

Your

TRANSPORTATION

Committee

reports as follows:

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to submitting grant applications for projects recommended by the Interdepartmental Task Force Committee to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) for the 2013 Call for Projects grant cycle.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the final list of projects presented by the Department of Transportation (DOT) at the Transportation Committee meeting held December 12, 2012, as the city's priorities for funding in the 2013 Call for Projects grant cycle, as amended to reflect the following:
 - a. Move the following projects above the cut-off line in the Transportation Enhancement Activities category, page 13 of the list of projects dated December 12, 2012:

Pico Green Street
Transit Connection Bridge-Pedestrian Access Hope St. to Upper Grand
Vermont Avenue Stormwater Capture and Green Street Transit Project
 - b. Move the Branford St. Widening - Laurel Canyon Blvd to Amboy Ave project (page 2 of the list of projects dated December 12, 2012) to the Goods Movement Category as No. 7 above the cut-off line.
 - c. Move the Exposition Light Railway Greenway Improvement Project (page 8 of the list of projects dated December 12, 2012) in the Pedestrian Improvement category above the cut-off line.
 - d. Delete the Oxnard Street Widening - White Oak Ave. to Lindley Ave (page 1 of the list of projects dated December 12, 2012) in the Regional Surface Transportation Improvements category, due to community concerns.
2. DIRECT the General Manager, DOT, on behalf of the city, to submit grant applications for all projects above the cut-off line in the final list of projects to Metro for possible funding.
3. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, DOT, or general manager of the lead department or agency to execute any necessary funding and contractual documents, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, for grants to city approved by Metro in the 2013 Call for Projects grant cycle.
4. DIRECT the General Manager, DOT, or general manager of the lead department or agency for each project to submit to DOT, for inclusion in the Transportation Grant Fund Report, any resource needs (including but not limited to match funding, front funding, staff, and overtime funding) for the implementation of projects funded by Metro in the 2013 Call for Projects grant cycle.

Fiscal Impact Statement: DOT reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. There also is no immediate impact on special funds however future appropriations by the Mayor and Council will be required to finalize approved grant memoranda of understanding and to deliver the projects. DOT, in conjunction with the City Administrative Officer and the Chief Legislative Analyst will identify the required matching funds and recommend appropriate sources of funds from available revenues during the development of each fiscal year budget as well as in multi-year schedules for transportation special funds. In addition, Proposition C funds have been used as front funding because Metro transfers funding on a reimbursement basis only.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to Council dated November 30, 2012, DOT recommends approval of projects recommended by the Interdepartmental Task Force Committee for Metro's 2013 Call for Projects grant cycle, and requests authority to submit applications for grant funding. DOT reports that an estimated \$202 million in new funding is expected to be available for qualified transportation projects in the County of Los Angeles through the 2013 Call for Projects grant cycle. DOT states that the City should submit competitive applications to secure the most funding possible in Metro's 2013 Call for Projects grant cycle. The recommended projects attached to DOT's report reflect the consensus view of the Interdepartmental Task Force Committee after conducting a technical assessment of candidate projects. The Task Force considered adopted City policies as well as Metro's evaluation criteria when scoring and ranking candidate projects. The candidate projects determined to be most consistent with City policies and most competitive under Metro's evaluation criteria are recommended for submittal to Metro for the 2013 Call for Projects grant cycle.

At its meeting held December 12, 2012, the Transportation Committee discussed this matter with DOT staff. The Department representative presented a new list of projects, revised to incorporate technical changes regarding a project boundary and a project name. Committee members recommended that Council approve the new list of projects, as amended to reflect the modifications stated in Recommendation No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ROSENDAHL:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
PARKS:	YES
LABONGE:	YES
HUIZAR:	YES