

**REPORT OF THE
CHIEF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST**

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Date: June 30, 2010
 To: Honorable Members of the City Council
 From: Gerry F. Miller, Chief Legislative Analyst *GFM* Council File No.: 10-0082
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 Subject: FUNDING FOR THE CHARTER BUS PROGRAM

On June 23, 2010, a joint meeting of the Transportation and Budget and Finance Committees was held to discuss the City Administrative Officer and Chief Legislative Analyst joint report relative to the 2010-11 Proposition A funding for the Charter Bus Program. After a discussion of the report, the Committees directed this Office to report to Council with the amount of unallocated Neighborhood Council funds that could be used to provide funding for the Charter Bus Program.

At the beginning of each fiscal year, each Neighborhood Council receives an appropriation of funds. A total of \$45,000 per Neighborhood Council was allocated for fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11. The attachment provides the available balance for each Neighborhood Council and the amount they expended during 2009-10. As of June 29, 2010, the total remaining balance is \$1,775,001. This is comprised of prior year rollover funds that are committed to projects/programs as well as uncommitted funds for fiscal year 2009-10. The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) estimates the uncommitted portion of the funding to be approximately \$403,000, as summarized below, and represents the balance of unspent funds from 2009-10 that will rollover to 2010-11.

To address current year budgetary issues in fiscal year 2009-10 the Council transferred a total of \$1.6 million in prior year Neighborhood Council rollover funds to the Unappropriated Balance. In approving this transfer, the Council also provided for a process by which Neighborhood Councils could submit claims for these funds if they were able to demonstrate that funds were committed to prior projects/contracts or were required to pay bills for which commitments had already been made. In April 2010, Council (C.F. 09-0600-S196) determined that \$940,567 of this amount had prior commitments and transferred these funds from the Unappropriated Balance back to the Neighborhood Councils.

Since April, DONE has paid a portion of these bills/contracts and has determined that there is a remaining balance from the \$940,567 of approximately \$572,000. According to DONE, these funds have been committed and need to be set aside for fiscal year 2009-10 expenditures. Additionally, DONE identified a backlog of additional invoices from current and prior fiscal years that are estimated to be approximately \$800,000, leaving an estimated rollover of \$403,001. The department is unable to reconcile whether these outstanding expenditures are included in the current and prior year commitments that were identified in fiscal year 2009-10.

In summary:

Remaining Balance (as of 6/29/10)	\$1,775,001
Less prior year commitments	(\$572,000)
Less unspecified invoices	(\$800,000)
Estimated available rollover	\$403,001

DONE continues to undertake reconciliation actions and a final balance will be determined in late July. Depending on the results of a final reconciliation of funds against expenditures, the net rollover amount may increase or decrease.



Neighborhood Council	Total Available	Committed	Uncommitted Balance
Wilmington	\$ 45,000	\$ 37,692	\$ 7,308
Coastal San Pedro	\$ 45,000	\$ 39,243	\$ 5,757
Glassel Park	\$ 45,000	\$ 44,111	\$ 889
Granada Hills North	\$ 70,072	\$ 43,408	\$ 26,665
Westchester-Playa Del Rey	\$ 77,332	\$ 50,965	\$ 26,367
West Hills	\$ 49,800	\$ 49,681	\$ 119
Westside	\$ 70,920	\$ 42,804	\$ 28,116
West Adams	\$ 67,691	\$ 33,865	\$ 33,826
Mid City	\$ 45,000	\$ 36,837	\$ 8,163
Central San Pedro	\$ 45,000	\$ 33,324	\$ 11,676
Northwest San Pedro	\$ 45,000	\$ 34,741	\$ 10,259
Venice	\$ 76,864	\$ 52,604	\$ 24,259
Empowerment Congress Central	\$ 45,000	\$ 36,754	\$ 8,246
Empowerment Congress Southwest	\$ 45,000	\$ 11,819	\$ 33,181
Empowerment Congress Southeast	\$ 45,000	\$ 27,450	\$ 17,550
Empowerment Congress North Area	\$ 57,267	\$ 41,083	\$ 16,184
Empowerment Congress West Area	\$ 66,093	\$ 37,806	\$ 28,287
Woodland Hills - Warner Center	\$ 45,000	\$ 31,127	\$ 13,873
Harbor City	\$ 73,727	\$ 29,181	\$ 44,546
Sun Valley Area	\$ 110,753	\$ 41,845	\$ 68,909
Pacoima	\$ 45,000	\$ 15,646	\$ 29,354
Eagle Rock	\$ 55,110	\$ 30,532	\$ 24,578
Downtown Los Angeles	\$ 58,953	\$ 58,460	\$ 493
Hollywood Hills West	\$ 45,000	\$ 10,838	\$ 34,162
Central Hollywood	\$ 62,300	\$ 48,015	\$ 14,285
Mid City West	\$ 57,038	\$ 47,954	\$ 9,084
United Neighborhoods	\$ 74,032	\$ 66,676	\$ 7,356
Park Mesa Heights	\$ 45,000	\$ 39,267	\$ 5,733
Boyle Heights	\$ 45,000	\$ 41,351	\$ 3,649
Greater Echo Park Elysian	\$ 45,000	\$ 41,068	\$ 3,932
Arroyo Seco	\$ 53,551	\$ 37,103	\$ 16,448
Lincoln Heights	\$ 55,237	\$ 34,962	\$ 20,274
PICO	\$ 103,327	\$ 44,832	\$ 58,495
Historic Highland Park	\$ 65,369	\$ 21,896	\$ 43,474
Historic Cultural	\$ 45,000	\$ 31,741	\$ 13,259
South Robertson	\$ 70,327	\$ 27,825	\$ 42,502
LA-32	\$ 45,000	\$ 22,335	\$ 22,665
Canoga Park	\$ 45,000	\$ 16,142	\$ 28,858
Greater Griffith Park	\$ 73,253	\$ 46,274	\$ 26,978
Mar Vista	\$ 64,940	\$ 59,761	\$ 5,179
Van Nuys	\$ 61,079	\$ 40,521	\$ 20,559
Bel Air - Beverly Crest	\$ 44,250	\$ 42,368	\$ 1,882
Greater Valley Glen	\$ 45,000	\$ 42,100	\$ 2,900
Elysian Valley Riverside	\$ 45,000	\$ 1,650	\$ 43,350
Greater Toluca Lake	\$ 45,000	\$ 28,367	\$ 16,633
North Hollywood North East	\$ 45,000	\$ 24,448	\$ 20,552
Mid-Town North Hollywood	\$ 45,000	\$ 38,641	\$ 6,359
NC Valley Village	\$ 53,748	\$ 28,904	\$ 24,844
Encino	\$ 44,744	\$ 41,171	\$ 3,573
Studio City	\$ 51,405	\$ 43,796	\$ 7,609

Reseda	\$ 68,000	\$ 67,456	\$ 544
Harbor Gateway North	\$ 57,477	\$ 51,476	\$ 6,001
Arleta	\$ 45,000	\$ 708	\$ 44,292
Watts	\$ 45,000	\$ 37,868	\$ 7,132
Greater Cypress Park	\$ 45,000	\$ 24,507	\$ 20,493
Hollywood United	\$ 50,831	\$ 29,574	\$ 21,257
Sherman Oaks	\$ 45,000	\$ 38,183	\$ 6,817
Tarzana	\$ 134,889	\$ 39,589	\$ 95,300
Atwater Village	\$ 45,000	\$ 33,294	\$ 11,706
Silver Lake	\$ 45,000	\$ 16,948	\$ 28,052
North Hills West	\$ 45,000	\$ 41,685	\$ 3,315
CANNDU	\$ 58,239	\$ 13,342	\$ 44,897
Foothill Trails District	\$ 45,000	\$ 35,576	\$ 9,424
Harbor Gateway South	\$ 71,685	\$ 36,487	\$ 35,198
Chatsworth	\$ 45,000	\$ 36,638	\$ 8,362
Sunland-Tujunga	\$ 46,203	\$ 34,297	\$ 11,906
Sylmar	\$ 45,000	\$ 39,398	\$ 5,602
MacArthur Park	\$ 45,000	\$ 42,126	\$ 2,874
Southeast/Central Avenue	\$ 45,000	\$ 31,941	\$ 13,059
Pico Union	\$ 45,000	\$ 32,711	\$ 12,289
Winnetka	\$ 112,128	\$ 60,431	\$ 51,697
Wilshire Center - Koreatown	\$ 45,000	\$ 32,659	\$ 12,341
Porter Ranch	\$ 45,000	\$ 27,096	\$ 17,904
Del Rey	\$ 45,000	\$ 18,202	\$ 26,798
West Los Angeles	\$ 45,000	\$ 43,797	\$ 1,203
Central Alameda	\$ 45,000	\$ 2,540	\$ 42,460
Olympic Park	\$ 88,922	\$ 45,907	\$ 43,016
Greater Wilshire	\$ 45,000	\$ 16,003	\$ 28,997
Lake Balboa	\$ 66,836	\$ 34,546	\$ 32,290
Northridge West	\$ 87,500	\$ 62,844	\$ 24,656
Northridge East	\$ 70,000	\$ 67,109	\$ 2,891
Palms	\$ 64,296	\$ 29,745	\$ 34,551
Mission Hills	\$ 45,000	\$ 34,116	\$ 10,884
Granada Hills South	\$ 50,672	\$ 50,156	\$ 516
Hollywood Studio District	\$ 45,000	\$ 33,098	\$ 11,902
Panorama City	\$ 45,000	\$ 31,244	\$ 13,756
East Hollywood	\$ 45,000	\$ 36,805	\$ 8,195
Rampart Village	\$ 45,000	\$ 15,375	\$ 29,625
Voices of 90037	\$ 45,000	\$ 25,400	\$ 19,600
TOTAL	\$ 4,956,861	\$ 3,181,860	\$ 1,775,001

2009-10 New Appropriation \$ 4,005,000
Prior Year Rollover \$ 951,861