TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Your

TRANSPORTATION

Committee

report as follows:

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an application for Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) III Discretionary Grant Program funding to construct the Los Angeles River Bikeway Network Project.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Department of Transportation (DOT) to submit a TIGER Discretionary Grant application for the construction of bikeways on and supporting the Los Angeles River Bikeway Network Project.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: DOT reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. Federal funding is sought in the amount of \$13 million. The City will provide matching funds in the amount of \$5 million in Local Measure R funds to match the federal grant for a project total of \$18,000,000.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

<u>SUMMARY</u>

In a report to Council dated October 18, 2011 (attached to the Council file), DOT requests authority to submit an application for TIGER III Discretionary Grant Program funding to construct the Los Angeles River Bikeway Network Project. This project will link Downtown Los Angeles to the San Fernando Valley and to Long Beach via a single contiguous bikeway corridor. Key bikeways will create networks for an on-street route through Downtown to tie the bikeway into the region's transportation and economic center. DOT reports that the project will provide design and construction jobs, as well as non-motorized transportation opportunities to travel to jobs and destinations via the bikeway network.

At its meeting held October 26, 2011, the Transportation Committee discussed this matter with DOT staff. Staff stated that the existing disjointed system of bikeways will be connected by crossing solutions, lights, fences, and an on-street network of new bikeways. It is estimated that the project will be completed in 2015. The Committee recommended that Council authorize DOT to submit the application for TIGER III grant funds for the bikeway project.

Respectfully submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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