



Board Report

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SUBJECT: THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION - CITY OF LOS ANGELES

ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute the FY26 Annual Work Plan Budget for the City of Los Angeles (Attachment A).

ISSUE

During the design, construction and maintenance phases of Metro projects, a significant amount of support is required from local jurisdictions via an Annual Work Plan (AWP). The AWP serves as a commitment from the agency for the reimbursement of services by the City of Los Angeles reviewing departments for an estimated amount of services. Without an AWP, the City of Los Angeles departments have no funding sources to support the projects in a timely manner in order to meet Metro's schedules.

BACKGROUND

In April of 2024, a new Master Cooperative Agreement (MCA) was executed between Metro and the City of Los Angeles. The intent of the agreement is to establish a streamlined process among both entities to successfully construct Metro's ongoing projects. A primary function of the MCA is to clearly identify a yearly budget for each City department to provide those City services, which is labeled the AWP. This work plan is consistent with the principles of the new MCA, which contains a streamlined escalation ladder, improved processes for design reviews and acceptance, early involvement and improved collaboration processes, and the inclusion of a Project Liaison to coordinate across City departments for future mega projects.

DISCUSSION

The AWP funds Metro's project plan reviews from various City of Los Angeles departments to support design and construction project plans on an annual basis. These services are essential for project delivery, which includes securing plan reviews and approvals, ensuring quality and effective construction measures, timely inspections, and other functional efforts as described above. All services are centered to avoid delays and effectively deliver the projects with minimal impacts on the

community and provide benefits of enhanced mobility and regional access to underserved populations within the respective project areas.

Without the AWP process, the Agency would be subject to submitting design packages and permit requests via the retail counters at each respective Bureau and Department. This would put Metro in the queue with all others seeking development services from the City - thereby increasing time to review and almost certainly opening projects up to the risk of delay.

The action contained herein provides funding for the City of Los Angeles participation in projects within the limit of the current approved FY26 budget for Third Party review and maintenance (Attachment A).

Metro's efforts to proactively manage these costs will include the following:

- A. Controlling the design review process through the early coordination of design efforts to define scope and establish/clarify standards and requirements.
- B. Reviewing submittals for completeness.
- C. Ensuring that third party requirements are identified and addressed prior to sending to the third party.
- D. Reviewing timesheets with each third-party organization on a monthly basis to ensure that the hours charged are appropriate.
- E. Conducting executive and staff level partnering with third parties.

The MCA and AWP are currently based on a reimbursement model for work performed by the City supporting Metro's projects. In light of Executive Directive 16, issued by Mayor Bass on October 17, 2025, the City has expressed interest, and Metro is open to pursuing adjusting the funding model to the City in areas where permit streamlining and development of innovative measures to accelerate project delivery are implemented. Approval of this item does not limit the City or Metro to advance these discussions.

DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

The recommended action has no impact on safety.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The funding of \$35,804,586 which may be obligated and spent under this one-year work plan, is included in the FY26 adopted budget in the projects requiring the services to be performed by the City of Los Angeles as outlined in Attachment A. Since these are multi-year projects, the Project Managers and the Chief Program Management Officer will be responsible for budgeting future year's costs. These fund sources are not eligible for rail and bus operating expenses.

EQUITY PLATFORM

While considering the projects, Metro will provide an estimated 42 miles of new transit and active transportation systems (pedestrian, bicycle, rail and bus) and 11 potential passenger stations within

the City of L.A limits and within and near eight Equity Focus Communities (EFC). This Board item action will reduce the likelihood of transit and active transportation project delays as well as provide other tangible benefits to people travelling in Los Angeles. This includes expedited, streamlined projects that improve safety and access for multimodal users with minimal negative impacts to the local communities. This will ultimately lead to our operating system providing a world class transit system with reduced air and noise pollution, more walkable neighborhoods, better transportation amenities for individuals with disabilities, less congestion and collisions, and will ultimately better connect communities. Not approving this action will have delays on the projects, which will ultimately affect the users of the system.

VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED OUTCOME

VMT and VMT per capita in Los Angeles County are lower than national averages, the lowest in the SCAG region, and on the lower end of VMT per capita statewide, with these declining VMT trends due in part to Metro's significant investment in rail and bus transit.* Metro's Board-adopted VMT reduction targets align with California's statewide climate goals, including achieving carbon neutrality by 2045. To ensure continued progress, all Board items are assessed for their potential impact on VMT.

While this item does not directly encourage taking transit, sharing a ride, or using active transportation, it is a vital part of Metro operations, as it facilitates the progress of critical work with the City of Los Angeles departments to reduce red tape and improve outcomes in the planning and construction of Metro's projects, which will serve to reduce VMT. Because the Metro Board has adopted an agency-wide VMT Reduction Target, and this item supports the overall function of the agency, this item is consistent with the goals of reducing VMT.

*Based on population estimates from the United States Census and VMT estimates from the highway performance monitoring system data between 2001-2019.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Metro's transit projects support the following strategic plan goals identified in Vision 2028:

- Goal 1: Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling.
- Goal 3: Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity and.
- Goal 5: Provide responsive, accountable, and trustworthy governance within the Metro organization.

By executing the AWP for FY26 and allowing the City departments to continue reviewing plans while advancing Metro's transportation projects, it would positively support Metro's overall plan and goal of expanding the transportation network, increasing mobility for all users and improve LA County's overall transit networks and assets.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board may reject the recommendation and direct us to include this work under Construction or Professional Services contracts. This is not recommended because it will have the effect of

significantly delaying Metro projects.

NEXT STEPS

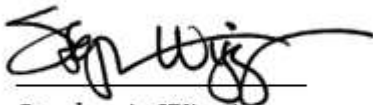
Upon Board approval of the AWP, the City of Los Angeles will submit the annual work plan to the Los Angeles City Council and Mayor's Office for adoption.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment A - FY26 Annual Work Plan Anticipated Budget for the City of Los Angeles

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ATTACHMENT A

FY26 ANNUAL WORK PLAN ANTICIPATED BUDGET FOR CITY OF LOS ANGELES

CRENSHAW CATCH ALL

Bureau of Engineering	\$175,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$307,286
Con Ad	\$200,526
Bureau of Street Services	\$87,888
Subtotal:	\$770,700

REGIONAL CONNECTOR

Bureau of Engineering	\$185,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$112,372
Bureau of Street Services	\$88,856
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$51,294
Con Ad	\$227,131
Subtotal:	\$664,653

PURPLE LINE #1

Bureau of Engineering	\$650,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$920,359
Bureau of Street Services	\$306,603
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$165,616
Con Ad	\$518,840
Cross Coordination	\$183,528
LASAN	\$48,452
Subtotal:	\$2,790,398

PURPLE LINE #2

Bureau of Engineering	\$650,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$672,797
Bureau of Street Services	\$213,892
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$309,606
Con Ad	\$555,579
LASAN (SCWID)	\$119,314
LASAN (WESD)	\$44,789
Cross Coordination	\$167,916
LAPD	\$420,708
Subtotal:	\$3,154,601

ATTACHMENT A (Continued)

PURPLE LINE #3

Bureau of Engineering	\$975,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$1,400,578
Bureau of Street Services	\$116,990
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$224,571
Con Ad	\$515,840
LASAN	\$166,703
LASAN(WPD)	\$44,789
Cross Coordination	\$367,963
LAPD	\$129,448

Subtotal:	\$3,941,883
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RAILTO RAIL

Bureau of Engineering	\$50,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$50,000
Bureau of Street Services	\$27,189
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$50,000
Con Ad	\$50,000

Subtotal:	\$227,189
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ORANGE LINE (G Line Improvements)

Bureau of Engineering	\$1,250,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$980,014
Bureau of Street Services	\$99,619
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$221,908
Con Ad	\$401,052
Cross Coordination	\$183,256

Subtotal:	\$3,135,850
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ESFVTC

Bureau of Engineering	\$1,575,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$1,316,650
Bureau of Street Services	\$280,894
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$822,925
LASAN (WESD)	\$204,111
LASAN (SCWID)	\$133,321
Con Ad	\$922,816
Cross Coordination Support	\$368,217

Subtotal:	\$5,623,934
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ATTACHMENT A (Continued)

Link US

Bureau of Engineering	\$975,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$586,692
Bureau of Street Services	\$97,407
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$204,789
LASAN	\$48,452
Con Ad	\$17,392
Subtotal:	\$1,929,732

Brighton to Roxford

Bureau of Engineering	\$625,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$317,467
Bureau of Street Services	\$87,265
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$212,135
Con Ad	\$200,526
Subtotal:	\$1,442,393

Doran Street Grade Separation

Bureau of Engineering	\$325,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$596,839
Bureau of Street Services	\$68,577
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$106,067
LASAN	\$48,452
Con Ad	\$50,000
Subtotal:	\$1,194,935

NOHO BRT

Bureau of Engineering	\$625,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$805,061
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$264,134
Con Ad	\$227,131
City Planning	\$10,573
Bureau of Street Services	\$356,969
Subtotal:	\$2,288,868

SOUTH EAST GATEWAY

Bureau of Engineering	\$325,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$446,200
Bureau of Street Services	\$88,362
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$74,416
LASAN	\$92,856
Con Ad	\$188,889
City Planning	\$13,906
Subtotal:	\$1, 229,629

ATTACHMENT A (Continued)

SEPULVEDA TRANSIT CORRIDOR

Bureau of Street Services	\$110,349
Dept. of Transportation	\$20,000
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$76,589
Bureau of Engineering	\$20,000
Con Ad	\$200,526
Cross Coordination	\$182,550
Subtotal:	\$610,014

NEXT GEN SPEED AND RELIABILITY

Bureau of Engineering	\$950,000
Bureau of Street Services	\$143,715
Con Ad	\$391,000
City Planning	\$35,176
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$306,359
Dept. of Transportation	\$1,100,000
Subtotal:	\$2,926,250

DIVISION 20

Bureau of Engineering	\$250,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$156,044
Bureau of Street Services	\$26,354
Bureau of Street Lighting	\$76,589
Con Ad	\$401,052
LASAN	\$50,000
Subtotal:	\$960,039

PATSAOURAS

Bureau of Engineering	\$15,000
Dept. of Transportation	\$10,000
Con Ad	\$10,000
Subtotal:	\$35,000

I-405 WIDENING

Bureau of Engineering	\$30,000
BSS	\$30,000
Con Ad	\$10,000
BSL	\$10,000
Subtotal:	\$80,000

VERMONT

Bureau of Engineering	\$975,000
BSS	\$165,444
DOT	\$183,705
BSL	\$264,134
LASAN	\$92,856
City Planning	\$20,208
Cross Coordination	\$294,271
Subtotal:	\$1,995,618

RCN (Pico / Flower)

BSS	\$70,000
Subtotal:	\$70,000

RCN (Mobility Hubs)

Bureau of Engineering	\$43,300
BSS	\$21,650
DOT	\$21,650
BSL	\$43,300
Subtotal:	\$129,900

RCN (Bus Corridors)

BSS	\$50,000
DOT	\$50,000
Bureau of Engineering	\$50,000
BSL	\$50,000
Subtotal:	\$200,000

NORTH SAN FERNANDO

Bureau of Engineering	\$100,000
BSS	\$100,000
DOT	\$100,000
BSL	\$100,000
Subtotal:	\$400,000

GRAND TOTAL: \$35,801,586

TOTAL FY26 BUDGET: \$35,801,586



Third Party Administration – City of Los Angeles



Metro

November 2025



Recommendation

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Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the FY26 Annual Work Plan Budget for the City of Los Angeles (Attachment A).

Estimated budget plan: \$35,801,586



Background

The Annual Work Plan, a function of the new MCA, is a mechanism to obtain City support to accommodate projects through design, construction and maintenance phases.

The annual work plan shall serve as a commitment from Metro for the reimbursement of services by the City of Los Angeles reviewing jurisdictions for an estimated amount.

Without an annual work plan, the City of Los Angeles jurisdictions have no funding sources to support the projects in a timely manner thereby delaying the projects.

Services Provided

During the design, construction and maintenance phases of Metro projects, a significant amount of support is required from local jurisdictions. The following represents some of the general services that are to be provided by the City departments for those projects listed in Attachment A:

- Meeting attendance
- Early planning
- Over the shoulder reviews
- Streamlined design plan reviews and approvals
- Value engineering efforts
- Interdepartmental coordination
- Liaison services
- Inspections and close out services

All services are centered to avoid delays and promote cost saving measures to effectively deliver the projects with minimal impacts.