

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a Federal Transit Administration grant award for the purchase of 25 Proterra battery-electric buses, and a contract with CALSTART to provide an electrification plan for two Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) bus maintenance yards.

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

1. AUTHORIZE the LADOT to accept a Federal Transit Administration grant award in the amount of \$1,225,000 in 5339(c) grant funds for the purchase of 25 Proterra battery-electric buses and deposit the funds into the Proposition A Local Return Fund No. 385, and appropriate therein to the Zero Emission Bus Purchase, Account No. 94MA04.
2. INSTRUCT the LADOT not to expend any of the Federal Transit Administration grant funds until further policy guidance by the Council is provided relative to the expansion of transit services and future bus purchases.
3. AUTHORIZE the LADOT to:
 - a. Enter into a contract with CALSTART to provide an electrification plan for two LADOT bus maintenance yards and pay invoices of up to \$215,000 from Proposition A Local Return Fund No. 385, Zero Emission Bus Purchase, Account No. 94MA04, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality.
 - b. Make any necessary technical correction or clarifications consistent with this action.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

On April 17, 2018, Council considered Motion (Bonin – Blumenfield) relative to a Federal Transit Administration grant award under the Low or No Emission Vehicle Program. Motion states that since 2017, LADOT has received \$40,717,207 in grant funding to increase transit service, including the transition to electric buses. The Department has also received \$46,466,455 in grant funds for associated operational costs. Grant funds will be used to purchase battery-electric buses and to develop a plan to upgrade two of the City's existing bus yards to provide power to battery-electric buses. This grant application was prepared and submitted in partnership with Proterra and CALSTART. Motion goes on to state that Council has directed LADOT to transition to a 100 percent zero emission bus fleet by 2025. Motion recommends that Council authorize LADOT to accept the grant award and to execute a contract with CALSTART to provide an electrification plan for two bus maintenance yards. Council referred Motion to the Transportation Committee for consideration.

At its meeting held April 5, 2017, the Transportation Committee recommended that Council

approve Motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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MEMBER VOTE

BONIN: YES

MARTINEZ: YES

KORETZ: ABSENT

JAW

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