

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the status of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) NextGen Bus Speed Engineering Working Group.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the September 14, 2021 LADOT report relative to the status of the NextGen Bus Speed Engineering Working Group, including the implementation of the first dedicated bus lanes on priority corridors and initiating community engagement on additional corridors.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On September 21, 2021, your Committee considered an September 14, 2021 LADOT report relative to the status of the LADOT NextGen Bus Speed Engineering. According to the LADOT, on September 17, 2019, Council directed the LADOT to convene a NextGen Bus Working Group with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and provide updates to the Transportation Committee, starting in October 2019. The working group is responsible for developing priority bus-supportive infrastructure projects to support Metro's NextGen bus service plan, with an emphasis on near-term improvements implemented concurrently with each phase of NextGen.

Starting in October, 2019, the working group has meet regularly to identify and prioritize corridors for infrastructure improvements, develop project scopes, and determine outreach strategies. In May, 2020, the LADOT provided a report to Council outlining community outreach for proposed projects on 5th Street, 6th Street, and Aliso Street in Downtown and identified Olive Street and Grand Avenue as recommended corridors for consideration of dedicated bus lane projects. In December, 2020, the LADOT provided a report to Council outlining completed bus lane implementation along Flower Street, 5th Street, 6th Street, and Aliso Street, as well as planned public outreach for bus lanes on Grand Avenue, Olive Street, and Alvarado Street. After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to note and file the LADOT report. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Transportation Committee



COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

BONIN: YES

KORETZ: YES

BUSCAINO: YES

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