


Date: May 12, 2021

To: The Honorable City Council  
c/o City Clerk, Room 395  
Attention: Honorable Mike Bonin, Chair, Transportation Committee

From: Seleta J. Reynolds, General Manager   
Department of Transportation

Subject: **LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (Metro)  
METRO ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION (MAT) CYCLE 1 AWARDED PROJECTS (CF 20-0504)**

## **SUMMARY**

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) submitted Letters of Interest dated April 21, 2020 responding to Metro's solicitation for the Metro Active Transportation (MAT) Cycle 1 funding opportunity (CF 20-0504). In January 2021, Metro released project recommendations including funding for one active transportation project and six first/last mile station areas in the City of Los Angeles.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the City Council AUTHORIZE the General Manager or Director of the respective lead city department to execute any necessary funding, cooperative agreement, or contractual documents, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, for accepting the funding.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Metro Active Transport (MAT) Program is a multi-year discretionary program within Measure M. Cycle 1 of the program establishes goals, processes, and criteria for the five-year cycle of the MAT Program for Fiscal Years 2021-2025. The MAT Program funds projects that will increase active transportation, such as biking and walking, and expand the reach of transit. Cycle 1 commits \$75 million divided into two separate project categories: First/Last Mile projects and Active Transportation Corridors.

On February 18, 2020, Metro released its Program Solicitation for MAT Program Cycle 1. Any interested, eligible jurisdiction, including Caltrans and all cities and transit operators in Los Angeles County, were asked to submit a Letter of Interest for candidate projects to Metro by April 2, 2020. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and ensuing safer at home orders, Metro extended the deadline to April 30, 2020. LADOT worked with partner agencies to develop project recommendations based on Metro's prioritized project list of 25 active transportation corridors and 138 first/last mile station areas.

On April 21, 2020, LADOT provided a report to Council that outlines Metro's project eligibility criteria, discusses LADOT's selection process, and provides the projects submitted for funding. This report provides an update on awarded projects and seeks authority to enter agreements and accept funding.

**DISCUSSION**

The period of time between Metro's release of the Program Solicitation on February 18, 2020 and the originally advertised due date of April 2, 2020 was less than 60 days. Due to these timing challenges presented by the condensed timeline, LADOT submitted a receive and file recommendation in lieu of requesting authorization to execute agreements and identify additional resource needs. Receiving Council authorization to complete these next steps is critical to ensure Department staff can enter into agreements with Metro and expend funds in a timely manner beginning July 1, 2021.

Attachment A reflects the three active transportation corridors and eight first/last mile station areas for which the City of Los Angeles submitted Letters of Interest in MAT Cycle 1. The list also indicates which of those projects were selected for funding by Metro in January 2021. Attachment B shows the full list of funding recommendations adopted by the Metro Board.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no impact to the City's General Fund. No local match is required for these projects. For projects awarded grant funding, LADOT, in conjunction with the CAO, will identify the recommended appropriations from available and appropriate funding sources during the development of each fiscal years' budget or as needed throughout future fiscal years. There is no immediate impact on special funds; however, future year appropriations by the Mayor and City Council will be necessary to execute memoranda of understanding for grant awards and to deliver the projects.

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ATTACHMENT A

CITY OF LOS ANGELES PROJECTS SELECTED FOR  
METRO ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (MAT) PROGRAM CYCLE 1 FUNDING

	<b>PROJECT NAME</b>	<b>CD</b>	<b>LEAD DEPT</b>	<b>PROJECT TYPE</b>	<b>PROJECT SELECTED FOR FUNDING</b>
1	LAX / Aviation Station	11	StreetsLA	First/Last Mile Station	X
2	Cypress Park / Lincoln Heights Station	1	LADOT	First/Last Mile Station	
3	Hollywood / Highland Station	13	BOE	First/Last Mile Station	X
4	Hollywood / Vine Station	13	BOE	First/Last Mile Station	X
5	Sepulveda / OL Station	6	StreetsLA	First/Last Mile Station	X
6	Culver City Expo Line Station	5	LADOT*	First/Last Mile Station	X
7	Van Nuys / Vanowen Station	6	StreetsLA	First/Last Mile Station	
8	Western / Slauson Station	8	StreetsLA	First/Last Mile Station	X
9	Avalon / Martin Luther King Jr. / Gage Corridor	9	LADOT	Active Transportation Corridor	X
10	Slauson Corridor	8 / 9	StreetsLA	Active Transportation Corridor	
11	Manchester / Broadway / Vermont Corridor	8	StreetsLA	Active Transportation Corridor	

\* Culver City will lead joint project with support from LADOT

ATTACHMENT B

METRO BOARD ADOPTED FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE  
METRO ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (MAT) PROGRAM CYCLE 1

## Recommended Program of Projects

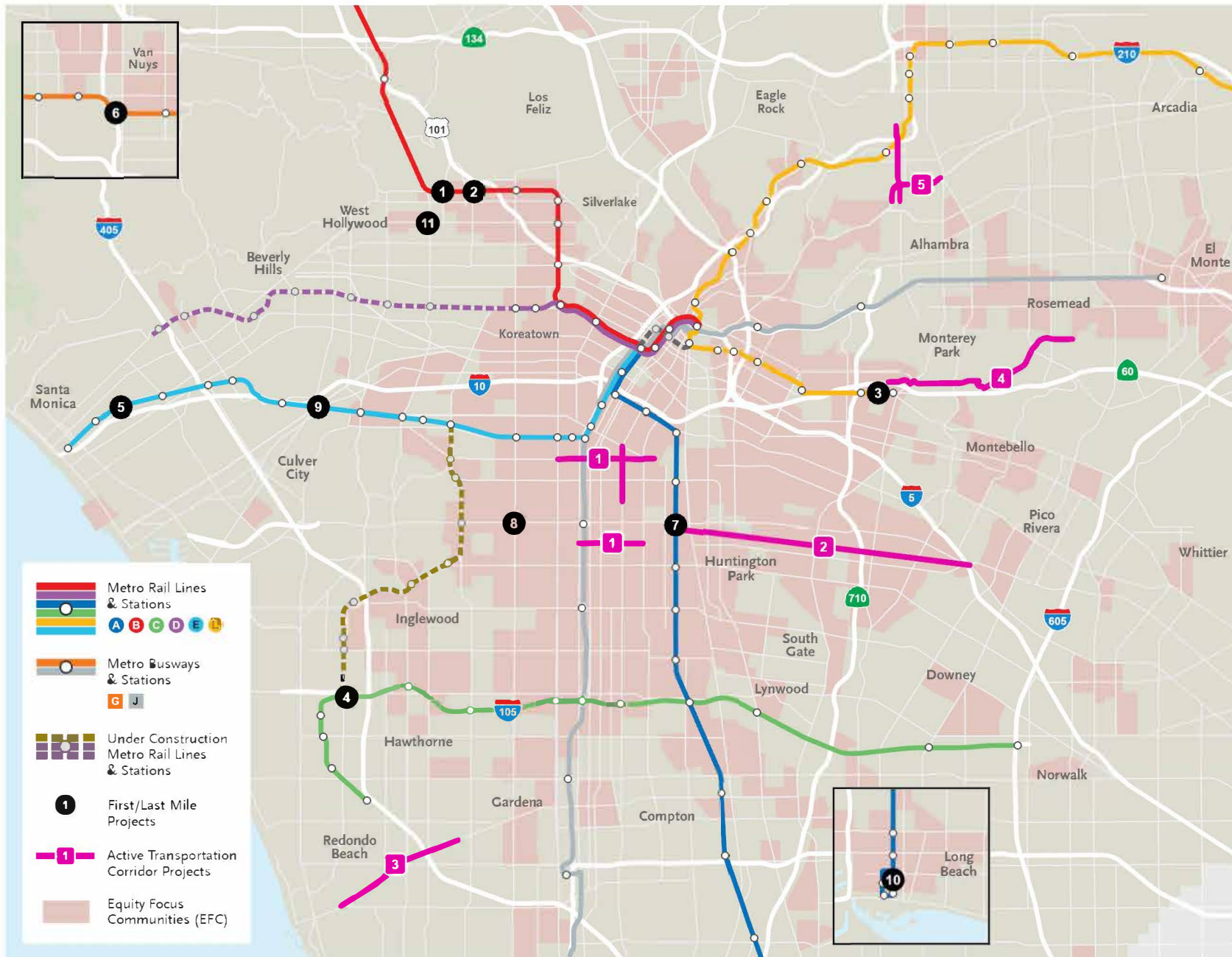
### MAT Program Cycle 1

Program Category	Submitted Applications	Applications Funded
Active Transportation Corridors	9	5
First/Last Mile Locations	19	11
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>16</b>

NOTE: The solicitation as approved by the Board anticipated awarding a total of \$75 million for this funding cycle based on cash flow estimates at that time. In light of reduced sales tax revenue due to the COVID-19 pandemic, staff is recommending awards for \$63.1 million, consistent with cash flow adjustments for comparable Measure M programs. The Board can approve revised Cycle 1 programming amounts in future annual updates should funding availability improve.

# Recommended Program of Projects

## MAT Program Cycle 1



**Metro Rail Lines & Stations**  
 A B C D E L

**Metro Busways & Stations**  
 G J

**Under Construction Metro Rail Lines & Stations**

**1** First/Last Mile Projects

**1** Active Transportation Corridor Projects

**Equity Focus Communities (EFC)**

### First/Last Mile Projects

- 1** Hollywood/Highland  
City of Los Angeles
- 2** Hollywood/Vine  
City of Los Angeles
- 3** East LA Civic Center  
Los Angeles County
- 4** LAX/Aviation  
City of Los Angeles
- 9** Olympic/26th  
City of Santa Monica
- 9** Sepulveda OL  
City of Los Angeles
- 7** Slauson Station  
Los Angeles County
- 8** Western/Slauson  
City of Los Angeles
- 8** Culver City  
City of Culver City
- 10** Downtown LB (6th St)  
City of Long Beach
- 11** Santa Monica/La Brea  
City of West Hollywood

### Active Transportation Corridor Projects

- 1** Avalon-MLK-Gage  
City of Los Angeles
- 2** Randolph  
City of Commerce
- 3** Redondo Beach Blvd  
City of Redondo Beach
- 4** 1st-Riggin-Potrero Grande  
City of Monterey Park
- 5** Huntington-Main/Fremont  
City of South Pasadena

## Recommended Program of Projects - Active Transportation Corridors

### MAT Program Cycle 1

Recommended for Funding			
Rank	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor	Corridor
1	City of Los Angeles	-	Avalon/MLK/Gage
2	Commerce	Huntington Park, Bell, LACPW <sup>1</sup>	Randolph
3	Redondo Beach	LACPW, Lawndale	Redondo Beach Blvd
4	Monterey Park	Montebello, LACPW, Rosemead	1st-Riggin-Portrero Grande
5	South Pasadena	-	Huntington-Main/Fremont

Not Recommended for Funding: Waitlist			
6	City of Los Angeles	-	Slauson

Not Recommended for Funding: Ineligible Projects			
-	Lancaster	-	Sierra Highway
-	City of Los Angeles	-	Broadway/Manchester/Vermont
-	Paramount	-	WSAB <sup>2</sup> Phase 3

<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles County Public Works

<sup>2</sup> West Santa Ana Branch

## Recommended Program of Projects - First/Last Mile MAT Program Cycle 1

Recommended for Funding			
Rank	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor	Project Location
1	City of Los Angeles	-	Hollywood/Highland
2	City of Los Angeles	-	Hollywood/Vine
3	Los Angeles County	-	East LA Civic Center
4	City of Los Angeles	-	LAX-Aviation
5	Santa Monica	-	Olympic/26th
6	City of Los Angeles	-	Sepulveda (G Line)
7	Los Angeles County	-	Slauson
8	City of Los Angeles	-	Western/Slauson
9	Culver City	City of Los Angeles	Culver City
10	Long Beach	-	Downtown Long Beach (6th Street)
11	West Hollywood	-	Santa Monica/La Brea

Not Recommended for Funding: Waitlist			
12	Los Angeles County	-	Florence
13	City of Los Angeles	-	Van Nuys/Vanowen
14	West Hollywood	-	Fountain (Hayworth-Harper)
15	West Hollywood	-	Santa Monica Bl-Greenacre
16	West Hollywood	-	Fairfax
17	West Hollywood	-	Santa Monica Bl-Poinsettia
18	West Hollywood	-	Santa Monica Bl-Hayworth

Not Recommended for Funding: Ineligible Projects			
-	City of Los Angeles	-	Lincoln/Cypress