was substantial feedback about individual projects with the most prevalent comments about the following specific projects:

- Orange Line: Grade-separate, convert to LRT, connect to Burbank Airport and Gold Line
- Sepulveda Pass: Accelerate and connect Van Nuys LRT
- Crenshaw North Extension: Accelerate
- Green Line Extension to Torrance: Accelerate
- West Santa Ana Branch: Accelerate
- Gold Line Eastside Extension: Accelerate
- First/Last Mile and Active Transportation: Provide more Funding
- Metrolink: Service expansion/improvements
- I-5 Widening between I-605/I-710: Accelerate
- SR-710: Non-tunnel alternatives
- Crenshaw Line: Build Park Mesa Tunnel/Vermont Corridor

There were four other major themes that emerged: Rail, Bus, Streets and Highways, and Local Return.

#### Rail

- Build more rail lines faster
- Grade-separate lines
- Improve bus/rail connections
- Provide more parking at stations
- Upgrade BRT to LRT (Orange Line)
- Improve safety, amenities and maintenance at stations
- Provide better wayfinding signage
- Provide more money for Metrolink

#### Bus

- Increase bus service, especially to housing, employment and education centers
- Increase service to CSUN
- Provide more BRT lines to serve major transit corridors and connect to rail lines
- Improve the quality and reliability of bus service, especially in communities of color

Agenda Number: 48

- Improve safety, amenities and maintenance at stops
- Improve wayfinding signage
- Expand DASH and Express bus service
- Utilize technology for improved bus/rail integration

#### **Streets and Highways**

- More HOV or Toll Lanes
- Fix potholes and sidewalks
- Improve streets for safer pedestrian use by seniors, children and the disabled
- Spend less money on highways and more money on transit
- State of Good Repair should apply to streets and highways as well as transit

#### **Local Funding**

- Increase Local Return to 25% for street repairs, Complete Streets, First/Last Mile and Active Transportation
- Do not increase Local Return
- Smaller, disadvantaged cities need their fair share of funding for transit services, street repairs and bicycle and pedestrian improvements
- Local Return funding formulas should be based on population, employment and housing growth
- Require cities to use part of funding for road maintenance

#### **Public Meeting Outcome**

A total of 563 people participated in the public meetings. During the meetings, Metro asked the meeting audiences a series of five questions and utilized an electronic polling system to get immediate responses from the groups. When asked if they would vote for the sales tax measure if the election were held at that time, an average of 73 percent said they would vote for the tax.

#### **Telephone Town Hall Outcome**

As another method to educate the public and get feedback on the plan, Metro hosted 14 telephone town hall meetings focused on different areas of the county. Collectively, 47,947 participated in the live telephone forums with Board members and Metro staff. During the live electronic polling, 68 percent registered their support for the sales tax measure.

#### **Public Opinion Survey**

The poll asked participants if they felt things in Los Angeles County were headed in the right direction or are off on the wrong track. Voters are more optimistic than they were in both 2008 during the Measure R vote and in 2012 when Measure J went to the ballot. Of the respondents, 47 percent said they believe the county is headed in the right direction compared to 19 percent in 2008 and 32 percent in 2012.

After educating the public about the transportation plan, 72 percent would vote for the "no sunset" ballot measure. Two-thirds of the voters are more likely to vote for the measure if it titled, the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan.

When asked about the plan's most important features, the benefits that resonate most with the public include:

- Keep fares affordable for seniors, students and the disabled
- Create jobs
- Repair potholes
- Earthquake-retrofit bridges
- Improve freeway traffic flow
- Sub-regional improvements and the need to provide transportation options for an aging population are reasons people would be more inclined to vote for the measure

The June 2016 survey vote pattern is similar to the June 2008 survey vote pattern - the last Metro public poll conducted before the November 2008 Election victory.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

No financial impact.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

All comments and feedback received through the public input process have been compiled into a binder and is available for viewing in the Board Secretary's Office. An electronic copy will also be available upon request.

Prepared by: Pauletta Tonilas, Chief Communications Officer, (213) 922-3777

Phillip A. Washington Chief Executive Officer



## Los Angeles County *Transportation Issues Survey 2016*

Survey Conducted: May 20-May 26 & May 31-June 1, 2016

220-4476

Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates – FM3

PUBLIC OPINION RESEARCH & STRATEGY



# Methodology and Key Findings

### 2016 Methodology

- Conducted a telephone survey (landlines and cell phones) between May 20-26, May 31-June 1, 2016
- Interviews with 2,125 Los Angeles County voters likely to vote in November 2016, including new registrants
- Survey was available in English and Spanish
- Margin of error for the full sample is ±2.5% and half the sample is ±3.5%
- Margin of error for each Metro Polling Area is ±5.7% and half for each Metro Polling Area is ±8.0%
- Some percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding

## **2015 Methodology**

- Some questions were tracked from the 2015 Metro Long Range Transportation Random Digit Dial Telephone Survey conducted between March 17-29, 2015
- Results from the 2015 survey include only 863
  respondents who self-reported they are registered to vote
  in LA County and were definitely going to vote in the
  November 2016 General Election
- Survey was available in English and Spanish
- Margin of error for the reported sample is ±3.4% and half sample is ±4.8%

## **METRO Polling Areas**

Polling Area	Largest Cities/Unincorporated Areas included in Polling Areas	Actual Sample Size	Actual % of Likely November 2016 Voters
Central	City of Los Angeles, Unincorporated Areas	306	8%
North County	Santa Clarita, Lancaster, Palmdale, Unincorporated Areas	300	8%
San Fernando Valley	City of Los Angeles, Glendale, Burbank, Calabasas, La Cañada Flintridge, Agoura Hills, San Fernando, Westlake Village, Unincorporated Areas	302	19%
San Gabriel Valley	Pasadena, Pomona, West Covina, Alhambra, Glendora, Diamond Bar, El Monte, Arcadia, Montebello, Monterey Park, Claremont, La Verne, Baldwin Park, Monrovia, Unincorporated Areas	304	18%
Southbay	City of Los Angeles, Torrance, Inglewood, Redondo Beach, Carson, Hawthorne, Rancho Palos Verdes, Manhattan Beach, Gardena, Unincorporated Areas	303	16%
Southeast	Long Beach, Lakewood, Downey, Norwalk, Whittier, Compton, Cerritos, Bellflower, South Gate, La Mirada, Huntington Park, Pico Rivera, Unincorporated Area	302	16%
Westside	City of Los Angeles, Santa Monica, Culver City, West Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Malibu, Unincorporated Areas	308	15%

## **Key Findings**

- There are no statistically meaningful differences between a 50-year sunset measure and a no-sunset measure.
- Initial support, after hearing just the ballot title and summary, is within the margin of error for passage.
- After educational outreach messages, support increases above the two-thirds threshold.
- Two-thirds of voters are more likely to vote for the measure if its title is "Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan".

### **Key Findings Continued**

- Keeping senior, disabled and student fares affordable; creating jobs; repairing potholes; earthquake retrofitting bridges and improving freeway traffic flow are among the measure's most important features.
- Sub-regional benefits and the need to provide transportation options for an aging County population are among the top reasons to be more inclined to vote yes on the measure.

### **Key Findings Continued**

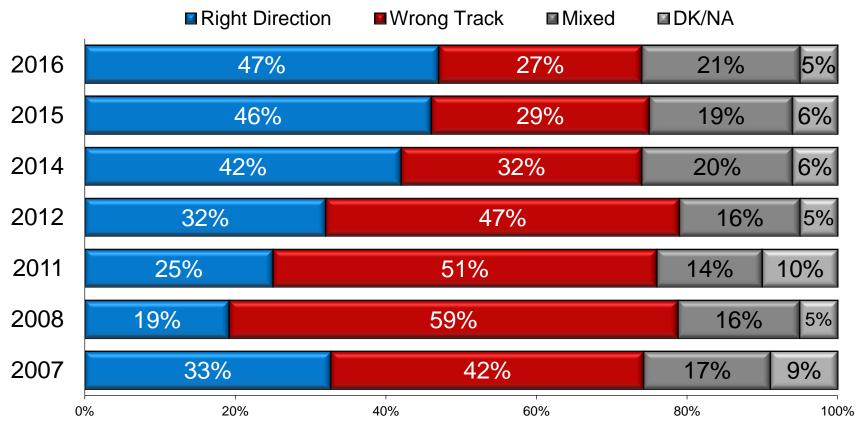
- Support for Metro's Ballot Measure does not appear to be adversely affected by its placement among other LA County measures on the ballot, whether asked about first or third. However, since the initial level of support for the measure was within the margin of error for passage, it would be advisable to have the measure as high as possible on the ballot.
- Support for the Homeless Measure does not appear to be significantly hindered by the order in which it appears on the ballot.
- The Parks Measure is clearly more vulnerable as its placement moves farther down the ballot.



## The Mood of Voters 2007 to 2016

# In 2016, a plurality perceives Los Angeles County to be headed in the right direction; voters are more optimistic than they were prior to Measure R (2008) and Measure J (2012).

(Los Angeles County)



Q2. Thinking about Los Angeles County in general, would you say things are going in the right direction or would you say they are off on the wrong track?



## The Transportation Sales Tax Measures

## **Ballot Title and Summary for 50-Year Sunset Sales Tax Measure and No Sunset Sales Tax Measure**

### Improve Transportation. Relieve Traffic

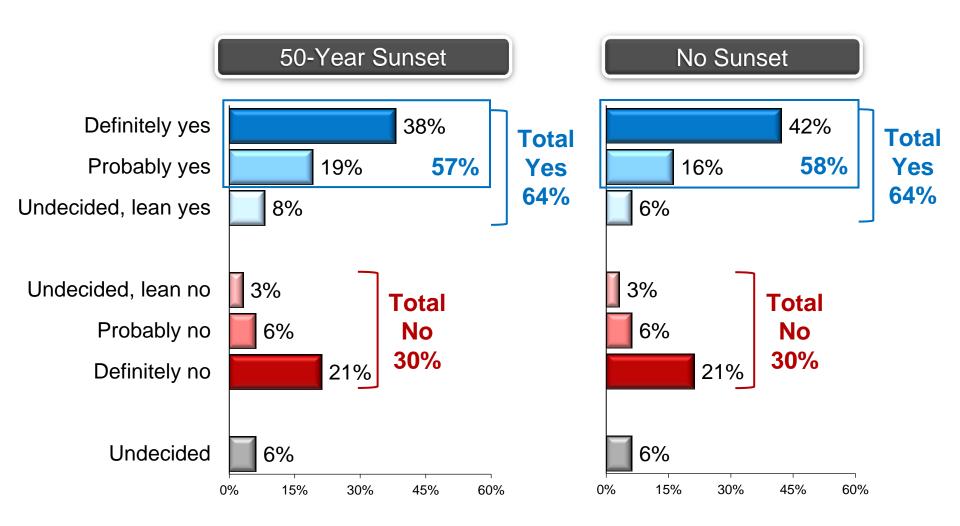
#### **50-Year Sunset Sales Tax**

To improve freeway traffic flow and safety; repave streets; synchronize signals; earthquake retrofit bridges: expand rail and bus systems; improve school job, and airport connections; reduce polluted road runoff; keep senior, disabled and student fares affordable; create jobs; shall voters authorize a one-half cent sales tax and extend the current traffic relief tax for a 50-year Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan, and continue a portion to keep the system in good working condition, with independent audits and oversight?

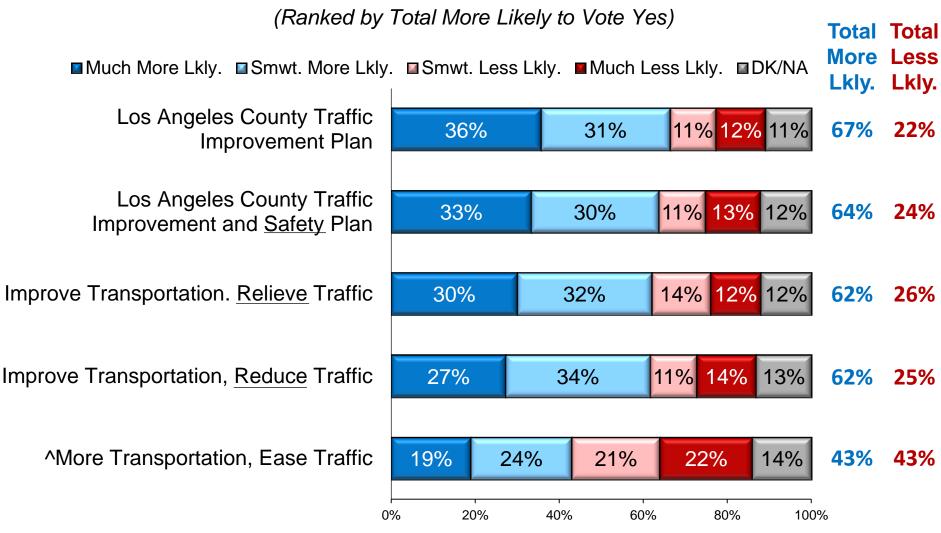
#### **No Sunset Sales Tax**

To improve freeway traffic flow and safety; repair potholes; repave local streets; synchronize signals; earthquake retrofit bridges and overpasses; expand rail, subway and bus systems; improve job, school and connections; reduce polluted road runoff flowing into waterways and onto beaches; senior, disabled and student fares affordable; and create jobs, shall voters authorize a Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan through a one-half cent sales tax and continue the existing one-half cent traffic relief tax with independent audits and oversight?

## There is no statistically significant difference between a 50-year sunset and no sunset — both scenarios receive 64% overall support on the initial vote.



### Similar to focus group findings, the title "Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan" causes the highest percentage of voters to indicate a greater likelihood to support the measure.

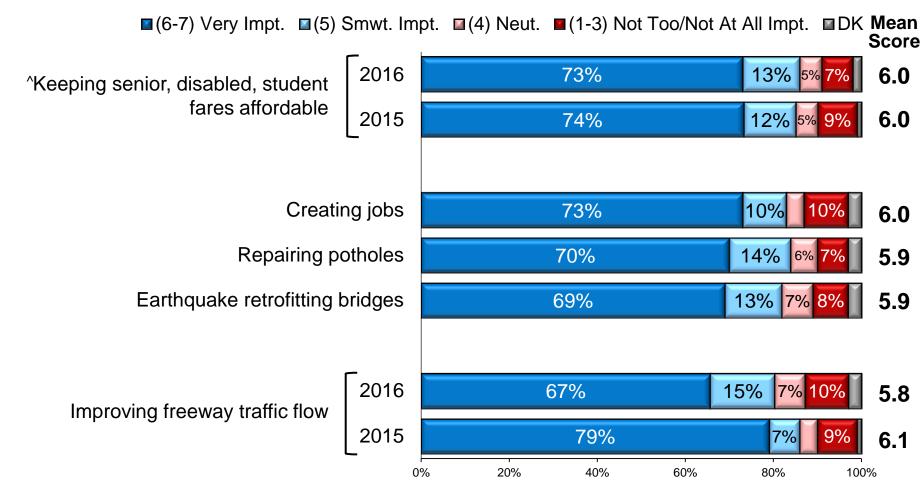


Q7. I'm going to mention a list of possible titles for the measure I just asked you about. Please tell me whether the title would make you more or less likely to vote for it. Not Part of Split Sample

14

## Keeping senior, disabled, and student fares affordable; creating jobs, repairing potholes, and earthquake-retrofitting bridges are among the most important features of the Measure.

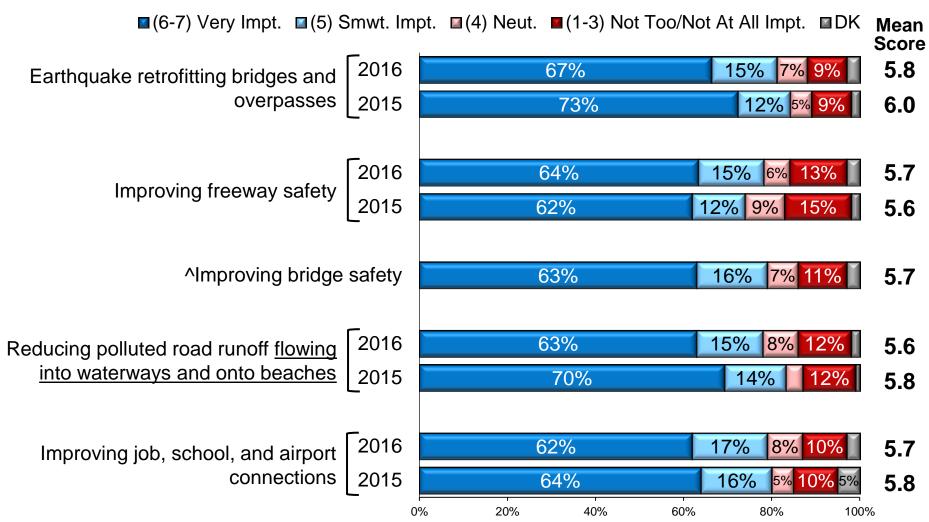
(Ranked by Very Important "6" and "7")



Q8. I am now going to mention some features and provisions of the proposed measure entitled Improve Transportation. Relieve Traffic that I asked you about earlier. Regardless of your opinion of the measure, please tell me how important it is to you that the feature or provision be included as part of the measure. We will use a scale of one to seven, where one means NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT to you that the feature or provision is included in the measure and seven means it would be VERY IMPORTANT. 'Not Part of Split Sample; Note in 2015 "Keeping senior, disabled, student fares affordable" was shown as "Keeping seniors, disabled and student fares low."

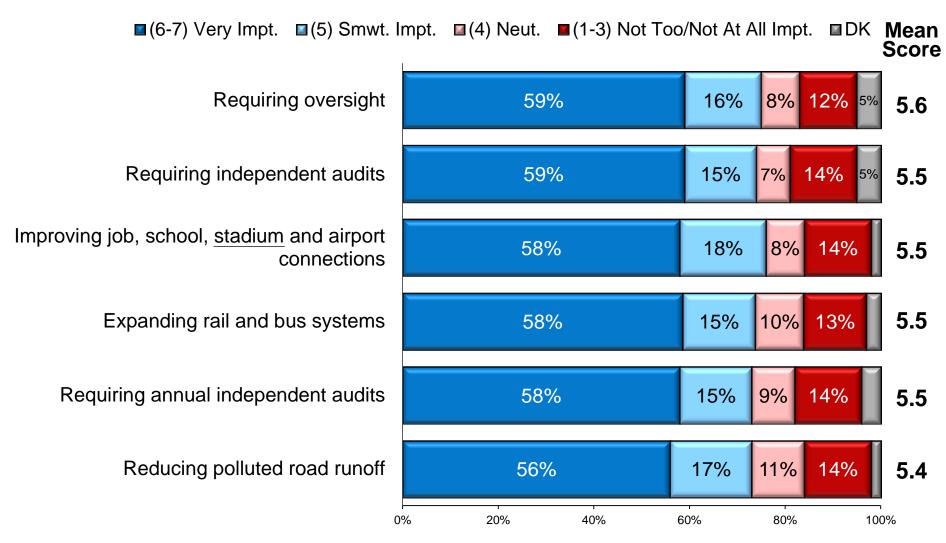
#### **Continued**

(Ranked by Very Important "6" and "7")



Q8. I am now going to mention some features and provisions of the proposed measure entitled Improve Transportation. Relieve Traffic that I asked you about earlier. Regardless of your opinion of the measure, please tell me how important it is to you that the feature or provision be included as part of the measure. We will use a scale of one to seven, where one means NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT to you that the feature or provision is included in the measure and seven means it would be VERY IMPORTANT. Not Part of Split Sample; Note in 2015 "Earthquake retrofitting bridges and overpasses" was shown as "Earthquake retrofitting bridges, tunnels and overpasses" and "Reducing polluted road runoff flowing into waterways and onto beaches" was shown as "Preventing polluted toxic roadway runoff from entering storm drains and flowing into creeks, rivers and coastal waters and onto County beaches."

(Ranked by Very Important "6" and "7")



Q8. I am now going to mention some features and provisions of the proposed measure entitled Improve Transportation. Relieve Traffic that I asked you about earlier. Regardless of your opinion of the measure, please tell me how important it is to you that the feature or provision be included as part of the measure. We will use a scale of one to seven, where one means NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT to you that the feature or provision is included in the measure and seven means it would be VERY IMPORTANT. Not Part of Split Sample

### Importance Ratings of Potential Transportation Measure Features and Accountability Provisions by Metro Polling Area

(Ranked by All Residents "6"/"7", where "1" = Not at All Important and "7"= Very Important)

Features	All Residents	Central	North County	SFV	SGV	South Bay	Southeast	Westside
^Keeping senior, disabled, student fares affordable	73%	79%	68%	71%	70%	71%	78%	72%
Creating jobs	73%	78%	70%	71%	71%	75%	83%	68%
Repairing potholes	70%	76%	61%	72%	65%	70%	66%	76%
Earthquake retrofitting bridges	69%	66%	72%	70%	67%	65%	71%	73%
Improving freeway traffic flow	67%	73%	59%	68%	58%	72%	71%	67%
Earthquake retrofitting bridges and overpasses	67%	81%	62%	63%	68%	60%	70%	67%
Improving freeway safety	64%	66%	61%	65%	64%	62%	64%	63%
^Improving bridge safety	63%	69%	66%	60%	61%	58%	66%	67%
Reducing polluted road runoff flowing into waterways and onto beaches	63%	74%	55%	66%	63%	52%	67%	63%
Improving job, school, and airport connections	62%	74%	56%	61%	62%	60%	56%	69%
Repaving streets	60%	68%	50%	57%	56%	67%	67%	57%
Requiring oversight	59%	63%	58%	57%	64%	63%	58%	52%
Requiring independent audits	59%	62%	58%	54%	61%	62%	64%	52%
Improving job, school, stadium and airport connections	58%	61%	55%	55%	53%	70%	66%	49%

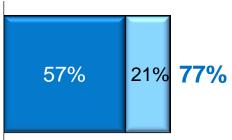
Q8. I am now going to mention some features and provisions of the proposed measure entitled Improve Transportation. Relieve Traffic that I asked you about earlier. Regardless of your opinion of the measure, please tell me how important it is to you that the feature or provision be included as part of the measure. We will use a scale of one to seven, where one means NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT to you that the feature or provision is included in the measure and seven means it would be VERY IMPORTANT. Not Part of Split Sample

# Specific, sub-regional benefits in various Polling Areas and adequately addressing an aging population's transportation needs are the most important reasons to support the measure.

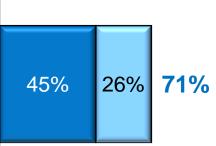
(Ranked by Total More Inclined to Vote Yes)

■Much More Incl. ■Smwt. More Incl.

Asked Only Voters In Polling Area – Central Los Angeles County (n=306) (CENTRAL) This measure provides traffic relief for all areas of the County. In central Los Angeles specifically, it helps improve traffic flow and safety by repairing potholes, upgrading crosswalks and sidewalks. It also funds projects that improve connections to jobs, schools and LAX by linking the Metro Crenshaw Light Rail Line west to LAX, and extending the Crenshaw project north to the Metro Purple Line on Wilshire and through West Hollywood to the Metro Red Line in Hollywood. In addition, it provides an approximately 12 mile transit connection on Vermont Avenue from 120th Street, just south of the Metro Green Line, to Hollywood Boulevard.

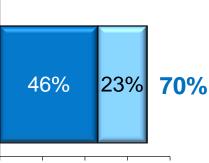


(SENIOR LIMITATIONS) In the next 15 years, the number of people 65 and over in Los Angeles County is expected to increase by 70% to over 2 million seniors. We need to invest in van services and public transit that seniors, including veterans and people with disabilities, can take to help them maintain their independence and reduce the burden on their caregivers.



Asked Only Voters In Polling Area – San Fernando Valley (n=302) (SAN FERNANDO VALLEY) This measure provides traffic relief for all areas of the County. In the San Fernando Valley specifically, it helps improve traffic flow and safety by repaving streets, repairing potholes, synchronizing signals and earthquake retrofitting bridges. It also funds transit projects that connect the San Fernando Valley to LAX under the Sepulveda Pass, as well as convert the Metro Orange Line Busway to a light rail line connecting Woodland Hills, North Hollywood, the Burbank Airport, Pasadena and the Greater San Gabriel Valley.

Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates – FM3



19

Q9. I am going to mention to you some statements made by <u>supporters</u> of the **Improve Transportation**. Relieve Traffic measure. Please tell me if it makes you more inclined to vote for this ballot measure. Split Sample

PUBLIC OPINION RESEARCH & STRATEGY

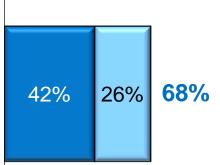
(Ranked by Total More Inclined to Vote Yes)

■Much More Incl. ■Smwt. More Incl.

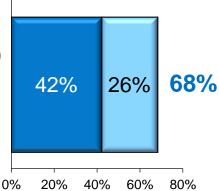
Asked Only Voters In Polling Area – The South Bay (n=303) (SOUTH BAY) This measure provides traffic relief for all areas of the County. In the South Bay specifically, it helps improve traffic flow and safety by repairing potholes, removing key bottlenecks on Pacific Coast Highway, Hawthorne and Crenshaw Boulevards and Western Avenue, and earthquake retrofitting bridges. It also funds improvements to the 405 freeways between Florence Ave and the 110 freeways and extends the Metro Green Light Rail Line south towards San Pedro from Redondo Beach and to the Torrance Transit Center. Finally, it prevents polluted roadway runoff from entering storm drains and flowing out into Los Angeles County waterways and beaches.

41% 30% 70%

Asked Only Voters In Polling Area - West Los Angeles County (n=308) (WESTSIDE) This measure provides traffic relief for all areas of the County. On the Westside of Los Angeles specifically, it helps improve traffic flow and safety on local streets by repairing potholes, synchronizing signals and earthquake safety upgrades to bridges and roads. It also funds such transit projects that connect LAX to the San Fernando Valley under the Sepulveda Pass, and extends the Metro Crenshaw LAX Light Rail Line, which is currently under construction, to the Metro Purple Line on Wilshire and through West Hollywood to the Metro Red Line in Hollywood.



(EXTEND TRANSIT) This measure will extend more light-rail to 20 rail lines, over 70 stations and cover 200 miles, as well as add more bus routes to build out the County transportation system so residents can go more conveniently and more affordably to more places.

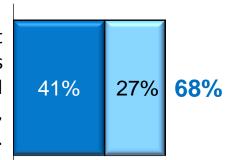


Q9. I am going to mention to you some statements made by <u>supporters</u> of the **Improve Transportation**. Relieve Traffic measure. Please tell me if it makes you more inclined to vote for this ballot measure. Split Sample

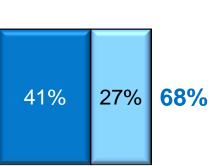
(Ranked by Total More Inclined to Vote Yes)

■Much More Incl. ■Smwt. More Incl.

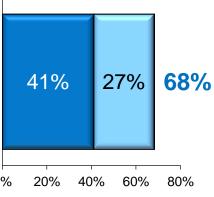
(JOBS/HELP BUSINESSES) Local economists estimate that the freeway, local street and public transit projects alone will create tens of thousands of well-paying jobs throughout the County. Those workers will then spend money locally, which will generate hundreds of millions of dollars in revenues for Los Angeles County's small, medium and large businesses and an additional need for workers.



(REBUILDING OUR FREEWAY SYSTEM) Most of Los Angeles County's highway and road system is over 60 years old and the number of cars today far exceeds what the system was built to handle. This measure will help upgrade and modernize our aging freeways, highways, tunnels, overpasses and bridges to match a 21st Century economy and prepare for the hundreds of thousands of additional cars expected on our roads over the next several decades.



(BUILDING 21st CENTURY SYSTEM) Los Angeles County's transportation system is over 60 years old and does not address the needs of its residents. This measure will finally bring our transportation system into the 21st Century by building a modern transportation network which expands light rail, Rapid Bus, Metrolink, freeways and highways to every corner of the County.



Q9. I am going to mention to you some statements made by <u>supporters</u> of the **Improve Transportation**. **Relieve Traffic** measure. Please tell me if it makes you more inclined to vote <u>for</u> this ballot measure. Split Sample

Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates – FM3 me if it makes you more inclined to vote for this ballot measure. Split Sample

(Ranked by Total More Inclined to Vote Yes)

■Much More Incl. ■Smwt. More Incl.

Asked Only Voters In Polling Area – Southeast Los Angeles County (N=302) (SOUTHEAST) This measure provides traffic relief for all areas of the County. In the southeast part of the county specifically, it helps improve traffic flow and safety by repairing potholes, earthquake retrofitting bridges, improving safety at rail crossings, as well as adding crosswalks and sidewalks. It also improves connections to jobs, schools and local airports by funding projects to reduce, widen and upgrade the I5 freeway between the 605 and the 710 bottlenecks, as well as along the 710 freeway between downtown LA and the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach and a new light rail connection from the City of Artesia and Union Station in Downtown Los Angeles.

41% 26% 68%

(LEVERAGE/ACCELERATE) Passing this transportation sales tax measure ensures that Los Angeles County has a guaranteed source of funding to be eligible for hundreds of millions of dollars in existing state and federal transportation matching funds, which would otherwise go to other counties. This additional funding will speed up the completion of light rail, subway, Metrolink, freeway, highway and local street improvements across the County.

40% 28% 68%

'(FREE UP TIME) The Los Angeles area has the worst traffic in the Country. A typical motorist in Los Angeles County experienced 81 hours of delay on area freeways in 2015, which is more than about two weeks of work. We need to continue to invest in our freeways, local roads and public transportation to help ease traffic and allow us to claim back some hours of our life.

42% 25% **67%** 

(COST \$24/YEAR) Local economists say this measure will only cost the average Los Angeles County resident about \$24 a year. That's about two dollars a month, which is a small price to pay to ease traffic and help relieve a completely overwhelmed transportation system.

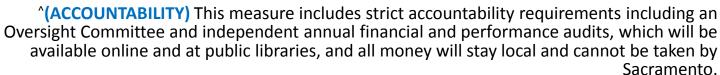
41% 25% 66%

0% 20% 40% 60% 80% Relieve Traffic measure. Please tell

Q9. I am going to mention to you some statements made by <u>supporters</u> of the **Improve Transportation**. **Relieve Traffic** measure. Please tell me if it makes you more inclined to vote for this ballot measure. Not Part of Split Sample

(Ranked by Total More Inclined to Vote Yes)

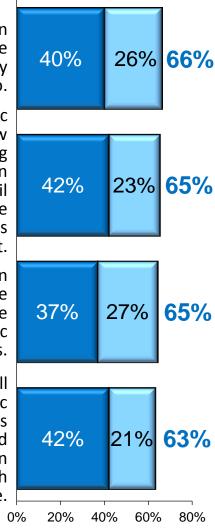
■Much More Incl. ■Smwt. More Incl.



Asked Only Voters In Polling Area – San Gabriel Valley (n=304) (SAN GABRIEL VALLEY) This measure provides traffic relief for all areas of the County. In the San Gabriel Valley specifically, it helps improve traffic flow and safety by repairing potholes, synchronizing signals, reducing bottlenecks, constructing earthquake safety improvements on bridges and roads, and upgrading the 71 freeway between the 10 and the 60 freeways. It also funds transit projects that extend the Metro Gold Light Rail Line further east from East L.A. along the 60 freeway toward South El Monte, as well as extend the Metro Gold Light Rail Line from the Azusa station further east through Glendora and San Dimas toward Claremont.

(MORE PEOPLE/CARS) By the year 2030, about one million additional people will live in Los Angeles County. This population increase coupled with all the new drivers who will have come of age, will add tens of thousands of new cars to our roads each day. We need this reliable source of funding to upgrade our aging freeway and road network and build out our County's public transportation network, including light rail, to meet our County's needs.

Asked Only Voters In Polling Area – North County (n=300) (NORTH COUNTY) This measure provides traffic relief for all areas of the County. In the Santa Clarita and Antelope Valleys specifically, it helps improve traffic flow and safety by repaving streets, repairing potholes, upgrading Metrolink service and safety, as well as crosswalks and sidewalks. It will also fund projects that reduce bottlenecks, widen and upgrade the I5 freeway in Santa Clarita, Newhall and Castaic, as well as along the 14 freeway in Palmdale and Lancaster. It will also fund the building of a new toll highway, known as the High Desert Corridor, between the 14 freeway in Palmdale and 15 freeway in Victorville.



Q9. I am going to mention to you some statements made by <u>supporters</u> of the **Improve Transportation**. **Relieve Traffic** measure. Please tell me if it makes you more inclined to vote for this ballot measure. Not Part of Split Sample

Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates – FM3

### Total More Inclined to Vote Yes on the Transportation Measure after Hearing Educational Statements by Metro Polling Area

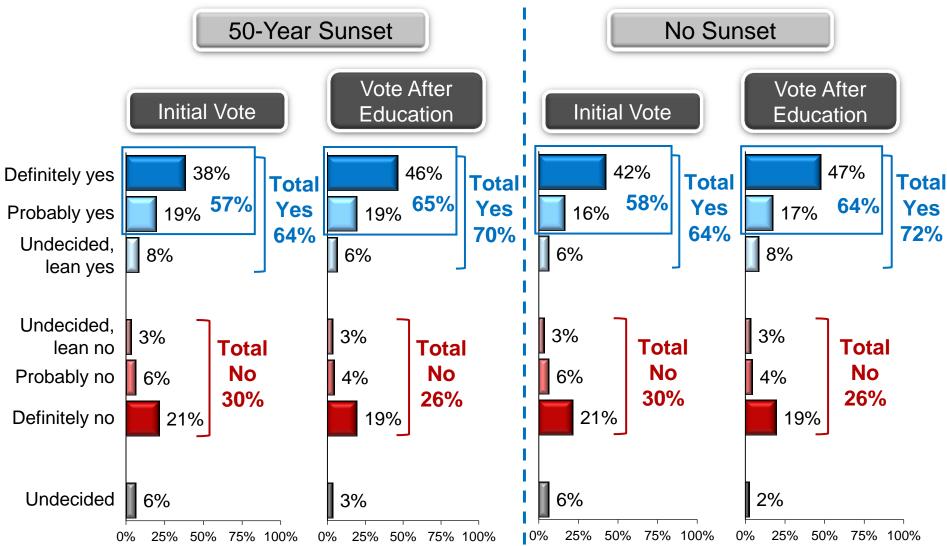
(Ranked by All Residents Total Much/Somewhat More Inclined)

Features	All Residents	Central	North County	SFV	SGV	South Bay	Southeast	Westside
Central	77%	77%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Senior Limitations	71%	76%	65%	75%	69%	70%	75%	63%
San Fernando Valley	70%	NA	NA	70%	NA	NA	NA	NA
South Bay	70%	NA	NA	NA	NA	70%	NA	NA
Westside	68%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	68%
Extend Transit	68%	76%	57%	69%	65%	68%	70%	69%
Jobs/Help Businesses	68%	76%	61%	69%	63%	66%	68%	72%
Rebuilding Our Freeway System	68%	74%	58%	74%	60%	74%	68%	69%
Building 21st Century System	68%	72%	62%	70%	68%	65%	67%	71%
Southeast	68%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	68%	NA
Leverage/Accelerate	68%	75%	61%	71%	63%	67%	71%	67%
^Free Up Time	67%	74%	63%	70%	63%	67%	67%	68%
Cost \$24/Year	66%	67%	54%	65%	71%	65%	64%	67%
^Accountability	66%	65%	66%	72%	62%	67%	66%	66%
San Gabriel Valley	65%	NA	NA	NA	65%	NA	NA	NA
More People/Cars	65%	73%	59%	62%	67%	64%	60%	68%
North County	63%	NA	63%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Q9. I am going to mention to you some statements made by <u>supporters</u> of the **Improve Transportation. Relieve Traffic** measure. Please tell me if it makes you more inclined to vote for this ballot measure. 'Not Part of Split Sample

Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates – FM3 me if it makes you more inclined to vote for this ballot measure. Not Part of Split Sample

# The initial vote and vote after education results in no statistically significant difference in support for two alternative measures.

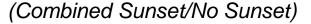


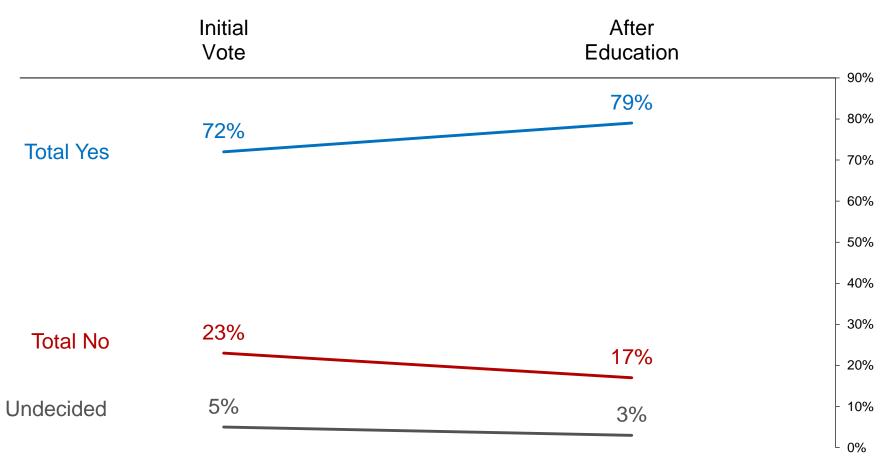
Q3 & Q10. (50-Year Sunset) If the election were held today on this measure, do you think you would vote yes in favor or no to oppose it? Q4 & Q11. (No Sunset) If the election were held today on this measure, do you think you would vote yes in favor or no to oppose it?



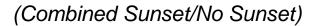
## **Support for the Combined** Measure by Polling Area, **Supervisorial District and LA** City vs. the balance of the County

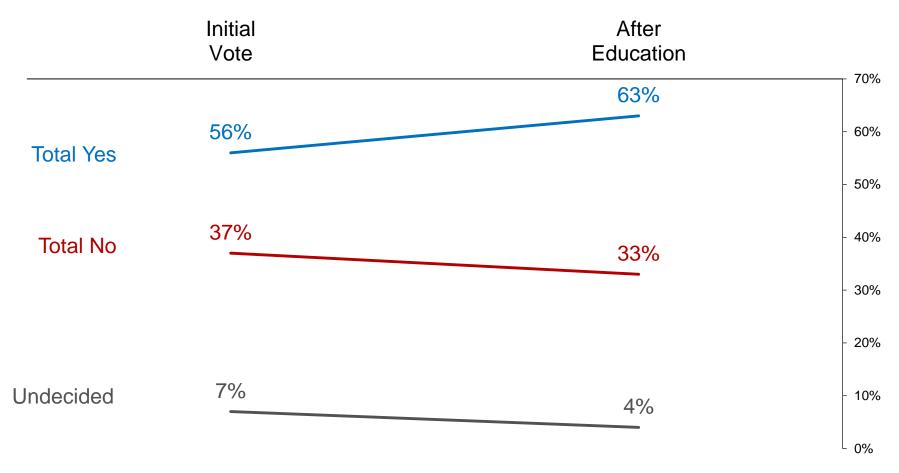
### Vote Progression for the Central Polling Area





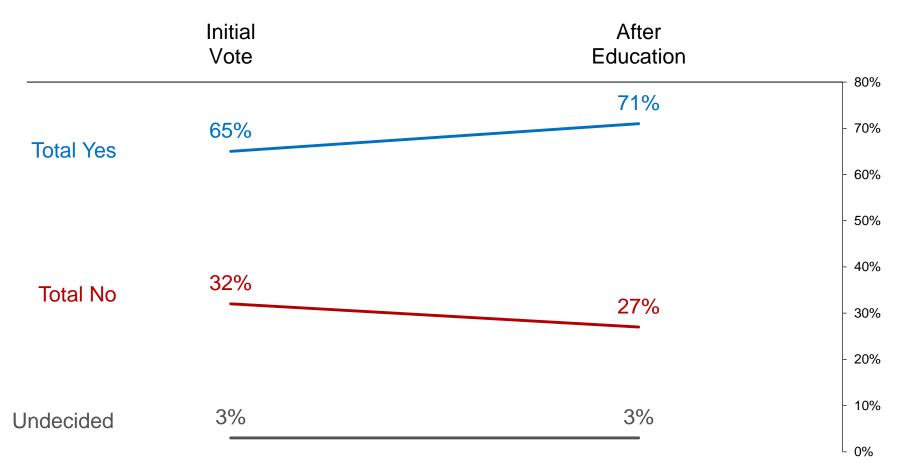
### Vote Progression for the North County Polling Area





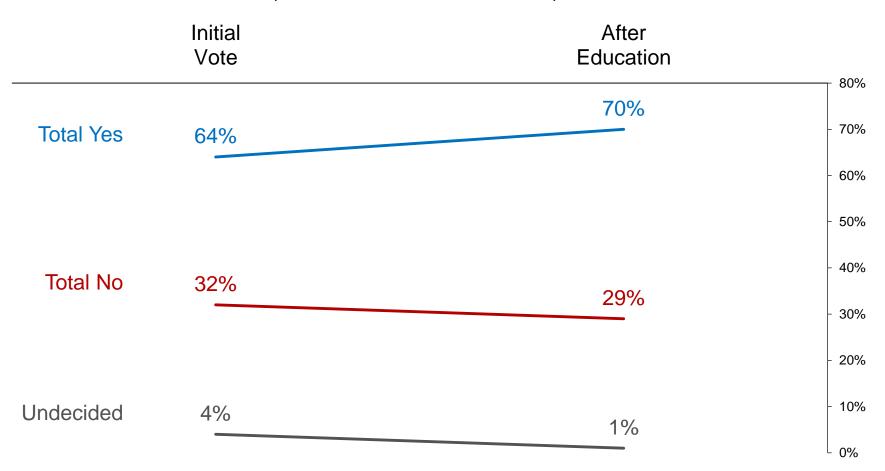
### Vote Progression for the San Fernando Valley Polling Area

(Combined Sunset/No Sunset)

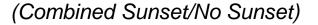


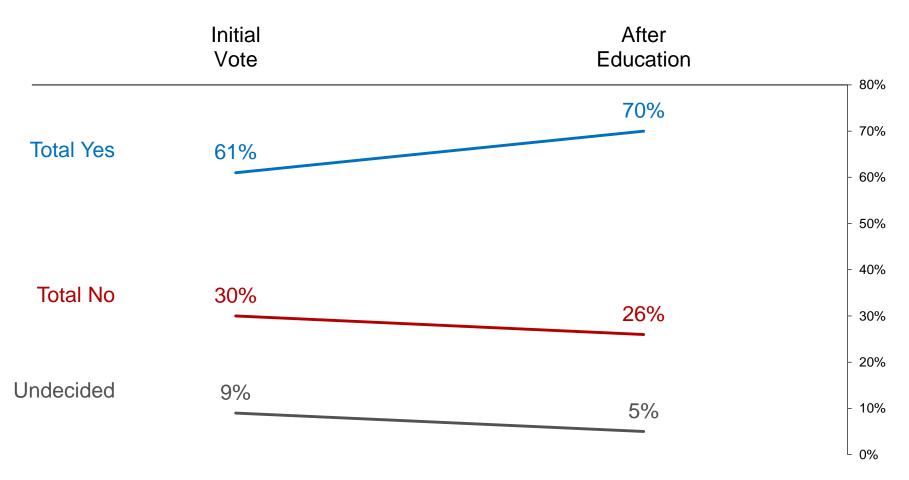
# Vote Progression for the San Gabriel Valley Polling Area

(Combined Sunset/No Sunset)

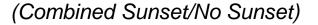


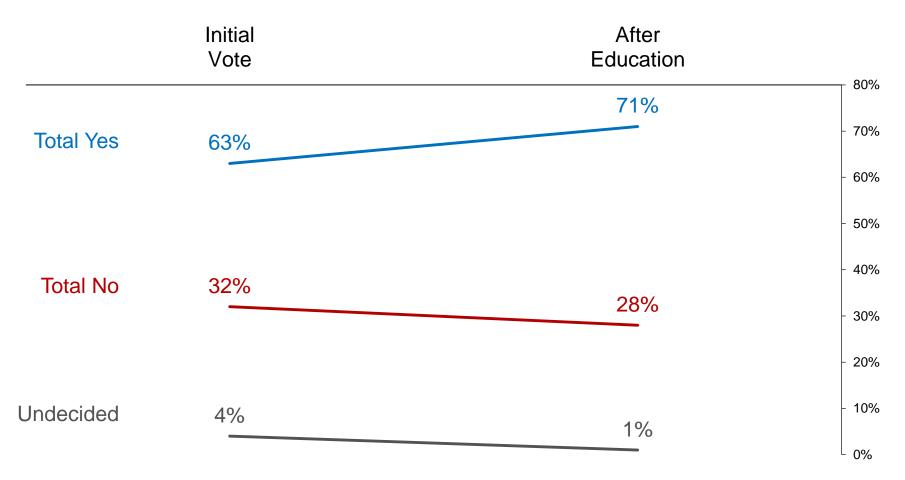
### Vote Progression for the South Bay Polling Area





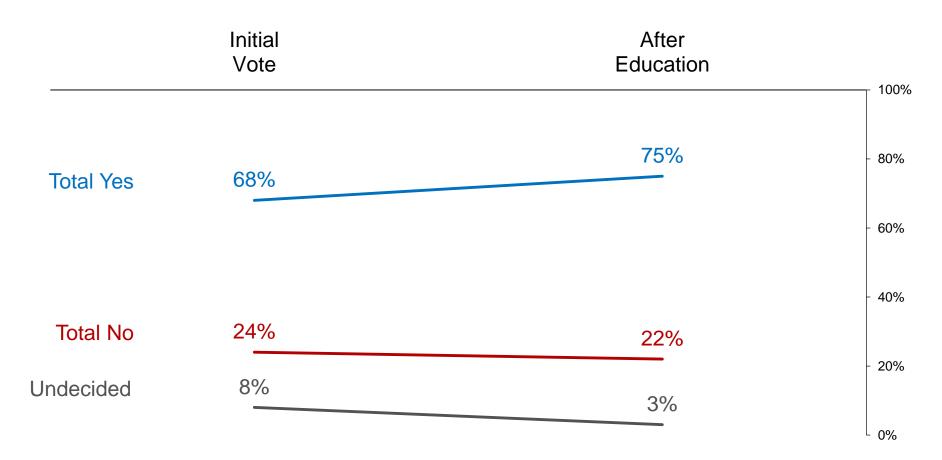
### Vote Progression for the Southeast Polling Area



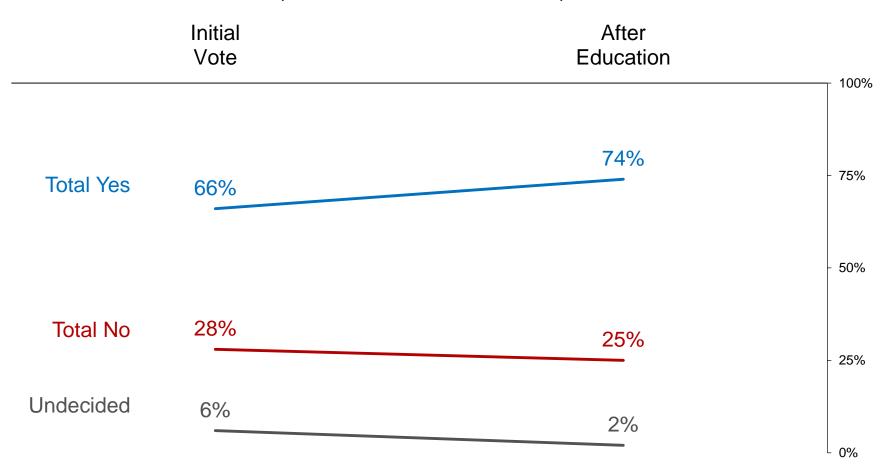


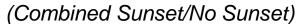
### **Vote Progression for the Westside Polling Area**

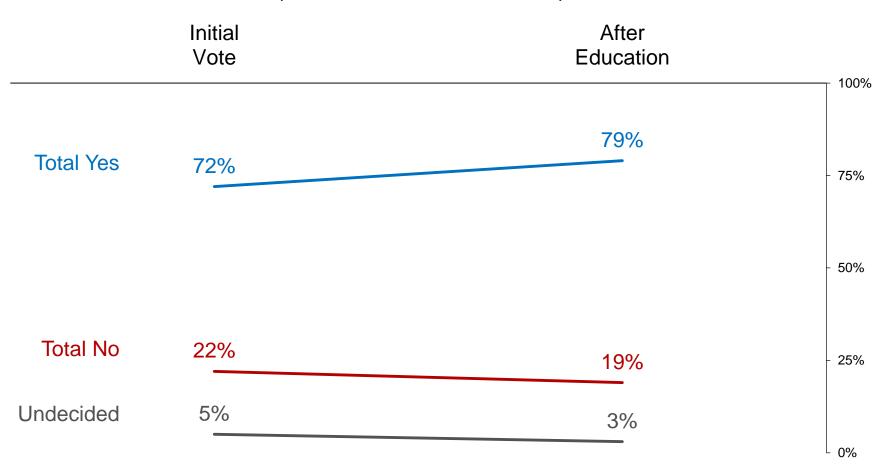
(Combined Sunset/No Sunset)

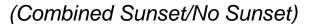


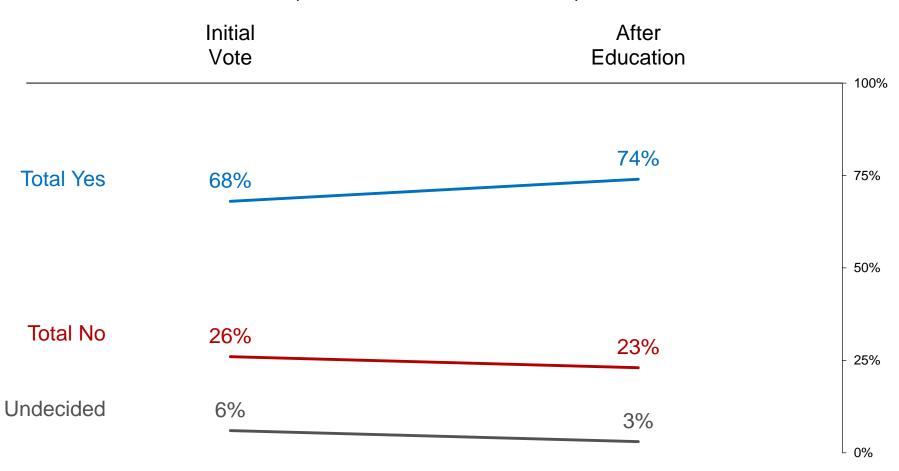




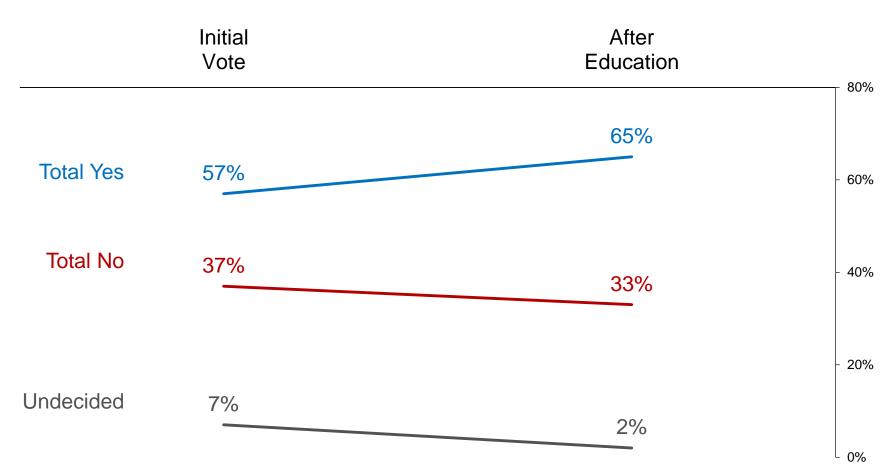


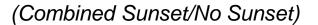


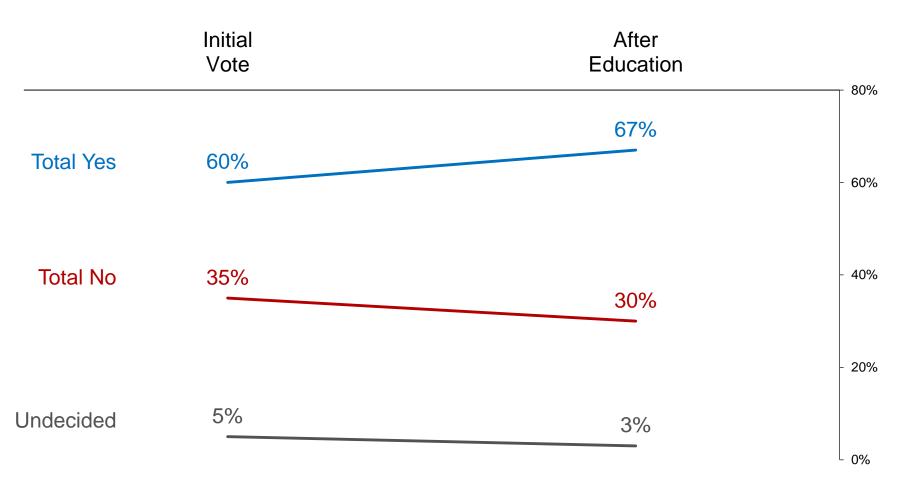






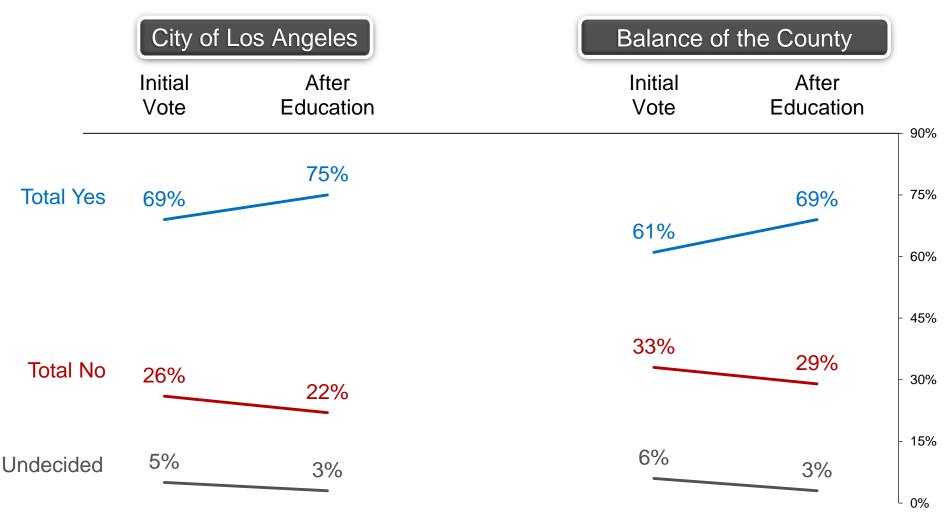






# Vote Progression for Los Angeles City vs. Balance of the County

(Combined Sunset/No Sunset)

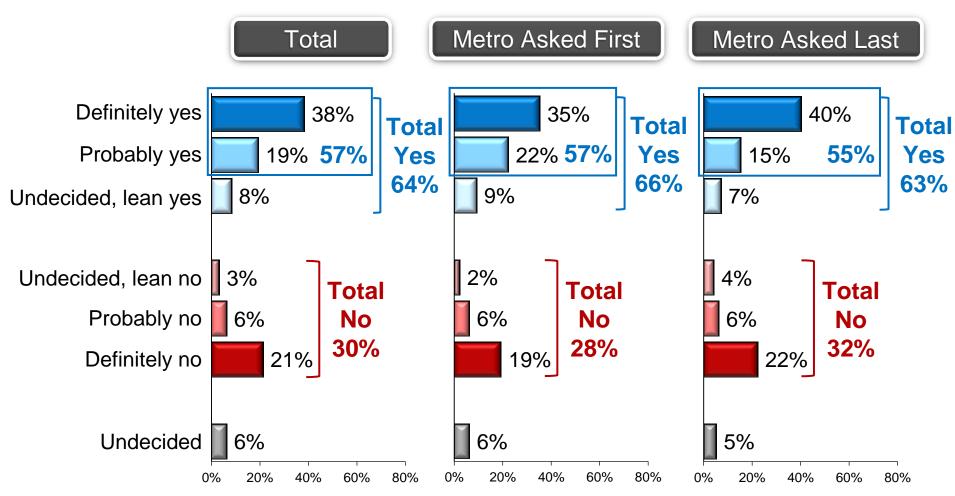




# Impact of Position on the Ballot on the Los Angeles County Transportation Measure

# There is no statistical difference in support for the Metro 50-year sunset Measure whether asked first (of the three County measures on the ballot) or last.

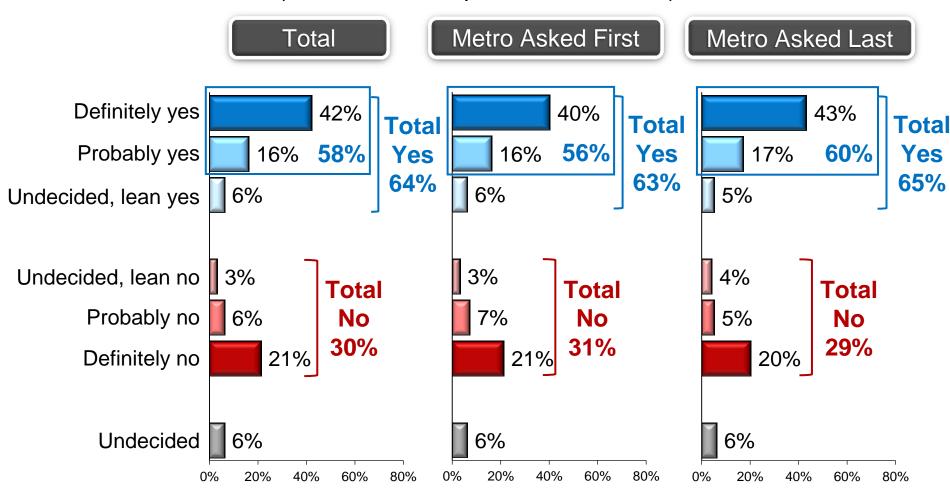
(50-Year Sunset Sales Tax)



41

# There is no statistical difference in support for the No Sunset Transportation Sales Tax whether asked first (of the three County measures on the ballot) or last.

(No Sunset Transportation Sales Tax)





# Metro June 2008 Polling Prior to Measure R Victory

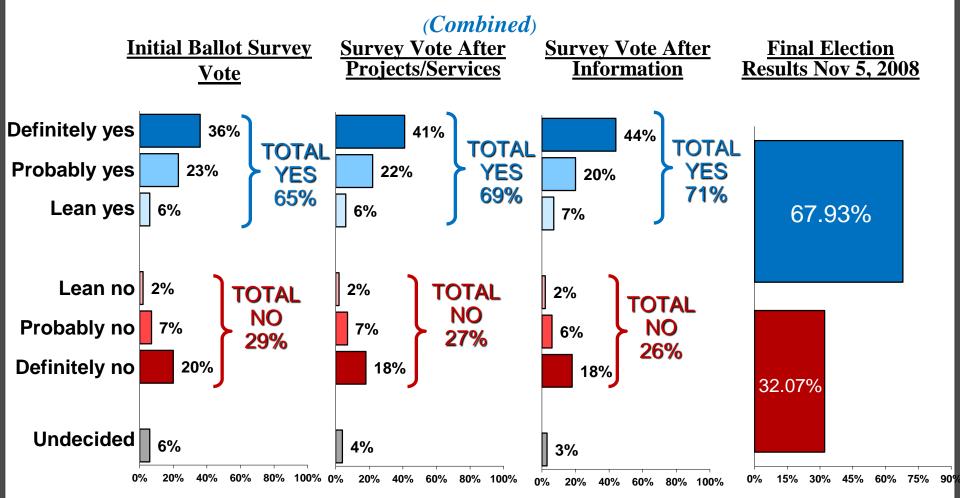
Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin & Associates

### Los Angeles County Transportation Survey 2008



Opinion Research & Public Policy Analysis

June 2008 - Initial Measure R Vote, Votes After Mention of Area Projects/Information & November 2008 Vote



### **Key Takeaways**

- There are no statistically meaningful differences between a 50-year sunset measure and a no-sunset measure.
- After educational outreach messages, support increases above the two-thirds threshold.
- June 2016 survey vote pattern is similar to June 2008 survey vote pattern – the last Metro poll before the November 2008 Election victory.



### **Questions?**



### **Board Report**

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation
Authority
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room
Los Angeles, CA

File #: 2016-0319, File Type: Program Agenda Number: 49.

2nd REVISED
PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE
JUNE 15, 2016
EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
JUNE 16, 2016

SUBJECT: LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN - POTENTIAL BALLOT MEASURE

ACTION: APPROVE PROPOSED LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT PLAN

**ORDINANCE** 

### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### CONSIDER:

- A. ADOPTING the **Ordinance**, **including Expenditure Plan**, to implement Los Angeles County's Traffic Improvement Plan through a transportation sales tax measure;
- B. ADOPTING the Resolution requesting the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors place the Ordinance on the ballot with specific ballot language for the November 8, 2016 countywide general election; and
- C. AMENDING the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 budget to add \$10.9 million to fund election related and public information costs.

### **ISSUE**

At the March 2016 Metro Board meeting, a Draft Potential Ballot Measure Expenditure Plan for a countywide transportation sales tax measure, as well as an ordinance outline and outreach plan, were presented. The outreach plan was a roadmap to educate the public about the draft Expenditure Plan and provide opportunities for public input, with engagement of three main community segments: the public, key stakeholders, and the media. The process included community meetings, briefings for elected officials, press conferences, online outreach, town hall meetings and more. The input was compiled and is presented separately this month in a report entitled "Potential Ballot Measure Public Input and Polling Results" (on the Planning and Programming and Executive Management Committee agendas). One of the top themes that emerged during the public input process and public poll is to provide accessible, convenient and affordable transit for seniors, students and the disabled. While Metro has identified a new dedicated funding stream for this area, this funding can be increased in the future. As the agency evaluates the whole plan in the future, the Metro Board has

the latitude to use funding from Transit Operations or Rail Operations areas for programs that serve seniors, students and the disabled based on growing need.

The Metro Board of Directors approved the release of the draft Plan for public review, and, if it is to be placed on the November 2016 ballot, must now adopt the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan Ordinance (Attachment A), including the Expenditure Plan, as well as the Resolution calling for an election (Attachment B). The June 2016 Metro Board of Directors Meeting is the last opportunity to approve these documents at a regularly scheduled Board Meeting to comply with the November 8, 2016 general election filing deadlines. Additionally, if the Metro Board of Directors adopts the Ordinance and the Resolution, the projected costs related to the election will need to be added to the FY 2017 Budget, as they are not currently included.

### **DISCUSSION**

### **Background**

The purpose of the Ordinance is to impose an additional one-half percent sales tax on July 1, 2017 and to replace the one-half percent sales tax originally authorized by Measure R after it expires on June 30, 2039. Such a combined sales tax measure is authorized by SB 767 (de León), which was passed on September 15, 2015, and signed by the Governor on October 7, 2015. The authorizing legislation requires that an expenditure plan be developed using a transparent process, including the most recent cost estimates. That Expenditure Plan is Attachment A to the Ordinance (attached to this report as Attachment A). The resolution (Attachment B) requests that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors place the sales tax on the November 2016 ballot. The resolution is a requirement to include Metro's special election ballot item with the countywide November 2016 general election.

### Ordinance

The Ordinance is a statutory requirement developed to ensure integrity, stewardship, fiscal responsibility, accountability, and transparency for the Expenditure Plan. Modeled after Measure R, the Ordinance addresses changes to deal with improved oversight, a new program structure, no expiration provisions, and other lessons learned. The new program structure has four subfunds that are broadly the same as Measure R, with nine sub-categories. New categories in this Measure are: Metro State of Good Repair; Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Paratransit for the Disabled and Metro Discounts for Seniors and Students; and Active Transportation. Guidelines are required to be developed between November 2016 and July 2017.

### 3% Local Contribution

The Ordinance also includes new provisions for the 3% local contribution to major transit capital projects. The rationale for the contribution is that local communities with a station receive a special benefit due to the direct transit service that is above and beyond the project's benefit to the County as a whole. Due to Metro's inability to consistently enforce the 3% contribution to the projects in the Measure R structure, there has been difficulty in securing federal funding without increased assurances. The Ordinance includes provisions that allow development of a mutual agreement between a jurisdiction and Metro. The agreements shall be in accordance with guidelines adopted by

the Board. These guidelines will include provisions that allow for local jurisdictions to meet all or a portion of their 3% local contributions through investments in active transportation and first/last mile investments that are included in the Project scopes, consistent with station area plans jointly developed by Metro and affected jurisdictions. The Ordinance will seek the ability to withhold up to 15 years of local return funds from this new measure only for local agencies that fail to reach a timely agreement with Metro on their 3% contribution. Local return funds from Proposition A, Proposition C, and Measure R are not subject to withholding. As defined in the Ordinance, the local funding contribution shall be paid by each incorporated city, and the County of Los Angeles for those projects in unincorporated areas, based upon the percent of the project's total centerline track miles to be constructed within that jurisdiction's borders if one or more stations are to be constructed within the borders of that jurisdiction. In some cases, principally in smaller cities, the default withholding of 15 years of local return from only this new measure will be less than a formal 3% contribution. In these cases, the cities involved can elect to default with no other impact, thereby lowering their contribution to less than 3%.

The 3% local funding contribution represents up to \$830 million in funding outside of the direct sales tax revenues critical to support the accelerated project delivery schedules and geographic equity identified in the Final Expenditure Plan. Absent the 3% local funding contribution, projects may have to be delayed until other Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) identified revenues are available. This could create regional inequity and subsequently require the increased use of LRTP identified funds in subregions beyond those captured in the optimal subregional targets. An agreement approved by both Metro and the governing board of the jurisdiction shall specify the total project cost as determined at the conclusion of preliminary engineering (30% plans), the amount to be paid by the local jurisdiction, and a schedule of payments. Once approved, the amount to be paid by the local jurisdiction shall not be subject to future cost increases.

### **Expenditure Plan**

Staff evaluated the feedback received during the review period and revised the plan where possible, with several timing adjustments when financially feasible. The revisions made to the March 24, 2016 Metro staff recommendation all originated from the Metro Board of Directors or with various stakeholder groups. The most significant changes made were to:

- Eliminate the 2057 end date to the ordinance to enable project acceleration and more local return;
- Add funding for Local Return from Metro administrative costs in FY 2018 (1%) and later in FY 2040 (3%) from capital program funding; and
- Make the 1% Regional Rail increase in FY 2040 a "shall" instead of a "may", provided that regional rail operators meet specific performance standards pre-established by the Metro Board of Directors.

These changes were made as a response to the most frequently heard requests from stakeholders during the comment period. Eliminating the horizon end date of the Draft Potential Ballot Measure Expenditure Plan provides more funding for the plan, which can be leveraged for earlier project delivery in a fiscally responsible manner. By not limiting the tax to 40 years, less aggressive debt assumptions can be made to deliver the proposed plan. It also allows flexibility for Metro to respond to future unforeseen conditions, while properly maintaining safe and reliable infrastructure in perpetuity within Los Angeles County.

### Local Return Increase

Local Return was increased by 1% of net revenues in FY 2018 and 3% of net revenues in FY 2040, for a total of 20%. These funds will be from Metro administrative funds (1%), and Transit or Highway Capital funds as determined prior to FY 2040 by the Metro Board of Directors (3%). As a consequence of a no sunset term, this increase can occur with no impacts to the schedules of current projects in the Expenditure Plan, as listed in Attachment A. This revision addresses the concerns of stakeholders who want to know how their neighborhoods will directly benefit from this measure, separate from the issues of countywide congestion relief measures. By placing 20% of the net tax measure funds into the hands of the local cities for improvements, voters will see even greater improvements to the transportation infrastructure in their own neighborhoods, such as street repair, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, and transit. These two Local Return increases (1% in FY 2018, and another 3% in FY 2040) will result in \$3.4+ billion added to local streets, roads, and transit services. Of note, Local Return is to be used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues beings used for transportation purposes.

#### Acceleration

Accelerating projects was a clear desire of the public that we heard in our outreach. The elimination of the 40-Year horizon year of 2057 has the following benefits, even after accounting for the Local Return and Regional Rail revisions discussed above:

- Two Council of Government Programs valued at \$165 M in the Las Virgenes Malibu area are accelerated for geographic equity;
- 42 years of total acceleration is achieved for projects valued at \$9.4 B (2015 \$'s);
- Two new projects are added to the plan and are valued at \$3.9 B;
- Three project upgrades are included later in Plan (beyond 2060) to synch them up with the mode (LRT or HRT) used in the performance metrics evaluation; and,

The specific accelerations made possible by the revised Plan are shown in Table 1, a summary of the Expenditure Plan schedule changes:

**Table 1: Summary of Expenditure Plan Schedule Changes:** 

Project and Planning Area		BEFORE: Draft 40- Yr. Potential Ballot Measure for Public Review (3/24/2016)		AFTER: No Potential E Measure S (as of 6/6/	Sallot taff Rec's	Summary of Notes Below: 2 COG programs accelerated for equity; 42 yrs of acceleration, proj. value \$9.4B; 2 new projects added, value \$3.9B; and,		
roject: Subregion		Start	Open	Start	Open	3 project upgrades later in Plan.		
Las Virg./Malibu ATP etc	D. 13/84	FY 2018	FY 2057	FY 2018	FY 2032	FY '32 opening for geo. equity: LVM		
Las Virg./Malibu Hwy. E	ff. LVM	FY 2018	FY 2057	FY 2018	FY 2032	had no major projects in 1st 15 yrs.		
Orange Line BRT Improv	e. SF	FY 2024	FY 2028	FY 2019	FY 2025	5 year acceleration to optimal schedule		
West Santa Ana Segmen	t GC	FY 2023	FY 2029	FY 2022	FY 2028	1 year acceleration (CEQA only helps)		
Green Line Ext. to Torra	nce SB	FY 2031	FY 2035	FY 2026	FY 2030	5 year acceleration in new Plan		
West Santa Ana Segmen	t2 GC	FY 2038	FY 2047	FY 2032	FY 2041	6 year acceleration with New Starts		
I-5 from I-605 to I-710	GC	FY 2041	FY 2047	FY 2036	FY 2042	5 year acceleration in new Plan		
Crenshaw Northern Ext.	W	FY 2049	FY 2055	FY 2041	FY 2047	8 year acceleration in new Plan		
Lincoln Blvd. BRT	W	FY 2050	FY 2054	FY 2043	FY 2047	7 year acceleration in new Plan		
Green Line East to Norw	alk SC	FY 2051	FY 2057	FY 2046	FY 2052	5 year acceleration in new Plan		
Gold Line Eastside Ext. 2nd SC		N . 1 1 1 1 1		FY 2053	FY 2057	Adds 2 <sup>nd</sup> Alignment in new Plan		
High Desert Multi-Purpo Corridor - LA County Seg		Not Included in 40 Year Plan		FY 2063	FY 2067	Adds LA County segment to Plan		
Orange to Gold BRT to L	RT SC	Perf. Model based				Later Conversion to		
Vermont Corridor to HRT SC		on higher mode		After FY 2060		Light or Heavy Rail Transit (LRT/HRT)		
Lincoln Blvd. BRT to LRT	SC	(LRT/HRT, not BRT)				Noted in New Plan		

The four technical factors influencing the summary of the Expenditure Plan Schedule Changes in Table 1 above include:

- Delivery approach (including project readiness);
- New funding availability through "no sunset";
- Environmental review assumptions (may be expedited using CEQA); and
- Performance modeling ratings

### **Additional Acceleration**

Additional acceleration requests for the first 50 year period were considered but were not possible due to our recommendation to fund higher Local Return and Regional Rail percentages in the Plan. In light of these requests, we are recommending that the Metro Board of Directors consider criteria for later acceleration through the decennial comprehensive assessment process, examples of which could include:

- Improved metrics compared to other projects as projects are refined and approach shovel readiness;
- Project readiness compared to stalled projects that are delayed due to funding or environmental clearance issues, for example:
  - o Available local funding such as supplemental local sales tax ballot measure;
  - Available private investment when their funding assumes such P3 investment;
  - Unique qualities that attract federal funding such as access to health care and affordable housing development opportunities: and
  - Ease of property acquisition or use due to available right of way and/or municipal or Metro-owned properties.

The Ordinance does provide for schedule acceleration based upon a 2/3 vote of the Metro Board, as long as no Expenditure Plan projects or programs are delayed. A public notice is also included in the Ordinance.

### Regional Rail Increase

Metro staff is also responding to concerns raised about Regional Rail funding. Specifically, we recommend that Regional Rail be increased an additional 1% in FY 2040 if Metrolink meets the performance criteria to be established by the Metro Board of Directors. These funds will be available to improve regional rail service or for capital improvement and state of good repair purposes.

#### **Technical Corrections**

Other changes from the Draft Expenditure Plan issued in March 2016 include the funding composition of the South Bay Green Line Extension, the I-105 Express Lanes and the BRT Connector Orange/Red to Gold Line. The South Bay Greenline Extension, when coupled with its Measure R funding, was over-funded. The I-105 Express Lanes project was funded using South Bay resources in non-South Bay subregions. We corrected for these two problems and refund \$293.5 million to the Transportation System and Mobility Improvement project in the South Bay area, as shown in Table 1.

The Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Orange/Red to Gold Line was split 50%/50% between the San Fernando Valley and the Arroyo Verdugo areas but the correct split was 10%/90% respectively. We corrected that problem through a project reallocation exchange between the two areas. This created

a new project addition for the San Fernando Valley Subregion, entitled San Fernando Valley Transportation Improvements, which includes eligible funding for the North San Fernando Valley BRT and soundwalls in the Tujunga, Sunland, Shadow Hills, and Lake View Terrace. SR 71 was to be phased into two parts, but is now combined into one phase, should the ballot measure pass. On I-710 South, we no longer phase the project north and south, but rather by early action versus later action based on project need and we changed a funding reference to "alternative revenue sources" instead of "goods movement fees".

In order to expedite overall environmental requirements, and thereby ensure eligibility for future federal funding participation, the West Santa Ana project needs to be listed as a single project, as opposed to phases. Measure M cash flow requirements can be expedited by public-private partnership. This technical correction is reflected in Attachment A.

Staff also clarifies that the Gold Line Eastside First Alignment is to be one alignment selected through the current environmental processes. The second alignment is added later in the plan and will require separate environmental clearances at the appropriate time.

Finally, staff clarifies in Attachment A that all years are "fiscal year" not "calendar year." Accordingly, per Board approved Motion 18 from Director Knabe, the Airport Metro Connector Project available funding is adjusted to reflect the current project schedule on a calendar year basis.

#### <u>Oversight</u>

The Ordinance requires an Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee to provide an enhanced level of accountability for expenditures. The committee will be comprised of seven members with backgrounds in finance, construction, design, the judicial system, transit operations or labor practices, and government spending. The committee will meet to provide a quarterly funds review, an annual audit review, and a comprehensive five year program review to ensure that the planned purposes for the Ordinance are properly administered.

The Ordinance also includes a provision requiring comprehensive assessment by the Metro Board of Directors once every ten years, starting in FY 2027. The oversight committee shall review and provide input to the analysis, which will be adopted by the Metro Board.

#### **Future**

The proposed ten year comprehensive assessment will look forward at projects not yet completed, and, later in the plan period, at which projects or programs can be added. Any additions to the Expenditure Plan by the Metro Board of Directors would be through this decennial process, and could not delay any projects already included in the plan. Any cost savings from any completed subregional projects or programs will be returned to the appropriate geographic subregion or system connectivity program, to maintain equity, and may also be reallocated through this process. A description of the system connectivity program is included in Attachment C.

#### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Adopting the Ordinance and the Resolution, and amending the budget for related costs will not have any adverse safety impacts on employees and patrons. A successful ballot measure will improve Metro's ability to provide expanded service, as well as better maintain its assets, improving safety for employees, patrons, and the public in general throughout the County.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

The financial impact of the staff recommendation is limited to the costs of placing the measure on the ballot and funding the related voter information costs. The FY 2017 budget will be amended adding \$10.9 million.

Approval of the ballot measure by the voters of Los Angeles County would increase the agency's revenues by a projected \$120+ billion between FY 2018 and FY 2057. These revenues would be used to fund the projects and programs described in the Expenditure Plan in Attachment B.

#### Impact to Budget

The additional cost to the FY 2017 Metro Budget for this Ordinance is approximately \$10.9 million. The election costs include \$8.4 million, estimated by the County Registrar as the fee for placing the based measure on the ballot, which should be added to the 1010 cost center (the Board Office) in the New Sales Tax Initiative project/task number 405201/01.01. The remaining \$2.5 million should be added to the Communications Executive Office cost center 7010, in the same project/task numbers (405201/01.01), for information costs.

The proposed source of funds for this action is a combination of Measure R administration and general funds based on availability. These funds are available for use on transportation projects.

#### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The proposed sales tax measure is a way to implement a more robust transportation system that will better enable the County to keep pace with the population and employment growth. One option considered is to not move forward with a sales tax measure, to avoid the related costs. However, through the "bottoms-up" approach used to develop the Plan, and the subsequent outreach and review process, Metro has repeatedly heard that this type of transportation funding is essential to meet the transportation demands of the region.

In March 2016, the Board was presented with a 40-year draft expenditure plan. It was determined that only an indefinite ballot measure could provide the type of desired transportation solutions indicated by the stakeholder comments. To that end, Metro staff recommends leaving the termination of the proposed ballot measure up to future voters, with no specified sunset date. This recommendation creates a sustainable financial source for maximum early project delivery, increased fiscal responsibility, more local return, more State of Good Repair, saves taxpayer money through reduced debt risk, and provides for the ability to tackle the transportation infrastructure challenges of tomorrow, not just today, but once and for all.

#### Response to a Tabled Metro Board of Director Motion from March 2016

In response to a motion made by Directors Butts, Knabe and DuBois at the March 24, 2016 Metro Board of Directors meeting that was tabled, Metro staff has analyzed the impact of accelerating the delivery of all Measure R transit and highway program. Foundational to this analysis is the parameter that the Board's December 2, 2015 directive to staff remain unchanged and intact, that is-- High performing projects are accelerated, in the project sequencing of the measure, **but only to the extent that other existing LRTP projects are not delayed from their current LRTP funding schedules.** Thus, the alternative Potential Ballot Measure scenario proposal would entail the following elements:

- High performing projects would "...not be allowed to 'cut in line' ahead of projects already promised in Measure R."
- A subset of "all Measure R Transit projects" would therefore have to be accelerated in order to be sequenced "on par" with the high performing projects (as compared to keeping their original LRTP schedule); and
- Completion of "critical goods movement projects in the Measure R Highway Program including completion of the I-710 South Improvements by 2032".

The results of our analysis show that this scenario would introduce an unsurmountable level of risk into the Potential Ballot Measure Expenditure Plan (the Plan). Specifically:

- An immediate and unsurmountable capital program deficit would exist starting in FY 2021;
- The deficit would rapidly climb to more than \$11 billion by 2025 and peak at more than \$20 billion in FY 2030:
  - If the SR-710 North project were to be included in the critical goods movement projects from Measure R, the deficit peaks at \$25 billion by FY 2030;
  - These deficit figures do not include the more than \$1.25 billion in annual debt service,
     making the cumulative challenge far worse; and,
- Attempting the aggressive borrowing to close these gaps would impact our transit operations

so severely that even extensive service cuts would not close the gaps.

Such a programmatic outcome is untenable and not recommended.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

Attachment D, Metro's Plan to Ease Traffic, will be used to summarize the staff recommendation for the Expenditure Plan. If approved, Metro Staff will submit the resolution, the proposed ballot measure, and the back-up documentation to the Offices of the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and County Board of Supervisors by the August 12, 2016 deadline, per the Schedule to Inclusion on the Ballot (Attachment E). The letter "M" will be requested as the designation by the August 17, 2016 deadline, with "E" and "T" as alternatives. Following letter selection, the public information materials on the proposed measure will be finalized and sent out to all Los Angeles County registered voters. Staff will continue to provide support and information as needed, including the Updated Major Capital Project Descriptions found in Attachment F.

Additionally, the CEO will return to the Metro Board of Directors to present the agency's Program Management Plan in October 2016 outlining how Metro Staff plans to manage the proposed program.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Ordinance and Expenditure Plan

Attachment B - Resolution

Attachment C - System Connectivity

Attachment D - Presentation (Under Separate Cover)

Attachment E - Schedule to Inclusion on Ballot

Attachment F - Updated Major Capital Project Descriptions

Prepared by: David Yale, Managing Executive Officer, (213) 922-2469

Michael Turner, Deputy Executive Officer (213) 922-2122

Michelle Navarro, Director, (213) 922-3056

Tim Mengle, Director, (213) 922-7665

Mark Linsenmayer, Director, (213) 922-2475

Kalieh Honish, Deputy Executive Officer, (213) 922-7109

Reviewed by: Therese McMillan, Chief Planning Officer, (213) 922-7077

Pauletta Tonilas, Chief Communications Officer, (213) 922-3777

Ahuja, Nalini, Chief Financial Officer, (213) 922-3088

Stephanie Wiggins, Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Reviewed and

Approved by: Phillip A. Washington, Chief Executive Officer

Phillip A. Washington Chief Executive Officer

12 13 14

15 16

17 18 19

20 21

22

23 24 25

26 27 28

29

RESOLUTION CALLING SPECIAL ELECTION ON AN ORDINANCE PROPOSING AN ADDITIONAL RETAIL TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX AND EXTENSION OF AN EXISTING RETAIL TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX FOR TRANSPORTATION PURPOSES TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS OF THE COUNTY AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION AND REQUESTING THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION WITH THE NOVEMBER **GENERAL ELECTION** 

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2016, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority ("Metro") ordered that a proposed ordinance to add an additional ½ cent sales tax and to extend the existing traffic relief sales tax to fund a Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan, be submitted to the voters of Los Angeles County at a special election on November 8, 2016; and

BE IT RESOLVED by Metro that, pursuant to Section 130350 of the California Public Utilities Code, a special election is hereby ordered and called to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, and that the following Proposition be submitted to the electors of the County of Los Angeles at the special election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Metro requests that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, consolidate the special election with the November General Election and place the Proposition upon the same ballot as shall be provided for the General Election to be held on the 8th day of November 2016, and, that the same precincts, polling places, and precinct board members as shall be used for the General Election shall be used for the Special Election pursuant to California Elections Code Sections 10400 et seq.

#### **BALLOT PROPOSITION**

The exact form of the Proposition as it is to appear on the ballot is as follows:

#### Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan.

To improve freeway traffic flow/safety; repair potholes/sidewalks; repave local streets; earthquake retrofit bridges; synchronize signals; keep senior/disabled/student fares affordable; expand rail/subway/bus systems; improve job/school/airport connections; and create jobs; shall voters authorize a Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan through a ½ ¢ sales tax and continue the existing ½ ¢ traffic relief tax until voters decide to end it, with independent audits/oversight and all-funds controlled locally?

YES

NO

#### **EXHIBITATTACHMENTS**

The complete text of the proposed ordinance, including Attachment A, entitled "Expenditure Plan," and <u>Attachment B</u>, the map entitled "Subregional Maps," <u>is</u> attached as <u>Exhibit 1</u>Attachment B. These documents are incorporated herein by reference.

#### **PROCLAMATION**

Pursuant to Section 12001 of the California Elections Code, Metro hereby PROCLAIMS that a special County-wide election shall be held on November 8, 2016, to vote upon the Proposition set forth in this resolution. Pursuant to Section 14212 of the California Elections Code, the polls shall be open for said election from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder shall cause this proclamation to be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed, published, and circulated in Los Angeles County, at least one (1) time before the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016, pursuant to Section 130351 of the California Public Utilities Code and Section 9163 of the California Elections Code.

## 7

8 9 10

## 11 12 13

## 18 19 20

21 22 23

24

29 30 31

33 34

32

#### FILING RESOLUTION

The Chief Executive Officer of Metro, or his designee, is ordered to file a copy of this resolution with the Clerk of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk at least eighty-eight (88) days prior to the date of the election.

#### **ANALYSIS OF ORDINANCE**

The County Counsel of the County of Los Angeles is hereby requested to prepare an analysis of said ordinance pursuant to Section 130351 of the California Public Utilities Code and Section 9160 of the California Elections Code.

#### **CEQA EXEMPTION**

The California Environmental Quality Act does not apply to this tax proposal, according to Section 21080(b)(8) and (10) through (13) of the California Public Resources Code, and Sections 15273, 15275, 15276 and 15378(b)(4) of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

This tax is proposed for the purpose of (1) meeting operating expenses; purchasing or leasing supplies, equipment or materials; meeting financial reserve requirements; obtaining funds for capital projects necessary to maintain service within existing service areas; (2) increasing funds for the existing public transit service programs; (3) instituting or increasing passenger or commuter services on rail or highway rights of way already in use and/or (4) the continued development of a regional transportation improvement program.

Metro hereby finds that the purpose of this tax includes supplementing existing tax revenues to meet a demonstrated shortfall due to decreasing federal funding and increasing transportation costs needed to complete the Los Angeles County transportation system as set forth in the Regional Transportation Improvement Program, which is incorporated herein by reference, including funding to meet operating expenses, purchase or lease of equipment or materials, meet financial reserve needs and requirements and to obtain funds for capital projects necessary to maintain service within existing service areas and to assist in meeting stricter air quality standards and accessibility requirements.

The Chief Executive Officer of Metro, or his designee, is directed to promptly file a Notice of Exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act.

## 

## 

## 

## 

### 

## 

#### 

### 

## 

#### **ELECTION/REGISTRAR-RECORDER**

Metro staff is hereby instructed to cooperate with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder and to perform or cause to be performed such functions preliminary to the conduct of the special election as may be agreed upon with the Registrar-Recorder.

Pursuant to Section 130351 of the California Public Utilities Code, the cost incurred by Los Angeles County in conducting the special election shall be reimbursed by Metro.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to canvass the returns of the special election requested herein to be consolidated with the November 2016 general election.

Pursuant to Section 130350 of the California Public Utilities Code, the vote requirement for the Proposition shall be an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast on the Proposition.

#### **ARGUMENTS**

Metro hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Metro to file a written argument in support of the Proposition and the rebuttal argument.

#### REQUEST FOR LETTER IDENTIFYING PROPOSITION

Metro hereby requests that the Registrar-Recorder identify the Proposition as "Proposition M." In the event that the letter "M" is not available, Metro requests that the Registrar-Recorder identify the Proposition as "Proposition E." In the event that neither the letter "M" nor the letter "E" is available, Metro requests that the Registrar-Recorder identify the Proposition as "Proposition T." In the event that none of the above letters are available, Metro hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to select a letter identifying the Proposition.

#### BALLOT PAMPHLET ATTACHMENTS

Metro hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to submit any attachments he deems necessary, including Attachments A and B of this resolution, or excerpts thereof, to the Registrar-Recorder for inclusion in the ballot pamphlet.

#### NOTICE OF ELECTION

Upon receipt from the Registrar-Recorder of the published notice of election, the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, shall post the notice of election in a publicly available

location in the Metro Headquarters Building located at One Gateway Plaza in the City of Los Angeles, California.

#### WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSITION

Metro hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to instruct the Registrar-Recorder to withdraw the Proposition from the November 8, 2016 ballot in the event that the California Legislature adopts any statute that prevents the attached Ordinance from taking effect.

#### **ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY**

Metro hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to retain outside legal counsel to take any action necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution, including the attached Ordinance.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by a majority vote of all members of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, at its meeting held on June 23, 2016.

> Michele Jackson Metro Board Secretary

## SCHEDULE TO INCLUSION ON BALLOT

## REGISTRAR-RECORDER/ COUNTY-CLERK (RR/CC) TIMELINE

August 12, 2016 E-88	<ul> <li>Last Day to File Resolution with County Board of Supervisors requesting Measure be placed on November Ballot (Includes Ordinance)</li> <li>Last Day for County Board of Supervisors to Approve Placement of Measure on Ballot</li> <li>Last Day to Submit Ordinance and Resolution to RR/CC</li> </ul>
August 17, 2016	<ul> <li>Last Day to Submit Amendments to Ballot Measure Ordinance &amp; Resolution to RR/CC</li> <li>Last Day to Submit Letter Designation Request to RR/CC</li> </ul>
August 19, 2016 (est.)	Last Day to Submit to RR/CC Arguments for Ballot Measure
Aug. 20 - Aug.	First 10-Calendar Day Public Examination Period
29, 2016	(Period of public review to challenge the ballot measure text, ballot measure label, arguments, and impartial analysis.)
August 29, 2016	Last Day to Submit to RR/CC Rebuttals to Arguments Against Ballot Measure
Aug. 30 – Sept.	Second 10-Calendar Day Public Examination Period
8, 2016	(Period of public review to challenge rebuttals. Depending on the number of measures on the ballot, RR/CC may decide to have the impartial analysis reviewable in the second period instead of the first.)
Sept. 29 – Oct. 18, 2016	Sample Ballot Booklets and State Ballot Pamphlets Mailed to Each Voter
Oct. 10 – Nov. 1, 2016	First and Last Day of Vote by Mail Period
Nov. 8, 2016	General Election

1	Ordinance #16-01
2	Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan
3	
4	PREAMBLE
5 6 7	Los Angeles County's comprehensive plan to improve transportation and ease traffic congestion through the following core goals:
8 9	Improve freeway traffic flow; reduce bottlenecks and ease traffic congestion.
10 11 12	<b>Expand the rail and rapid transit system</b> ; accelerate rail construction and build new rail lines; enhance local, regional, and express bus service; and improve system connectivity.
13 14 15	Repave local streets, repair potholes, synchronize signals; improve neighborhood streets and intersections, and enhance bike and pedestrian connections.
16 17 18	<b>Keep the transit and highway system safe</b> ; earthquake-retrofit bridges, enhance freeway and transit system safety, and keep the transportation system in good working condition.
19 20 21 22	Make public transportation more accessible, convenient, and affordable for seniors, students, and the disabled; and provide better mobility options for our aging population; and provide better connectivity and access to public transportation for all.
23 24 25	<b>Embrace technology and innovation</b> ; incorporate modern technology, new advancements and emerging innovations into the local transportation system.
26 27 28 29	Create jobs, reduce pollution, and generate local economic benefits; protect and monitor the public's investments through independent oversight; increase personal quality time and overall quality of life.
30 31 32 33	Provide accountability and transparency; protect and monitor the public's investments through independent audits and oversight.
34	SECTION 1. TITLE
35	This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Los Angeles County Traffic
36	Improvement Plan" ("Ordinance"). The Ordinance shall include Attachment A entitled
37	"Expenditure Plan" and Attachment B entitled "Subregional Maps" which are attached hereto
38	and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.
39	OFOTION O OURMANDY
40	SECTION 2. SUMMARY
41 40	This Ordinance imposes a retail transactions and use tax at the rate of one-half of one
12	percent (.5%) within Los Angeles County to be operative on the first day of the first calendar
43	quarter commencing not less than 180 days after the adoption of this Ordinance by the voters.

The rate of this tax shall increase to one percent (1.0%) on July 1, 2039 immediately upon the expiration of the .5% tax imposed by Ordinance No. 08-01 of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Measure R).

#### **SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS**

The following terms, whenever used in this Ordinance, shall have the meanings set forth below:

"Active Transportation" means projects that encourage, promote, or facilitate environments that promote walking, bicycling, rolling modes, or transit use.

"ADA Paratransit" means paratransit service for the disabled as provided for by the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq.).

"Board of Equalization" means the California State Board of Equalization.

"Capital" means any project or program described in Attachment A that qualifies as a capital improvement expenditure.

"Capital Improvement Expenditures" means expenditures for the purpose of acquiring, upgrading, or maintaining transportation physical assets such as property, transportation facilities, rail improvements, highways, or equipment, so long as any such expenditures for maintenance substantially extend the useful life of the project. This also includes any physical improvement and any preliminary studies, design, or surveys relative thereto, including, but not limited to, any property of a permanent nature, and equipment needed in connection with such improvements.

"Complete Streets" means a comprehensive, integrated transportation network with infrastructure and design that allows safe and convenient travel along and across streets for all users, including pedestrians, users and operators of public transit, bicyclists, persons with disabilities, seniors, children, motorists, users of green modes, and movers of commercial goods.

"Expected Opening Date" means the date that a project is expected to be open for use by the public, which is expressed as the first year of a three-year range. With respect to programs, the expected opening date is the last year in which funds are anticipated to be made available for use on the projects that comprise the program.

"Expenditure Plan" means that expenditure plan which is attached hereto as Attachment A.

"First/Last Mile" means infrastructure, systems, and modes of travel used by transit riders to start or end their transit trips. This includes but is not limited to infrastructure for walking, rolling, and biking (e.g. bike lanes, bike parking, sidewalks, and crosswalks), shared

use services (e.g. bike share and car share), facilities for making modal connections (e.g. kiss and ride and bus/rail interface), signage and way-finding, and information and technology that eases travel (e.g. information kiosks and mobile apps).

"Green Streets" means urban transportation rights-of-way integrated with storm water treatment techniques that use natural processes and landscaping and that quantitatively demonstrate that they capture and treat storm water runoff from their tributary watershed through infiltration or other means and are included within the respective Enhanced Watershed Management Plan.

"Gross Sales Tax" means the amount of Sales Tax collected by the Board of Equalization pursuant to this Ordinance.

"Groundbreaking Start Date" means the first year of a three-year period by which the applicable project sponsor is expected to award a construction contract enabling the beginning of construction. In alternative project delivery methods, such as design-build and public-private partnership contracts, it means the start of the actual construction phase or phases of the project.

"Highway Construction" means a capital only project or program that includes all environmental, design, and construction work in public highway and street rights-of-way. This includes <u>cComplete</u> <u>sStreets</u>, <u>gGreen</u> <u>sStreets</u>, and active transportation improvements such as bikeways and pedestrian improvements.

"Interest" means interest and other earnings on cash balances.

"Local Return" means funds returned to the cities in within Los Angeles and Los Angeles County, based on population, for eligible transportation-related uses as defined by the Local Return Guidelines to be developed in coordination with the such cities and Los Angeles County and adopted by the Metro Board of Directors. Funds will be eligible for communities' transportation needs, including transit, streets and roads, storm drains, Green Streets, Active Transportation Projects, Complete Streets, public transit access to recreational facilities, Transit Oriented Community Investments, and other unmet transit needs.

"Measure R" means Ordinance No. 08-01, including the attached expenditure plan, of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, as adopted by the Metro Board of Directors on July 24, 2008.

"Measure R Projects" means those projects and programs identified in the expenditure plan attached to Ordinance No. 08-01.

"Metro" means the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority or any successor entity.

1	"Metro Rail Operations" means service delivery for operating and regular and
2	preventative maintenance for Metro Rail Lines as defined in guidelines adopted by the Metro
3	Board of Directors, as well as Metro State of Good Repair.
4	"Metro State of Good Repair" means the repair, rehabilitation, and replacement
5	required to maintain reliable, safe, effective, and efficient rail transit services.
6	"Multi-Year Subregional Programs" means multiple capital projects defined by
7	guidelines adopted pursuant to Section 7(c).
8	"Net Revenues" means Sales Tax Revenues minus any amount expended on
9	administrative costs pursuant to Section 10.
10	"Regional Rail" means regional commuter rail service within Los Angeles County,
11	including operating, maintenance, expansion, and state of good repair.
12	"Sales Tax" means a retail transactions and use tax.
13	"Sales Tax Revenues" means the Gross Sales Tax minus any refunds and any fees
14	imposed by the Board of Equalization for the performance of functions incident to the
15	administration and operation of this Ordinance.
16	"Schedule of Funds Available" means the anticipated schedule for releasing funds to
17	complete projects included in the Expenditure Plan.
18	"Subregion" means "subregional planning area" as shown by the boundaries in
19	"Subregional Maps" attached hereto as Attachment B.
20	"Transit Construction" means a capital only project or program including
21	environmental, design, and construction work in public transit rights-of-way or in support of the
22	capital needs of the public transit system, such as rolling stock, transit stations, or transit stop
23	improvements. Transit construction can also include first/last mile improvements.
24	"Transit Operations" means countywide transit service operated by Metro and the
25	Included and Eligible Municipal Operators receiving funds allocated through a Board-adopted
26	Formula Allocation Procedure (FAP).
27	
28	SECTION 4. STATUTORY AUTHORITY
29	This Ordinance is enacted, in part, pursuant to:
30	a. Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the California
31	Revenue and Taxation Code; and
32	b. Division 12 (commencing with Section 130000) of the California Public Utilities
33	Code.

#### SECTION 5. IMPOSITION OF RETAIL TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX

- a. Subject to the limits imposed by this Ordinance, Metro hereby imposes, in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Los Angeles County, a Transactions and Use tax at the rate of one-half of one percent (.5%) beginning on the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing not less than 180 days after the adoption of this Ordinance by the voters. The rate of this tax shall increase to one percent (1.0%) on July 1, 2039 immediately upon the expiration of the .5% tax imposed by Ordinance No. 08-01 of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Measure R).
- b. This Transactions and Use tax shall be in addition to any other taxes authorized by law, including any existing or future state or local Transactions and Use tax. The imposition, administration, and collection of the tax shall be in accordance with all applicable statutes, laws, and rules and regulations prescribed and adopted by the Board of Equalization.
- c. Pursuant to Section 130350.7(h) of the Public Utilities Code, the tax rate authorized by this section shall not be considered for purposes of the combined rate limit established by Section 7251.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- d. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7262.2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, the required provisions of Sections 7261 and 7262 of that Code as now in effect or as later amended are adopted by reference in this Ordinance.
- e. This Ordinance incorporates provisions identical to those of the Sales and Use Tax Law of the State of California insofar as those provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements and limitations contained in Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- f. The Transactions and Use tax shall be administered and collected by the Board of Equalization in a manner that adapts itself as fully as practicable to, and requires the least possible deviation from, the existing statutory and administrative procedures followed by the Board of Equalization in administering and collecting the California State Sales and Use Taxes.
- g. This Transactions and Use tax shall be administered in a manner that will be, to the greatest degree possible, consistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, minimizes the cost of collecting the transactions and use taxes, and at the same time, minimizes the burden of record keeping upon persons subject to taxation under the provisions of this Ordinance.

#### SECTION 6. ADMINISTRATION BY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

- a. CONTRACT WITH STATE. Prior to the operative date, Metro shall contract with the Board of Equalization to perform all functions incident to the administration and operation of this Ordinance; provided, that if Metro shall not have contracted with the Board of Equalization prior to the operative date, it shall nevertheless so contract and in such a case the operative date shall be the first day of the first calendar quarter following the execution of such a contract.
- b. TRANSACTIONS TAX RATE. For the privilege of selling tangible personal property at retail, a tax is hereby imposed upon all retailers in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of Los Angeles County at the rate of one half of one percent (.5%) of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail in said territory on and after the operative date of this Ordinance. The rate of this tax shall increase to one percent (1.0%) of the gross receipts on July 1, 2039 immediately upon the expiration of the .5% tax imposed by Ordinance No. 08-01 of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Measure R).
- c. PLACE OF SALE. For the purposes of this Ordinance, all retail sales are consummated at the place of business of the retailer unless the tangible personal property sold is delivered by the retailer or his agent to an out-of-state destination or to a common carrier for delivery to an out-of-state destination. The gross receipts from such sales shall include delivery charges, when such charges are subject to the state sales and use tax, regardless of the place to which delivery is made. In the event a retailer has no permanent place of business in the State or has more than one place of business, the place or places at which the retail sales are consummated shall be determined under rules and regulations to be prescribed and adopted by the Board of Equalization.
- d. USE TAX RATE. An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use, or other consumption in Los Angeles County of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer on and after the operative date of this Ordinance for storage, use, or other consumption in Los Angeles County at the rate of one half of one percent (.5%) of the sales price of the property. The rate of this tax shall increase to one percent (1.0%) of the sales price of the property on July 1, 2039 immediately upon the expiration of the .5% tax imposed by Ordinance No. 08-01 of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Measure R). The sales price shall include delivery charges when such charges are subject to state sales or use tax regardless of the place to which delivery is made.
- e. ADOPTION OF PROVISIONS OF STATE LAW. Except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance and except insofar as they are inconsistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of

- 1 Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, all of the provisions of Part 1 (commencing with
- 2 Section 6001) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code are hereby adopted and made a
- 3 part of this Ordinance as though fully set forth herein.
  - f. LIMITATIONS ON ADOPTION OF STATE LAW AND COLLECTION OF USE
- 5 TAXES. In adopting the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code:
- 6 1. Wherever the State of California is named or referred to as the taxing
- 7 agency, the name of Metro shall be substituted therefor. However, the substitution shall not be
- 8 made when:

- 9 A. The word "State" is used as a part of the title of the State
- 10 Controller, State Treasurer, Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board, State Board
- of Equalization, State Treasury, or the Constitution of the State of California;
- B. The result of that substitution would require action to be taken by
- 13 or against Metro or any agency, officer, or employee thereof rather than by or against the Board
- of Equalization, in performing the functions incident to the administration or operation of this
- 15 Ordinance.
- 16 C. In those sections, including, but not necessarily limited to sections
- 17 referring to the exterior boundaries of the State of California, where the result of the substitution
- 18 would be to:
- i. Provide an exemption from this Sales Tax with respect to
- 20 certain sales, storage, use, or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not
- 21 otherwise be exempt from this Sales Tax while such sales, storage, use, or other consumption
- 22 remain subject to tax by the State under the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue
- 23 and Taxation Code; or
- ii. Impose this Sales Tax with respect to certain sales,
- storage, use, or other consumption of tangible personal property that would not be subject to
- this Sales Tax by the state under the said provision of that code.
- D. In Sections 6701, 6702 (except in the last sentence thereof),
- 28 6711, 6715, 6737, 6797, or 6828 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- 29 2. The phrase "Los Angeles County" shall be substituted for the words "this
- state" in the phrase "retailer engaged in business in this state" in Section 6203 and in the
- 31 definition of that phrase in Section 6203 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- 32 g. PERMIT NOT REQUIRED. If a seller's permit has been issued to a retailer
- 33 under Section 6067 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, an additional transactor's permit shall
- 34 not be required by this Ordinance.

#### h. EXEMPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS.

- 1. There shall be excluded from the measure of the transactions tax and the use tax the amount of any sales tax or use tax imposed by the State of California or by any city, city and county, or county pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or the amount of any state-administered transactions or use tax.
- 2. There are exempted from the computation of the amount of transactions tax the gross receipts from:
- A. Sales of tangible personal property, other than fuel or petroleum products, to operators of aircraft to be used or consumed principally outside the County in which the sale is made and directly and exclusively in the use of such aircraft as common carriers of persons or property under the authority of the laws of this State, the United States, or any foreign government.
- B. Sales of property to be used outside Los Angeles County which is shipped to a point outside Los Angeles County, pursuant to the contract of sale, by delivery to such point by the retailer or his agent, or by delivery by the retailer to a carrier for shipment to a consignee at such point. For the purposes of this paragraph, delivery to a point outside Los Angeles County shall be satisfied:
- i. With respect to vehicles (other than commercial vehicles) subject to registration pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code, aircraft licensed in compliance with Section 21411 of the Public Utilities Code, and undocumented vessels registered under Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 9840) of the Vehicle Code by registration to an address outside Los Angeles County and by a declaration under penalty of perjury, signed by the buyer, stating that such address is, in fact, his or her principal place of residence; and
- ii. With respect to commercial vehicles, by registration to a place of business outside Los Angeles County and declaration under penalty of perjury, signed by the buyer, that the vehicle will be operated from that address.
- C. The sale of tangible personal property if the seller is obligated to furnish the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this Ordinance.
- D. A lease of tangible personal property which is a continuing sale of such property, for any period of time for which the lessor is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by the lease prior to the operative date of this Ordinance.

E. For the purposes of subparagraphs (C) and (D) of this section, the sale or lease of tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.

- 3. There are exempted from the use tax imposed by this Ordinance, the storage, use, or other consumption in Los Angeles County of tangible personal property:
- A. The gross receipts from the sale of which have been subject to a transactions tax under any state-administered transactions and use tax ordinance.
- B. Other than fuel or petroleum products purchased by operators of aircraft and used or consumed by such operators directly and exclusively in the use of such aircraft as common carriers of persons or property for hire or compensation under a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued pursuant to the laws of this State, the United States, or any foreign government. This exemption is in addition to the exemptions provided in Sections 6366 and 6366.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code of the State of California.
- C. If the purchaser is obligated to purchase the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this Ordinance.
- D. If the possession of, or the exercise of any right or power over, the tangible personal property arises under a lease which is a continuing purchase of such property for any period of time for which the lessee is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by a lease prior to the operative date of this Ordinance.
- E. For the purposes of subparagraphs (C) and (D) of this section, storage, use, or other consumption, or possession of, or exercise of any right or power over, tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.
- F. Except as provided in subparagraph (G), a retailer engaged in business in Los Angeles County shall not be required to collect use tax from the purchaser of tangible personal property, unless the retailer ships or delivers the property into the County or participates within the County in making the sale of the property, including, but not limited to, soliciting or receiving the order, either directly or indirectly, at a place of business of the retailer in County or through any representative, agent, canvasser, solicitor, subsidiary, or person in the County under the authority of the retailer.

G. "A retailer engaged in business in Los Angeles County" shall also include any retailer of any of the following: vehicles subject to registration pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code, aircraft licensed in compliance with Section 21411 of the Public Utilities Code, or undocumented vessels registered under Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 9840) of the Vehicle Code. That retailer shall be required to collect use tax from any purchaser who registers or licenses the vehicle, vessel, or aircraft at an address in Los Angeles County.

- 4. Any person subject to use tax under this Ordinance may credit against that tax any transactions tax or reimbursement for transactions tax paid to a district imposing, or retailer liable for a transactions tax pursuant to Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code with respect to the sale to the person of the property the storage, use, or other consumption of which is subject to the use tax.
- i. AMENDMENTS. All amendments subsequent to the effective date of this Ordinance to Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code relating to sales and use taxes and which are not inconsistent with Part 1.6 and Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and all amendments to Part 1.6 and Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, shall automatically become a part of this Ordinance, provided however, that no such amendment shall operate so as to affect the rate of tax imposed by this Ordinance.
- j. ENJOINING COLLECTION FORBIDDEN. No injunction or writ of mandate or other legal or equitable process shall issue in any suit, action, or proceeding in any court against the State or Metro, or against any officer of the State or Metro, to prevent or enjoin the collection under this Ordinance, or Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, of any tax or any amount of tax required to be collected.

#### SECTION 7. USE OF REVENUES

- a. All Net Revenues generated from the Sales Tax imposed pursuant to this Ordinance plus any Interest, less any funds necessary for satisfaction of debt service and related requirements of all bonds issued and obligations incurred pursuant to this Ordinance that are not satisfied out of separate allocations, shall be allocated solely for the transportation purposes described in this Ordinance.
- b. Metro shall establish and administer a sales tax revenue fund and such subfunds as established in this Ordinance. All Net Revenues and Interest on Sales Tax Revenues shall be credited into the sales tax revenue fund and credited to the appropriate subfunds and programs in accordance with the percentages in the column entitled "% of Sales

- 1 Tax (net of Admin)" on page 1 of Attachment A. All sums in the sales tax revenue fund shall
- 2 be expended by Metro for the projects and programs described in Attachment A. Metro may
- 3 expend additional funds from sources other than the Sales Tax imposed pursuant to this
- 4 Ordinance on the projects and programs described in Attachment A.
- 5 1. Metro shall establish the following subfunds of the sales tax revenue
- 6 fund:
- 7 A. Transit Operating and Maintenance Subfund, for Metro Rail
- 8 Operations program funds, Transit Operations (Metro and Municipal Providers) program funds,
- 9 ADA Paratransit for the disabled and Metro discounts for seniors and students program funds.
- i. Metro Rail Operations program funds are eligible to be
- 11 used for Metro Rail State of Good Repair.
- ii. Transit Operations program funds are eligible to be used
- 13 for Metro State of Good Repair.
- 14 B. Transit, First/Last Mile (Capital) Subfund, for Transit Construction
- 15 (including System Connectivity Projects Airports, Union Station, and Countywide BRT)
- 16 program funds and Metro State of Good Repair program funds. This subfund shall include a
- 17 Transit Contingency Subfund.
- i. Transit Contingency Subfund. All Net Revenues allocated
- 19 to the Transit, First/Last Mile (Capital) Subfund, except those allocated to Metro State of Good
- 20 Repair, that are not assigned to a specific project or program coded "T" in the "modal code"
- 21 column of Attachment A shall be credited to the Transit Contingency Subfund.
- 22 C. Highway, Active Transportation, Complete Streets (Capital)
- 23 Subfund, for Highway Construction (including System Connectivity Projects Ports, Highway
- 24 Congestion Programs and Goods Movement) program funds and Metro Active Transportation
- 25 (Bicycle, Pedestrian, Complete Streets) program funds. This subfund shall include a Highway
- 26 Contingency Subfund.

- i. Highway Contingency Subfund. All Net Revenues
- 28 allocated to the Highway, Active Transportation, Complete Streets (Capital) Subfund, except
- 29 those allocated to Metro Active Transportation Program, that are not assigned to a specific
- 30 highway capital project or program coded "H" in the "modal code" column of Attachment A shall
- 31 be credited to the Highway Contingency Subfund.
- D. Local Return/Regional Rail Subfund, for Local Return program
- 33 funds and Regional Rail program funds.
  - For each project identified in the "Expenditure Plan Major Projects"

section of Attachment A, Metro shall expend the amount of Net Revenues specified in the column entitled "Measure \_\_ Funding 2015\$" for each project. Such expenditures shall commence in the fiscal year identified in the column "Groundbreaking Start Date," or in the subsequent two fiscal years, except that expenditures for preconstruction costs may commence sooner.

- A. Metro may expend funds from the Contingency Subfunds for inflation adjustments for any project identified in the "Expenditure Plan Major Projects" section of Attachment A if less than two-thirds (2/3) of the amount allocated in the "Measure \_\_\_ Funding 2015\$" column has been expended prior to the first day of Fiscal Year 2027. Such expenditures shall be deducted from the Highway Contingency Subfund if the project is coded "H" in the "modal code" column of Attachment A or from the Transit Contingency Subfund if the project is coded "T" in the "modal code" column of Attachment A. Such expenditures shall not exceed the actual amount of inflation since 2015 as determined by an index selected by the Metro Board of Directors.
- 3. For each program identified in the "Multi-Year Subregional Programs" section of Attachment A, Metro shall expend the amount of Net Revenues specified in the column entitled "Measure \_\_ Funding 2015\$" for each program. Such expenditures shall commence in the fiscal year identified in the column "Groundbreaking Start Date," or in the subsequent two fiscal years, except that expenditures for preconstruction costs may commence sooner.
- A. Metro may expend funds from the Contingency Subfunds for inflation adjustments for any project identified in the "Multi-Year Subregional Programs" section of Attachment A beginning in Fiscal Year 2027. Such expenditures shall be deducted from the Highway Contingency Subfund if the project is coded "H" in the "modal code" column of Attachment A or from the Transit Contingency Subfund if the project is coded "T" in the "modal code" column of Attachment A. Such expenditures shall not exceed the actual amount of inflation since 2015 as determined by an index selected by the Metro Board of Directors.
- 4. Metro shall expend funds allocated to the Contingency Subfunds, to the extent necessary, to service the debt of any bonds issued or other obligations incurred pursuant to Section 12 of this Ordinance.
- 5. Metro may expend funds from the Contingency Subfunds for Expenditure Plan Major Projects or Multi-Year Subregional Programs in any fiscal year in which Net Revenues received are not sufficient to meet Metro's funding obligations for that year for such projects.

6. No earlier than July 1, 2039, the Metro Board of Directors shall increase the percentage of Net Revenues allocated to the Regional Rail program of the Local Return and Regional Rail Subfund from one percent (1%) to two percent (2%) provided that the recipient(s) satisfy certain performance criteria, which shall be adopted by the Metro Board of Directors. Any such increase in Net Revenues allocated to Regional Rail shall be offset by corresponding reductions in Net Revenues allocated to either the Transit, First/Last Mile (Capital) Subfund or Highway, Active Transportation, Complete Streets (Capital) Subfund, or both. No reduction shall delay any projects in Attachment A.

- 7. On July 1, 2039, the percentage of Net Revenues allocated to the Local Return program shall increase by three percent of Net Revenues. The Metro Board of Directors shall make corresponding reductions to either the Transit Construction or Highway Construction programs, or both. No reduction shall delay any projects in Attachment A.
- c. The Metro Board of Directors shall adopt guidelines regarding Multi-Year Subregional Programs identified in Attachment A. The guidelines shall, at minimum, specify definitions of active transportation, first/last mile, visionary seed project studies, street car and circulator projects, greenway projects, mobility hubs, highway efficiency and operational improvement projects, bus system improvements, highway demand-based programs (such as high occupancy vehicle extensions and connections), transit capital projects, transportation system and mobility improvements, bus rapid transit capital improvements, safe route to schools, multi-modal connectivity projects, arterial street improvements, freeway interchange improvements, goods movement improvements, highway and transit noise mitigations, intelligent transportation systems, transportation technology improvements, streetscape enhancements and Great Streets, public transit state of good repair, and traffic congestion relief improvements.
- d. Metro may enter into an agreement with the Board of Equalization to transfer Sales Tax Revenues directly to a bond trustee or similar fiduciary, in order to provide for the timely payment of debt service and related obligations, prior to Metro's receipt and deposit of such Sales Tax Revenues into the sales tax revenue fund; provided, however, that such payments of debt service and related obligations shall be allocated to the appropriate subfund consistent with the expenditure of the proceeds of the corresponding debt.
- e. Metro shall include the projects and programs in Attachment A in the Long Range Transportation Plan within one year of the date the Ordinance takes effect. The revised and updated Long Range Transportation Plan shall also include capital projects and capital programs that are adopted by each subregion that are submitted to Metro for inclusion in the

revised and updated Long Range Transportation Plan, if the cost and schedule details are provided by the subregions, in a manner consistent with the requirements of the plan.

- f. Three percent (3%) of the total project cost of any Expenditure Plan Major Project coded "T" in Attachment A shall be paid by each incorporated city within Los Angeles County, and Los Angeles County for those projects in unincorporated areas, based upon the percent of project total centerline track miles to be constructed within that jurisdiction's borders if one (1) or more stations are to be constructed within the borders of said jurisdiction. An agreement approved by both Metro and the governing board of the jurisdiction shall specify the total project cost determined at the conclusion of thirty percent (30%) completion of final design (which shall not be subject to future cost increases), the amount to be paid, and a schedule of payments. If the total project cost estimate is reduced after the conclusion of thirty percent (30%) completion of final design, the proportionate cost to the jurisdiction shall be reduced accordingly. The jurisdiction may request a betterment for a project. The jurisdiction, however, shall incur the full cost of any such betterment. Such agreements shall be in accordance with guidelines adopted by the Metro Board of Directors.
- 1. If no agreement is entered into and approved prior to the award of any contract authorizing the construction of the project within the borders of the jurisdiction, or if at any time the local jurisdiction is in default of any sums due pursuant to the approved agreement, all funds contained in the Local Return/Regional Rail Subfund allocated to that jurisdiction may, at Metro's sole discretion, be withheld for not longer than fifteen (15) years and used to pay for the project until the three percent (3%) threshold is met.
- g. Once every ten (10) years, beginning in Fiscal Year 2027, Metro shall conduct a comprehensive assessment of each project and program identified in Attachment A as an "Expenditure Plan Major Project" or "Multi-Year Subregional Program." This assessment shall determine which projects or programs are either completed, or anticipated to be completed during the next ten-year period. The Measure \_ Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee of Metro, established pursuant to Section 8, shall review and comment on the assessment.

  Metro shall also conduct a public review prior to the assessment's approval. Upon approval of this assessment by a two-thirds vote, the Metro Board of Directors may:
- 1. Add "Expenditure Plan Major Projects" and "Multi-Year Subregional Programs" to the Expenditure Plan by a two-thirds (2/3) vote so long as such additions do not delay the Groundbreaking Start Date, Expected Opening Date, or amount of "Measure \_ Funding 2015\$" of any other "Expenditure Plan Major Project" or "Multi-Year Subregional"

1	Program." No "Expenditure Plan Major Projects" or "Multi-Year Subregional Programs" may
2	be added to the Expenditure Plan except through the decennial process described herein.
3	A. Should an "Expenditure Plan Major Project" or "Multi-Year
4	Subregional Program", except for those coded "sc" in the "subregion" column of Attachment A
5	be completed without the expenditure of all Net Revenues allocated to that project or program
6	in Attachment A, the surplus Net Revenues shall be expended on projects or programs in the
7	same subregion as the project or program so completed. The Metro Board of Directors shall
8	determine by a two-thirds (2/3) vote whether a project or program is complete.
9	B. Should an "Expenditure Plan Major Project" or "Multi-Year
10	Subregional Program" coded "sc" in the "subregion" column of Attachment A be completed
11	without the expenditure of all Net Revenues allocated to that project or program in Attachment
12	A, the surplus Net Revenues shall be expended on another <u>"Expenditure Plan Major Project"</u>
13	or <u>"Multi-Year Subregional Program"</u> coded "sc" in the "subregion" column of Attachment A.
14	The Metro Board of Directors shall determine by a two-thirds (2/3) vote whether a project or
15	program is complete.
16	<ol><li>Adopt an amendment to transfer Net Revenues between the Transit,</li></ol>
17	First/Last Mile (Capital) Subfund and the Highway, Active Transportation, Complete Streets
18	(Capital) Subfund pursuant to Section 11(c). No such amendment shall be adopted except
19	through the decennial process described herein.
20	3. Adopt an amendment to Attachment B pursuant to Section 11(a). No
21	such amendment shall be adopted except through the decennial process described herein
22	provided, however, the Metro Board of Directors shall not adopt an amendment to Attachment
23	B prior to the comprehensive assessment in Fiscal Year 2047.
24	h. No Net Revenues generated from the Sales Tax shall be expended on the
25	State Route 710 North Gap Closure Project.
26	i. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance, no recipient of Local
27	Return program funds may expend more than thirty-three and one-third percent (331/3 %) of
28	total funds received in any fiscal year on Green Streets.
29	
30	SECTION 8. OVERSIGHT
31	a. There is hereby established a Measure _ Independent Taxpayer Oversight
32	Committee of Metro ("Committee") to provide an enhanced level of accountability for

expenditures of sales tax revenues made under the Expenditure Plan. The Committee shall

meet at least four (4) times each year to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance. The Committee reports directly to the Metro Board of Directors and the public.

- b. It is the intent that the Committee will assist Metro and take advantage of changing situations in the future with regard to technologies and transportation developments.
   Therefore, the provisions contained in this Ordinance are based on a 2016 perspective and are not meant to be unduly restrictive on the Committee's and Metro's roles and responsibilities.
- c. Committee Membership. The Committee Members established for oversight shall carry out the responsibilities laid out in this Ordinance and play a valuable and constructive role in the ongoing improvement and enhancement of this Ordinance.
- 1. As such, the Committee Members shall be comprised of seven (7) voting members representing the following professions or areas of expertise:
  - A. A retired Federal or State judge
- B. A professional from the field of municipal/public finance and/or budgeting with a minimum of ten (10) years of relevant experience
- C. A transit professional with a minimum of ten (10) years of experience in senior-level decision making in transit operations and labor practices
- D. A professional with a minimum of ten (10) years of experience in management and administration of financial policies, performance measurements, and reviews
- E. A professional with demonstrated experience of ten (10) years or more in the management of large-scale construction projects
- F. A licensed architect or engineer with appropriate credentials in the field of transportation project design or construction and a minimum of ten (10) years of relevant experience
- G. A regional association of businesses representative with at least ten (10) years of senior-level decision making experience in the private sector
- 2. The intent is to have one member representing each of the specified areas of expertise. If, however, after a good faith effort, qualified individuals have not been identified for one (1) or more of the areas of expertise, then no more than two (2) members from one (1) or more of the remaining areas of expertise may be selected.
- 3. The members of the Committee must reside in Los Angeles County and be subject to conflict of interest provisions. No person currently serving as an elected or appointed city, county, special district, state, or federal public officeholder shall be eligible to serve as a member of the Committee.
  - d. Conflict of Interest. The Committee members shall be subject to Metro's conflict

of interest policies. The members shall have no legal action pending against Metro and are prohibited from acting in any commercial activity directly or indirectly involving Metro, such as being a consultant to Metro or to any party with pending legal actions against Metro during their tenure on this Committee. Committee members shall not have direct commercial interest or employment with any public or private entity, which receives sales tax funds authorized by this Ordinance.

- e. Committee Membership Selection Panel. The Selection Panel ("Panel") shall select for approval the Oversight Committee Members, who will be responsible for performing the responsibilities under this Ordinance. The Panel will be comprised of three (3) persons, each of whom shall be members of the Metro Board of Directors, or their designee.
- 1. The Panel shall be selected as follows, and will represent the existing leadership of Metro's Board (Chair, Vice Chair, and second Vice Chair):
- 13 A. One representative from the Los Angeles County Board of 14 Supervisors; and
- B. One representative selected by the Mayor of the City of Los
  Angeles; and
  - C. One representative from the Los Angeles County Cities
  - 2. The Panel shall screen and recommend potential candidates for Committee Membership. The Panel will develop guidelines to solicit, collect, and review applications of potential candidates for membership on the Committee. The filling of membership vacancies, due to removals and reappointments will follow these same guidelines.
  - 3. The recommended candidates for Committee Membership shall be approved by the Metro Board by a simple majority.
  - f. Term. Each member of the Committee shall serve for a term of five (5) years, and until a successor is appointed, except that initial appointments may be staggered with terms of three (3) years. A Committee member may be removed at any time by the appointing authority. Term limits for Committee members will be staggered to prevent significant turnover at any one time. There is no limit as to the number of terms that a Committee member may serve. Members will be compensated through a stipend and they may choose to waive.
  - g. Resignation. Any member may, at any time, resign from the Committee upon written notice delivered to the Metro Board. Acceptance of any public office, the filing of intent to seek public office, including a filing under California Government Code Section 85200, or change of residence to outside the County shall constitute a Member's automatic resignation.
    - h. Committee Responsibilities. The Committee shall, at a minimum, meet on a

1	quarterly basis to ca	arry out	its responsibilities and is hereby charged with the following							
2	responsibilities:									
3	1.	Gene	eral Responsibilities							
4		A.	The Committee will have the responsibility for approving the scope							
5	of work and direct the	ne work	of the auditors, to include at minimum the above mentioned areas.							
6	Selection of the aud	ditors wi	Il follow the Board approved procurement and solicitation policies.							
7	The Committee will	be invo	lved in the solicitation and selection process of the auditors.							
8		B.	The Committee shall prepare an annual report on the results of the							
9	annual audit per Se	ction 8(	h)(3)(B), any findings made, and report the comments to the Metro							
10	Board of Directors.									
11		C.	The Committee shall review all proposed debt financing and make							
12	a finding as to whet	her the	benefits of the proposed financing for accelerating project delivery,							
13	avoiding future cost	escalat	tion, and related factors exceed issuance and interest costs.							
14		D.	The Committee shall review any proposed amendments to the							
15	Ordinance, includin	g the Ex	spenditure Plan, and make a finding as to whether the proposed							
16	amendments further the purpose of the Ordinance.									
17	2.	Quar	terly Responsibilities. The Committee shall at minimum review the							
18	following:									
19		A.	For each Subfund, make findings on the effective and efficient use							
20	of funds.									
21		B.	For Local Return funds, review the programmed revenues and							
22	uses for each of the	local ju	risdictions.							
23		C.	For Transit and Highway (Capital), review comparison of budget							
24	expended to projec	t milesto	one completion, comparison of contingency spent to project							
25	completion, and rev	view of s	soft costs expended.							
26		D.	For Active Transportation Program, review programmed revenues							
27	and uses.									
28		E.	For State of Good Repair, review budget and expenses.							
29		F.	For Transit Operating and Maintenance (which includes Metro Ra							
30	Operations, Transit	Operati	ons, ADA Paratransit for the disabled/Metro discounts for seniors							
31	and students, and F	Regiona	Rail), review budget and expenses.							
32	3.	Annı	ual Responsibilities							

The Committee shall review the results of the audit performed

A.

- and make findings as to whether Metro is in compliance with the terms of the Ordinance. Such findings shall include a determination as to whether recipients of Net Revenues allocated and funds were expended for all the Subfunds (listed in Attachment A) and have complied with this Ordinance and any additional guidelines developed by Metro.
  - B. Annual Financial and Compliance Audit. Metro shall contract for an annual audit, to be completed within six (6) months after the end of the fiscal year being audited, for the purpose of determining compliance by Metro with the provisions of this Ordinance relating to the receipt and expenditure of Sales Tax Revenues during such fiscal year. The audit should include a determination as to whether recipients of Net Revenues allocated from these Subfunds have complied with this Ordinance and any additional guidelines developed by Metro for these Subfunds.
- 12 C. For major corridor projects, included in the Expenditure Plan, the 13 Committee shall review at least once a year:
  - i. Project costs, established LOP budgets, and any
     significant cost increases and/or major scope changes of the major corridor projects identified in the Expenditure Plan.
  - ii. The funding available and programmed for the projects included in the Expenditure Plan, as well as any funding gaps for each of these projects. The Committee shall provide recommendations on possible improvements and modifications to deliver the Plan.
  - iii. Performance in terms of project delivery, cost controls, schedule adherence, and related activities.
    - 4. Five-Year Responsibilities

- A. The Committee shall review the Comprehensive Program
  Assessment of the Expenditure Plan every five (5) years or every ten (10) years in accordance with Section 7(g) and make findings and/or provide recommendations for improving the program. The results of this assessment will be presented to the Metro Board of Directors.
- B. Comprehensive Program Assessment. Metro shall conduct every five (5) years, a comprehensive review of all projects and programs implemented under the Plan to evaluate the performance of the overall program and make recommendations to improve its performance on current practices, best practices, and organizational changes to improve coordination.
- i. Accountability to the Public and the Metro Board. All audit reports, findings, and recommendations will be available and accessible to the public (through various types of media)

prior to the public hearing and upon request. Metro will establish a website dedicated to the Oversight of this Measure and include all pertinent Ordinance information for the public. The Committee shall review all audits and hold an annual public hearing to report on the results of the audits.

#### SECTION 9. MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REQUIREMENTS

- a. It is the intent of Metro that any Sales Tax Revenues provided to local jurisdictions in Los Angeles County under the program described in Attachment A as "Local Return" be used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes.
- b. Metro shall develop guidelines that, at a minimum, specify maintenance of effort requirements for the local return program, matching funds, and administrative requirements for the recipients of revenue derived from the Sales Tax.

#### SECTION 10. COSTS OF ADMINISTRATION

Metro shall establish an Administration/Local Return fund and one and one-half percent (1.5%) of Gross Sales Tax revenues shall be credited into this fund. As funds are received by Metro and credited to this fund, one percent (1%) of Net Revenues shall be immediately transferred to the Local Return/Regional Rail Subfund of the sales tax revenue fund to be used solely for the Local Return program. All other amounts in the Administration/Local Return fund shall be available to Metro for administrative costs, including contractual services.

#### SECTION 11. AMENDMENTS

a. The Metro Board of Directors may amend this Ordinance, including Attachment A and Attachment B, with the exception of Section 11, for any purpose <u>subject to the limitations contained in Section 7(g)</u>, including as necessary to account for the results of any environmental review required under the California Environmental Quality Act or the National Environmental Policy Act and any related federal statute of the projects listed in Attachment A. Any such amendments shall be approved by a vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the Metro Board of Directors. Metro shall hold a public meeting on proposed amendments prior to adoption. Metro shall provide notice of the public meeting to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, the city council of each city in Los Angeles County, and the public, and shall

provide them with a copy of the proposed amendments, at least 60 days prior to the public meeting.

- b. By two-thirds (2/3) vote, the Metro Board of Directors may amend the "Schedule of Funds Available" columns listed in Attachment A to accelerate a project, provided that any such amendments shall not reduce the amount of funds assigned to any other project or program as shown in the "Measure \_ Funding 2015\$" column of Attachment A or delay the Schedule of Funds Available for any other project or program. Metro shall hold a public meeting on proposed amendments prior to adoption. Metro shall provide notice of the public meeting to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, the city council of each city in Los Angeles County, and the public, and shall provide them with a copy of the proposed amendments, at least 30 days prior to the public meeting.
- c. Metro shall not adopt any amendment to this Ordinance, including Attachment A, that reduces total Net Revenues allocated to the sum of the Transit, First/Last Mile (Capital) Subfund and the Highway, Active Transportation, Complete Streets (Capital) Subfund. Not more than once in any ten (10) year period commencing in FY2027, Metro may adopt an amendment transferring Net Revenues between the Transit, First/Last Mile (Capital) Subfund and the Highway, Active Transportation, Complete Streets (Capital) Subfund. This subparagraph shall not apply to adjustments to the Net Revenues allocated to the Transit, First/Last Mile (Capital) Subfund and the Highway, Active Transportation, Complete Streets (Capital) Subfund pursuant to Section 7(b)(6) or Section 7(b)(7). Such adjustments shall not require an amendment to this Ordinance or Attachment A.
- d. Notwithstanding Section 11(a) of this Ordinance, Metro shall not adopt any amendment to this Ordinance, including Attachment A, that reduces Net Revenues allocated to the Transit Operating & Maintenance Subfund or the Local Return/Regional Rail Subfund.
- e. The Metro Board of Directors may amend Section 11 of this Ordinance if such amendments are approved by a vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the Metro Board of Directors and are approved by a majority of the voters voting on a measure to approve the amendment. Metro shall hold a public meeting on proposed amendments prior to adoption. Metro shall provide notice of the public meeting to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, the city council of each city in Los Angeles County, and the public, and shall provide them with a copy of the proposed amendments, at least 60 days prior to the public meeting. Amendments shall become effective immediately upon approval by the voters.

#### SECTION 12. ESTABLISHMENT OF BONDING AUTHORITY

- a. Metro is authorized to issue limited tax bonds and incur other obligations, from time to time, payable from and secured by all or any portion of the Sales Tax Revenues to finance any program or project in the Expenditure Plan, pursuant to Sections 130500 et seq. of the Public Utilities Code, and any successor act, or pursuant to any other applicable sections of the Public Utilities Code or the Government Code. As additional security, such bonds and other obligations may be further payable from and secured by farebox revenues or general revenues of Metro, on a basis subordinate to Metro's existing General Revenue Bonds, or any other available source of Metro's revenues, in each case as specified in a resolution adopted by a majority of Metro's Board of Directors. The maximum bonded indebtedness, including issuance costs, interest, reserve requirements and bond insurance, shall not exceed the total amount of the Gross Sales Tax. Nothing herein shall limit or restrict in any way the power and authority of Metro to issue bonds, notes or other obligations, to enter into loan agreements, leases, reimbursement agreements, standby bond purchase agreements, interest rate swap agreements or other derivative contracts or to engage in any other transaction under the Government Code, the Public Utilities Code or any other law.
- b. The Metro Board of Directors shall adopt guidelines regarding the issuance of bonds and the incurrence of other obligations pursuant to this Section 12. The guidelines shall, at a minimum, establish methods for taking into account (a) the expenditure of proceeds of such bonds and other obligations and (b) the payment of debt service and other amounts with respect to such bonds and other obligations, for purposes of meeting the program expenditure requirements of Section 7 hereof.

222324

25

26

27

28

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

#### **SECTION 13. APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT**

Article XIIIB of the California Constitution requires certain governmental entities to establish an annual appropriations limit. This appropriations limit is subject to adjustment as provided by law. To the extent required by law, Metro shall establish an annual appropriations limit and expenditures of the retail transactions and use tax shall be subject to such limit.

29 30

31

32

#### SECTION 14. ELECTION

Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Section 130350.7(d), Metro hereby calls a special election to place this Ordinance before the voters. The ballot language shall read as follows:

#### Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan.

To improve freeway traffic flow/safety; repair potholes/sidewalks; repave local streets; earthquake retrofit bridges; synchronize signals; keep senior/disabled/student fares affordable; expand rail/subway/bus systems; improve job/school/airport connections; and create jobs; shall voters authorize a Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan through a ½ ¢ sales tax and continue the existing ½ ¢ traffic relief tax until voters decide to end it, with independent audits/oversight and all-funds controlled locally?

#### SECTION 15. EFFECTIVE AND OPERATIVE DATES

- a. This Ordinance shall be effective on January 1, 2017, if:
- 1. Two-thirds (2/3) of the voters voting on the measure vote to approve this Ordinance at the statewide general election scheduled for November 8, 2016; and
- 2. No California state statute that requires Metro to provide funding from revenues derived from the Sales Tax imposed pursuant to this Ordinance for any project or program other than those in the Expenditure Plan, or provide a level of funding greater than described in the Expenditure Plan, or on a different schedule than described in the Expenditure Plan, is adopted by the California Legislature subsequent to the adoption of this Ordinance by the Metro Board of Directors and becomes law.

#### **SECTION 16. SEVERABILITY**

If any tax or provision of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, that holding shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining taxes or provisions, and Metro declares that it would have passed each part of this Ordinance irrespective of the validity of any other part.

# Los Angeles County Transportation Expenditure Plan Outline of Expenditure Categories Finest Year (EV) 2048, 2057, Exceleted Dellare

Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 - 2057, Escalated Dollars

(millions)

Subfund	Program	% of Sales Tax (net of Admin)	First Year Amount (FY 2018)		FY 2018 - FY 2032 (15 Years)		FY 2033 - FY 2047 (15 Years)		<b>FY 2048 - FY 2057</b> (10 Years)		FY 2018 - FY 2057 (40 Years)	
	Metro Rail Operations <sup>1</sup>	5%	\$	42	\$	850	\$	2,320	\$	2,810	\$	5,980
Transit Operating & Maintenance	Transit Operations <sup>2</sup> (Metro & Municipal Providers)	20%	\$	169	\$	3,400	\$	9,280	\$	11,240	\$	23,920
Walltonande	ADA Paratransit for the Disabled; Metro Discounts for Seniors and Students	2%	\$	17	\$	340	\$	930	\$	1,120	\$	2,390
Transit, First/Last Mile	Transit Construction (Includes System Connectivity Projects - Airports, Union Station, and Countywide BRT)	35%	\$	296	\$	5,960	\$	16,230	\$	19,670	\$	41,860
(Capital)	Metro State of Good Repair <sup>5</sup>	2%	\$	17	\$	340	\$	930	\$	1,120	\$	2,390
Highway, Active Transportation,	Highway Construction (includes System Connectivity Projects - Ports, Highway Congestion Programs, Goods Movement)	17%	\$	144	\$	2,890	\$	7,880	\$	9,560	\$	20,330
Complete Streets (Capital)	Metro Active Transportation Program (Bicycle, Pedestrian, Complete Streets)	2%	\$	17	\$	340	\$	930	\$	1,120	\$	2,390
Local Deturn /	Local Return - Base <sup>3</sup> (Local Projects and Transit Services)	16%	\$	136	\$	2,720	\$	7,420	\$	8,990	\$	19,130
Local Return / Regional Rail	Local Return / Regional Rail (Beginning FY 2040) <sup>4</sup>						\$	3% / 1% 690	\$	2,240	\$	2,930
	Regional Rail	1%	\$	8	\$	170	\$	460	\$	560	\$	1,200
	TOTAL PROGRAMS		\$	847	\$	17,010	\$	46,380	\$	56,190	\$	119,590
Administration	0.5% for Administration	0.5%	\$	4	\$	85	\$	230	\$	280	\$	600
/Local Return	1.0% Local Return <sup>3</sup>	1.0%	\$	8	\$	170	\$	460	\$	560	\$	1,200
	GRAND TOTAL			860	\$	17,265	\$	47,070	\$	57,030	\$	121,390

- 1. Funds are eligible to be used for Metro Rail State of Good Repair.
- 2. Funds are eligible to be used for Metro State of Good Repair.
- 3. 1% Administration to supplement Local Return, increasing the Local Return-Base to 17% of net revenues.
- 4. To be funded by Highway/Transit Capital Subfunds in FY 2040 and beyond.
- 5. The Metro Board of Directors will prioritize the Wardlow Grade Separation project to receive new funding and/or grants and assign this project to be included in Metro's State of Good Repair program.

All totals are rounded; numbers presented in this document may not always add up to the totals provided. Based on January 2016 revenue projections.

## **Los Angeles County Transportation Expenditure Plan**

### **ATTACHMENT A**

(2015 \$ in thousands)

Groundbreaking Sequence (Exceptions Noted)

لأاد				le of Funds ailable	*"	2016 - 2067 Local, State,		Most Recent	de
Project  (Final Project to be Defined by the Environmental Pro			Ground-	Expected	Subregion*	Federal,	Measure Funding	Cost	ပိ
ferer	(Final Project to be Defined by the Environmental Process)		breaking	Opening Date	ıbre	Other	2015\$	Estimate	Modal
For Re		Notes	Start Date <sup>‡</sup>	(3 year range)	Sı	Funding 2015\$		2015\$**	ĭ
ш.	Expenditure Plan Major Projects			1 <sup>st</sup> yr of Range		20100			
1	Airport Metro Connect 96th St. Station/Green Line Ext LAX®	а,р	FY 2018	CY 2021	sc	\$233,984	\$347,016	\$581,000	Т
2	Westside Purple Line Extension Section 3 ®	b	FY 2018	FY 2024	w	\$986,139	\$994,251	\$1,980,390	Т
3	High Desert Multi-Purpose Corridor (HDMC)®	q	FY 2019	FY 2021	nc	\$100,000	\$170,000	\$270,000	Н
4	I-5 N Cap. Enhancements (SR-14 to Lake Hughes Rd) ®	Ò	FY 2019	FY 2023	nc	\$544,080	\$240,000	\$784,080	Н
5	Gold Line Foothill Extension to Claremont ®	С	FY 2019	FY 2025	sg	\$78,000	\$1,019,000	\$1,097,000	Т
6	Orange Line BRT Improvements	n	FY 2019	FY 2025	sf	\$0	\$286,000	\$286,000	Т
	BRT Connector Orange/Red Line to Gold Line	0	FY 2020	FY 2022	av	\$0	\$240,300	\$240,300	Т
8	BRT Connector Orange/Red Line to Gold Line	0	FY 2020	FY 2022	sf	\$0	\$26,700	\$26,700	Т
9	East SF Valley Transit Corridor Project ®	d	FY 2021	FY 2027	sf	\$520,500	\$810,500	\$1,331,000	Т
10	West Santa Ana Transit Corridor LRT <del>Seg 1</del> ®	b,d	FY 2022	FY 2028	gc	\$500,000	\$535,000	\$1,035,000	Т
11	Crenshaw/LAX Track Enhancement Project	е	FY 2022	FY 2026	sc	\$0	\$49,599	\$49,599	Т
12	SR-71 Gap from I-10 to Rio Rancho Rd.		FY 2022	FY 2026	sg	\$26,443	\$248,557	\$275,000	Н
13	LA River Waterway & System Bikepath		FY 2023	FY 2025	СС	\$0	\$365,000	\$365,000	Н
	Complete LA River Bikepath		FY 2023	FY 2025	sf	\$0	\$60,000	\$60,000	Н
15	Sepulveda Pass Transit Corridor (Ph 1) ®	b,f	FY 2024	FY 2026	sf	\$0	\$130,000	\$130,000	Н
16	Sepulveda Pass Transit Corridor (Ph 1) ®	b,f	FY 2024	FY 2026	w	\$0	\$130,000	\$130,000	Н
17	Vermont Transit Corridor	0	FY 2024	FY 2028	СС	\$400,000	\$25,000	\$425,000	Т
18	SR-57/SR-60 Interchange Improvements	d	FY 2025	FY 2031	sg	\$565,000	\$205,000	\$770,000	Н
19	Green Line Extension to Crenshaw Blvd in Torrance ®	d,g	FY 2026	FY 2030	sb	\$272,000	\$619,000	\$891,000	Т
20	I-710 South Corridor Project (Ph 1) ®	d,ĥ	FY 2026	FY 2032	gc	\$150,000	\$250,000	\$400,000	Н
21	I-105 Express Lane from I-405 to I-605	р	FY 2027	FY 2029	sc	\$0	\$175,000	\$175,000	Н
22	Sepulveda Pass Transit Corridor (Ph 2) ®	b	FY 2024	FY 2033	sf	\$1,567,000	\$1,270,000	\$2,837,000	Т
23	Sepulveda Pass Transit Corridor (Ph 2) ®	b	FY 2024	FY 2033	w	\$1,567,000	\$1,270,000	\$2,837,000	Т
24	Gold Line Eastside Extension (One Alignment) ®	d	FY 2029	FY 2035	gc	\$957,000	\$543,000	\$1,500,000	Т
25	Gold Line Eastside Extension (One Alignment) ®	d	FY 2029	FY 2035	sg	\$957,000	\$543,000	\$1,500,000	Т
26	West Santa Ana Transit Corridor LRT Seg 2®	r	FY 20 <u>2</u> 2	FY 2041	СС	\$1,082,500	\$400,000	\$1,482,500	Т
27	West Santa Ana Transit Corridor LRT <del>Seg 2</del> ®	r	FY 20 <u>2</u> 2	FY 2041	gc	\$982,500	\$500,000	\$1,482,500	Т
28	I-710 South Corridor Project (Ph 2) ®		FY 2032	FY 2041	gc	\$658,500	\$250,000	\$908,500	Н
29	I-5 Corridor Improvements (I-605 to I-710)		FY 2036	FY 2042	gc	\$46,060	\$1,059,000	\$1,105,060	Н
30	Crenshaw Northern Extension	i	FY 2041	FY 2047	СС		\$1,185,000	\$1,680,000	Т
31	Crenshaw Northern Extension	i	FY 2041	FY 2047	w	\$0	\$560,000		Т
32	I-405/I-110 Int. HOV Connect Ramps & Intrchng Improv ®		FY 2042	FY 2044	sb	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	Н
33	I-605/I-10 Interchange		FY 2043	FY 2047	sg	\$472,400	\$126,000	\$598,400	Н
34	SR 60/I-605 Interchange HOV Direct Connectors		FY 2043	FY 2047	sg	\$360,600	\$130,000	\$490,600	Н
35	Lincoln Blvd BRT	l,o	FY 2043	FY 2047	w	\$0	\$102,000	\$102,000	Т
36	I-110 Express Lane Ext South to I-405/I-110 Interchange		FY 2044	FY 2046	sb	\$228,500	\$51,500	\$280,000	Н
	I-405 South Bay Curve Improvements		FY 2045	FY 2047	sb	\$250,840	\$150,000	\$400,840	
38	Green Line Eastern Extension (Norwalk)	р	FY 2046	FY 2052	sc	\$570,000	\$200,000	\$770,000	Т
	SF Valley Transportation Improvements	m	FY 2048	FY 2050	sf		\$106,800		Т
40	Sepulveda Pass Westwood to LAX (Ph 3)	р	FY 2048	FY 2057	sc	<b>*</b>	\$65,000	•	Т
	Orange Line Conversion to Light Rail		FY 2051	FY 2057	sf	\$1,067,000	\$362,000	\$1,429,000	Т
	City of San Fernando Bike Master Plan		FY 2052	FY 2054	sf	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	Н
	Historic Downtown Streetcar		FY 2053	FY 2057	СС	1	\$200,000	\$200,000	Т
44	Gold Line Eastside Ext. Second Alignment	р	FY 2053	FY 2057	sc		\$2,890,000	\$3,000,000	Т
	High Desert Multi-Purpose Corridor - LA County Segment	p p	FY 2063	FY 2067	sc		\$1,845,718		
	Expenditure Plan Major Projects Subtotal					\$19,581,027	\$20,989,941	\$40,570,969	

Footnotes on following page.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The most recent cost estimate equals the accelerated cost. Prior year expenses included in all project costs.

(2015 \$ in thousands)

Groundbreaking Sequence (Exceptions Noted)

nly		Schedule of Funds Available			n,	2016 - 2067 Local, State,		Most Recent	Code
rence O	Project (Final Project to be Defined by the Environmental Process)	S	Ground-	Expected	Subregion*	Federal, Other	Measure Funding	Cost Estimate	
For Reference Only		Notes	breaking Start Date <sup>‡</sup>	Opening Date (3 year range)	Suk	Funding 2015\$	2015\$	2015\$**	Modal
	Multi-Year Subregional Programs			1 <sup>st</sup> yr of Range					
	Metro Active Transport, Transit 1st/Last Mile Program	р	FY 2018	FY 2057	sc	\$0	\$857,500	\$857,500	Н
48	Visionary Project Seed Funding	р	FY 2018	FY 2057	sc	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000	Т
49	Street Car and Circulator Projects	k,p	FY 2018	FY 2022	sc	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000	Т
50	Transportation System and Mobility Improve. Projects Progran	n	FY 2018	FY 2032	sb	\$0	\$293,500	\$293,500	Н
51	Active Transportation 1st/Last Mile Connections Prog.		FY 2018	FY 2057	w	\$0	\$361,000	\$361,000	Н
52	Active Transportation Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	nc	\$0	\$264,000	\$264,000	Н
	Active Transportation Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	gc	\$0	TBD	TBD	Н
54	Active Transportation Program (Including Greenway Proj.)		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$231,000	\$231,000	Н
55	Active Transportation, 1st/Last Mile, & Mobility Hubs		FY 2018	FY 2057	СС	\$0	\$215,000	\$215,000	Н
56	Active Transportation, Transit, and Tech. Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	lvm	\$0	\$32,000	\$32,000	Т
57	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	lvm	\$0	\$133,000	\$133,000	Н
58	Bus System Improvement Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000	Т
59	First/Last Mile and Complete Streets		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$198,000	\$198,000	Н
60	Highway Demand Based Prog. (HOV Ext. & Connect.)		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	<b>.</b>	\$231,000	\$231,000	Н
61	I-605 Corridor "Hot Spot" Interchange Improvements ®		FY 2018	FY 2057	gc	\$240,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,240,000	Н
62	Modal Connectivity and Complete Streets Projects		FY 2018	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$202,000	\$202,000	Н
63	South Bay Highway Operational Improvements		FY 2018	FY 2057	sb	\$600,000	\$500,000	\$1,100,000	Н
64	Transit Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	nc	\$500,000	\$88,000	\$588,000	Т
65	Transit Projects		FY 2018	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$257,100	\$257,100	Т
	Transportation System and Mobility Improve. Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	sb	\$0	\$350,000	\$350,000	Н
67	North San Fernando Valley Bus Rapid Transit Improvements	p,s	FY 2019	FY 2023	<u>sc</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$180,000	<u>\$180,000</u>	<u>T</u>
68	Subregional Equity Program	p,s	FY 2018	FY 2057	<u>sc</u>	<u>TBD</u>	<u>TBD</u>	<u>\$1,196,000</u>	T/H
	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 1 (All Subregions)	l,p	FY 2020	FY 2022	sc		\$50,000	\$50,000	Т
	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 2 (All Subregions)	l,p	FY 2030	FY 2032	sc	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	Т
	Active Transportation Projects		FY 2033	FY 2057	av	' '	\$136,500	\$136,500	Н
	Los Angeles Safe Routes to School Initiative		FY 2033	FY 2057	СС		\$250,000	\$250,000	Н
	Multimodal Connectivity Program		FY 2033	FY 2057	nc		\$239,000	\$239,000	Н
	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 3 (All Subregions)	l,p		FY 2042	sc		\$50,000	\$50,000	Т
	Arterial Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	nc	1	\$726,130	\$726,130	Н
	BRT and 1st/Last Mile Solutions e.g. DASH		FY 2048	FY 2057	СС		\$250,000	\$250,000	Т
	Freeway Interchange and Operational Improvements		FY 2048	FY 2057	СС	<u> </u>	\$195,000	\$195,000	Н
	Goods Movement (Improvements & RR Xing Elim.)		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg		\$33,000	\$33,000	T
	Goods Movement Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	nc		\$104,000	\$104,000	T
	Goods Movement Projects		FY 2048	FY 2057	av		\$81,700	\$81,700	T
	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	nc		\$128,870	\$128,870	Н
	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg		\$534,000	\$534,000	Н
	Highway Efficiency, Noise Mitig. and Arterial Projects		FY 2048	FY 2057	av		\$602,800	\$602,800	Н
	ITS/Technology Program (Advanced Signal Tech.)		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg		\$66,000	\$66,000	
	LA Streetscape Enhance. & Great Streets Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	CC		\$450,000	\$450,000	•
	Modal Connectivity Program		FY 2048	Ī	lvm		\$68,000	\$68,000	H
	Public Transit State of Good Repair Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	CC		\$402,000	\$402,000	T
	Traffic Congestion Relief and Improvement Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	lvm		\$63,000	\$63,000	Н
	Traffic Congestion Relief/Signal Synchronization		FY 2048	FY 2057	CC		\$50,000	\$50,000 \$110,600	Н
	Arroyo Verdugo Projects to be Determined	_	FY 2048	FY 2057	av		\$110,600	\$110,600 \$100,000	•
	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 4 (All Subregions)	р	FY 2050	FY 2052	sc		\$10,000	\$100,000	T
	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 5 (All Subregions)	р	FY 2060	FY 2062	SC		\$100,000	\$100,000	T
	Multi-Year Subregional Programs Subtotal					\$1,430,000	\$10,253,700	\$12,879,700	_
94	GRAND TOTAL					\$21,011,027	\$31,243,641	\$53,450,669	

Footnotes on following page.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The most recent cost estimate equals the accelerated cost. Prior year expenses included in all project costs.

## Los Angeles County Transportation Expenditure Plan

**ATTACHMENT A** 

(2015 \$ in thousands)

Groundbreaking Sequence (Exceptions Noted)

® Indicates Measure R-related Projects

#### Footnotes:

- a. Interface station to LAX sponsored Automated People Mover includes an extended Green Line terminus and a consolidated bus interface for 13 Metro and Municipal bus lines. Bicycle, passenger, and other amenities are also included.
- b. Project acceleration based on high performance.
- c. Identified as a priority per the Metro Board Motion in October 2009.
- d. Project funded on LRTP schedule, per Dec. 2015 Board Policy.
- e. Consistent with the Orange Line, no sooner than 15 years after the revenue operation date of the Crenshaw/LAX project, Metro will consider, as transportation system performance conditions warrant, grade separation and/or undergrounding of the Crenshaw/LAX Line (including the Park Mesa Heights section & Inglewood section of the project). These additional track enhancements, when warranted, will be eligible for funding through the decennial comprehensive review process in the Ordinance.
- f. Sepulveda Pass Ph. 1 from Orange Line/Van Nuys to Westwood includes early delivery of highway ExpressLane.
- g. Studies will be completed to evaluate a future Green Line connection to the Blue Line (city of Long Beach). No capital funds from the Green Line to Torrance Project will be used for the studies.
- h. I-710 South Project assumes an additional \$2.8 billion of alternative revenue sources; not shown here with the cost or revenues for the project. The Shoemaker Bridge "Early Action" project is a priority project for these funds.
- i. Council of Government descriptions vary for the "Crenshaw Northern Extension" project.
- k. Lump sum would be provided in the first 5 years for initial capital costs only. Project sponsors responsible for ongoing operations & maintenance.
- I. Acceleration of Lincoln BRT project eligible as Countywide BRT Program. Any funds freed up from accelerations returns to Countywide BRT Program.
- m. SF Valley Transportation Improvements may include, but are not limited to, Transit Improvements, North San Fernando BRT, and I-210 soundwalls in Tujunga, Sunland, Shadow Hills and Lakeview Terrace.
- n. Critical grade separation(s) will be implemented early through Operation Shovel Ready.
- o. Conversion to LRT or HRT after FY 2067 included in expenditure plan based on ridership demand.
- p. Funds for projects identified as "sc" that are not expended are only available for other System Connectivity Capital Projects.
- q. Up to 10% of the Measure funding can be used for predevelopment work to prepare for ROW purchases.
  - The balance of the Measure funds are assumed for Right-of-Way.
- q. Funding calculated based on estimated right-of-way acquisition costs; but can be repurposed for appropriate project uses, as approved by the MTA Board of Directors.
- r. This project could start as early as FY 2028 and open as early as FY 2037 with Public-Private Partnership delivery methods.
- s. This project will increase system connectivity in the North San Fernando Valley and the Metro Transit System. Environmental plan work shall begin no later than six months after passage of Measure \_\_. To provide equivalent funding to each subregion
- other than the San Fernando Valley, the subregional equity program will be provided as early as possible to the following subregions in the amounts (in thousands) specified here: AV\* \$96,000; W\* \$160,000; CC\* \$235,000; NC\* \$115,000;
- LVM\* \$17,000; GC\* \$244,000; SG\* \$199,000; and SB\* \$130,000.
- \* Subregion Abbreviations:

sc = System Connectivity Projects (no subregion) av = Arroyo Verdugo

lvm = Las Virgenes Malibu cc = Central City Area

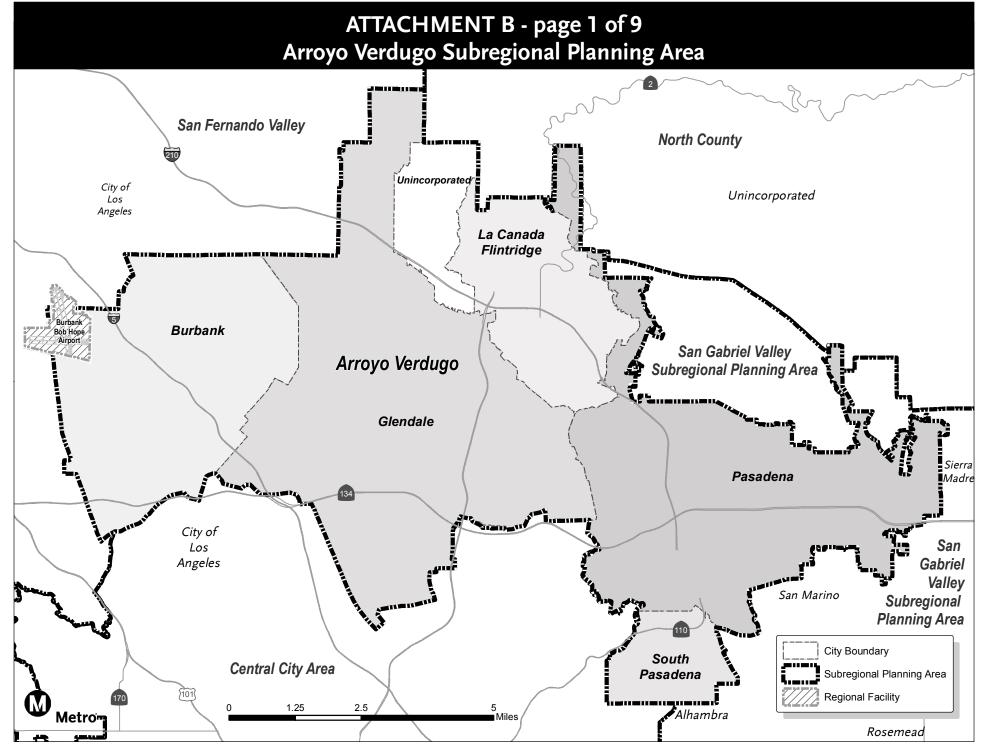
sg = San Gabriel Valley

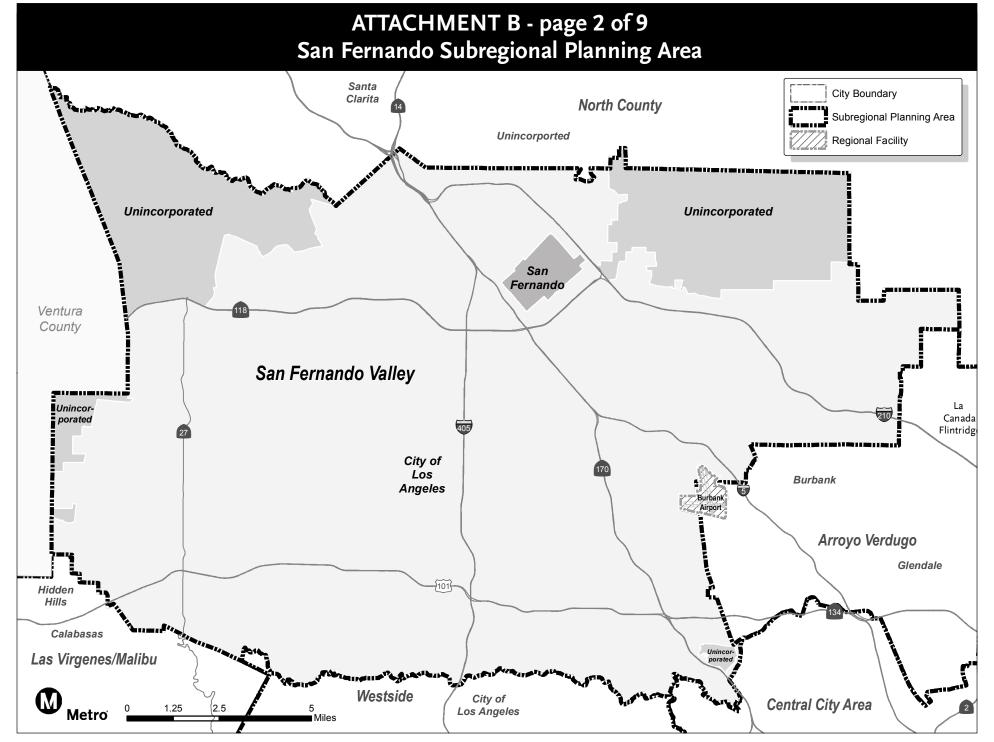
nc = North County sb = South Bay

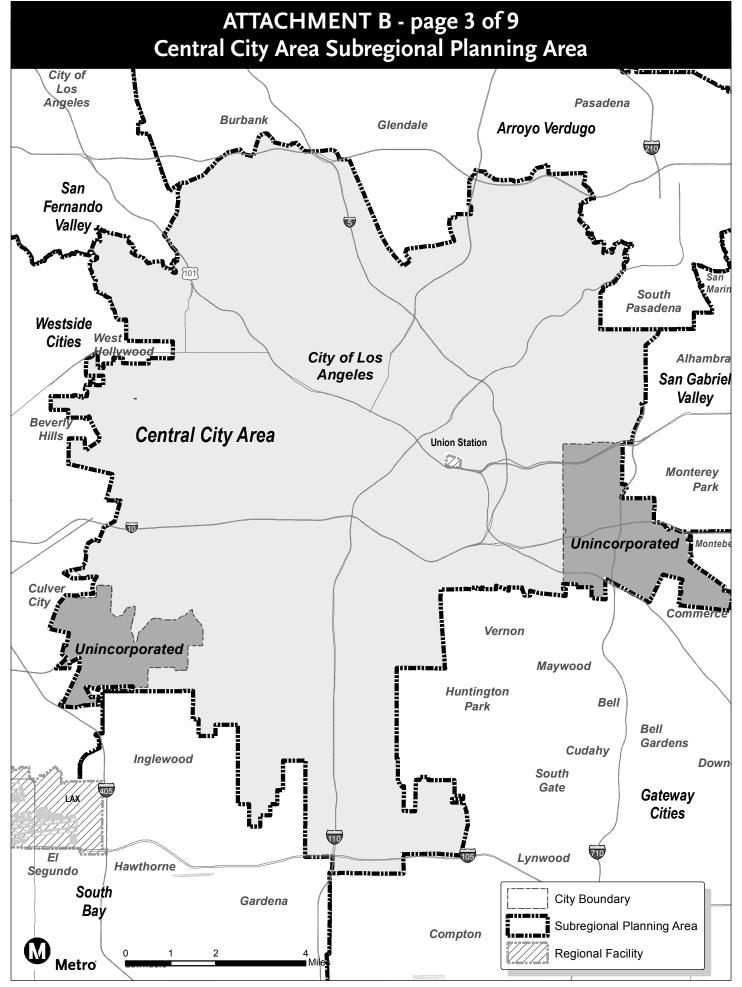
w = Westside CY = Calendar Year gc = Gateway Cities FY = Fiscal Year

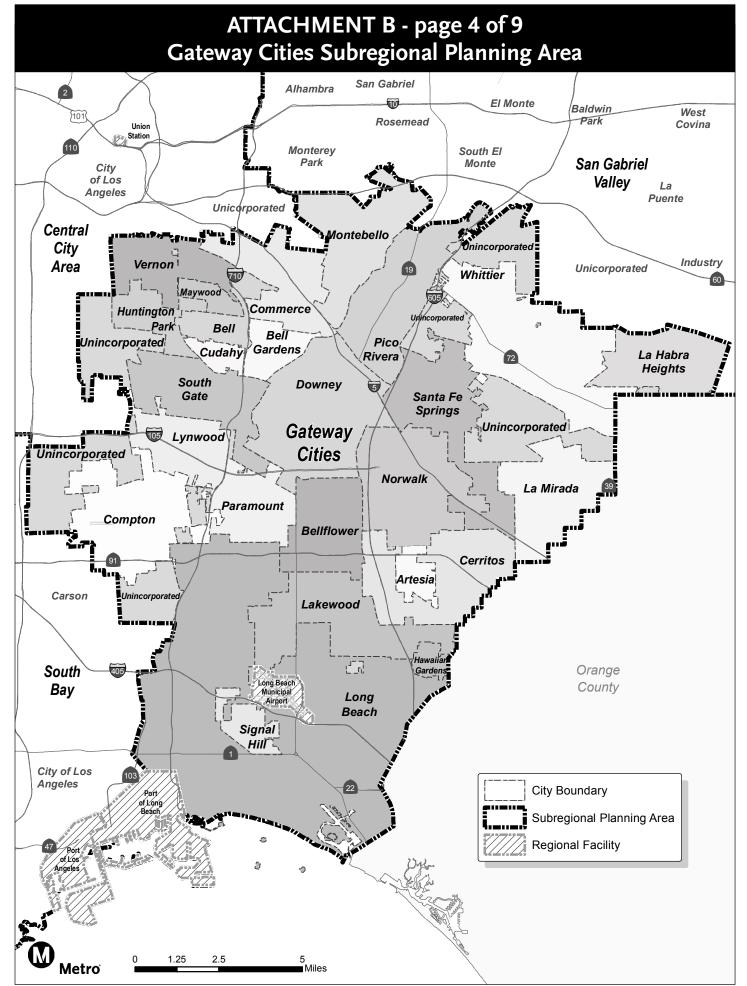
sf = San Fernando Valley YOE = Year of Expenditure

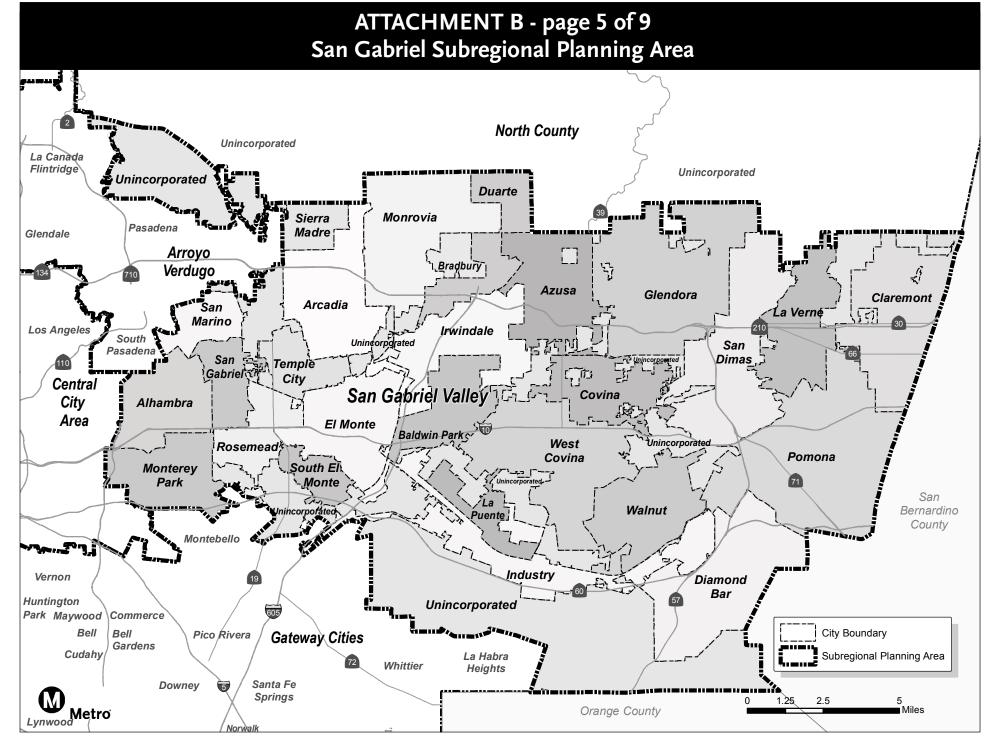
<sup>\*\*</sup> The most recent cost estimate equals the accelerated cost. Prior year expenses included in all project costs.

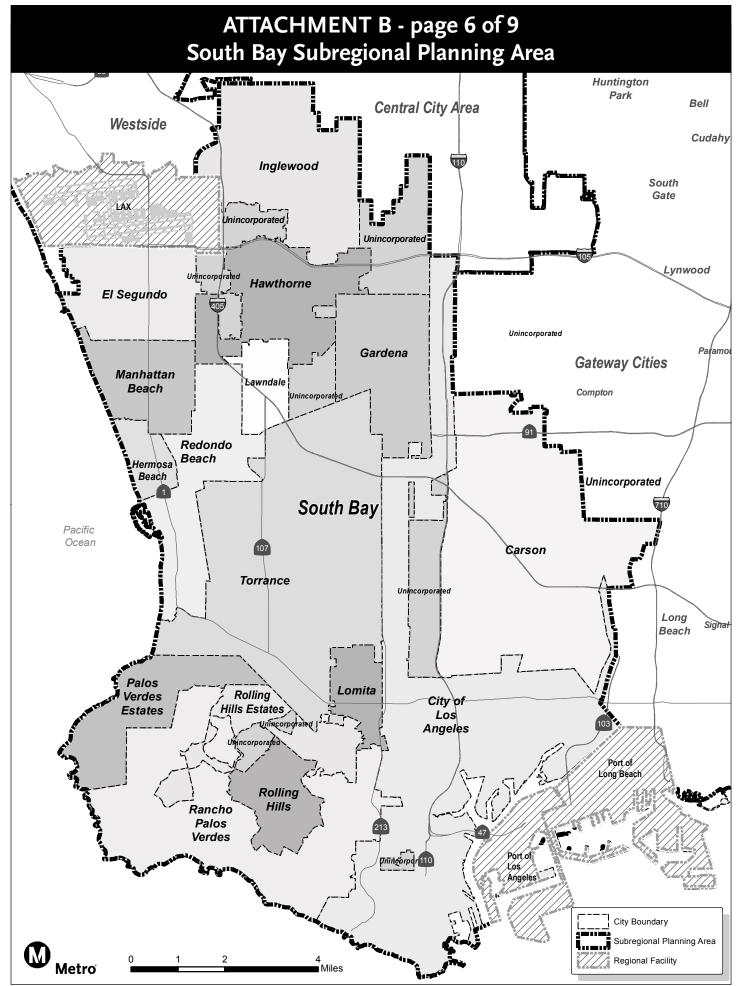


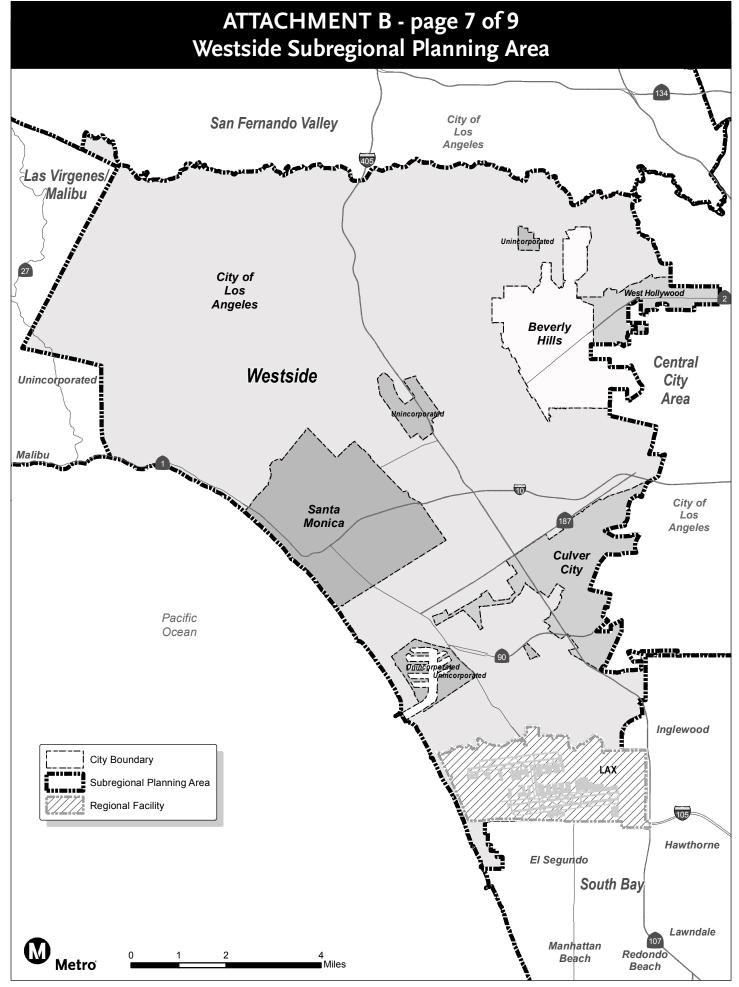


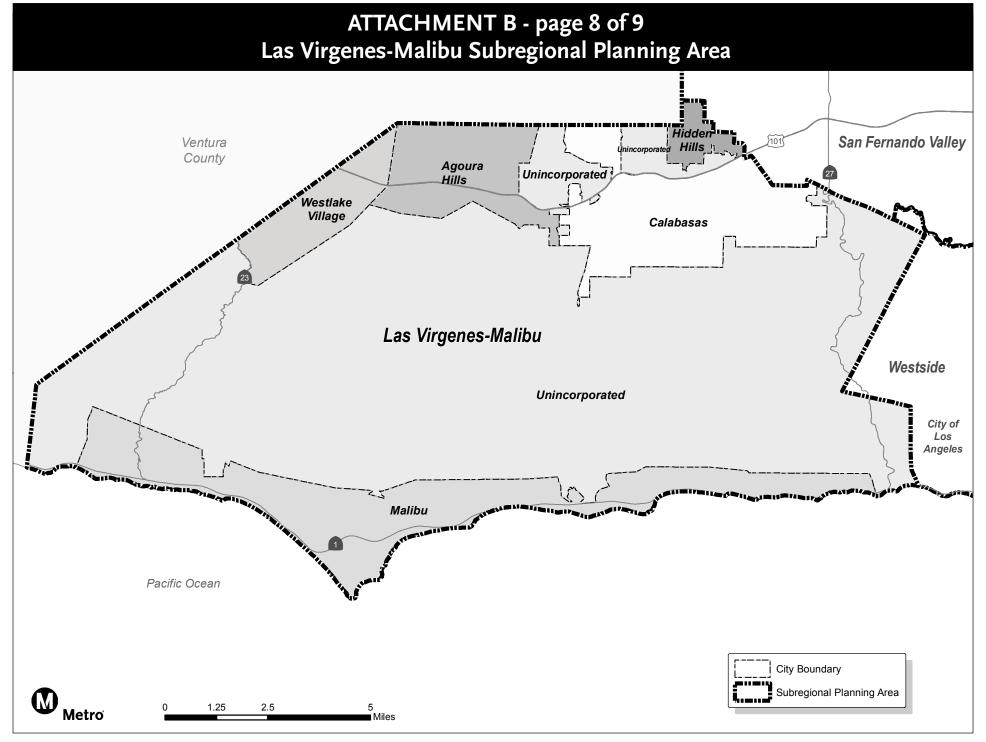




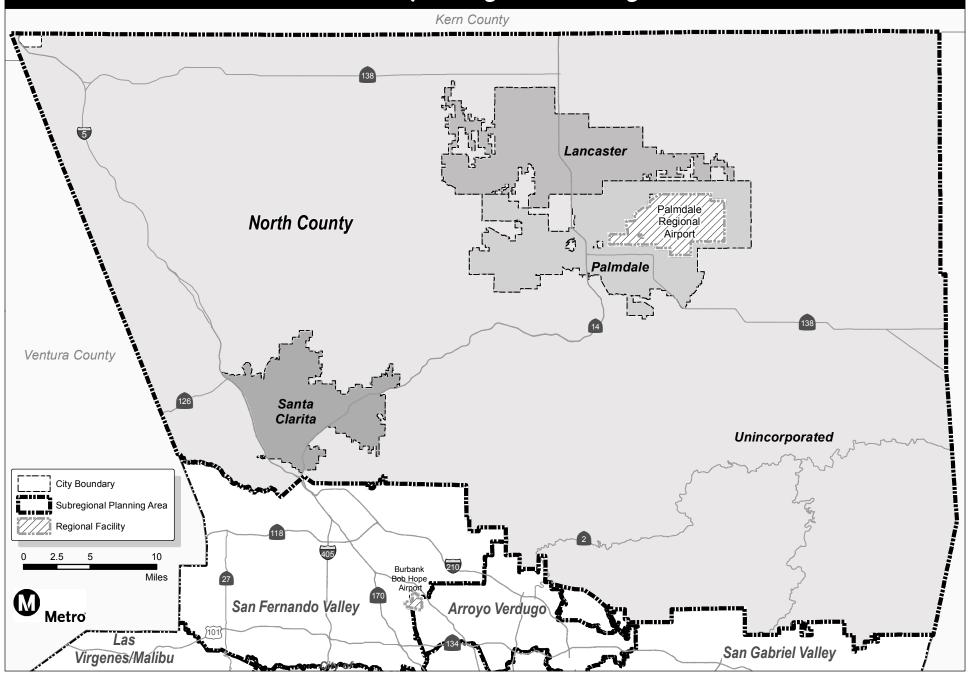








# ATTACHMENT B - page 9 of 9 North County Subregional Planning Area



## **Systemwide Connectivity**

Central to the efficient performance of the county transportation system is ensuring connections to major facilities that attract and generate significant vehicle and truck travel. These regional facilities for passengers and goods include airports, seaports, central rail stations, and the modernization of highway and transit infrastructure that serve these facilities. This program is intended to support systemwide highway improvements, access to airports and seaports, and transit connectivity and modernization. Systemwide highway improvements include improved technology to better manage traffic flow on freeways and roadways, freeway construction projects that eliminate key bottlenecks and enable increased volumes of commuters to travel on freeways at faster speeds through new carpool lanes, and expanded services that eliminate bottlenecks created by traffic incidents such as Freeway Service Patrol. Access improvements to the Los Angeles County airports and seaports include projects that improve the direct access to the airports and seaports from the highway system, improving the flow of goods and passengers on the highway system while reducing the impact of truck and vehicle traffic to the surrounding communities through projects that use technology to reduce air pollution emitted from truck traffic. Transit connectivity and modernization projects include improved transit connections to Los Angeles County airports, between Metro and Metrolink rail services and other enhancements to the aging passenger rail system to allow service to meet growing travel demand.

## **Funding and Eligible Projects**

Funding for the Systemwide Connectivity program will come from a special designation from the Highway Capital Projects (2% of 17%) and the Transit Capital Projects (2% of 32%) for a total of 4% of the total sales tax revenues. Funding from this program is divided over projects with direct commitments of funding as identified in the Expenditure Plan and those projects to be identified through a future planning process. The following list identifies projects representative of those types of projects eligible for funding from the Systemwide Connectivity program through the future planning process. Funding for these projects is intended to be made available on a competitive basis over the life of the sales tax measure to support the leveraging of local, state, and federal freight funds. Projects with direct commitments of funding from the Systemwide Connectivity program include: (1) the Airport Metro Connector/96th Street Station/Green Line Extension to LAX; (2) the Crenshaw/LAX Track Enhancements; and (3) Countywide Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Expansion. These project funding amounts and schedules are identified in the Expenditure Plan.

## **Countywide BRT Expansion**

BRT is a high quality bus service that provides faster, more reliable and convenient service through the use of several key attributes including dedicated bus lanes, branded vehicles and stations, high frequency, off-board fare collection, and intelligent transportation systems. BRT helps avoid many of the normal delays typically experienced by regular bus service such as being stuck in traffic and/or sitting at traffic lights, as well as long queues to pay fares. BRT has

the potential for increasing transit access, improving regional mobility, reducing transportation costs, and easing commutes, all at a relatively limited cost. It provides a cost effective way for ridership to grow prior to instituting major capital investments. In December 2013, Metro Completed the Los Angeles County BRT and Street Design Improvement Study (CBRT) to identify, analyze and develop recommendations for an effective Countywide BRT system. The CBRT Study's overall approach was designed to leverage the success of the Metro Rapid program as well as the Metro Orange and Silver Lines, thereby creating a faster, more seamless, intermodal connectivity for a greater number of the County's residents and visitors. As a result of some of the BRT work conducted to date, a BRT corridor has been identified for each of the subregions. Metro will work with the subregions to define or refine identified corridors. Funding for the Countywide BRT Expansion is divided over five (5) periods to represent the availability of funding for projects within each subregion to be defined or refined as part of future BRT planning processes.

## Systemwide Connectivity - Representative Projects\*

	Project					
	,					
1	Transit					
2	Green Line Extension to Norwalk Metrolink Station					
3	Metrolink Capital Projects					
4	Division 20 Portal Widening and Turnback Facility					
5	Inion Station Improvements					
6	Southern California Regional Interconnector Project (Metrolink Run-Through)					
7	Union Station Master Plan (USMP) Infrastructure Improvements					
8	Bob Hope Airport Access Improvements					
9	Metro Red Line Extension: North Hollywood to Burbank Airport					
10						
11	Highway					
12	Bob Hope Airport Access Improvements					
13	Clybourn Ave: Grade separation at railroad tracks / Vanowen St / Empire Ave					
14	Los Angeles Airport (LAX) Access Improvements					
15	I-405: Construct LAX Expressway					
16	Interstate 405 (I-405) Direct High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Connector to LAX					
17	Provide an on-ramp to I-405 northbound from northbound La Cienega Boulevard					
18	Palmdale Airport Access Improvements					
19	Rancho Vista Grade Separation Project from Fairway Drive to 15th Street East					
20	Long Beach Airport Access Improvements					
21	Bellflower Blvd./ Spring St. Freeway Approaches					
22	Lakewood Blvd. / Spring St. Freeway Approaches					
23	Wardlow Rd. / Cherry Ave. Intersection Widening and Freeway Approaches					
24	Port of Los Angeles (POLA) Improvements					
25	Alameda Corridor Terminus - West Basin Track (West Basin 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mainline Track)					
26	SR 47/V. Thomas Bridge/Harbor Blvd. Interchange					
27	SR 47/Navy Way Interchange					
28	Port of Long Beach Improvements					
29	Port Area Advanced Transportation Management and Information System 2.0					
30	Goods Movement Technology - FRATIS, ZE/NZE Emissions Technology					
31	Systemwide Highway Improvements					
32	I-210 HOV Lanes (I-5 to SR-134)					
33	SR-57 HOV Lanes (SR-60 to I-210)					
34	SR-2 HOV Lanes (SR-134 to Glendale Blvd)					
35	I-405 Express Lanes (I-110 to I-105)					
36	Downtown I-5 Flyover at the I-10/US-101 Interchange					
	I-5 HOV Lanes (SR-134 to I-110)					
38	SR-60 HOV Lanes (US-101 to I-605) Freeway Service Patrol Expansion					
	Highway TSM&O and Freeway Smart Corridors					
40	riighway 10mac and 1100way Omat Comucis					

<sup>\*</sup> Projects shown are representative of those types of projects eligible for funding over the life of the potential ballot measure through future competitive processes. The identified list of projects is based upon input from the regional facility agencies, including the airports and sea ports, with focus on those projects that provide direct access to and from the state highway system or regional transit system.

### MAJOR TRANSIT AND HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS

## Major Highway Construction Projects

<u>High Desert Multi-Purpose Corridor</u>. The project extends from SR-14 in LA County to SR-18 in San Bernardino County. It consists of 4 components: Freeway (SR-14 to 100<sup>th</sup> St.: up to 4 mixed-flow lanes in each direction and from 100<sup>th</sup> St. to SR-18: 3 mixed-flow lanes in each direction), High Speed Rail connection between CA HSR in Palmdale and XpressWest in Victorville, Green Energy corridor that runs parallel to the freeway, <u>supports efficient movement of goods</u>, and a bicycle component along the entire freeway. From east to west, respectively; first 10 miles and last 10 miles will be non-tolled; the middle 30 miles will be tolled. Project may be constructed in phases.

<u>I-5 North Capacity Enhancements (from SR-14 to Lake Hughes Rd.)</u> – Existing facility is 4 Mixed-Flow lanes in each direction. The new project starts from SR-14/I-5 Interchange to Lake Hughes Rd. in Castaic along I-5 for a total of 14 miles. The new project consists of adding 1 Truck lane and 1 HOV lane in each direction, while maintaining existing mixed-flow lanes.

**SR-71 from I-10 to Rio Rancho Rd.** – The number of existing Mixed Flow lanes varies from 2 to 3 in each direction through this segment of the SR-71. The new project adds 1 Mixed-Flow lane in each direction on the SR-71, from I-10 to Rio Rancho Rd. for a total of 3 miles. The project will provide 3 Mixed Flow lanes throughout with 4 Mixed Flow lanes in segments.

<u>SR-57/SR-60 Interchange Improvements</u> – The project includes adding a new westbound onramp to the SR-60 at Grand Ave., street widening improvements in the vicinity of Grand Ave. and Golden Springs Dr., a new westbound off-ramp to the SR-60 and auxiliary lane to Grand Ave., freeway mainline improvements and by-pass connectors, for a total of 2 miles.

<u>I-105 Express Lanes from I-405 to I-605</u> – Existing facility is 1 HOV and 3 to 4 Mixed-Flow lanes in each direction. The new project re-stripes the existing HOV lane to create 2 Express Lanes in each direction for a total of 16 miles, while maintaining current number of mixed flow lanes in each direction.

<u>Sepulveda Pass Transit Corridor</u> –MODE NOT SPECIFIED – Could be a new high capacity transit mode connecting the Orange Line Van Nuys station underneath the Sepulveda Pass, with a station at UCLA, terminating at Wilshire/Westwood Purple Line station. Approximately 8.8 miles. Existing facility is 4 Mixed-Flow lanes and 1 HOV lane in each direction. If private revenue to fund the project is needed, restriping the HOV lanes within the existing Right of Way to add 2 ExpressLanes in each direction (while maintaining the current 4 Mixed-Flow Lanes), from US-101 to I-10 for a total of 10 miles will be considered.

<u>I-710 South Corridor Project</u> – Existing facility is 4 Mixed-Flow lanes in each direction. The new project will add 2 Zero Emission Truck lanes in each direction, from Pico/Anaheim in Long

Beach to Bandini/Washington in Commerce for a total of 18 miles, while maintaining current mixed flow lanes. The Shoemaker Bridge "Hot Spot" "Early Action" project is a priority project for these funds.

<u>I-605/I-10 Interchange</u> – The new project will improve interchanges from Eastbound I-10 to Southbound I-605, Westbound I-10 to Southbound I-605, Northbound I-605 to Eastbound I-10, and Northbound I-605 to Westbound I-10.

<u>I-5 South Corridor Improvements (I-605 to I-710)</u> – Existing facility is 4 Mixed-Flow lanes in each direction. The new project will add 1 Mixed-Flow lane and 1 HOV lane in each direction, from I-710 to I-605 for a total of 7 miles, for a total of 5 Mixed-Flow lanes and 1 HOV lane in each direction.

<u>I-405 South Bay Curve Improvements</u> – Existing facility is 4 Mixed-Flow lanes and 1 HOV lanes in each direction. The project will add segments of an Auxiliary Lane in each direction to address existing bottleneck and to improve the weaving movements at on/off ramps, from Florence Ave. to I-110 for a total of 10.4 miles, while maintaining current mixed-flow lanes.

<u>I-110 Express Lane Ext South to I-405/I-110 Interchange</u> – Existing facility is 5 Mixed-Flow lanes in each direction. The new project is to extend the existing I-110 Express Lanes southward to the I-405, for a total of 1 mile. This will create a total of 5 Mixed-Flow lanes and 1 Express Lane for that mile.

<u>SR-60/I-605 Interchange HOV Direct Connectors</u> – The new project is from the North and Southbound on I-605 from Rose Hills to I-10 and on East and Westbound SR-60 from Santa Anita to Turnbull Canyon. The Interchange improvements include adding auxiliary lanes, widening lanes and bridges, interchange connectors, ramp improvements and realignments.

<u>I-405/I-110 Express Lanes Direct Connect Ramps & Interchange Improvements</u> – The new project provides direct connector ramps between Express Lanes on the I-110 and I-405.

## Major Transit Construction Projects

<u>Airport Metro Connector (includes Green Line extension terminus)</u> – 96th Street Station to LAX People Mover with a new Green Line Terminus and consolidated bus interface for 13 Metro and Municipal bus lines. The project includes a terminal building that connects the Metro Regional Rail system to a Los Angeles World Airport sponsored Automated People Mover into LAX, restrooms, wifi, retail, passenger pick-up and drop-off area, and other pedestrian and bicycle amenities (such as a bike hub and future bike share) could be included.

<u>East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor</u> – A high-capacity transit project, mode to be determined, that connects the Orange Line Van Nuys station to the Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink Station. Consisting of 14 stations, 9.2 miles.

<u>Bus Rapid Transit Connector Orange/Red Line to Gold Line</u> – A bus rapid transit project from North Hollywood Orange/Red Line Station to Pasadena, route to be determined, with a station-to-station connection to the Gold Line. Approximately 15.3 miles. Conversion to Light Rail Transit after FY2067 included in Expenditure Plan based upon ridership demand.

<u>Gold Line Foothill Extension to Claremont</u> – A light rail extension of the Gold Line from its current terminus at Citrus College Station to the Claremont Metrolink Station through the cities of Claremont, Glendora, La Verne, Pomona, and San Dimas. Consisting of 5 stations, 11 miles.

<u>Westside Purple Line Extension to Westwood/VA Hospital (Section 3)</u> – This is an extension of Purple Line Subway Section 2 along Wilshire Blvd from Avenue of the Stars in Century City west to Westwood/VA Hospital. Connection to Sepulveda Pass Subway (HRT) at Westwood/UCLA Station. Consisting of 2 stations, 2.5 miles.

<u>West Santa Ana Transit Corridor</u> – New light rail connection from the City of Artesia to Union Station spanning 20 miles using city streets, Metro, and ports owned rail right-of-way.

## **Orange Line BRT Improvements**

OPERATION SHOVEL READY PROJECT: Grade separations, at critical intersections, along the Metro Orange Line which would allow buses to operate over or under the cross-streets without having to stop for signals, and greatly improve travel times through five key intersections located at: Sepulveda; Burbank/Fulton; Reseda; Woodman; Van Nuys; and additional improvements.

<u>Vermont Transit Corridor</u> A 12.5 mile high capacity bus rapid transit corridor from Hollywood Blvd to 120<sup>th</sup> Street, just south of the Metro Green Line. Conversion to Heavy Rail Transit after FY2067 included in Expenditure Plan based upon ridership demand.

<u>Metro Gold Line Eastside Phase II (two alignments)</u> – Extension of the existing Gold Line Eastside light rail corridor beginning at the existing Gold Line Atlantic Station eastward either SR60 to South El Monte (6.9 miles) or Washington Blvd to Whittier (9.5 miles). A single alignment is to be determined based on the environmental process in the first forty years. <u>The</u> funding for a second alignment is identified to begin in fiscal year 2053.

<u>South Bay Green Line Extension to Torrance Transit Center/Crenshaw Blvd</u> – Extension of a light rail line from its current terminus at the Redondo Beach Station to the Torrance Transit Center at Crenshaw Blvd. Consisting of up to 4 stations, 4.7 miles.

<u>Crenshaw Light Rail Northern Extension to West Hollywood</u> – A light rail line from the terminus of the current project at Exposition and Crenshaw to the Red Line at Hollywood/Highland, route to be determined. Approximately 6 to 9 miles.

<u>Orange Line Conversion to Light Rail</u> – A conversion of the existing Orange Line BRT to LRT, from Warner Center to North Hollywood. Consisting of 14 stations, 14.5 miles, and three grade separations.

<u>Lincoln Blvd BRT Connecting LAX to Santa Monica</u> – A bus rapid transit corridor from the Airport Metro Connector (96<sup>th</sup> St Station) north along Lincoln Blvd, terminating at 4<sup>th</sup>/Colorado (Expo Line). Approximately 8.8 miles.

<u>Green Line to Norwalk Metrolink Station</u> – A 2.8 mile light rail extension of the Metro Green Line from its existing terminus at the I-605 in Norwalk/Santa Fe Springs Metrolink Station.

<u>Sepulveda Pass Corridor – Westwood to LAX</u> – An approximately 10 mile extension from the Metro Purple Line Wilshire/Westwood Station to the Airport Metro Connector Station at 96<sup>th</sup> Street/Aviation Blvd at LAX. Explore appropriate connectors to the Purple Line including at Bundy.

<u>Crenshaw/LAX Track Enhancement Project</u> – The Crenshaw/LAX project is a light rail line, currently under construction, a portion of which runs in a trench adjacent to the LAX runways and the LAX Runway Protection Zone. Metro is installing a cover over the portion of the below grade trench that are currently open. The Final Environmental Statement/Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIS/FEIR) describes this condition and requires that this trench be covered in its entirety when funding becomes available.

<u>Complete LA River Bike Path – San Fernando Valley Gap Closure</u> – This project will close approximately 12 miles of gaps in the existing LA River Bike Path--from Canoga Park to the City of Glendale--where it will connect to an existing path that ends in Elysian Valley, north of Downtown LA, yielding 26 miles of continuous bike path. (Combined with completion of the 8-mile LA River Bike Path Central Connector, the 51-mile LA River Bike Path--from Canoga Park to Long Beach--would be completed.)

<u>LA River Waterway & System Bike Path – Central Connector</u> – This project will close an approximately 8 mile gap in the existing LA River Bike Path from Elysian Valley through Downtown Los Angeles and the City of Vernon to the City of Maywood, yielding 31 miles of continuous path. (Combined with completion of the 12-mile LA River Bike Path San Fernando Valley Connector, the 51-mile LA River Bike Path--from Canoga Park to Long Beach--would be completed.)

<u>City of San Fernando Bike Master Plan</u> – This project will create a bike path to run along the Pacoima Wash.

<u>Historic Downtown Streetcar</u> – This streetcar project is located in downtown Los Angeles with a round-trip length of approximately 3.8 miles. It would run within existing traffic lanes from 1st Street on the north to 11th Street on the south.