TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to authorizing the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to submit grant applications to the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to compete for the 2021 Active Transportation Program (ATP) - Cycle 5 Call for Projects.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LADOT, and/or the Director of the respective lead City department, to:
   
   a. Submit 13 grant applications to the Caltrans on behalf of the City for possible funding through the ATP grant, for all recommended projects referenced in the subject LADOT report dated August 12, 2020, attached to Council File No. 14-0499-S5.
   
   b. Execute any necessary funding and contractual documents, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, for projects that are awarded funding through this grant opportunity.

2. DIRECT the General Manager, LADOT, and/or the Director of the respective lead City department, to identify any additional resource needs, including staff and/or overtime funding, for the implementation of the projects that are awarded funding through this grant opportunity; and, to seek approval for any additional staffing from the Council prior to accepting the ATP grant funds.

3. INSTRUCT the LADOT, in consultation with the Bureau of Street Services (BOSS) and Bureau of Engineering (BOE), to report back in 90 days with recommendations for a City-wide coordinated project selection process for transportation grant applications.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that there is no impact to the City's General Fund. No local match is required for the aforementioned projects. There is also no immediate impact on special funds; however, future appropriations by the Mayor and the Council will require a final memorandum of understanding or notice of award to deliver the projects, such as design, project management, construction, and inspection. For projects awarded grant funding, LADOT, with the City Administrative Officer and the Chief Legislative Analyst, will identify the recommended appropriate sources of funds from available revenues during the development of each Fiscal Year's budget, as well as multi-year schedules for transportation special funds.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on August 17, 2020, the Transportation Committee considered the LADOT report dated August 12, 2020 relative to authorizing the LADOT, and/or the respective lead City department, to submit 13 grant applications to compete for the Caltrans 2021 ATP - Cycle 5 Call for Projects on behalf of the City, to execute any necessary funding and contractual documents for any funded projects, to identify any additional staffing resource needs and/or overtime funding for the implementation of the funded projects; and, to seek approval for any
additional staffing from the Council prior to accepting the grant funds. The Committee, LADOT, and BOSS discussed the potential impacts on traffic and parking that may be caused by the funded projects, and outreach efforts to engage impacted businesses and residents. The Committee instructed the LADOT, in consultation with the BOSS and BOE, to report back in 90 days with recommendations for a City-wide coordinated project selection process for transportation grant applications.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations contained in the subject LADOT report as amended. This matter is now transmitted to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MEMBER    VOTE
BONIN:    YES
BUSCAINO: YES
KORETZ:   YES

- NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL COUNCIL ACTS -