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Board Report

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING APRIL 25, 2024

SUBJECT: MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVE Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held March 28, 2024, and the Special Board Budget Workshop held March 29, 2024.

March 2024 RBM Public Comments – Item 34

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 8:51 PM

To: contact@act-la.org; Barger, Kathryn <Kathryn@bos.lacounty.gov>; karen.bass@lacity.org; Holly J. Mitchell <HollyJMitchell@bos.lacounty.gov>; Supervisor Janice Hahn (Fourth District) <FourthDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov>; ThirdDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; First District <firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov>; Tina.Backstrom@lacity.org; jbutts@cityofinglewood.org; Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; paul.Krekorian@lacity.org; katy.young.yaroslavsky@lacity.org; Wiggins, Stephanie <WIGGINSS@metro.net>; andrew.deblock@lacity.org; admin@cityofwhittier.org; jdupontw@aol.com; fdutra@cityofwhittier.org; nenglund@bos.lacounty.gov

Subject: Invest in Metro, Not Police

Dear Decision-Makers Involved with Metro Policy:

I'm writing as a citizen of Los Angeles as well as a social worker that has researched and written on the negative impacts police have on our communities. I'm writing to encourage you to invest and expand Metro programs in ways that actually work and are safe-- policing fits neither of those needs.

We need more transit ambassadors, expanded mental health and housing outreach worker programs, and a public restroom program in Metro's upcoming budget.

Riders need real care and services that police are not equipped to provide. This is why we need investments in care based strategies that work. The ambassador program has saved more than 70 lives since the fall and more than half of customers say the Green Shirts make them want to ride the system more. I call on you to invest \$70 million to \$100 million annually in expanding the ambassador program by doubling the number of ambassadors, expanding their coverage to buses and elevators, and bringing them in-house to Metro with an LA County housing minimum wage (\$35/hour), ongoing job support, and professional development opportunities.

Outreach workers for housing are 27 times more effective than police in placing people into housing despite working with less than a tenth of Metro's police spending. I call on you to invest \$80 million to \$100 million annually in expanding your outreach worker program for mental health and housing to buses, paying an LA County housing minimum wage (\$35/hour), and providing outreach workers with the tools, including available shelter beds and permanent housing, that outreach workers can offer to riders.

Public restrooms fulfill a human need of all riders and transit operators on public transit journeys. I call on you to invest \$30 million to \$45 million annually to establish an open public bathroom program with attendants to restock restroom supplies, clean restrooms, and interface with users.

Every dollar gambled away on police is one that can't be spent on care based strategies that make customers feel safer. I urge you to introduce a motion this month that directs investment in these three care-based strategies to catalyze meaningful and lasting change to riding transit in LA.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 11:01 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: FOR Item 34

Hello,

I am [REDACTED], a student of Harvey Mudd College in Claremont. I support increased funding for the transit ambassador program. I recently used multiple forms of LA public transit to get all the way to LAX, and only avoided missing my flight due to the kindness of a stranger in helping me navigate the system. But there won't always be kind strangers at the right places and times, so there should be more transit ambassadors to increase the chance of help coming by exactly when it is needed. Thank you.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

March 20, 2024

VIA E-MAIL

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Alan Sozio
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Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952
Attention: Konstantin Akhrem
AkhremK@metro.net

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
One Gateway Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952
Attention: Collette Langston, Clerk of the Board
BoardClerk@metro.net

Re: Resolution of Necessity Hearing Re: I-605 Valley Blvd., Interchange
Improvements Project - APN 8564-012-003 & 004

To Whom It May Concern:

This firm represents Russell L. Fox and Linda Kay Fox, owners of the above-referenced property. The purpose of this letter is to notify the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority that the property owners intend to appear and be heard at the Resolution of Necessity hearing scheduled for March 28, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

We further reiterate the request made on March 8, 2024 for the documents/project exhibits showing the proposed project demolition, construction and project use of the subject property. Despite the prior request, to date, no such documents have been provided.

Very truly yours,

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March 22, 2024

Board Administration
One Gateway Plaza
MS: 99-3-1
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: METRO BIKE SHARE CONTRACT – in opposition of LYFT

Dear Board of Directors,

We are writing to support Bike Transit (Bicycle Transit Systems) in continuing their role as Bike Share program managers because we believe they are the best organization for this job in terms of impartiality, transparency, 7 years of experience and success with this program, and especially proof of their 2023 success as noted below:

- 52% increase in ridership in 2023 over 2022;
- 267% increase in Reduced Fare Membership in 2023 over 2022 accounting for 1 in 6 rides taken; and a

As an over 25 year old 501c3 non-profit and stewards of the watershed area of the Ballona Creek, we care deeply about greater bike and mobility options, ease of access to affordable transportation, safer streets with fewer cars on them, and the outcome of a cleaner Pacific ocean when fewer cars occupy our roads.

Based on Lyft's unusually low bid for managing this project as well as a clear potential for a conflict of interest due to their vehicle-based profits, we are not confident of their intentions and question their capability of transparency with the general public. Lyft's CEO has publicly stated:

- [Lyft is looking to sell their bike share system;](#) and
- [The purpose of Lyft's bike share is to increase access to their rideshare service.](#)

Please continue to remain dedicated to the best choice for a robust bike share program and allow Bike Transit to remain with this program.

Respectfully,

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Name]

[Redacted Title]

Board of Directors:

Deborah Gregory, President; Sandrine Cassidy, Vice President; Rich Hibbs, Treasurer; Amy Rosenstein Secretary; Kate Cregor; Irene Reingold; Tami Wedekind, Lily Maxson, CCHS BCR Club President

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March 20, 2024

Honorable Karen Bass, Chair
& Members of the Board
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
1 Gateway Plaza, Mail Stop 99-3-1
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: City of Lomita Position on the C-Line Extension to the South Bay

Dear Chair Bass:

At the March 19, 2024, meeting of the Lomita City Council, the City Council received a report and voted to authorize the submittal of this letter related to planning effort underway for the proposed C-Line Extension to the South Bay.

Lomita is supportive of this long-awaited project which will help residents throughout the County reach important job centers, LAX, entertainment destinations, and more.

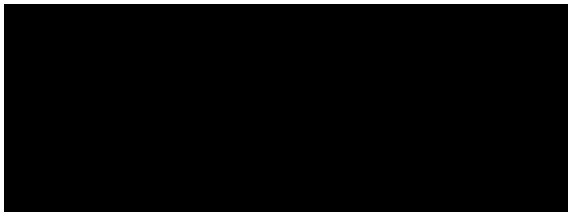
The City of Lomita urges LA Metro to continue work on, and adoption of, an environmental Impact Report with a locally preferred alternative for extension of the C-Line to the Mary K. Giordano Regional Transit Center in Torrance. From Lomita's perspective, the City Council believes that the chosen alignment should complete the C-Line Extension in the most cost effective and environmentally sound manner possible.

We recognize that the LA Metro Board is receiving input on the C-Line Extension from many different stakeholders. Thank you in advance for your consideration of Lomita's position on this important matter.

Sincerely,



cc: Stephanie Wiggins, CEO, LA Metro
Georgia Sheridan, Senior Director, Mobility Corridors, LA Metro
Mark Dierking, Director, Community Relations, LA Metro
Lomita City Councilmembers
File



March 27th, 2024

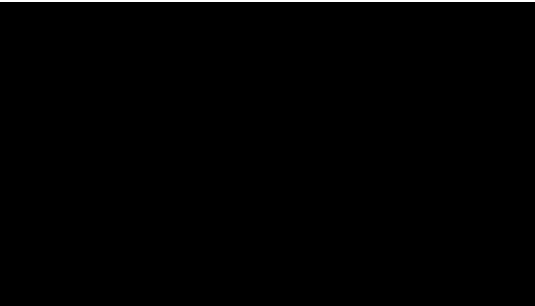
FOR - LA Metro Operations Committee Item #34 - AWARD Contract No. PS102304000 to Lyft Bikes and Scooters, LLC for the Metro Bike Share (MBS) program

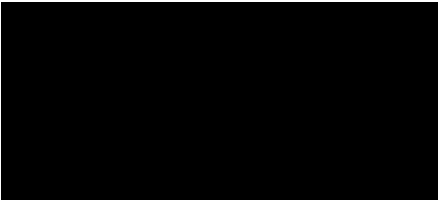
To Whom it May Concern,

Equiticity is non-profit organization programming and advocating for racial equity and increased mobility in Chicago and beyond. In LA, this work included supporting the establishment of the Electro-Bici bike library program in Pacoima.

We've had a long standing partnership with Lyft, where they have supported Equiticity's racial equity movement. In Chicago, this has included community rides and events, using bikeshare as a tool to bring people together and create more vibrant and livable communities.

Based on my knowledge and experience, Lyft is well positioned to do the same in LA, and I offer my full support for Metro's recommendation to move forward with Lyft as its partner for the Metro Bike Share system.





March 15, 2024

Hon. Chair Karen Bass
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Hon. Director Kathryn Barger
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Hon. Director Tim Sandoval
Hon. Director Hilda L. Solis
Hon. Director Katy Yaroslavsky
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Re: SUPPORT - LA Metro Operations Committee - AWARD Contract No. PS102304000 to Lyft Bikes and Scooters, LLC for the Metro Bike Share (MBS) program

Dear LA Metro Board of Directors:

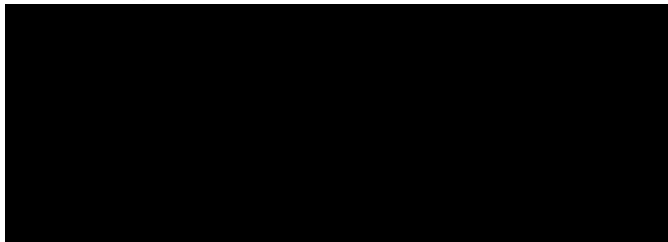
The Greater San Fernando Valley Chamber of Commerce **supports** LA Metro staff's recommendation to award the next Metro Bike Share contract. Access to affordable and reliable transportation is crucial for the prosperity of Angelenos, and Lyft's proposal aligns with this vision.

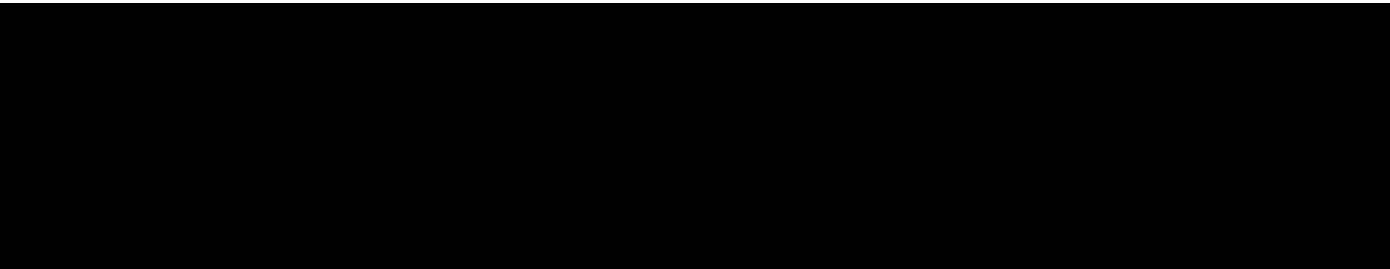
Bikeshare programs serve as vital connectors, facilitating first and last mile connectivity to transit options. With the increasing popularity of e-bikes, there exists significant potential to expand the reach of the Metro Bike Share system. Lyft's proposal, which aims to increase the proportion of e-bikes to 75% and introduce 100 e-bike charging stations, promises to revolutionize transportation accessibility in our community.

With their proven track record of expanding services in underserved neighborhoods and fostering partnerships with community-based organizations, Lyft is uniquely positioned to enhance transportation accessibility and promote sustainable mobility options in the region.

We appreciate your favorable consideration in awarding Lyft the Metro Bike Share Contract.

Sincerely,





Metro Board Administration
One Gateway Plaza
MS: 99-3-1
Los Angeles, CA 90012
RE: Metro Bike Share Contract

March 25, 2024

To the Metro Board Administration,

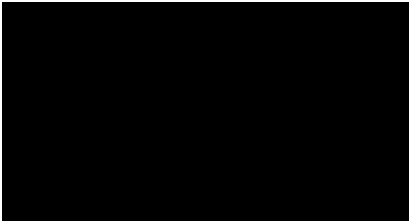
Thanks for all of the work that you do to set policy, and support and enhance the transportation improvement programs of the 88 cities and the 16 municipal transit operators within Los Angeles County. I'm standing in solidarity with the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, countless labor unions, mobility activists, and members of the public, in asking that you renew the contract with Bicycle Transit Systems (BTS) to continue running the Metro Bike Share program.

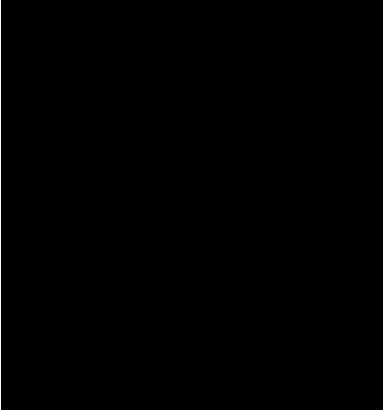
Through its T.O.D., Bicycle and Pedestrian Action Plan, and Mobility Plan, Culver City is dedicated to becoming a leader in mobility initiatives. Our City has worked tirelessly with the community to create innovative ways to find solutions to congestion, first and last mile connectivity, and alternatives to singular-use vehicular trips. In 2018, the then Culver City City Council unanimously voted to join Metro's countywide bike share system. The expansion of the system allowed for approximately 600 more bikes to be placed at stations throughout Culver City and in the adjacent communities of Palms, Mar Vista, Del Rey, and Playa Vista. We only hope to build on this momentum.

BTS has operated the Bike Share program since its inception in 2016 and has overseen ridership grown from about 312,000 trips in 2018 to over 441,000 in 2023. Workers at BTS have been unionized since 2022 with Transport Workers Union (TWU) Local 320. It's a 100 percent privately-owned, LGBTQ+, woman-owned business with the experience of launching the largest bike share operations across the country. BTS has met its goals and has been a success.

I'm concerned about Metro's intent to award the Metro Bike Share contract to Lyft for the next 11 years. Lyft is essentially a car company. Climate change is real and Metro needs to shift public money towards multi-modal transportation rather than doubling down on car culture. Also, Lyft has spent hundreds of millions of dollars to fight against drivers' rights. As the middle class continues to erode, it's time to stand up for good, union jobs in Los Angeles County.

I am writing to you as an individual Council Member of the City of Culver City. The opinions expressed herein are my own and do not to intend to represent those of the City Council or the City of Culver City. Should you have any questions, please contact me [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].





March 19, 2024

Ms. Stephanie N. Wiggins
Chief Executive Officer
Metro Board Administration
1 Gateway Plaza, Mail Stop 99-3-1
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Sent via email to: boardclerk@metro.net

Dear Ms. Wiggins,

For many years, we have followed Metro's plans to extend the C (Green) Line into Torrance and past our property, *South Bay Galleria*. We have met with Metro representatives numerous times, participated in Metro's workshops and walking tours and of course, have spoken about the project with our shoppers, tenants and other members of the community.

We have previously written to express our belief that the alignment along Hawthorne Boulevard is the most equitably responsible route through the Hawthorne Boulevard business district. Not only does this route provide the best possible access to this vital economic corridor, but it does so in a way that will enhance ridership and provide a visible public transit alternative to those wishing to get out of their cars and access the shops, restaurants, housing, businesses and even hotel rooms along the entire route. A copy of our prior letter dated *December 22, 2022* is attached for your convenience.

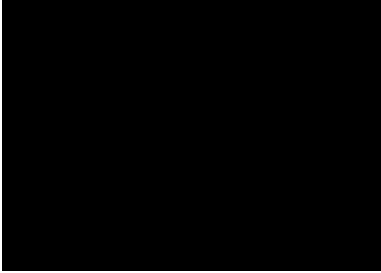
As a project update since our last letter, we recently lodged an application with the City of Redondo Beach to add an additional 350 residential units, taking the total residential unit count to 650. This will further reinforce the vision of a walkable community we hope to create. Having convenient and direct access to the C (Green) Line will make it even easier for our residents to commute to and from work and to and from key stops like the airport and Inglewood sports and entertainment venues without ever having to get in their cars.

We are deeply invested in the success of our community and want to make sure that Metro's C (Green) Line extension is done in a way that is beneficial to the entire community, including Redondo Beach, Lawndale and Torrance, as well as to the millions of Southern California visitors who will use the system to get around the region.

We welcome the opportunity to continue working with Metro to make the extension a success and would be pleased to collaborate with Metro to create a space at our location that would enable Metro public safety officers to have a South Bay presence. In addition, we would be happy to host a Metro ticket booth or sell TAP cards to riders at our concierge desk.

If you have any questions regarding our position or want to further explore ways in which we can partner with Metro, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Very Best,



Cc: Redondo Beach Mayor Jim Light
Redondo Beach City Manager Mr. Mike Witzansky
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December 22, 2022

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The city has approved a multi-hundred-million-dollar renovation and expansion project for our center that will include not only a complete remodel of the existing mall, but also the addition of 300 new apartment units on the corner of Hawthorne and Artesia Blvds (20% of which will be dedicated to affordable housing), a 150-room hotel, office and public open space network.

We are deeply invested in the success of our community and want to make sure that Metro's Green Line extension is done in a way that is beneficial not only to our new center – to be renamed *South Bay Social District* – but also to the entire community, including Redondo Beach, Lawndale and Torrance. Furthermore, we want to make sure that residents, employees and shoppers will have the best possible access to the Green Line, providing convenience, maximizing ridership, reducing traffic and improving the environment.

We believe that the alignment along Hawthorne Boulevard is the most equitably responsible route through the Hawthorne Boulevard business district. Not only does this route provide the best possible access to this vital economic corridor, but it does so in a way that will enhance ridership and provide a true public transit alternative to those wishing to get out of their cars and access the shops, restaurants, housing, businesses and even hotel rooms along the entire route.

Because the creation of *South Bay Social District* will result in hundreds of new jobs, a light rail line along Hawthorne Boulevard will allow employees to conveniently commute to work without having to drive. In addition, the Hawthorne option would provide hundreds of businesses along Hawthorne Boulevard and throughout Torrance a new opportunity to ensure that their business thrive.

In addition, the construction of a new hotel at *South Bay Social District* means that travelers using this Hawthorne Boulevard route will be able to easily connect to Los Angeles International Airport. The right-of-way or ROW option, however, provides a less-visible link for travelers, who would be less likely to travel to LAX or job centers using the Green Line since the ROW station would not be located on a major thoroughfare.

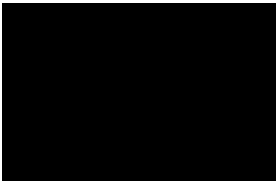
The proposed Green Line extension route along the ROW offers no significant destinations, while the new *South Bay Social District* will be built just a matter of feet away from the proposed station location on Hawthorne Boulevard. This project will be the epicenter of North Redondo, attracting residents, shoppers, employees and visitors – many of whom will be incentivized to ride the light rail system if the stop is built close and convenient enough to their destination.

In addition, if located along Hawthorne Boulevard, the Green Line would provide an attractive and vibrant mass transit option to a wider cross-section of South Bay residents from Lawndale to Torrance and would serve as the first exemplar transit-oriented development built in the South Bay. For mass transit systems, visibility is critically important to success. Hiding the Green Line route behind homes and having it wind through lightly trafficked areas means fewer people will be reminded of how easy the system is to use. But locating it in the heart of active and popular destinations along a major thoroughfare that links numerous South Bay cities, means the Green Line will always be top of mind and stand out as a visible and viable option for commuters.

We welcome the opportunity to continue working with Metro to make the Green Line extension a success and would be pleased to collaborate with Metro to create a space at our location that would enable Metro public safety officers to have a South Bay presence. In addition, we would be happy to host a Metro “ticket booth” or sell TAP cards to riders at our concierge desk. We see many opportunities to partner with Metro as each of our projects move forward.

If you have any questions regarding our position or want to further explore ways in which we can partner with Metro, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Very Best,



Cc: Mr. Mark Dierking, Metro
Redondo Beach Mayor Bill Brand
Redondo Beach City Manager Mr. Mike Witzansky



RE: REQUEST TO MAKE METRO'S GOPASS PROGRAM FOR K-14 EDUCATION STUDENTS PERMANENT

Dear LA Metro Board of Directors,

On behalf of the undersigned organizations representing local educational agencies, community colleges, student organizations, environmental and transit-oriented entities, and community members, we write to request that you vote to make the Metro GoPass Program permanent at the March or April Regular Board Meeting.

Metro's GoPass program has been a phenomenal success. At last reckoning, GoPass had **343,980** participating students from **1573** schools in **115** districts. In November 2023, Metro's GoPass pilot program saw a 28 percent year-over-year increase over November 2022 and the program just surpassed 30 million rides. Then, student GoPass boardings measured 1,772,606 riders. Studies have shown that students who receive a free transit pass have up to **27 percent higher graduation rates**, which leads to expanded academic and employment opportunities.

[We expect more recent data soon that will buttress GoPass's strong performance record.]

GoPass is key to Metro's ambition to build transit ridership to pre-pandemic levels and beyond. It is central to regional efforts to reduce automobile VMT, regional traffic congestion, and greenhouse gas emissions. As Metro continues to improve the cleanliness, safety, and reliability

of our public transportation system, we anticipate more students will take advantage of the Metro GoPass Program, and these numbers will improve year after year.

It is time to make GoPass a permanent part of Metro’s operational planning and budgeting so that all concerned can know they can count on GoPass and plan their curriculum, class schedules, as well as personal and work lives with a GoPass presumption. Approval at the March or April Regular Board meetings is crucial. Eliminating the transportation obstacles for students to get to and from school, internships, and access to cultural sites and museums among other activities should be a principal goal for our community.

As advertised on Metro’s website, “students at participating K-12 and Community Colleges can enjoy the freedom of going anywhere, anytime for FREE on Metro buses and trains.” This opportunity for our students is a major celebration amongst our communities where high levels of poverty place limitations on disadvantaged youth and their families who often must make decisions between buying a transit ticket and purchasing food or other necessities. We need to eliminate the barrier which falls disproportionately on our highest needs families and their students.

The Metro GoPass Program has proven to be a successful initiative that could have a lasting legacy for creating a culture of life-long riders in the County of Los Angeles. Making this initiative permanent also helps cement fareless public transit as a mainstay for future generations of Angelenos, many of which were already riding the Metro for free during the pandemic.

As the Los Angeles community continues to embrace alternative forms of transportation and looks forward to a brighter tomorrow for Angelenos, it is important to empower today’s youth and support their future as life-long transit riders. Our students enrolled in K-12 schools, adult education schools and community colleges deserve to experience the value of this program during times where students’ safety and health is not at risk.

We hope you will support making this wildly successful program permanent, creating a lasting legacy for Angelenos that could one day become life-long transit riders.

Thank you for your consideration of this request,

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cc: Board of Director Members, LA Metro

March 2024 RBM General Public Comments

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 11:42 AM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: Please Make Metro's GoPass Program Permanent!

I write in support of making Metro’s GoPass Program permanent to continue to fund this successful countywide student transit pass program so that K-14 public school students in LA County—from kindergarten to community college –can easily and freely access our public transit systems. GoPass is key to Metro’s ambition to build transit ridership to pre-pandemic levels and beyond. It is central to regional efforts to reduce automobile VMT, regional traffic congestion, and greenhouse gas emissions.

This program provides an immediate and tangible benefit to struggling students—from low-income elementary school children to community college students who juggle school and work. When you give a pass to a student, they ride almost immediately. This is because more than half of households in the U.S. who are experiencing poverty are also experiencing transportation insecurity, and studies show that discounted fare programs for low-income individuals can alleviate poverty, increase social mobility, and improve health by increasing trips, particularly to health care and social services.

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2024 12:39 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: wesleyreutimann@gmail.com

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From: [REDACTED]

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Thank you,

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From: [REDACTED]

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Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2024 3:02 PM

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, March 15, 2024 9:33 AM

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Sent: Monday, March 18, 2024 9:44 AM

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2024 2:39 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Cc: Patti Giglio <patti@psgcom.net>
Subject: Metro Green Line Extension

Good Day,

I manage our family's small South Bay real estate business including a 10 store strip-mall on the west side of Hawthorne Blvd., north of 186th street that my father built in the 1960s. Together with our small business tenants we represent a disproportionate percentage of the small business that would be impacted by the proposed Hawthorne Blvd. route for the Green Line Extension.

I am writing today to express my support for Metro's extension into Torrance via the proposed ROW route. While we support the light rail system's development into Torrance, the Hawthorne Blvd. route would jeopardize our family's income and likely put most of the small business who rent stores from us out of business entirely.

The proposed ROW route along the existing freight rail tracks is not only the smart economical choice, it would spare the City of Torrance a loss in excess of \$1,000,000, annually according to the City's economic impact assessment of the Hawthorne Blvd. route, and spare our family and our tenants economic hardship.

I urge you to adopt the proposed ROW route for Metro's extension into the South Bay.

Thank you for your consideration,

[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, March 22, 2024 6:13 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
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Sent: Monday, March 25, 2024 9:55 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Budget Motion for Care-based Safety Strategies

Dear Board Clerk Board Clerk,

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, March 25, 2024 10:51 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: General Comment - Support LACMTA Staff Recommendation to Award Metro Bike Share Contract to Lyft

Dear LA Metro Board of Directors,

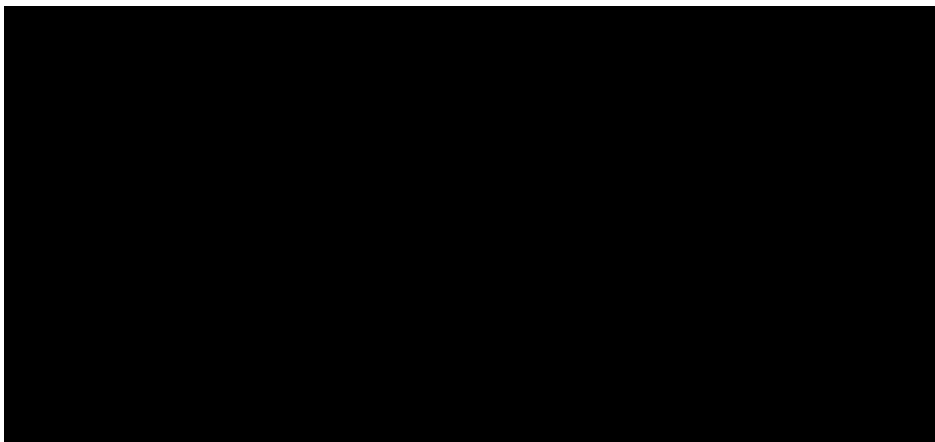
On behalf of Arellano Associates, I am writing in support of the Metro staff recommendation to award Lyft the contract to deliver the next phase of Metro Bike Share in the region.

Arellano Associates is a long-time DBE, small business, minority, women-owned certified professional service consulting firm with 30 years' experience in communications, marketing, public outreach and engagement. This includes partnership with LA Metro on several projects including Metro Micro, Sepulveda Station First/Last Mile, NextGen Bus Plan, and the Long Beach to East LA Corridor Mobility Investment Plan, among others. We were selected as Lyft's partner for community engagement through their extensive DBE outreach efforts.

We are excited to bring our experience and focus on justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion to support the Metro Bike Share system, prioritizing Equity Focus Communities and expanding the reach of the system. Working with Lyft, Metro, and local partners like BikeLA, East Side Riders Bike Club, Streets Are for Everyone (SAFE), Los Angeles Walks, and others, we will maximize outreach and engagement to reach Angelenos where they are at via traditional and digital mediums throughout the transition, launch, and expansion of Metro Bike Share.

I urge the committee to approve the staff recommendation and look forward to working with Lyft and Metro in this next stage of the Metro Bike Share system.

Thank you for your consideration.



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Sent: Monday, March 25, 2024 11:31 PM
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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 6:33 AM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: General Comment - Support LACMTA Staff Recommendation to Award Metro Bike Share Contract to Lyft

Importance: High

Dear LA Metro Board of Directors,

My name is [REDACTED], and I am the President of Millenium Concepts LLC. We are a successful DBE certified business that provides janitorial services and facilities management in the LA County and Washington Metropolitan areas.

We were connected with Lyft through their extensive DBE outreach efforts, and were selected to be their partner for bikeshare station cleaning, litter, and graffiti removal services. We have also agreed to participate in Lyft's Contracting Outreach and Mentoring Plan, where they will support Millenium Concepts in networking, technical assistance, and business development to help us achieve new business opportunities.

We are very excited for this opportunity, and ready to get to work. We urge the Board to approve the staff recommendation to award the next Metro Bike Share contract to Lyft.

Thank you.

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 7:20 AM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: General Comment - Support LACMTA Staff Recommendation to Award Metro Bike Share Contract to Lyft

Dear LA Metro Board of Directors,

My name is [REDACTED], and I am the Founder and Sole Proprietor of 2meart.com. 2meart.com is a DBE certified business specializing in printing services, graphic design and marketing and promotional materials.

I responded to a posting for DBE bids distributed by the Black Business Association on behalf of Lyft, and was selected as Lyft's partner for marketing and promotional materials, as well as printing services. Additionally, I have agreed to participate in Lyft's Contracting Outreach and Mentoring Plan, where they will support me in networking, technical assistance, and business development.

I'm grateful for this opportunity to support LA Metro and Lyft in this contract, and urge the Board to approve the staff recommendation to award the Metro Bike Share contract to Lyft.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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From: [REDACTED]
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Dear Board Clerk Board Clerk,

I'm writing to urge you invest in care-based transportation ambassadors rather than metro police. Police statistically target working class and people of color more than other groups. The main purpose of public transit is to ensure mobility in LA County is accessible for all. I fear that police in the metro would make public transit unsafe for the people who most need to use. Additionally, any safety or rules violations issues on the metro are more likely to be successfully addressed and prevented by care ambassadors armed with knowledge of resources than an officer armed with a gun.

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Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 2:26 PM
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Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 7:23 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: General Comment - Support LACMTA Staff Recommendation to Award Metro Bike Share Contract to Lyft

Dear LA Metro Board of Directors,

My name is Laura Barrero, and I am reaching out in my individual capacity in support of the LA Metro staff recommendation to select Lyft as its next operating partner for Metro Bike Share.

I live in North Hollywood near the Metro station and I am the current Community Interest Representative on the NoHo Neighborhood Council. I live on the same block as one of the current bike share locations, which I have used in the past. I am particularly excited about Lyft's proposal to increase the e-bike share of the fleet to 75% within the first year of operations, which will enable myself and many other Angelenos to utilize Metro Bike Share more frequently, and for longer trips.

I fully support LA Metro staff's recommendation to award the next Metro Bike Share contract to Lyft.

Thank you for your consideration.

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 10:11 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: General Comment - Support LACMTA Staff Recommendation to Award Metro Bike Share Contract to Lyft

Dear LA Metro Board of Directors,

My name is [REDACTED], and I am the Director of Uptown Grand Central, a non-profit organization dedicated to advocacy and bringing the community together in order to enrich life in East Harlem in New York City.

We've had a long standing partnership with Lyft and Citi Bike, where they have supported programming including *Party On Park*, our 15-block street event that opens up Park Avenue to people and bikes, and closes it to automobile traffic, and *El Barrio Bikes*, a group of advocates for pedestrians and cycling that organizes group cycle rides to our local small businesses. This has changed the way that thousands of residents of East Harlem relate to the public spaces in our neighborhood, and created a strong group of advocates for walking and biking in our low-income community of color.

Based on my knowledge and experience, Lyft is well positioned to do the same in LA, and I offer my full support for Metro staff's recommendation to award the next Metro Bike Share contract to Lyft.

Sincerely,

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A 501c3 nonprofit dedicated to transforming East 125th Street into a thriving corridor by delivering programs that put advocacy into action through collaborations with small businesses, residents and neighborhood organizations across East Harlem.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 10:48 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Budget Motion for Care-based Safety Strategies

Dear Board Clerk Board Clerk,

Cops do nothing to actually create a safe environment. Having metro ambassadors to keep us safe is a much better solution. Let's invest in community care, not cops.

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2024 5:36 AM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

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Subject: Budget Motion for Care-based Safety Strategies

Dear Board Clerk Board Clerk,

The reality of our budget is that public safety dollars go a lot further when they're not spent on police. We have a myriad ways of spending money that are more effective at serving our ridership and community. A metro volunteer once told me that the system didn't have any restrooms because Metro wanted a clean system; denying someone a restroom is not how you make bathroom usage go away. We need to start investing back in our community with solutions that work. Metro's ridership skews towards the lowest income brackets in LA county yet we still insist on extracting fares from people. Free transit would change many people's lives for the better. We spend more on fare enforcement than we collect. Fare collection is such a small part of the budget; we often have sales tax surplus years that exceed our fare collection. WHY WOULD WE TAKE MONEY WE DON'T NEED FROM THE DISADVANTAGED?

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Subject: Budget Motion for Care-based Safety Strategies

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March 2024 Board Budget Workshop Public Comments – Item 1

[REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2024 1:43 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: Item #1 - Item Needs More Consideration - March 29 2024 Special Board Budget Workshop Meeting

Hello LA Metro, just a short comment regarding the operating budget.

Please review how much it costs in the LA Metro's budget to enforce fares? And please look into what is the projected savings by implementing a free fareless system? Thank you.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]



MINUTES

Thursday, March 28, 2024

10:00 AM

Board of Directors - Regular Board Meeting

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

**Karen Bass, Chair
Janice Hahn, Vice Chair
Fernando Dutra, 2nd Vice Chair
James Butts
Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker
Lindsey Horvath
Paul Krekorian
Ara J. Najarian
Tim Sandoval*
Hilda Solis
Katy Yaroslavsky
Gloria Roberts, non-voting member**

Stephanie Wiggins, Chief Executive Officer

***Attended virtually under AB2449**

CALLED TO ORDER: 10:11 A.M.

ROLL CALL

1. APPROVED Consent Calendar Items: 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, 26**, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 37.

Consent Calendar items were approved by one motion unless held by a Director for discussion and/or separate action.

**Item required 2/3 vote of the full board.

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

***Voting Deviations:**

- Item 7 – the following Director voted no: LH
- Item 18 - the following Director was conflicted: KRB
- Item 20 – the following Directors were conflicted: LH and KRB
- Item 23 – the following Directors were conflicted: KY and KRB
- Item 25 – the following Directors were conflicted: LH, KY, and KRB
- Item 27 – the following Director was conflicted: HS
- Item 30 – the following Director was conflicted: KRB
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- Item 34 – the following Director was conflicted: KRB
- Item 37 – the following Director was conflicted: KRB

2. SUBJECT: MINUTES 2024-0197

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held February 22, 2024.

3. SUBJECT: REMARKS BY THE CHAIR 2024-0199

RECEIVED remarks by the Chair.

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
P	P	A	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P

KB = K. Barger	FD = F. Dutra	HJM = H.J. Mitchell	KY = K. Yaroslavsky
KRB = K.R. Bass	JH = J. Hahn	AJN = A.J. Najarian	
JB = J. Butts	LH = L. Horvath	TS = T. Sandoval	
JDW = J. Dupont Walker	PK = P. Krekorian	HS = H. Solis	

LEGEND: Y = YES, N = NO, C = CONFLICT, ABS = ABSTAIN, A = ABSENT, A/C = ABSENT/CONFLICT, P = PRESENT

4. **SUBJECT: REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** **2024-0200**
 RECEIVED report by the Chief Executive Officer.

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
P	A	A	P	P	P	P	A	A	A	P	A	P

7. **SUBJECT: TWENTY-EIGHT BY '28 PROJECT LIST** **2023-0756**
 APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. RECEIVING AND FILING the Twenty-Eight by '28 progress report, and;
- B. APPROVING revisions to the Twenty-Eight by '28 project list.

8. **SUBJECT: WORKERS' COMPENSATION MEDICAL BILL REVIEW SERVICES** **2024-0047**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute Modification No. 2 to Contract No. PS61721000 with Lien On Me, Inc. for workers' compensation medical bill review services in the amount of \$242,303, increasing the not-to-exceed amount of the four-year base term from \$2,834,674 to \$3,076,977, and exercise the first two-year option in the amount of \$2,083,248, revising the total contract amount from \$3,076,977 to \$5,160,225 and extending the period of performance from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2026.

9. **SUBJECT: LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR TEMPORARY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITIES** **2024-0164**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee, to execute a 33-month license agreement commencing on April 1, 2024, with the County of Los Angeles ("County") for a portion of real property located on parcels numbered (APN) 2350-013-920 and 2350-013-922 ("Property") at a rate of \$24,485 per month for a total license amount of \$808,005 ("License").

10. **SUBJECT: INVESTMENT POLICY** **2024-0081**
 APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. ADOPTING the Investment Policy;
- B. the Financial Institutions Resolution authorizing financial institutions to honor signatures of LACMTA Officials; and

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- C. DELEGATING to the Treasurer or his/her designees, the authority to invest funds for a one-year period, pursuant to California Government Code (“Code”) Section 53607.

13. SUBJECT: DIGITAL BILLBOARD DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH 2023-0300 THE CITY OF EL MONTE

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer, or their designee, to execute a 30-year development agreement with the City of El Monte (“City”) and AllVision (“AV”) to construct, own, and operate a digital billboard on Metro property adjacent to Division 9 at 3449 Santa Anita Avenue, El Monte (“Project”);
- B. CONSIDERING, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the environmental effects of the Project as shown in the Mitigated Negative Declaration (“MND”) prepared by the City of El Monte;
- C. ADOPTING, in accordance with CEQA, the four mitigation measures incorporated in the MND to reduce the impacts of the Project to a less than significant level;
- D. FINDING, in accordance with CEQA, that the four mitigation measures would avoid or mitigate the effects of the Project to a point where no significant effect on the environment would occur, and there is no substantial evidence that the Project, as mitigated, would have a significant effect on the environment; and
- E. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to file a Notice of Determination with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the State of California Clearinghouse.

14. SUBJECT: 2025 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 2024-0029

ADOPTED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the resolution for the 2025 Los Angeles County Transportation Improvement Program.

15. SUBJECT: JOINT DEVELOPMENT BENCH AND EXCLUSIVE NEGOTIATION AGREEMENT 2023-0751

APPROVED TO BIFURCATE AS AMENDED:

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

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APPROVED:

- A. the creation of a bench of qualified developers eligible to respond to Requests for Proposals (RFP) for the joint development of the “10K Sites” to be in effect for three years, with the option to extend for two additional one-year periods for up to five years total;

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
C	Y	A/C	Y	Y	Y*	Y	A/C	Y	Y	C	C	C

* name drawn to vote under Rule of Necessity

- B. the Summary of Key Terms and Conditions for 10K Sites' Exclusive Negotiation Agreements (ENAs); and

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

- C. DELEGATING authority to the Chief Executive Officer, or their designee, to execute the ENAs following a competitive RFP process for the joint development of the 10K Sites.

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
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DUPONT-WALKER AMENDMENT: Report back on the ENA template to clearly communicate participation with community-based organizations (CBOs), allowing for community development-based organizations (CDBOs) to work directly with Metro as the prime or sub-prime contractor. This would allow for CBO/CDBO participation, not exclusive of the Joint Development Bench. Include engagement with general contractors and subcontractors for the inclusion of Small Business Enterprise, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise, Disabled Veterans Business Enterprise, and Minority Women Business Enterprise.

DUTRA AMENDMENT: Directed the CEO to improve the contract language for RFPs and to work with the cities to help streamline the entitlement process and work with the developers to streamline the capital stack.

16. SUBJECT: CESAR E. CHAVEZ AND FICKETT JOINT DEVELOPMENT 2024-0035

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer, or designee, to execute and enter into a joint development agreement (“JDA”), ground lease (“Ground Lease”), and other related documents with Chavez Fickett, L.P. (“Developer”), an affiliate of Abode Communities, for the construction and operation of a mixed-use, affordable housing project (“Project”) on approximately 68,100 square feet (1.56-acres) of Metro-owned property located at the corner of Cesar E. Chavez Avenue and Fickett Street in Boyle Heights (“Site”) in accordance with the Summary of Key Terms and Conditions;
- B. AUTHORIZING a discount to the appraised fair market rental value for the Site of 67% or \$6,900,000 under the Ground Lease as set forth in the Summary of Key Terms and Conditions for the Ground Lease; and
- C. FINDING that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”), consistent with the environmental studies and reports, pursuant to Sections 21080(b)(9) and 21084 of the California Public Resources Code and Section 15332 (In-Fill Development Projects) of the CEQA Guidelines; and authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to file a Notice of Exemption for the Project consistent with said exemption.

17. SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF CMAQ/STBG/CRP PROJECT 2024-0070
PRIORITIZATION AND FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee to submit to SCAG the project prioritization and funding recommendations for Los Angeles County for CMAQ/STBG/CRP funding.

18. SUBJECT: METRO BUSINESS INTERRUPTION FUND (BIF) 2023-0768

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to award a firm fixed price Contract No. PS109347-2000 to Pacific Coast Regional Small Business Development Corporation (PCR) to serve as the fund administrator for Metro’s Business Interruption Fund (BIF) in the amount of \$5,168,773 for the three-year base term, with two, one-year options in the amounts of \$1,699,722 and \$1,761,758 respectively, for a total amount of \$8,630,253, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any; and

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- B. RECEIVING AND FILING the status update on Motion 17 which directed Metro staff to provide a program update that considers, but is not limited to, resources necessary to maintain a permanent Business Interruption Fund and culturally competent outreach and inclusive technical assistance to adequately support affected businesses.

19. SUBJECT: DISPARITY STUDY

2024-0109

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. RECEIVING AND FILING the Final 2023 Disparity Study Report; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to develop a three-year pilot Micro Small Business Program and certification designation.

20. SUBJECT: NORTH HOLLYWOOD TO PASADENA BUS RAPID TRANSIT PROJECT - PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES

2023-0746

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. AWARD task order-based Contract No. AE10769700000 for Program Management Support Services (PMSS) to Ramos Consulting Services, Inc., in the amount of \$38,699,165 for a five-year base period and \$7,603,641 for two, one-year options for a total of seven years at a maximum contract value of \$46,302,806 subject to resolution of protest(s), if any; and
- B. EXECUTE individual Contract Modifications within the CEO’s Board approved authority.

21. SUBJECT: 2023 CONSTRUCTION MARKET ANALYSIS

2024-0009

APPROVED:

- A. RECEIVING AND FILING status report on the 2023 Construction Market Analysis; and
- B. MOTION by Director Krekorian that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to implement the goals contained in the Construction Market Analysis and to report back quarterly on how to make achieving the goals more successful as well as adopting meaningful measures to facilitate and expand certification of SBEs/DBEs and increase utilization by general contractors to achieve goals.

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23. SUBJECT: LONG-TERM ADVERTISING - CULVER CITY STATION 2024-0090

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR a long-term advertising purchase, up to 12 months, at Culver City Station from Max (formerly HBO), generating \$616,000 estimated net revenue for Metro. This is not a title sponsorship and will not affect Culver City Station's title nor the adjacent private property's title, Ivy Station.

24.1.SUBJECT: BUILDING A COHESIVE APPROACH TO LOS ANGELES'S LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY FOR THE 2028 MOBILITY CONCEPT PLAN MOTION 2024-0206

APPROVED Motion by Directors Solis, Bass, Hahn, Horvath, Najarian, and Yaroslavsky that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to:

A. Develop a framework for and establish a Legislative Advocacy Working Group for the 2028 Games that includes, but is not limited to, the members of the Games Mobility Executives and the County of Los Angeles, to develop and implement a cohesive state and federal legislative advocacy plan to advance Metro's 2028 Mobility Concept Plan.

B. Report Back in 90 days with:

1. A proposed framework, recommended working group members, and recommendations on strengthening advocacy coordination with the LA County legislative delegation and other key Games delivery partners; and
2. A progress update on a regional convening of local jurisdiction stakeholders and LA28 on broader transportation and infrastructure project coordination needed for the 2028 Games.

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

25. SUBJECT: CONSULTANT SUPPORT SERVICES FOR NEW HR5000 HEAVY RAIL VEHICLE (HRV) PROCUREMENT 2023-0494

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to:

A. AWARD Contract No. PS11758001 with Hatch Associates Consultants, Inc. for Element A, Consultant for Heavy Rail Vehicle Acquisition, Technical Support Services, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$23,072,507.51, for a period of 87 months from issuance of a Notice to Proceed, subject to the resolution of any protest(s), if any;

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- B. AWARD Contract No. PS11758002 with AtkinsRealis USA Inc. for Element B, Consultant for Heavy Rail Vehicle Acquisition, Program Management Support Services, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$11,263,545.59, for a period of 87 months from issuance of a Notice to Proceed, subject to the resolution of any protest(s), if any; and
- C. APPROVE a combined Life of Project (LOP) budget of \$47,530,870.10, which includes the cost of the two professional services contracts of \$34,336,053.10, Metro administration cost of \$8,873,829, and Contract Modification Authority of \$4,320,988.

26. SUBJECT: FLEET SCHEDULE SOFTWARE UPGRADE 2023-0765

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to award a non-competitive 36-month firm fixed price Contract No. PS108917000 to Giro, Inc./LE Groupe En Informatique Et Recherche Operatioannelle (Giro, Inc.) for the HASTUS v2024 fleet schedule software upgrade and optional software enhancements in the amount of \$3,445,049; and
- B. FINDING that there is only a single source of procurement for the item(s) set forth in recommendation A above and that the purchase is for the sole purpose of duplicating or replacing supply, equipment, or material already in use, as defined under Public Utilities Code Section 130237.

27. SUBJECT: CONTRACT MODIFICATION WITH TOW INDUSTRIES 2024-0018

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute Modification No. 1 to Contract No. DR81105000 with Baatz Enterprises Inc. DBA Tow Industries, to increase the contract value by \$733,836.74 from \$3,922,757.26 to \$4,656,594.00, inclusive of sales tax.

**28. SUBJECT: SPRING TENSION ASSEMBLY UNITS FOR C LINE OCS 2024-0032
SYSTEM OVERHAUL PROJECT**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award a firm fixed price contract, Contract No. MA105918000, to Mac Products, Inc. for 232 Spring Tension Assembly units and onsite installation support for the C Line OCS System Overhaul Project for a firm fixed price of \$3,121,820.86, inclusive of sales tax, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

29. SUBJECT: CONTACT WIRES FOR C LINE OVERHEAD CATENARY SYSTEM (OCS) REPLACEMENT **2024-0033**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award Contract No. DR119508, to Global Electric, for 96,839 linear feet of contact wire to support the C Line OCS Replacement Project for a firm fixed price of \$1,052,646.22, inclusive of sales tax, subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

30. SUBJECT: CONTRACTED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES **2024-0036**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute:

- A. Contract Modification No. 2 to Contract No. PS76258000 with Southland Transit, Inc. to operate an additional two fixed route bus lines in the North Region of Los Angeles County, specifically Metro Bus Lines 96 and 218, in the amount of \$18,701,950, increasing the total not-to-exceed five-year base term from \$90,032,724 to \$108,734,674;
- B. Contract Modification No. 2 to Contract No. PS76258001 with MV Transportation, Inc. to operate an additional two fixed route bus lines in the North Region of Los Angeles County, specifically Metro Bus Lines 177 and 603, in the amount of \$39,176,545, increasing the total not-to-exceed five-year base term from \$148,645,400 to \$187,821,945; and
- C. Individual contract modifications within the Board-approved contract modification authority.

31. SUBJECT: POWER SWEEPING SERVICES **2024-0059**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award a firm fixed unit rate Contract No. OP1066318370000 to Joe's Sweeping, Inc. dba Nationwide Environmental Services, to provide systemwide power sweeping services in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$7,162,050 for the three-year base period and \$2,588,620 for each of the two, one-year options, for a total NTE amount of \$12,339,290, effective June 1, 2024.

32. SUBJECT: ELEVATOR AND ESCALATOR MAINTENANCE SERVICES **2024-0060**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. AWARD a firm fixed unit rate Contract No. OP1107840018370 to Mitsubishi Electric US Inc. (MEUS) to provide comprehensive preventative maintenance services, inspections, and repairs of elevators, escalators, and their associated systems and equipment throughout Metro facilities excluding the Metro Gateway Headquarters Building. The Contract not-to-exceed (NTE) amount is \$142,352,031 for the five-year base period, and \$57,349,950 for the one, two-year option, for a total combined NTE amount of \$199,701,981, effective May 1, 2024, subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any;

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- B. AWARD a firm fixed unit rate Contract No. OP1107840008370 to Otis Elevator Company (Otis), to provide comprehensive preventative maintenance services, inspections, and repairs of elevators, escalators, and their associated systems and equipment within the Metro Gateway Headquarters Building, for an NTE amount of \$11,890,099 for the five-year base period, and \$5,063,368 for the one, two-year option, for a total combined NTE amount of \$16,953,467, effective May 1, 2024, subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any, and;
- C. EXECUTE individual contract modifications within the Board approved contract modification authority.

33. SUBJECT: FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT/CALIFORNIA FAMILY RIGHTS ACT PROGRAM THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR SERVICES **2024-0093**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award a firm fixed unit rate Contract No. PS112527000 to Total Administrative Services Corporation (TASC) to support the centralization of the management and administration of the Family Medical Leave Act and the California Family Rights Act (FMLA, CFRA or collectively, "FMLA/CFRA") in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$1,959,320 for the four-year base term, with two, two-year options in the amount of \$996,160 for each option, for a total NTE amount of \$3,951,640, effective May 1, 2024, subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest, if any.

34. SUBJECT: TRANSIT AMBASSADOR PILOT PROGRAM SERVICES **2024-0022**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute Modification No. 5 to Contract No. PS88001001 with Strive Well-Being to continue to provide Transit Ambassador Pilot Program services in the amount of \$7,200,000, increasing the current three-year base not-to-exceed contract value from \$16,403,235 to \$23,603,235.

37. SUBJECT: CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS FOR RENEWABLE NATURAL GAS (RNG) CONTRACTS **2024-0026**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to:

- A. EXECUTE Modification No. 6 to Contract No. OP73960000 with Clean Energy Renewable Fuels, LLC. to increase the contract value by \$20,204,040 from \$56,048,630 to \$76,252,670 and extend the contract performance end date by seventeen months from July 31, 2024, to December 31, 2025, to provide renewable natural gas to five bus operating divisions;

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- B. EXECUTE Modification No. 4 to Contract No. OP59812000A with Clean Energy Renewable Fuels to increase the 5-year base contract value by \$22,023,615 from \$43,626,286 to \$65,649,901;
- C. EXECUTE Modification No. 3 to Contract No. OP59812000B with Shell Energy North America (US) to increase the 5-year base contract value by \$4,224,175 from \$10,888,120 to \$15,112,295; and
- C. EXECUTE Modification No. 2 to Contract No. OP59812000C with Trillium USA Company, LLC. to increase the 5-year base contract value by \$7,112,949 from \$12,379,477 to \$19,492,426.

39. SUBJECT: UNSOLICITED PROPOSALS POLICY MOTION 2024-0208

APPROVED AS AMENDED Motion by Directors Yaroslavsky, Bass, Krekorian, Najarian, and Horvath that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to:

Report back to the Board by June 2024 with a comprehensive review of the Unsolicited Proposal Policy and recommendations for changes to the Policy that include, but are not limited to:

- A. More direct integration of Metro’s core mission and priorities;
- B. The advancement of Metro’s sustainability and equity goals;
- C. Establishment of a phased review process for Board consideration of unsolicited proposals including the establishment of a timeline review and approval process for Board consideration prior to the execution of a contract, regardless of whether Metro capital or operational funding is proposed to be utilized;
- D. Strengthened community-focused transparency and engagement;
- E. Identify work streams that could be better suited to be accomplished by third-parties to reduce Metro staff time; and
- F. A status on the implementation and effectiveness of the previously developed recommendations from Metro’s September 2021 Unsolicited Proposal Five Year Review.
- G. The feasibility of prioritizing proposals that accelerate Metro’s ability to deliver transit and mobility projects and programs for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games as well as the projects included in the Measure R and Measure M Expenditure Plans.

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

**40. SUBJECT: I-605/VALLEY BOULEVARD INTERCHANGE
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY**

2023-0772

APPROVED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD:

- A. HOLDING a public hearing on the proposed Resolution of Necessity;
and
- B. ADOPTING the Resolution of Necessity authorizing the commencement of an eminent domain action to acquire the full fee simple interest ("Property").

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

41. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION

2024-0210

A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - G.C. 54956.9(d)(1)

- 1. Darin Stewart v. LACMTA, LASC Case No. 20STCV27522

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$750,000.

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	A	Y	A	Y

B. Conference with Labor Negotiator - G.C. 54957.6

Agency Designated Representative: Cristian Leiva and Ilyssa DeCasperis (or designees).
Employee Organizations: ATU, AFSCME, TCU, and Teamsters

NO REPORT.

C. Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)

Title: Chief Executive Officer, Board Clerk, General Counsel, Inspector General, Chief Ethics Officer

NO REPORT.

ADJOURNED AT 2:42 P.M.

Prepared by: Mandy Cheung
Administrative Analyst, Board Administration



Collette Langston, Board Clerk



MINUTES

Friday, March 29, 2024

1:00 PM

Special Board Budget Workshop

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Karen Bass, Chair

Fernando Dutra, 2nd Vice Chair

Kathryn Barger

James Butts

Holly J. Mitchell

Ara J. Najarian

Katy Yaroslavsky

Stephanie Wiggins, Chief Executive Officer

CALLED TO ORDER: 1:04 P.M.

ROLL CALL

1. SUBJECT: BOARD WORKSHOP - OPERATING BUDGET IMPACTS 2024-0214

RECEIVED oral report on the operating budget impacts. The workshop will provide the Board with in-depth information on the forecasted operational impacts and take a holistic and comprehensive approach to review the economic context in Los Angeles County.

JH	FD	KB	JB	JDW	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	KRB
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ADJOURNED AT 3:16 P.M.

Prepared by: Jennifer Avelar
Sr. Administrative Analyst, Board Administration



Collette Langston, Board Clerk

KB = K. Barger	FD = F. Dutra	HJM = H.J. Mitchell	KY = K. Yaroslavsky
KRB = K.R. Bass	JH = J. Hahn	AJN = A.J. Najarian	
JB = J. Butts	LH = L. Horvath	TS = T. Sandoval	
JDW = J. Dupont Walker	PK = P. Krekorian	HS = H. Solis	

LEGEND: Y = YES, N = NO, C = CONFLICT, ABS = ABSTAIN, A = ABSENT, A/C = ABSENT/CONFLICT, P = PRESENT