

TRANSPORTATION and PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEES' REPORT relative to a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) that commits the City to fund and construct up to \$30 million in necessary improvements in the City's right-of-way for the Rail to Rail Corridor Project.

Recommendation for Council action as initiated by Motion (Price – Martinez):

INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO), working with the Bureau of Engineering (BOE), StreetsLA, Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL), and any other relevant City departments to:

- a. Review the work plan for the Segment A of the Rail to Rail Project scope elements in the City's right-of-way to verify the funding amount necessary to complete the work.
- b. Prepare a multi-year funding plan that includes a comparison of the cost and availability of using City forces versus contractors to construct the necessary improvements and a recommendation whether to fulfill the City's contribution via in-kind work or a cash payment.
- c. Negotiate an MOU with the Metro, with the final MOU to be presented to Council for approval, which effectuates the above recommendations, memorializes the City's contribution, valued at up to \$30 million, and highlights the roles and responsibilities of the City's construction and that of Metro and their contractor.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY:

At a regular meeting held on October 5, 2021, the Transportation Committee considered Motion (Price – Martinez) relative to a proposed MOU with Metro that commits the City to fund and construct up to \$30 million in necessary improvements in the City's right-of-way for the Rail to Rail Corridor Project.

According to the Motion, the Active Transportation Rail to Rail Corridor Project consists of one corridor in two phases of development. Segment A is the Rail to Rail component and Segment B is the Rail to River component. Together they form one route, stretching from South Los Angeles to the Los Angeles River. The Rail to Rail segment of the project connects the Metro Blue Line to the future Crenshaw/LAX Line. Approximately 5.6 miles in length, the project stretches east along the Harbor Subdivision rail right-of-way following Slauson Avenue from

Inglewood through South Los Angeles to the Blue Line Slauson Station. The project will convert the underutilized railroad right-of-way into a multi-purpose transportation corridor, including creating a new east-west pedestrian and bicycle corridor, connections to numerous transit lines, and enhancing the existing and future bicycle network. During the discussion, the Chair offered amendments to include replacement instructions as detailed above to be reported at the November 2, 2021 Transportation Committee meeting.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Transportation Committee recommended to adopt the Motion as amended, as detailed above.

Subsequently, on October 13, 2021, the Public Works Committee also considered this matter and after providing an opportunity for public comment, the Public Works Committee concurred with the recommendation made previously by the Transportation Committee.

This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MEMBER	VOTE
BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

MEMBER	VOTE
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
LEE:	YES
DE LEÓN:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
KORETZ:	ABSENT

ME 10/13/21

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