

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to increasing the appropriation within the Transportation Grant Fund in order to proceed with the construction of the Wilshire Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project.

Recommendation for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE an increase of the appropriation within the Transportation Grant Fund No. 655, Account No. 94H554 from \$1,600,000 to \$19,571,800 in order to proceed with the construction of the Wilshire BRT Project.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. City staff salaries, overtime, and indirect costs will be financed through departmental appropriations contained in the annual Proposition C Anti-Gridlock Fund No. 540 budget. Costs for consultants, contractors, and materials will be financed through the Transportation Grant Fund No. 655 Wilshire BRT Project Account. Reimbursements received from grantors will be credited to the appropriate funding source upon receipt. While the City of Los Angeles is responsible for 100 percent of any costs in excess of the approved project account of \$28,161,855, City staff does not anticipate the project being in excess of the approved project cost at this time.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to Council dated August 5, 2013 (attached to the Council file), the LADOT requests authority to increase the appropriation within the Transportation Grant Fund No. 655, Account No. 94H554 from \$1,600,000 to \$19,571,800 in order to proceed with the construction of the Wilshire BRT Project. The LADOT reports that the Bureau of Engineering has selected a contractor for the construction of the Western Avenue to San Vicente Boulevard segment. Engineering, however, cannot issue a notice to proceed to its contractor until the appropriation for this project has been increased.

At its meeting held August 14, 2013, the Transportation Committee recommended that Council approve LADOT's recommendation to increase the appropriation for the Wilshire BRT Project.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
LABONGE:	YES

PARKS: YES
KREKORIAN: YES

-NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL COUNCIL ACTS-