

TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the feasibility of establishing a program at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) to allow for priority entry at security checkpoints for passengers who arrive via public transit.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Blumenfield – Buscaino):

DIRECT Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) to report on the feasibility of establishing a program at LAX to allow for priority entry at security checkpoints for passengers who arrive via public transit, including from Metro rail and buses, the LAX Flyaway Bus, municipal transit providers, and/or privately-operated, scheduled bus services.

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 October 30, 2019, Council considered Motion (Blumenfield – Buscaino) relative to the feasibility of establishing a program at LAX to allow for priority entry at security checkpoints for passengers who arrive via public transit. Motion states the City of Los Angeles has an interest in promoting transit ridership to reduce traffic congestion and greenhouse gas emissions and to provide lower-cost transportation options. To achieve these goals, Motion movers believe the City should consider policies that will promote ridership while also improving the passenger experience.

Motion goes on to state that the Massachusetts Port Authority has launched a Ticket to Skip program allowing passengers arriving at Logan International Airport via the Logan Express bus, ferry, or water taxi to get priority access at the airport's security lines, which has doubled ridership on the Logan Express. Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) is working with the San Francisco International Airport (SFO), the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, and the San Mateo County Transit District to develop a similar program for those who take BART to SFO.

Motion movers further state that the City should follow these airports' lead and work to have a priority access program in place before the opening of the Metro Crenshaw/LAX Line. Motion recommends that Council instruct LAWA to report relative to the feasibility of establishing a program at LAX to allow for priority entry at security checkpoints for passengers who arrive via public transit. Council referred Motion to the Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee for consideration.

At its meeting held February 4, 2020, the Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee discussed this matter with LAWA staff. Department representatives stated LAWA promotes the use of public transit – especially around the holidays. Committee discussed Boston's Logan airport's program to promote the use of public transit by passengers. Committee recommended that Council approve Motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BUSCAINO:	YES
BONIN:	ABSENT
KREKORIAN:	YES

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