

COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS, TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE relative to an application for the 2014 Traffic Safety Grant award for a high school bicycle safety program.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to submit an application to the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) for a Traffic Safety Grant for a high school bicycle safety education program in the amount of \$696,000 for the City's Teen Bike Safety Program and accept funds and execute any necessary agreements with OTS if the grant is awarded.

Fiscal Impact Statement: LADOT reports that OTS funds require no matching funds, and the program is completely reimbursable. Local Proposition C funds may be used to provide front funding for the project.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to Council dated December 4, 2013 (attached to the Council file), LADOT seeks authority to apply for a Traffic Safety Grant from the OTS. The Department reports that its existing School Bicycle Safety and Transit Education program is designed for elementary and middle school students. Currently, there is no funding for a high school program. Grant funds will be used to develop a two-year project to work with a select group of LAUSD high schools with League Certified Instructors who will develop a bicycling education curriculum that can be duplicated at other high schools in the future.

At the Transportation Committee meeting held December 11, 2013, Committee members recommended that Council authorize LADOT to apply for the Traffic Safety Grant.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BONIN:	ABSENT
KORETZ:	ABSENT
LABONGE:	YES
PARKS:	ABSENT
KREKORIAN:	YES

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