


CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTERDEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: May 21, 2015

To: The Honorable City Council, City of Los Angeles
c/o City Clerk, Room 395
Attention: Honorable Mike Bonin, Chair, Transportation Committee

From: Seleta Reynolds,  General Manager
Department of Transportation

Recommendation: APPROVE THE ATTACHED REVISED CITY OF LOS ANGELES
2015 METRO CALL FOR PROJECTS APPLICATION LIST

SUMMARY

On December 16, 2015, the Council authorized the Department of Transportation (LADOT) to submit grant applications to Metro for funding through the 2015 Call for Projects (C.F. 14-1680). The ranked list of projects was based on Metro evaluation criteria and City policies. On January 16, 2015, at the request of Councilmember Cedillo, the Council amended the grant application list to remove one project in Council District 1.

Prior to the submission of the grant applications to Metro by the January 30, 2015 deadline, LADOT staff received a request from Council District 13 to delete the Hollywood First-Last Mile Pedestrian Connections – Yucca to Argyle Street project from the City's approved project list. Additionally, staff identified changes to the cost estimates and scope descriptions for several projects that necessitated the revisions to the match funds and grant requests in the City's approved project list. The final list of City's projects submitted to Metro for the 2015 Call for Projects grants is attached to this report, and reflects all changes made after Council approval on January 16, 2015.

FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no impact on the General Fund. For projects awarded grant funding by Metro, City staff will identify the required matching funds and staff resources through the annual budget process.

Attachment

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Rank	Project Title	Project Description	CD	Grant Category Requested	City's 2015 Score (100 pts Max)	Lead Department	Project Manager	City Engrs.' Est. Cost	Funding Request	% Funding Request	City Prop. C Measure R Match	% City Prop. C MR Match	Other City Funds	Notes
2	LAX to Hyde Park Transportation Management System Communications Network Stabilization and Gap Closure	The project will close a gap to stabilize ATIS communications network for City's transportation management system and include the design, construction and installation of communications network enhancement between Los Angeles International Airport to Hyde Park in Los Angeles.	5,10,11	85&B&I	98	DOT	Sean Skehan (213) 972-8428	3,600,000	2,800,000	80%	700,000	20%		Proposed by DOT.
3	Traffic Signal Rail Crossing Improvement Project	Project would provide upgrades to traffic signals and railroad crossing equipment at highway-rail grade crossings where both systems are interconnected and preemption exists. Work elements may include traffic signal upgrades, installation or replacement of battery backup systems, replacement of obsolete controllers, upgrades to railroad preemption interconnect, surveillance cameras, and advanced preemption at signalized intersections adjacent to grade crossings. Project will target current Metro light rail crossings along street-running portions of various light rail systems to install battery backup systems.	CW	85&B&I	87	DOT	Sean Skehan (213) 972-8428	4,850,000	3,886,000	80%	970,000	20%		Proposed by DOT.
4	ATSAC Traffic Surveillance Video Transport System Enhancement	The project will include the design, construction and installation of video transport system enhancement for City's transportation management system in Los Angeles.	CW	85&B&I	80	DOT	Sean Skehan (213) 972-8428	2,000,000	1,600,000	80%	400,000	20%		Proposed by DOT.
SS&B&I TOTAL								12,450,000	10,286,000	80%	2,570,000		0	

Transportation Demand Management

1	Expo Park - LA Express Park	Expansion of LA Express Park into USC-Coliseum area with demand-based parking pricing and parking guidance to improve utilization of available parking. Design of a web-based and third party cell phone application for available parking guidance integrated with electronic changeable message signs for traffic mitigation, and reduce congestion in USC-Coliseum area. In addition, installation of way-finding signs, pay by cell phone application for parking, and electric vehicle charging station(s).	8,9	TDM	85	DOT	Peer Ghent (213) 473-0651	1,000,000 1,056,000	800,000 840,000	80%	200,000	210,000	20%		Proposed by DOT.
2	Building Connectivity with Bicycle Friendly Business Districts	Close the missing link between our existing transit system and land use infrastructure by offering TDM incentives to encourage bicycling for local short trips in business districts. Coordinating with businesses that already attract customers for shopping, dining, and errands by providing bicycle parking, bicycle canal street treatment, bicycle canal signage, cargo delivery bicycles, cohesive branded informational materials, safety and maintenance workshops, encouragement rides, and shopping by bicycle workshops.	CW	TDM	85	DOT	Michelle Mowery	885,000	788,000	80%	187,000		20%		Proposed by DOT.
3	Venice - LA Express Park	Expansion of LA Express Park into Venice with demand-based parking pricing and parking guidance to improve utilization of available parking. Design of a web-based and third party cell phone application for available parking guidance integrated with electronic changeable message signs for traffic mitigation, and reduce congestion in Venice. In addition, installation of way-finding signs, pay by cell phone application for parking, and electric vehicle charging station(s).	11	TDM	83	DOT	Peer Ghent (213) 473-0651	1,000,000	800,000	80%	200,000		20%		Proposed by DOT.
TDM TOTAL								3,085,000	2,428,000	80%	617,000		0		

Transit Capital

1	Purchase and Installation of Solar Powered Bus Arrival Signs	Purchase of seventy (70) two line solar powered signs and thirty (30) four line solar powered signs (100 signs total) that would visually display real time bus arrival information and provide an audio announcement (ADA compliant) regarding bus arrival information for LADOT Downtown DASH, Community DASH and other LADOT services.	CW	TC	95	DOT	Brian Lee (213) 928-9784	756,000	604,000	80%	0	0%	151,000	Proposed by DOT Transit Group. \$151,000 Proposition A as the match.
2	DASH Clean Fuel Vehicles - Headway Reduction	Purchase of twelve (12) 30-35' clean fuel buses DASH buses in order to reduce headways in six of LADOT's most heavily used DASH routes: DASH Loiner/Sirouan, DASH Hollywood/Whittier, DASH Midtown, DASH Lincoln Heights/Chinatown, DASH Van Nuys/Studio City, and DASH Hollywood.	1,2,4,8,8,8,1 0,13,14	TC	93	DOT	Corinne Ralph (213) 928-9745	6,300,000	5,040,000	80%	0	0%	1,260,000	Proposed by DOT. A match of \$1,260,000 will be provided from Proposition A.
3	Purchase of (5) Five Electric Zero Emission DASH Buses	Purchase of five (5) 30-35' zero emission buses (e.g., pure electric, fuel cell, etc.) to be operated on LADOT's DASH service, in addition to further reducing bus emissions, the project will demonstrate the reliability and range of zero emission technology using mid-sized transit buses in an urban corridor environment. Replace existing vehicles in order to increase capacity, connectivity to other modes of transportation and to reduce emissions and pollution in downtown.	CW	TC	91	DOT	Brian Lee (213) 928-9784	3,600,000 3,250,000	2,880,000 2,600,000	80%		20%	740,000 850,000	Proposed by DOT. A match of \$700,000 will be provided from Proposition A.
4	Vermont Avenue Bus Improvements, MLK to Whittier Blvd	The project is primarily focused on providing a bus friendly environment and encouraging intermodal transportation on a heavily trafficked corridor. By improving the bus corridor by adding bus shelters, bus pads, directional concrete signage, street trees and bus safety lights to develop a more accommodating bus and pedestrian experience on Vermont Ave that will encourage more bus use and connections while connecting the Red Line, Expo Line and ten freeway.	8,10	TC	89	B&S	Ferdy Chan (213) 847-0670	2,200,000	1,780,000	80%	440,000		20%	Proposed for re-evaluation by CD-8 & CD-10. This project was also evaluated for PI mode and found not to be a good candidate for that mode.
5	Wilmington Transit Corridor Bus Stop Improvements	This project attempts to enhance safety and comfort for public transit users in Wilmington. This project will provide secure lighting and/or shelters at 23 high-traffic bus stop locations in Greater Wilmington. The needs and public right-of-way restrictions varies at each bus stop location. Individual location costs range from \$15,000-\$40,000. This application assumes \$25,000/bus stop location. The project boundaries include 1. Avalon Boulevard/Pacific Coast Highway (N) to West D Street(S); 2. West D Street (Bayview (W) to Avalon (E)); 3. Anaheim Street (Figueroa Street (W) to Avalon Boulevard (E)); and 4. Pacific Coast Highway (Harbor Transit Way (W) to Avalon Boulevard (E)). The proposed improvements were extensively studied and included in the Environmental Justice Mobility Plan and Opportunities for Wilmington Employees and Residents (EMPOWER). This plan document focuses on the multi-modal needs of Wilmington's diverse and low-income residents and comes with the support of local stakeholders who participated in the planning process. Project is being submitted by Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative.	15	TC	79	DOT	Carlos Riba (213) 972-4083	575,000	460,000	80%	115,000		20%	Proposed by CD-15.

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5	LAMI - Sherman Way Streetscape Project	Design construction of Sherman Way Streetscape that includes bus shelters, pedestrian lighting, landscaping and crosswalks improvements. Project is being submitted by Los Angeles Metropolitan Initiative.	3	PI	75	DOT	Carra Rios (213) 872-4953	1,200,000	960,000	80%	240,000	20%	Proposed by CD-3		
6	6th Street Viaduct Replacement - Pedestrian Improvements	The 6th Street Viaduct/Livestock Project is a project focused on connecting the 6th Street Viaduct to the Downtown Los Angeles Station. The new viaduct will be a above-ground structure that has dedicated bike lanes, bicycle ramps from the bridge to the ground below, stairs to the bridge deck and on the arches, a pedestrian plaza, LA River access improvements, a new soccer field, and much more. It is envisioned as a public works project that will see a new standard for multimodal transportation. It is designed to be a multi-use facility that will provide a safe and accessible way over to enjoy its amenities and utilize the plaza under it to access the LA River. The project aims to emphasize on two major capital projects coming to the area (Regional Connector and 6th St Viaduct) by creating connectivity elements between the two locations. Project elements include new sidewalks on Santa Fe Avenue between 4th Street (including the old 5th) and 6th Street, new sidewalks on 6th Street between Santa Fe and Main (south side), spot sidewalk repair on PI split, Chas II bike lanes on Santa Fe and Main between 4th St and 7th St, pedestrian lighting along the aforementioned corridors, new sidewalks on Main St between Santa Fe and Main (south side), spot sidewalk repair on Main St, PI, Wilcox St and Main St, closure of the slip lane at Main St, ADA improvements/conditional crosswalks at intersections. Improvements at the bridge site will include construction of an ADA accessible ramp from the access tunnel under the viaduct to the LA River bed, pedestrian lighting along the bridge route on either side of the new viaduct between Main St and Santa Fe Avenue, new benches, bike racks, and other street furniture. Landscaping and wayfinding signage will exist throughout. Bumpouts will be constructed where appropriate.	14	PI	71	POE	John Kuo (213) 485-4750	3,000,000 - 3,750,000	2,400,000 - 3,000,000	80%	800,000 - 750,000	20%	Proposed by POE. Total project cost in proposed SCS and PI (not including PI split) was also evaluated and ranked in BI (03 post-15) made per PI sub-committee recommendation. This project was re-evaluated based on a revised scope per recommendation of Council Interdepartmental Task Force. Only this project was below the line with 20 match.		
TOTAL								14,008,000	11,530,000	80%	800,000 - 750,000	20%	190,000	\$10,724,000	
TOTAL								\$12,096,000	\$8,652,300		\$10,111,000				