File No. 19-0453

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to reprogramming funds to implement left-turn phasing, enhanced pedestrian crosswalks, and new signals as part of the Westside Fast Forward Initiative.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Bonin – Buscaino), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to:

- a. Appropriate funding to implement left-turn phasing, enhanced pedestrian crosswalks, and new signals as part of the Westside Fast Forward Initiative, as follows:
 - i. \$2,860,000 within the Coastal Transportation Corridor Specific Plan Fund No. 447 from available cash balance to a new account entitled Westside Fast Forward Traffic Signals Project-Coastal.
 - ii. \$1,920,000 within the West Los Angeles Transportation Improvement and Mitigation Program Fund No. 681 from available cash balance to a new account entitled Westside Fast Forward Traffic Signals Project-WLA.
- b. Make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this action.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

On April 30, 2019, Council considered Motion (Bonin – Buscaino) relative to reprogramming funds to implement left-turn phasing, enhanced pedestrian crosswalks, and new signals as part of the Westside Fast Forward Initiative. Motion states Westside Fast Forward is a new initiative to accelerate solutions and provide alternatives to traffic gridlock on the Westside. The initiative includes a proposal for over three dozen critical signal and intersection improvements in Council District 11 that will improve the movement of people and traffic more efficiently and safely. The projects were selected based on constituent requests and LADOT traffic and safety data. Twenty-six of these projects require supplemental funding in order to install left-turn phasing, enhanced pedestrian crosswalks, and/or entirely new signals. There is sufficient funding available in special accounts that are designated specifically for transportation projects on the Westside, from special fees collected on developments on the Westside. Motion recommends the transfer of funds as described above. Council referred Motion to the Transportation Committee for consideration.

At its meeting held June 12, 2019, the Transportation Committee discussed this matter. Councilmember Koretz requested that the program be expanded to include Council District Five. The Committee Chair Councilmember Bonin suggested staff from the respective Council Offices meet to discuss how to expand the program. Committee recommended that Council approve Motion's recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE

BONIN: YES MARTINEZ: YES KORETZ: YES jaw

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