

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to grant applications to the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 1 Call for Projects.

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

1. APPROVE the List of Proposed Projects accompanying the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) report to Council dated April 23, 2014 (attached to the Council file), as the City's priorities for funding in the ATP Cycle 1, pending approval of the City Administrative Office (CAO) Report dated April 23, 2014, Former CRA Street Projects Without an Identified Match (Council File 12-0014-S20), identifying local matching funds for former Community Redevelopment Agency Projects, project nos. 4, 5, 8, 14, 16, and 17 of the List of Proposed Projects.
2. DIRECT the General Manager, LADOT, on behalf of the City, to submit grant applications for all recommended projects in the accompanying List of Proposed Projects to Caltrans for possible funding.
3. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LADOT, or director or general manager of the lead City department, to execute any necessary funding and contractual documents, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, for grants to the City approved in the APT Cycle 1.
4. DIRECT the General Manager, LADOT, or general manager or director of the lead City department for each project to submit to the LADOT, for inclusion in the Transportation Grant Fund Report, any resource needs (including but not limited to match funding, front funding, staff, and overtime funding) for the implementation of projects funded through the ATP Cycle 1, with a potential total local match commitment of \$12,762,439, as described in the LADOT report to Council dated April 23, 2104.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. Also, there is no immediate impact on special funds, however, future appropriations by the Mayor and Council will be required to finalize approved grant memoranda of understanding and to deliver the projects (i.e. design, project management, construction, and inspection). For projects awarded grant funding through this process, the LADOT, in conjunction with the CAO and Chief Legislative Analyst, will identify required matching funds up to \$12,762,439 (if all projects are approved for funding), and recommend appropriate sources of funds from available revenues during the development of each fiscal year budget as well as multiyear schedules for transportation special funds.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to Council dated April 23, 2014, LADOT requests authority to submit grant applications for projects previously funded by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, projects recommended by LADOT's ATP Division, and projects recommended by an interdepartmental ATP working group committee, Caltrans for the ATP

Cycle 1 Call for Projects. According to LADOT, an estimated \$360 million in new funding is expected to be available for qualified active transportation projects in the State of California through the ATP Cycle 1 Call for Projects. The City of Los Angeles should submit competitive applications to secure the most funding possible. The Department's report goes on to discuss the grant application evaluation process and deadline, and how projects are recommended for prioritization.

At its special meeting held April 23, 2014, the Transportation Committee discussed this matter with LADOT staff. During a public comment period, members of the community acknowledged the work of staff in light of the grant application's short deadline, but strongly recommended that input be sought from community-based organizations on the prioritization of projects. Department staff discussed the data and formulas used to prioritize projects. Projects numbered 1 through 17 in the List of Proposed Projects attached to the Department's report, are projects that were previously approved for grant funding but for which the City must resubmit applications. Projects 18 through 23 are Safe Routes to School projects. Projects 24 through 27 are new. The Committee Chair suggested that the Department meet with the Council Office to discuss how better to include input from community-based organizations in future prioritizations of projects for grant applications. The Committee recommended that Council approve LADOT's list of proposed projects for ATP Cycle 1 program grant funds.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

<u>Member</u>	<u>Vote</u>
BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
LABONGE:	ABSENT
PARKS:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES

JAW

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