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**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

1. APPROVE Consent Calendar Items: 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 32.

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

All Consent Calendar items are listed at the end of the agenda, beginning on page 8.

**NON-CONSENT**

3. **SUBJECT: REMARKS BY THE CHAIR** [2024-0938](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

RECEIVE remarks by the Chair.

4. **SUBJECT: REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** [2024-0939](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

RECEIVE report by the Chief Executive Officer.

**CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE FORWARDED DUE TO ABSENCES AND CONFLICTS:**

10. **SUBJECT: CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES (CMSS) FOR BATTERY ELECTRIC BUS CHARGER INFRASTRUCTURE** [2024-0397](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a cost plus fixed fee Contract No. AE120406MC083, to Anser Advisory, to provide Construction Management Support Services for Battery Electric Bus (BEB) Charging Infrastructure Projects located at our bus operation divisions, transit centers, as well as opportunity chargers along current BEB routes for a term of 3 years at a not to exceed total contract value of \$6,012,319, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

**Attachments:** [Attachment A - Procurement Summary](#)  
[Attachment B - DEOD Summary](#)

**FINANCE, BUDGET, AND AUDIT COMMITTEE FORWARDED DUE TO CONFLICTS:**

**18. SUBJECT: MEASURE R BONDS** [2024-0434](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. ADOPTING a Resolution, Attachment A (“Resolution”), that authorizes the issuance and sale of up to \$500 million in aggregate principal amount of Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds in one or more series and taking all other actions necessary in connection with the issuance of the refunding bonds (“Refunding Bonds”); and
- B. ESTABLISHING an underwriter pool as shown in Attachment B that will be used to select underwriters for all future negotiated debt issues through June 30, 2029.

(REQUIRES SEPARATE, SIMPLE MAJORITY VOTE OF THE FULL BOARD)

Attachments:      [Attachment A - Authorizing Resolution](#)  
                                 [Attachment B - Summary of Underwriter Selection](#)  
                                 [Presentation](#)

**33. SUBJECT: STATE AND FEDERAL REPORT** [2024-0550](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

RECEIVE AND FILE the September 2024 State and Federal Legislative Report.

Attachments:      [Attachment A - Motion 24.1](#)  
                                 [Presentation](#)

**34. SUBJECT: A TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR 2028 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES VENUES MOTION** [2024-0959](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

APPROVE Motion by Hahn that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. Report back to the Board with a plan on the Games Enhanced Transit System and overall preparation for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic games, including:
  - 1. An estimate of the number of bus operators and maintenance staff that Metro will need;

2. A staffing plan;
3. A plan for how Metro will coordinate with other Municipal bus operators and Metrolink; and
4. Estimated costs for bus procurement and staffing, and how it could be paid for.

B. Report back on this plan and next steps at the April 2025 Ad Hoc 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games Committee of this Board, with an interim update at the January 2025 Ad Hoc Committee meeting.

**35. SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY FOR WESTSIDE PURPLE LINE EXTENSION SECTION 1** [2024-0173](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

ADOPT the Resolution of Necessity authorizing the commencement of an eminent domain action to acquire a 10-month and 7 days Temporary Construction Easement (“Property Interest”) from the property known as 5318 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90036 APN: 5089-001-028 (formerly 5089-001-026) identified in Attachment A.

(REQUIRES TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE FULL BOARD)

**Attachments:** [Attachment A - Staff Report](#)  
[Attachment B - Resolution of Necessity Presentation](#)

**END OF NON-CONSENT**

**36. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION** [2024-0956](#)

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

1. Saul Salamanca v. LACMTA, Case No. 22STCV00221
2. Mervin Shannon v. LACMTA, Case No. 22STCV03752
3. Jobs To Move America v. LACMTA, Case No. 24STCP02977

**B. Public Employee Performance Evaluations - Government Code Section 54957**

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

**C. Conference with Labor Negotiator - Government Code Section 54957.6**

TCU, AFSCME, Teamsters

**D. Conference with Real Estate Negotiator - Government Code 54956.8**

- 1. Property: 1801 Avenue of the Stars, Los Angeles, CA 90067 and 1930 Century Park West, Los Angeles, CA 90067  
Agency Negotiator: Craig Justesen, EO Real Estate  
Negotiating Party: Century City Mall, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company  
Under Negotiations: Price and Terms
  
- 2. Property: 13949 Stage Road and 16934 Rosecrans Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670  
Agency Negotiator: Craig Justesen, EO Real Estate  
Negotiating Parties: RRM Properties, LTD  
Under Negotiations: Price and Terms

**CONSENT CALENDAR - ITEMS 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 32.**

**2. SUBJECT: MINUTES** [2024-0937](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

APPROVE Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held July 25, 2024.

Attachments: [Regular Board Meeting MINUTES - July 25, 2024](#)  
[July 2024 RBM Public Comments](#)

**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (3-0):**

**5. SUBJECT: MEASURE M MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAM AND MEASURE R TRANSIT INVESTMENTS PROGRAM UPDATE - SOUTH BAY SUBREGION** [2024-0506](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

A. APPROVING:

- 1. Programming of an additional \$11,164,810 within the capacity of Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) - Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 50), as shown in Attachment A;
  
- 2. Programming of an additional \$11,586,591 within the capacity of



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Measure M MSP - South Bay Highway Operational Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 63), as shown in Attachment B;

3. Programming of an additional \$600,000 within the capacity of Measure M MSP - Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 66), as shown in Attachment C;
4. Programming of an additional \$16,300,000 within the capacity of Measure R South Bay Transit Investments Program, shown in Attachment D; and

B. AUTHORIZING the CEO or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and/or amendments for approved projects.

**Attachments:**      [Attachment A - Transpo. System Mobility Imp. Prog. \(Exp. Line 50\) Proj. List](#)  
[Attachment B - South Bay Hwy Op. Imp. Prog. \(Exp. Line 63\) Proj. List](#)  
[Attachment C - Transpo. System Mobility Imp. Prog. \(Exp. Line 66\) Proj. List](#)  
[Attachment D - MR South Bay Transit Investments Program Project List Presentation](#)

**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (3-0):**

**6. SUBJECT: NORTH SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TRANSIT CORRIDOR**

[2024-0473](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute Modification No. 14 to Contract No. AE49337000 with Arcadis, A California Partnership (formerly IBI Group) in the amount of \$3,158,761 for the optional task for preliminary engineering and to advance the design of curb extensions (bus bulbs) or boarding islands as part of the North San Fernando Valley (NSFV) Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Corridor Project, increasing the contract value from \$5,683,973 to \$8,842,734, and extend the period of performance from October 31, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

**Attachments:**      [Attachment A - Network Improvements Project Map](#)  
[Attachment B - Procurement Summary](#)  
[Attachment C - Contract Modification Change Order Log](#)  
[Attachment D - DEOD Summary](#)

**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (3-0):**

7. **SUBJECT: PROGRAM FUNDS FOR ARROYO VERDUGO OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS** [2024-0779](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. APPROVING \$5,000,000 in additional programming for two City of Glendale projects within the Arroyo Verdugo subregion as shown in Attachment A; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the CEO or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements for the Board-approved projects.

**Attachments:** [Attachment A - Program Funds For Arroyo Verdugo Op. Imp. Presentation](#)

**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (3-0):**

8. **SUBJECT: COUNTYWIDE CALL FOR PROJECTS** [2024-0510](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. DEOBLIGATING \$5.94 million of previously approved Call for Projects (Call) funding, as shown in Attachment A, and hold in RESERVE;
- B. APPROVING changes to the scope of work for:
  - 1. City of Los Angeles - Last Mile Folding Bike Incentive Program (Call #F7707);
  - 2. City of Los Angeles - Building Connectivity with Bicycle Friendly Business District (Call #F9803);
- C. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements/or amendments for previously awarded projects; and
- D. RECEIVING AND FILING time extensions for 49 projects shown in Attachment B.

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- Attachments:**      [Attachment A - FY 2023-24 Countywide Call Deobligation](#)  
[Attachment B - FY 2023-24 Countywide Call Extensions](#)  
[Attachment C - Background Discussion of Each Recommendation](#)  
[Attachment D - Result of TAC Appeals Process](#)  
[Attachment E - Call and Equity-Focused Communities Map Presentation](#)

**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (3-0):**

**9. SUBJECT:      NORTH HOLLYWOOD JOINT DEVELOPMENT**

[2024-0468](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or designee to execute and enter into a Joint Development Agreement (JDA) with NOHO Development Associates, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (Developer), an affiliate of Trammell Crow Company, and associated Ground Leases (Ground Leases) and other related documents with Developer or its affiliates or qualified transferees, for the construction and operation of a mixed-use project on up to 11.8 acres of Metro-owned property located at the North Hollywood Metro Station (District NoHo or Project) in accordance with the Joint Development Summary of Key Terms and Conditions (Attachment A) upon receipt of concurrence by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the California Transportation Commission (CTC);
  
- B. DETERMINING that the Board, acting as the governing body of the responsible agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), after consideration of the whole of the administrative record, adopts the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations setting forth the reasons and benefits with full knowledge that significant impacts may remain (Attachment B), and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (Attachment C) of the City of Los Angeles Environmental Impact Report No. ENV-2019-7241-EIR which was certified on August 22, 2023; and
  
- C. AUTHORIZING the CEO or designee to file a Notice of Determination (Attachment D) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the State of California Clearinghouse.

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- Attachments:**      [Attachment A - Joint Development Summary of Key Terms and Conditions](#)  
[Attachment B - CEQA Findings of Fact & Statement of Overriding Consideration](#)  
[Attachment C - Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program](#)  
[Attachment D - Notice of Determination](#)  
[Attachment E - Site Plan and Rendering](#)  
[Presentation](#)

**CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (3-0):**

**11. SUBJECT: METRO TRAINING & INNOVATION CENTER (MTIC) [2024-0541](#)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. INCREASING the Life of Project Budget for the Metro Training & Innovation Center (Project) by \$1,409,000, from \$19,900,000 to \$21,309,000; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to amend the FY25 Budget in the amount of \$1,091,000 to fund operational costs for the Metro Training & Innovation Center.

- Attachments:**      [Attachment A - Funding and Expenditure Plan](#)  
[Presentation](#)

**CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (3-0):**

**13. SUBJECT: G LINE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT [2024-0512](#)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. ESTABLISHING a Life-of-Project (LOP) budget for the G Line Improvements Project in the amount of \$668,450,000; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute project-related agreements, including Early Works Packages (EWPs), the Phase 2 Supplement and contract modifications, up to the authorized Life-of-Project budget.

- Attachments:**      [Attachment A - Funding and Expenditure Plan](#)  
[Presentation](#)

**FINANCE, BUDGET, AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (3-0):**

**16. SUBJECT: GROUP INSURANCE PLANS**

[2024-0523](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to renew existing group insurance policies covering Non-Contract and AFSCME employees, including long-term disability coverage for Teamster employees, and life insurance for all full-time Metro employees, for the one-year period beginning January 1, 2025.

**Attachments:**      [Attachment A - Proposed Monthly Premium Rates](#)  
[Attachment B - Proposed Monthly Employee Contributions](#)  
[Presentation](#)

**FINANCE, BUDGET, AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (4-0):**

**17. SUBJECT: PRE-QUALIFICATION PROGRAM**

[2024-0355](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. ADOPTING an amendment to Metro's Administrative Code Chapter 4-05 to replace the existing contractor pre-qualification language with Attachment A of this Board Report; effective January 1, 2025; and
- B. RECEIVING AND FILING streamlining initiatives, including electronic signature deployment for procurement contracts and purchase orders.

**Attachments:**      [Attachment A - Revised Metro Admin Code - Chapter 4-05](#)  
[Attachment B - Revised Metro Admin Code - Chapter 4-05 \(Redlined\)](#)  
[Presentation](#)

**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (5-0):**

**20. SUBJECT: CIRCUIT BREAKER RETROFIT KIT**

[2024-0471](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA111914(2)000 to Gillig LLC, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to supply Circuit Breaker Retrofit Kits in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$1,339,042.21 inclusive of

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sales tax, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

Attachments:      [Attachment A - Procurement Summary](#)  
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**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (5-0):**

**21. SUBJECT: ALTERNATOR ASSEMBLY** [2024-0472](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA113336000 to TK Services, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to supply alternator assemblies in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$2,805,153.48, inclusive of sales tax, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

Attachments:      [Attachment A - Procurement Summary](#)  
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                             [Presentation](#)

**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (5-0):**

**22. SUBJECT: BRAKE CALIPER ASSEMBLIES** [2024-0474](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA113925000 to Zen Industrial Services, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to supply Brake Caliper Assemblies in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$3,015,693.07, inclusive of sales tax, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

Attachments:      [Attachment A - Procurement Summary](#)  
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**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (5-0):**

**23. SUBJECT: VANPOOL VEHICLE SUPPLIER BENCH CONTRACT**

[2024-0481](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No. 7 to the Vanpool Vehicle Supplier Bench Contract Nos. PS1074300051491, PS1074400051491, and PS1074500051491 with Green Commuter, Airport Van Rental, and Enterprise Rideshare (a division of Enterprise Holdings) respectively, to increase the total not-to-exceed (NTE) contract amount by \$3.7 million from \$36,000,000 to \$39,700,000 and extend the period of performance from December 31, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

**Attachments:**      [Attachment A - Procurement Summary](#)  
[Attachment B - Contract Modification/Change Order Log](#)  
[Attachment C - DEOD Summary](#)  
[Presentation](#)

**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (4-0):**

**24. SUBJECT: P3010 LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE INTEGRATED DATA AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM (IDCS)**

[2024-0505](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No. 2, and exercise Option 1, install and commission the Integrated Data and Communication System (IDCS) on the P3010 Light Rail Vehicle under Contract No. TS83056-2000 to Siemens Mobility, Inc. in the firm fixed amount of \$18,051,025, increasing the total Contract amount from \$5,043,855 to \$23,094,880. This action does not change the board-approved LOP for this project of \$44,436,129.

**Attachments:**      [Attachment A - Procurement Summary](#)  
[Attachment B - Contract Modification Log](#)  
[Attachment C - DEOD Summary](#)  
[Presentation](#)

**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (5-0):**

- 25. SUBJECT: A LINE TRAIN CONTROL NON-VITAL AND VITAL RELAY REPLACEMENT** [2024-0496](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. AWARD a 39-month firm fixed price Contract No. AE117510000 to B&C Transit, Inc. for the Metro A Line Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement Project in the amount of \$14,838,050 effective October 1, 2024, subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any; and
- B. INCREASE the Life of Project (LOP) Budget for the A Line Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement by \$9,355,855 from \$11,100,000 to \$20,455,855.

**Attachments:** [Attachment A - Project 205673 Expenditure Plan](#)  
[Attachment B - Procurement Summary](#)  
[Attachment C - DEOD Summary](#)  
[Presentation](#)

**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (5-0):**

- 26. SUBJECT: SENATE BILL 125 (SB 125) ZERO-EMISSION TRANSIT CAPITAL PROGRAM** [2024-0172](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. ADOPTING a Los Angeles County Regional Zero Emission Bus Procurement Policy (Attachment A);
- B. APPROVING the Los Angeles County Regional Zero Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP)-Equivalent Fund Allocation Framework and the resulting Included and Eligible Transit Operator fund amounts totaling \$49.84 million in Proposition C 40% funding as shown in Attachment B; and
- C. AMENDING the FY25 Budget to implement the ZETCP-Equivalent Fund Allocations and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements.



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- Attachments:** [Attachment A - Los Angeles County Regional ZEB Procurement Policy](#)  
[Attachment B - LAC Regional ZETCP-Equivalent Fund Allocation Framework](#)  
[Attachment C - Federal Transit Administration's Dear Colleague Letter](#)  
[Attachment D - LACMOA Letter of Concurrence](#)  
[Presentation](#)

**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (4-0):**

- 27. SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS TO METRO'S SERVICE COUNCILS** [2024-0431](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

APPROVE nominees for membership on Metro's San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel Valley, South Bay Cities, and Westside Central Service Councils.

- Attachments:** [Attachment A - New Appointees Nomination Letters](#)  
[Attachment B - New Appointees Biographies and Qualifications](#)  
[Presentation](#)

**JULY'S CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MADE THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION (3-0):**

- 32. SUBJECT: EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2 PROJECT** [2024-0526](#)

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute Modification No. 8 to Contract No. AE51242000 with Cordoba HNTB Design Partners, a Joint Venture, in the amount of \$74,869,029 to advance to 30% Preliminary Engineering (PE) for the Initial Operating Segment (IOS), increasing the contract value from \$35,514,357 to \$110,383,386 and extending the period of performance from December 31, 2024, to August 30, 2026.

- Attachments:** [Attachment A - Procurement Summary](#)  
[Attachment B - Contract Modification Change Order](#)  
[Attachment C - DEOD Summary](#)  
[Presentation](#)

(CARRIED OVER FROM JULY'S REGULAR BOARD MEETING)

- SUBJECT: GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** [2024-0547](#)

RECEIVE General Public Comment

Consideration of items not on the posted agenda, including: items to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff; items to be placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee or Board; and/or items requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC INTEREST WITHIN COMMITTEE'S  
SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION

Adjournment



**Board Report**

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**File #:** 2024-0939, **File Type:** Oral Report / Presentation

**Agenda Number:** 4.

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2024**

**SUBJECT: REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**RECOMMENDATION**

RECEIVE report by the Chief Executive Officer.

# Report by the CEO

## Item #4



**Metro**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

September 2024

# Retrofit Bus Barrier Project 40% Complete



Base Fare on TAP Tarifa base en TAP	
<b>Regular</b> Regular	<b>Senior 62+ Disabled Medicare</b> Personas Mayores Discapacitados Medicare
<b>\$1.75</b>	<b>75¢</b> Peak / Horas pico
Load Stored Value for fare capping 2 hours of free transfers on Metro	<b>35¢</b> Off-Peak / Horas no pico
<small>Cargue valor almacenado para utilizar el limite de tarifas 2 horas de transbordos gratuitos en Metro</small>	<b>REJECTED COINS ONLY</b> Monedas Rechazadas



# Progress on Station Safety Upgrades



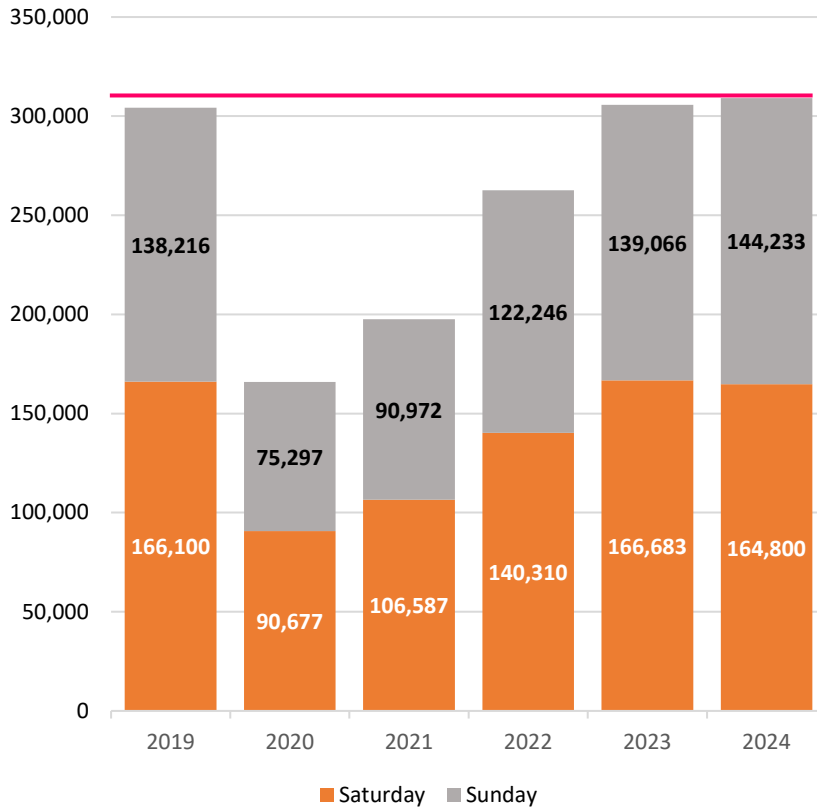
## Since Last Board Meeting

- ✓ Tap-to-Exit Expanded to Downtown Santa Monica
- ✓ 57 Station Elevators Now Part of the Elevator Open Door Pilot
- ✓ Classical Music Expanded to El Monte & Willowbrook/Rosa Parks Stations
- ✓ Hiding Areas Eliminated at A Line Lake Station and North Hollywood Parking Lot
- ✓ Launch of Pilot Weapons Detection
- ✓ Tactical Safety Interventions along I-110 Harbor Transitway J Line
- ✓ DHS Mobile Health Clinic Expanded to C Line Norwalk Station



# Weekend Rail Ridership Exceeds 2019 Level for 2<sup>nd</sup> Straight Year

August Average Weekend Rail Ridership



**Go Metro to Nisei Week in Little Tokyo**

82nd Nisei Week Japanese Festival  
August 10-18, 2024



# Back to School with GoPass





# East San Fernando Valley Full Funding Grant Agreement



# Long Beach-East LA CMIP Task Force Wins Equity Award



# OMB Wins Voice of the People Award



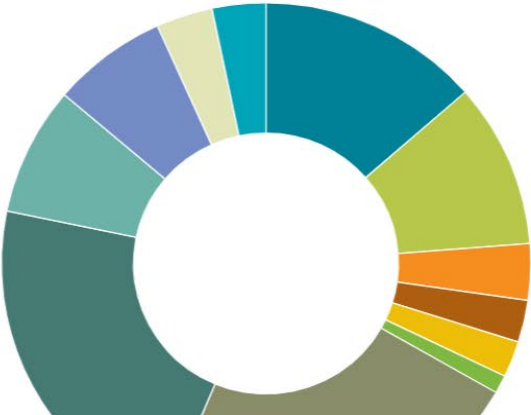
## My Metro Budget

Help

You are balanced.



### Where the Money Goes



### Spending

Transit Operations: \$1.2b <a href="#">i</a>	>
System Maintenance & Improvements: \$924.0m <a href="#">i</a>	>
Public Safety: \$316.0m <a href="#">i</a>	>
Countywide Planning & Development: \$236.0m <a href="#">i</a>	>

# Celebrating LA County Communities



# Let the Countdown Begin!



## Remembering Ilyssa DeCasperis



If you can lie down at night, knowing in your heart that you made someone's day just a little bit better, you know you had a good day.

WisdomLoveQuotes.com



## Board Report

File #: 2024-0397, File Type: Contract

Agenda Number: 10.

### CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

**SUBJECT: CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES (CMSS) FOR BATTERY ELECTRIC BUS CHARGER INFRASTRUCTURE**

**ACTION: AWARD AND EXECUTE CONTRACT**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a cost plus fixed fee Contract No. AE120406MC083, to Anser Advisory, to provide Construction Management Support Services for Battery Electric Bus (BEB) Charging Infrastructure Projects located at our bus operation divisions, transit centers, as well as opportunity chargers along current BEB routes for a term of 3 years at a not to exceed total contract value of \$6,012,319, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

#### **ISSUE**

In June 2021, Metro's Board of Directors approved a Life of Project (LOP) budget of \$50 million to commence in FY22 for Phase 1 for the charging infrastructure needed to electrify the J Line. In February 2024, Metro released an Invitation for Bid (IFB) for the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to construct the infrastructure required to install BEB charging equipment at Division 9 and the El Monte Transit Center (EMTC). This action authorizes a contract award to Anser Advisory to provide Construction Management Support Services initially for the Division 9 and EMTC project, as well as other BEB Charger Infrastructure projects during the term of the contract authorized through a Task Order, subject to the availability of funds.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In July 2017, the Metro Board of Directors approved Motion #50 by Directors Bonin, Garcetti, Najarian, Hahn, and Solis, which endorsed a Zero Emission Bus (ZEB) Strategic Plan to transition Metro's bus fleet to zero emission by 2030, contingent on envisioned cost and performance equivalence with compressed natural gas (CNG) buses and continued advancements in charging infrastructure. In 2018, the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) regulation mandated that all transit agencies in the State operate zero emission fleets by 2040. In addition, ICT ZEB purchase requirements for large transit agencies require 25% of bus purchases to be zero emission by 2023, 50% beginning in 2026, and 100% beginning in 2029. Metro must install charging infrastructure at several locations to support full electrification of the J

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Line. These locations include Division 9, EMTC, Division 18, and the Harbor Gateway Transit Center (HGTC). Construction at HGTC is nearing completion and will provide the J Line with 8 opportunity chargers. Division 18 has mobile charging equipment and is part of a solicitation package that will be advertised in early 2025. Phase 1 of Division 9 will result in the addition of 120 depot chargers and 4 opportunity chargers. In addition, the EMTC will include 4 opportunity chargers.

## **DISCUSSION**

The CMSS will provide review support of the technical bid documents, administration, inspection services, and technical support during the bid period, and construction and close out phases of the project. The CMSS will provide skilled individuals to assist Metro with the construction management of the projects. The consultant team will reside in an integrated project field office with Metro staff and will work with the contractors, Southern California Edison (SCE), and division staff to ensure the project is delivered on time and on budget while minimizing disruption to current division bus operations. The selected proposer has the experience and competence in construction support services, design bid-build, and integrated team structures on some of the most challenging and complex projects in Los Angeles County.

The CMSS Contract is for a base term of three (3) years and will be a cost plus fixed fee contract, meaning the consultant services will be performed within the cost constraints of an Advanced Cost Agreement (ACA). The ACA will include negotiated direct labor rates, indirect cost rates, general and administrative expenses (if applicable), fixed fee, and negotiated labor hours for the level of effort to match the work. The contract will be funded on a task order basis from project budgets with consideration given to information available at the time of planning and applicable time constraints on the performance of the work. Metro Program Management shall ensure that strict project controls are in place so that Metro may closely monitor the expenditure of the contract not-to-exceed amount and schedule. No funds are obligated until negotiations for each task order are finalized within the total not-to-exceed amount approved by the Board. Further background regarding the recommended firm is included in Attachment A - Procurement Summary.

## **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

This Board action will not have an adverse impact on safety standards for Metro.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The CMSS consultant will be managed by the Program Management Office Project Manager, and it will use available project funds budgeted as professional services under project 201061 - Infrastructure J/Silver Line and shall remain within the authorized budget(s). Since this is a multi-year project, the Cost Center Manager, Project Manager(s), and Sr. Executive Officer of Vehicle Engineering and Acquisition, in coordination with the Program Management Office Project Manager, will be responsible for budgeting the costs in future years.

## **Impact to Budget**



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There are no impacts to the FY25 budget. All action under this contract will be funded within the LOP budget. Currently, \$1,000,000 is allocated in the FY25 budget under project 201061 - Infrastructure J/Silver Line, account 50316 Professional Services. The current source of funds for this action are Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) and Transportation Development Act (TDA).

### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

The J Line provides bus services to Equity Focus Communities (EFC's) and serves the following ridership (Fall 2019 Silver Line Rider Survey):

- 48% below \$25K household income (42.5% below poverty line)
- 68.3% had no car available
- 74% use transit 5+ days a week
- Rider Ethnicity: Latino 58.3%; Black 15.2%; White 10.6%; Asian/Pacific Islander 9.8%; Other 6.1%

It is recognized that BEBs provide improved air quality and quieter services compared to current Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) bus fleet. Division 9 is located within an EFC and CalEnviroScreen Disadvantaged Community (DAC). 59% of communities served are designated DACs.

Program Management presented at the Transportation Business Advisory Council and attended meetings with the Small Business Community to further define the experience and background for this solicitation. Contract No. AE120406MC083 includes a twenty-seven percent (27%) goal for Small Business Enterprise (SBE), as well as a three percent (3%) Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise requirement of the Total Contract Price. Anser Advisory made a commitment of 30% SBE and a 3% DVBE commitment. DEOD will actively monitor the consultant and their subcontracting plan to ensure the awarded party will uphold their commitment to the SBE and DVBE goals during the Contract term

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

These recommendations support Goal #3, Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity and Goal #4 Transform LA County through regional collaboration and national leadership.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board may reject the recommendations. Staff does not recommend this, as rejection will require an extensive hiring effort to provide permanent staff to fill the required positions, several of which are anticipated to be temporary. This would not be cost effective and could cause delays, since many of the CMSS staff are only required on a periodic basis for peak workloads and specific tasks over the life of the project.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon Board approval of this recommended action, staff will execute Contract No. AE120406MC083 with Anser Advisory to provide construction management support services for the Battery Electric Bus

Charging Infrastructure Project.

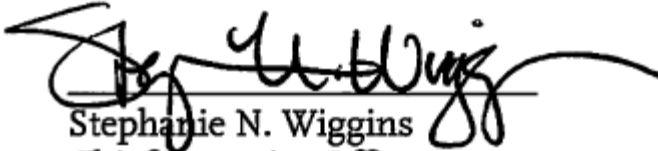
**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Procurement Summary

Attachment B - DEOD Summary

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Stephanie N. Wiggins  
Chief Executive Officer

## PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

**CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES (CMSS) FOR BATTERY  
ELECTRIC BUS CHARGER INFRASTRUCTURE  
CONTRACT NO. AE120406MC083**

1.	<b>Contract Number:</b> AE120406MC083	
2.	<b>Recommended Vendor:</b> Anser Advisory Consulting, LLC dba Anser Advisory	
3.	<b>Type of Procurement (check one):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input type="checkbox"/> RFP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFP-A&E <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Competitive <input type="checkbox"/> Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Task Order	
4.	<b>Procurement Dates:</b>	
	<b>A. Issued:</b> February 20, 2024	
	<b>B. Advertised/Publicized:</b> February 20, 2024	
	<b>C. Pre-Proposal Conference:</b> February 27, 2024	
	<b>D. Proposals Due:</b> April 8, 2024	
	<b>E. Pre-Qualification Completed:</b> May 22, 2024	
	<b>F. Organizational Conflict of Interest Review Completed by Ethics:</b> April 26, 2024	
	<b>G. Protest Period End Date:</b> September 24, 2024	
5.	<b>Solicitations Picked up/Downloaded:</b> 94	<b>Proposals Received:</b> 4
6.	<b>Contract Administrator:</b> Diana Dai-Tsang	<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 418-3310
7.	<b>Project Manager:</b> Anthony Defrenza	<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-7107

**A. Procurement Background**

This Board Action is to approve the award of Contract No. AE120406MC083 to Anser Advisory Consulting, LLC dba Anser Advisory (Anser) to provide Construction Management Support Services (CMSS) for Battery Electric Bus (BEB) Charger Infrastructure projects for a period of performance of 3 years and authorize funding for the contract in the not-to-exceed amount of \$6,012,319. Board approval of contract awards are subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

The CMSS consultant will assist Metro in the management of BEB Charger Infrastructure projects by providing construction support services for administering the design and construction contract(s) projects associated with installation of charging infrastructure to support Metro's plans to convert its existing fleet for CNG buses to battery electric buses and ensure that the construction of various projects are administered and completed in compliance with contract requirements and government regulations. The services will initially focus on supporting Metro for the construction of Division 9/EMTC Charging Infrastructure Project. Work Plans for the CMSS consultant will be negotiated annually for each project authorized through a Task Order, subject to availability of funds.

This was a qualification-based procurement performed in accordance with Metro's Procurement Policies and Procedures, and California Government Code §4525-4529.5 for Architectural and Engineering (A&E) services. Cost was not an evaluation factor. The contract type will be a Cost-Plus Fixed Fee (CPFF) type contract and is subject to available funds based on Task Order Plans. The first Task Order will cover required CM support services during the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 for the Division 9/EMTC Charging Infrastructure Project.

Metro issued Request for Proposal (RFP) No. AE120406MC083 on February 20, 2024 that was advertised in the LA Sentinel, Asian Week, South Bay Daily Breeze, Los Angeles Daily News and La Opinion and posted on Metro's Vendor Portal.

A virtual pre-proposal conference was held on February 27, 2024 and was attended by 29 individuals representing 20 different firms. A total of 94 individuals from various firms downloaded the RFP package from Metro's Vendor Portal.

Three amendments were issued during the solicitation phase of this RFP and included the following summary updates:

- Amendment No. 1, issued on February 28, 2024, to delete and add SP-05 "Insurance Requirements."
- Amendment No. 2, issued on March 11, 2024, to revise solicitation Exhibit 14 – Staffing Plan for Division 9/EMTC.
- Amendment No. 3, issued on March 18, 2024, to revise and add Experience/Performance Questionnaire instructions; to add Cost and Fee Proposal submittal date clarification; to add "Certification of Prospective Contractor and Lower tier Participant Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion" on the listing of 1.4 CERTIFICATION FORMS.

A total of four proposals were received on April 8, 2024 from the following firms listed below in alphabetical order:

1. AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (AECOM)
2. Anser Advisory Consulting, LLC dba Anser Advisory (Anser)
3. Atlas Technical Consultants, LLC (Atlas)
4. United Engineering and Construction Management (UECM + DE)

## **B. Evaluation of Proposals**

A Proposal Evaluation Team (PET) consisting of Metro staff from Construction Management, Operations, and Planning was convened to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the proposals received.

The proposals were evaluated based on the following evaluation criteria and associated weights set forth in the RFP:

- Experience and Capabilities of the Firms on the Proposer’s Team 30%
- Key Personnel’s Skills and Experience 35%
- Understanding and Approach to Service Delivery 35%
- Total 100%

The evaluation criteria are appropriate and consistent with criteria developed for other similar A&E procurements. Several factors were considered when developing the weights, giving the greatest importance to the Key Personnel’s Skills and Experience, and Understanding and Approach to Service Delivery.

This is an A&E qualification-based procurement; therefore, price was not used as an evaluation factor pursuant to state and federal law.

**Qualifications Summary of Recommended Consultant:**

The PET determined that the proposal from Anser Advisory demonstrated exceptional competence and professional qualifications to perform the services required and is determined to be the most qualified proposer. Anser Advisory demonstrated, through their written proposal, extensive technical experience performing construction management support services involving the management of Zero Emissions Bus (ZEB) charging infrastructure projects and having a significant pool of personnel with expertise in meeting the requirements identified in the Scope of Services. Anser Advisory also demonstrated a thorough understanding of managing multiple deliverables with an excellent record in client satisfaction on Metro projects and similar projects around Los Angeles County.

Furthermore, this team demonstrated that it is well versed in providing the Scope of Services related to this contract and has the capabilities to provide staffing for the type of work that is required under this contract.

The scoring was based on evaluation of the written proposals received from the proposers and oral presentations. All four proposers participated in oral presentations to the PET on May 17, 2024. The results of the final scoring are shown below, in the order of their ranking:

<b>Firm</b>	<b>Average Score</b>	<b>Factor Weight</b>	<b>Weighted Average Score</b>	<b>Rank</b>
<b>Anser Advisory</b>				
Experience and Capabilities of the Firms on the Proposer's Team	88.60	30.00%	26.58	
Key Personnel's Skills and Experience	91.78	35.00%	32.12	
Understanding and Approach to Service Delivery	85.92	35.00%	30.07	
<b>Total</b>		<b>100.00%</b>	<b>88.77</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>AECOM</b>				
Experience and Capabilities of the Firms on the Proposer's Team	86.47	30.00%	25.94	
Key Personnel's Skills and Experience	88.49	35.00%	30.97	
Understanding and Approach to Service Delivery	83.03	35.00%	29.06	
<b>Total</b>		<b>100.00%</b>	<b>85.97</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Atlas</b>				
Experience and Capabilities of the Firms on the Proposer's Team	82.44	30.00%	24.73	
Key Personnel's Skills and Experience	89.80	35.00%	31.43	

Understanding and Approach to Service Delivery	82.83	35.00%	28.99	
<b>Total</b>		<b>100.00%</b>	<b>85.15</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>UECM + DE</b>				
Experience and Capabilities of the Firms on the Proposer's Team	76.50	30.00%	22.95	
Key Personnel's Skills and Experience	83.49	35.00%	29.22	
Understanding and Approach to Service Delivery	77.63	35.00%	27.17	
<b>Total</b>		<b>100.00%</b>	<b>79.34</b>	<b>4</b>

### C. Cost Analysis

A cost analysis of all the elements of cost, direct labor rates, indirect cost (overhead, etc.) rates and other allowable direct costs was performed in accordance with Metro's Procurement Policies and Procedures, including fact-finding, and clarifications to determine the costs are fair and reasonable. Metro negotiated indirect cost rates as provisional rates, plus a fixed fee factor to establish a fixed fee amount based on the total estimated cost of performance of the Scope of Services, during the contract term for each Task Order. Work Plans for the CMSS consultant will be negotiated annually for each project authorized through a Task Order, subject to availability of funds.

Audits will be performed, where required, for those firms on the team without a current compliant audit of their indirect cost rates, in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 31. In order to prevent any unnecessary delay in contract award, provisional indirect cost rates have been established subject to retroactive Contract adjustments upon completion of any necessary audits.

<b>Contract Duration</b>	<b>Cost Proposal Amount</b>	<b>Metro ICE</b>	<b>NTE Funding Amount</b>
Base Period – 3 years	\$5,260,015	\$6,986,608	\$6,012,319

During negotiations, the level of effort was increased from Anser's initial cost proposal by an additional 2,000 labor hours over the period of performance of

three (3) years. The additional level of effort is attributed to additional support needed for third party coordination for the Charge-Ready Program, which was part of the Scope of Services.

#### **D. Background on Recommended Contractor**

Anser Advisory (Anser), is a wholly owned subsidiary of Accenture LLP, a national program management, project/construction management and engineering consulting leader. Anser has more than 10 years of experience and expertise managing projects and programs for transit agencies and public clients in Los Angeles County and the larger Southern California region.

Anser was selected to provide Construction Management Support Services (CMSS) on the Division 20 Portal Widening Turnback Facility Project, the Program Management Support Services as the prime consultant for Sepulveda Transit Corridor project, and Construction Support Services Consultant for the Metro Center Street Project. Anser also provides CMSS services as a subconsultant on the I-105 Express Lanes CM/GC Project, the Regional Connector Project, and the Harbor Gateway Transit Center Electric Bus Charging Infrastructure. Their performance has been satisfactory.

Anser is located in downtown Los Angeles.



## DEOD SUMMARY

**CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES FOR BATTERY ELECTRIC  
BUS CHARGER INFRASTRUCTURE / AE120406MC083**

**A. Small Business Participation**

The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) established an overall 27% Small Business Enterprise (SBE) and 3% Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) goal for this Task Order solicitation. Anser Advisory Consulting, LLC (Anser) met and exceeded the goal by making a 30.00% SBE and 3.00% DVBE commitment. Anser listed three SBE firms without commitments for roles which might be needed in the future.

<b>Small Business Goal</b>	<b>27% SBE 3% DVBE</b>	<b>Small Business Commitment</b>	<b>30.00% SBE 3.00% DVBE</b>
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	<b>SBE Subcontractors</b>	<b>% Committed</b>
1.	D'Leon Consulting Engineers	16.83%
2.	V&A	13.17%
3.	Suenram & Associates, Inc.	TBD
4.	Ultrasystems Environmental, Inc.	TBD
5.	PQM, Inc	TBD
	<b>Total Commitment</b>	<b>30.00%</b>

	<b>DVBE Subcontractor</b>	<b>% Committed</b>
1.	Casamar Group, LLC	3.00%
	<b>Total Commitment</b>	<b>3.00%</b>

**B. Local Small Business Preference Program (LSBE)**

The LSBE Preference Program does not apply to Architecture and Engineering procurements. Pursuant to state and federal law, price cannot be used as an evaluation factor.

**C. Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy Applicability**

The Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy is not applicable to this contract.

**D. Prevailing Wage Applicability**

Prevailing Wage requirements are applicable to this contract. DEOD will monitor contractors' compliance with the State of California Department of Industrial

Relations (DIR), California Labor Code, and, if federally funded, the U S Department of Labor (DOL) Davis Bacon and Related Acts (DBRA).

**E. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy**

Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is not applicable to this Contract. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is applicable only to construction contracts that have a construction contract value in excess of \$2.5 million.

AWARD AND EXECUTE CONTRACT:

# Construction Management Support Services (CMSS) for Battery Electric Bus Charger Infrastructure



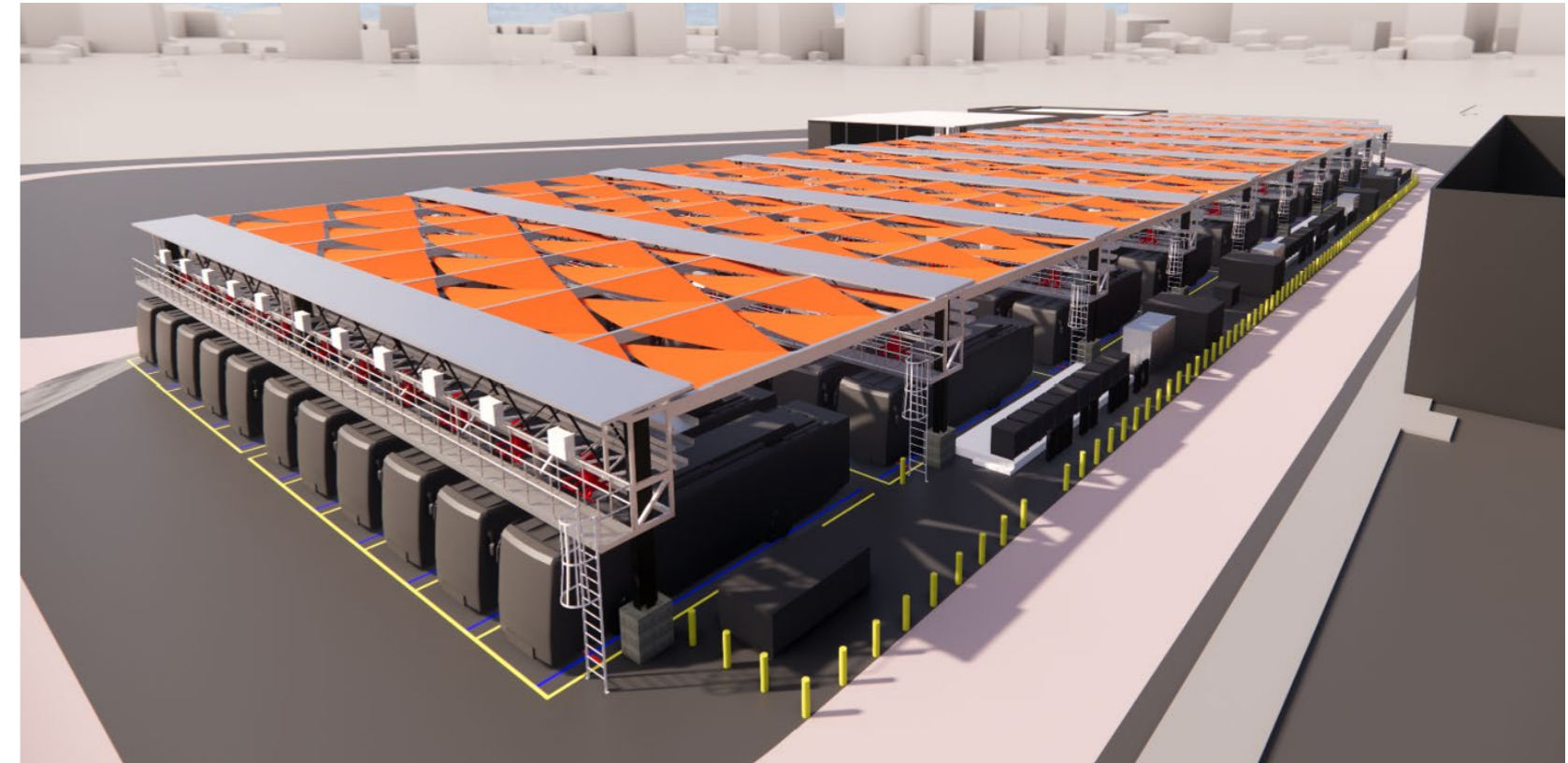
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# SCOPE



The CMSS consultant will assist Metro administering the design and construction contracts for projects associated with installation of charging infrastructure to support the conversion to battery electric buses and ensure that the construction of various projects are administered and completed in compliance with contract requirements and government regulations.

Work Plans for the CMSS consultant will be negotiated annually for each project authorized through a Task Order, subject to availability of funds.



Rendering of the Division 9 Battery Electric Bus Depot Charging

The services will initially focus on supporting Metro during the construction of Division 9 and El Monte Transit Center Charging Infrastructure Project currently under construction.

# PROCUREMENT EVALUATION



## Proposal Evaluation Team (PET)

- Construction Management
- Operations
- Countywide Planning

EVALUATION CRITERIA	MAXIMUM POINTS	ANSER ADVISORY	AECOM	ATLAS	UECM + DE
Experience and Capabilities of the Firms on the Proposer's Team	30	26.58	25.94	24.73	22.95
Key Personnel's Skills and Experience	35	32.12	30.97	31.43	29.22
Understanding and Approach to Service Delivery	35	30.07	29.06	28.99	27.17
<b>Total Score</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>88.77</b>	<b>85.97</b>	<b>85.15</b>	<b>79.34</b>

DEOD Goal: 27% SBE; 3% DVBE

Anser Commitment: 30% SBE; 3% DVBE

# RECOMMENDATION



**AUTHORIZE** the Chief Executive Officer to award a cost plus fixed fee Contract No. AE120406MC083, to Anser Advisory, to provide Construction Management Support Services for Battery Electric Bus (BEB) Charging Infrastructure Projects located at our bus operation divisions, transit centers, as well as opportunity chargers along current BEB routes for a term of 3 years at a not to exceed total contract value of \$6,012,319 subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

# NEXT STEPS



Upon Board approval of this recommended action, staff will execute Contract No. AE120406MC083 with Anser Advisory to provide construction management support services for the Battery Electric Bus Charging Infrastructure Project.

# Q&A







## Board Report

File #: 2024-0434, File Type: Resolution

Agenda Number: 18.

### FINANCE, BUDGET & AUDIT COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

**SUBJECT: MEASURE R BONDS**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. ADOPTING a Resolution, Attachment A (“Resolution”), that authorizes the issuance and sale of up to \$500 million in aggregate principal amount of Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds in one or more series and taking all other actions necessary in connection with the issuance of the refunding bonds (“Refunding Bonds”); and
- B. ESTABLISHING an underwriter pool as shown in Attachment B that will be used to select underwriters for all future negotiated debt issues through June 30, 2029.

(REQUIRES SEPARATE, SIMPLE MAJORITY VOTE OF THE FULL BOARD)

#### **ISSUE**

The outstanding Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2010-A (“2010 Bonds”) are eligible for refunding, on a current basis, pursuant to the Extraordinary Optional Redemption (“EOR”) provision described in Section 14.02 of the First Supplemental Trust Agreement relating to the 2010 Bonds. As discussed in more detail below, the EOR provision offers Metro an opportunity to pay off, or refund, the 2010 Bonds prior to maturity at a lower redemption price than otherwise provided following a reduction in federal subsidy payments relating to the 2010 Bonds. Such subsidy payments were originally authorized by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, as part of the Build America Bond (“BAB”) program at the time the 2010 Bonds were issued. Approximately \$482.40 million of the 2010 Bonds are outstanding and eligible for the refunding.

The refunding would also eliminate the risk to Metro that Congress further reduces, or outright terminates, the subsidy payments (which are reimbursements to Metro from the Federal Government for a portion of the interest payable on the 2010 Bonds). The reduction of subsidy payments is called sequestration. In addition, the refunding would add optionality to Metro’s Measure R debt portfolio by including a par call option (the ability to redeem the Refunding Bonds prior to their final maturity at a

redemption price equal the principal amount of the Refunding Bonds, plus accrued interest), not available in connection with the outstanding 2010 Bonds, which provide for only redemptions that utilize the EOR provision.

## **BACKGROUND**

Following authorization of the proposed refunding, Metro may proceed to refund the outstanding 2010 Bonds as early as October 2024 using the EOR provision. The Debt Policy establishes criteria to evaluate refunding opportunities for economic cost-effective opportunities or other non-economic reasons to issue refunding obligations. The refunding would add option value with an early call option applicable to the Refunding Bonds, and it would eliminate the sequestration risk associated with the 2010 Bonds.

### **Build America Bonds history:**

In 2009 and 2010, the Build America Bond (“BAB”) program allowed municipal issuers to issue taxable bonds for new money purposes with the expectation that issuers would be reimbursed for 35% of the interest payable on such bonds (in the form of subsidy payments distributed semi-annually to such issuers, including Metro). When Metro’s Series 2010-A Build America Bonds were issued in 2010 it was determined at the time that, with the 35% interest subsidy provided under the BAB program, the taxable 2010 Bonds provided a lower cost of funds than traditional tax-exempt bonds. However, following the subsequent enactment by Congress of the Budget Control Act of 2011, as amended by the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, which required sequestration of certain direct federal spending, BAB subsidy payments, including with respect to the 2010 Bonds, were reduced by 8.7% in 2013 (reduced from 35% to 31.95%) for federal fiscal year 2013.

The sequestration percentage of the subsidy has fluctuated from year to year since 2013. Currently, BAB subsidy payments are subject to sequestration at the 5.7% (reduced from 35% to 33.01%) rate through FY2030. Additionally, the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 can impose mandatory spending cuts, including potentially 100% sequestration of the BAB subsidy, if legislation increases the federal budget deficit. In 2022, there were concerns that the BAB subsidy could be subject to 100% sequestration in 2023. The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 protected the BAB subsidy from being subject to 100% sequestration through 2025, but risks remain based on future federal budget conditions. Further, in November 2023, the U.S. Supreme Court effectively confirmed that Congress had full authority to reduce BAB payments through sequestration. Sequestration risk is the threat of reduced subsidy payments due to automatic government spending cuts, which can impact bondholders and increase costs for Metro. This refunding would eliminate the sequestration risk associated with the 2010 Bonds and protect Metro from paying increased debt service over the remaining life (potentially up to \$62 million). The Refunding Bonds help Metro avoid the risk of losing money if Congress cuts BAB subsidy payments, making it safer and easier to pay off debt.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **Refunding Bonds:**

The Refunding Bonds will be structured as fixed rate bonds and will be sold using a negotiated sale method. If market conditions change suddenly, a negotiated sale provides Metro the flexibility to alter

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the sale date and/or bond structure, as needed. A negotiated sale method also allows Metro to advance its DBE/SBE/DVBE firm participation goals. In alignment with Metro's desire to maximize DBE/SBE/DVBE firm participation, 50% of the participants chosen for the proposed transaction identify as DBE/SBE/DVBE, including the lead Senior Manager role. The underwriters will pre-market the issue to target as many investors as possible, assist with the credit rating process and advise on market conditions for optimal bond pricing.

The evaluation team has selected the following firms as the underwriting syndicate for the transaction.

Senior Managing Underwriter: Siebert Williams Shank & Co. (DBE)

Co-Senior Managing Underwriters: Jefferies and Morgan Stanley

Co-Managing Underwriter: Academy Securities (DVBE)

#### Underwriting Pool:

Consistent with the Metro Debt Policy, underwriters for this transaction and the requested pool were selected by a competitive Request for Proposal ("RFP") process conducted by Montague DeRose and Associates, LLC ("MDA") and Public Resources Advisory Group ("PRAG"), Metro's Transaction Municipal Advisor and General Municipal Advisor, respectively. Of the 25 proposals received, 17 are recommended for the negotiated underwriting pool expiring June 30, 2029. Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP and Nixon Peabody LLP were selected by Treasury staff and County Counsel to serve as Bond Counsel and Disclosure Counsel, respectively.

Of the 25 proposals received during the underwriter selection process, 13 were designated as DBE/SBE/DVBE (doubling the number of DBE/SBE/DVBE firms in Metro's underwriter pool from 4 to 8).

### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Approval of this item will not impact the safety of Metro's patrons or employees.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The costs of issuance for the Refunding Bonds will be paid from proceeds of the financing and will be budget neutral. Approval of this item is intended to reduce financial risk, sequestration risk, and maintain planned funding and schedules for Metro capital projects funded by Measure R.

### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

During the underwriter selection process, Metro was able to double the number of DBE/SBE/DVBE firms in the new underwriter pool. Almost half of the new members of the pool (8 of 17) is made up of DBE/SBE/DVBE firms. Metro Treasury will continue outreach encouraging participation by these firms while ensuring they have sufficient underwriting capacity to support bond transactions.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

Recommendation supports the following Metro Strategic Plan Goal:

Goal #5: Provide responsive, accountable, and trustworthy governance within the Metro organization.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board could defer the issuance of the Refunding Bonds to a later time or indefinitely. This is not recommended because staff cannot predict that interest rates will remain low enough to generate a comparable economic benefit. Federal Reserve Bank actions and all other market and economic conditions may create federal budget constraints and result in further BAB subsidy reductions. Additionally, deferring issuance to a later time or indefinitely would result in the 2010 Bonds remaining at risk of increased or complete sequestration.

### **NEXT STEPS**

- Obtain ratings on the Refunding Bonds
- Complete legal documentation and distribute the preliminary official statement to potential investors, initiate the pre-marketing efforts
- Negotiate the sale of the Bonds with the underwriters

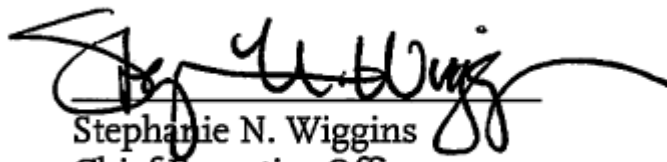
### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Authorizing Resolution

Attachment B - Summary of Underwriter Selection

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**Authorizing Resolution**

RESOLUTION OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF ONE OR MORE SERIES OF ITS LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY MEASURE R SENIOR SALES TAX REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ONE OR MORE SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST AGREEMENTS, PURCHASE CONTRACTS, CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATES AND PRELIMINARY AND FINAL OFFICIAL STATEMENTS, AND THE TAKING OF ALL OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

**(MEASURE R SALES TAX)**

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (the "LACMTA") is a county transportation commission duly organized and existing pursuant to Section 130050.2 of the California Public Utilities Code; and

WHEREAS, the LACMTA is authorized by Sections 130350.4 and 130350.5 of the California Public Utilities Code (the "Sales Tax Law") to impose a retail transactions and use tax at a rate of 0.5% that is applicable in the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County of Los Angeles, California (the "County") if authorized by at least two-thirds of the electors voting on the issue; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with such provision, the LACMTA, on July 24, 2008, adopted Ordinance No. 08-01, known as the Traffic Relief and Rail Expansion Ordinance, Imposing a Transactions and Use Tax to be Administered by the State Board of Equalization (the "Ordinance") imposing the transactions and use tax for a period of 30 years, and the Ordinance was submitted to the electors of the County in the form of Measure R and approved by more than a two-thirds vote at an election held on November 4, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance, as so approved, imposes for a period of 30 years, beginning July 1, 2009, a tax upon the sale of tangible personal property at retail at a rate of 1/2 of 1% of the gross receipts of the sale and a complementary tax upon the storage, use or other consumption in the County at a rate of 1/2 of 1% of the sales price of the property whose storage, use or other consumption is subject to the tax (the "Measure R Sales Tax"); and

WHEREAS, Section 130500 et seq. of the California Public Utilities Code (the "Act") provides that the LACMTA may issue bonds, which terms includes indebtedness and securities of any kind or class, including bonds, notes, bond anticipation notes, commercial paper and other obligations, and all of such obligations shall be special obligations of the LACMTA, payable from the proceeds of the Measure R Sales Tax; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the construction, maintenance, improvement and operation of the transportation projects authorized by the Ordinance, including in particular Goldline Foothill Extension and Exposition Line Phase II, the LACMTA, as authorized by the Act, issued its Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2010-A (Taxable Build America Bonds) (the "Prior Bonds") on November 16, 2010, pursuant to a Trust Agreement, dated as of November 1, 2010, by and between the LACMTA and

the U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as successor trustee (the “Trustee”), and a First Supplemental Trust Agreement, dated as of November 1, 2010 (the “First Supplemental Trust Agreement”), by and between the LACMTA and the Trustee; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act and the provisions of the Second Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated as of August 1, 2020 (as supplemented and amended from time to time, the “Trust Agreement”), between the LACMTA and the Trustee, the LACMTA is authorized to issue additional Bonds (as defined in the Trust Agreement); and

WHEREAS, the Prior Bonds were issued as “Build America Bonds” under the provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, and the LACMTA elected to receive subsidy payments from the United States Treasury in an amount equal to 35% of the interest due on the Prior Bonds (the “Subsidy Payments”); and

WHEREAS, the LACMTA has determined that a Tax Law Change has occurred under, and as defined in, the First Supplemental Trust Agreement, reducing such Subsidy Payments; and

WHEREAS, the LACMTA has determined that the issuance of one or more series of Bonds, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$500,000,000, is necessary in order to: (a) refund all or a portion of the Prior Bonds; and (b) pay the costs of issuance incurred in connection with such Bonds (collectively, the “Financing”); and

WHEREAS, the LACMTA has determined that such Bonds shall be entitled “Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds,” with such series designations and other additions and modifications as may be appropriate (collectively, the “Series 2024 Bonds”); and

WHEREAS, the LACMTA has determined that it is in its best interest to sell the Series 2024 Bonds to the public through a negotiated sale to one or more underwriters to be selected by a Designated Officer (as defined herein) through a competitive process by the LACMTA (the “Underwriters”); and

WHEREAS, the sale of the Series 2024 Bonds shall be in accordance with the Debt Policy of the LACMTA as determined by the a Designated Officer (as defined below), which determination shall be conclusive for purposes of this Resolution, and the proceeds of the Series 2024 Bonds will be applied in accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Sales Tax Law, the Ordinance and the Expenditure Plan adopted in connection with the Ordinance (the “Expenditure Plan”); and

WHEREAS, the forms of the following documents are on file with the Board Clerk (the “Clerk”) of the Board of Directors of the LACMTA (the “Board”) and have been made available to the members of the Board:

(a) a Supplemental Trust Agreement (the “Supplemental Trust Agreement”), by and between the LACMTA and the Trustee, one or more of which will supplement the Trust Agreement for purposes of providing the terms and conditions of the Series 2024 Bonds;

(b) a Purchase Contract (the “Purchase Contract”), one or more of which will be entered into by one or more of the Underwriters and the LACMTA, which shall set forth the terms of the sale of the Series 2024 Bonds;

(c) a Preliminary Official Statement (the “Preliminary Official Statement”), one or more of which will provide information about the Series 2024 Bonds, the LACMTA, the Measure

R Sales Tax and certain other related matters, and will be used, from time to time, in connection with the offer and sale of the Series 2024 Bonds; and

(d) a Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the “Continuing Disclosure Certificate”), one or more of which will be executed by the LACMTA, which will be used in order to assist the Underwriters in complying with Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12; and

WHEREAS, the LACMTA has been advised by its bond counsel that such documents are in appropriate form, and the LACMTA hereby acknowledges that said documents will be modified and amended to reflect the various details applicable to the Series 2024 Bonds and whether such Series 2024 Bonds are issued in a single issuance or multiple issuances, and said documents are subject to completion to reflect the results of the sale of the Series 2024 Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the LACMTA has pledged the Pledged Revenues pursuant to the terms of the Trust Agreement to secure the Bonds and certain other obligations of the LACMTA and once issued, the Series 2024 Bonds will be “Bonds” as defined in the Trust Agreement and will be secured by the pledge of the Pledged Revenues under the Trust Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Section 5852.1 of the California Government Code requires that the governing body of a public body obtain from an underwriter, municipal advisor or private lender and disclose, prior to authorizing the issuance of bonds with a term of greater than 13 months, good faith estimates of the following information in a meeting open to the public: (a) the true interest cost of the bonds, (b) the sum of all fees and charges paid to third parties with respect to the bonds, (c) the amount of proceeds of the bonds expected to be received net of the fees and charges paid to third parties and any reserves or capitalized interest paid or funded with proceeds of the bonds, and (d) the sum total of all debt service payments on the bonds calculated to the final maturity of the bonds plus the fees and charges paid to third parties not paid with the proceeds of the bonds; and

WHEREAS, the LACMTA is duly authorized and empowered, pursuant to each and every requirement of law, to authorize the Financing and to authorize the issuance of the Series 2024 Bonds, execution and delivery of one or more Supplemental Trust Agreements, Purchase Contracts and Continuing Disclosure Certificates, the preparation of one or more Preliminary Official Statements and the preparation, execution and delivery of one or more Official Statements (as hereinafter defined) for the purposes, in the manner and upon the terms provided; and

WHEREAS, terms used in this Resolution and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Trust Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1. Findings.** The Board finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and that:

(a) The issuance of one or more series of its Series 2024 Bonds from time to time under the Trust Agreement and the Supplemental Trust Agreement to refund all or a portion of the Prior Bonds, and to pay certain costs of issuance related to the issuance of the Series 2024 Bonds, is in the public interest.

(b) Under the provisions of the Ordinance, all of the Pledged Tax Revenues are revenues of the LACMTA available under the Expenditure Plan and are available to be and are, by

the terms of the Trust Agreement, pledged, to secure the Series 2024 Bonds, and, by this Resolution, such pledge is reaffirmed.

(c) The provisions contained in the Trust Agreement, as previously amended and supplemented, and as to be supplemented as set forth in the Supplemental Trust Agreement, are reasonable and proper for the security of the holders of the Series 2024 Bonds.

**Section 2. Issuance of Series 2024 Bonds.** The Board hereby authorizes the issuance by the LACMTA of one or more series of Series 2024 Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$500,000,000 to: (a) refund all or a portion of the Prior Bonds; and (b) pay the costs of issuance incurred in connection with the Financing; provided, however, that the True Interest Cost (as defined below) of each series of the Series 2024 Bonds shall not exceed 6.0%, as such shall be calculated by the LACMTA's municipal advisor as of the date of delivery of each series of the Series 2024 Bonds. The LACMTA hereby specifies that the Series 2024 Bonds shall mature not later than June 1, 2039.

The Series 2024 Bonds may be issued as bonds the interest on which is excludable from gross income under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The LACMTA hereby designates the Chair of the Board, any Vice Chair of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer of LACMTA, the Chief Financial Officer of LACMTA, the Treasurer of LACMTA, any Assistant Treasurer of LACMTA, any Executive Officer - Finance of LACMTA and any Deputy Executive Officer - Finance of LACMTA, or any such officer serving in an acting or interim capacity, and any written designee of any of them as Designated Officers (each a "Designated Officer"), and the Designated Officers, acting in accordance with this Section 2, are each hereby severally authorized to determine whether all or any portion, and which portion, of the Prior Bonds shall be refunded, the aggregate principal amount of each series of Series 2024 Bonds to be issued (not in excess of the maximum amount set forth above), and to direct the execution and authentication of the Series 2024 Bonds in such amount. Such direction shall be conclusive as to the principal amounts hereby authorized. Payment of the principal of, interest on and premium, if any, on the Series 2024 Bonds shall be made at the place or places and in the manner provided in the Trust Agreement and the Supplemental Trust Agreement.

As used herein, the term "True Interest Cost" shall be the interest rate (compounded semiannually) necessary to discount the debt service payments from their respective payment dates to the dated date of the applicable series of Series 2024 Bonds and to the principal amount and original issue premium, if any, less underwriters' discount and original issue discount, if any, of the applicable series of Series 2024 Bonds. For the purpose of calculating the True Interest Cost, the principal amount of the applicable series of Series 2024 Bonds scheduled for mandatory sinking fund redemption as part of a term bond shall be treated as a serial maturity for such year. The calculation of the True Interest Cost shall include such other reasonable assumptions and methods as determined by the LACMTA's municipal advisor.

**Section 3. Terms of Series 2024 Bonds.** The Series 2024 Bonds shall be issued as current interest bonds, as serial bonds or term bonds or both, in denominations of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof, in the aggregate principal amounts, and dated all as set forth in the Supplemental Trust Agreement as it is finally executed and delivered. Interest on the Series 2024 Bonds shall be paid at the rates (not to exceed 6.0% per annum) and on the dates, and the Series 2024 Bonds may be subject to optional or mandatory redemption on such terms and conditions, as shall be set forth in the Supplemental Trust Agreement as finally executed and delivered.

Execution and delivery of the Supplemental Trust Agreement, which document will contain the maturities, principal amounts, interest rates, the payment obligations of the LACMTA and terms,



all within parameters set forth in this Resolution, shall constitute conclusive evidence of the LACMTA's approval of such maturities, principal amounts, interest rates, payment obligations and terms.

**Section 4. Special Obligations.** The Series 2024 Bonds shall be special obligations of the LACMTA payable from and secured by a pledge of and lien on Pledged Revenues and the funds and accounts held by the Trustee under the Trust Agreement, including as supplemented by the Supplemental Trust Agreement, all as provided therein.

**Section 5. Form of Series 2024 Bonds.** The Series 2024 Bonds and the Trustee's Certificate of Authentication to appear thereon shall be in substantially the form set forth in Exhibit A to the Supplemental Trust Agreement on file with the Clerk of the Board and made available to the Board, with such necessary or appropriate variations, omissions and insertions as permitted or required by the Trust Agreement or the Supplemental Trust Agreement or otherwise by law, or as appropriate to adequately reflect the terms of such Series 2024 Bonds and the obligation represented thereby.

**Section 6. Execution of Series 2024 Bonds.** Each of the Series 2024 Bonds shall be executed on behalf of the LACMTA by any Designated Officer and any such execution may be by manual or facsimile signature, and each bond shall be authenticated by the endorsement of the Trustee or an agent of the Trustee. Any facsimile signature of such Designated Officer(s) shall have the same force and effect as if such officer(s) had manually signed each of such Series 2024 Bonds.

**Section 7. Approval of Documents; Authorization for Execution.** The forms, terms and provisions of the Supplemental Trust Agreement, Purchase Contract and the Continuing Disclosure Certificate on file with the Clerk of the Board and made available to the Board, within the parameters set forth in this Resolution, are in all respects approved, and each of the Designated Officers is hereby severally authorized, empowered and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name of and on behalf of the LACMTA one or more Supplemental Trust Agreements, Purchase Contracts and Continuing Disclosure Certificates, including counterparts thereof, in the name of and on behalf of the LACMTA. The Supplemental Trust Agreement(s), Purchase Contract(s) and Continuing Disclosure Certificate(s), as executed and delivered, shall be in substantially the forms now on file with the Clerk of the Board and made available to the Board and hereby approved, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the Designated Officer executing the same; the execution thereof shall constitute conclusive evidence of the Board's approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form of the Supplemental Trust Agreement, the Purchase Contract and the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, now on file with the Clerk of the Board and made available to the Board; and from and after the execution and delivery of the Supplemental Trust Agreement, the Purchase Contract and the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, the officers, agents and employees of the LACMTA are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary to carry out and comply with the provisions of each Supplemental Trust Agreement, the Purchase Contract and the Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

**Section 8. Sale of Series 2024 Bonds.**

(a) The Designated Officers are each authorized and directed to engage third parties, including but not limited to, Underwriters, that such Designated Officer deems necessary or advisable in order to: consummate the Financing, assist with the issuance and sale of the Series 2024 Bonds, to manage and administer the Financing after the issuance and sale

of the Series 2024 Bonds or otherwise to carry out, give effect to and comply with the terms and intent of this Resolution.

(b) The Board hereby authorizes the sale of the Series 2024 Bonds to the public through a negotiated sale to the Underwriters. The Series 2024 Bonds shall be sold subject to an Underwriters' discount (excluding original issue discount and premium) not to exceed \$3.00 per \$1000 of principal amount of the Series 2024 Bonds and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the form of the Purchase Contract.

**Section 9. Preliminary Official Statement and Official Statement.** One or more Preliminary Official Statements shall be used by the LACMTA in connection with the sale and issuance of the Series 2024 Bonds. The form of the Preliminary Official Statement on file with the Clerk of the Board and made available to the Board is hereby approved. The Preliminary Official Statement shall be substantially in the form of the Preliminary Official Statement on file with the Clerk of the Board and made available to the Board with such changes as a Designated Officer approves (such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of the certificate referenced in the following sentence). The Preliminary Official Statement shall be circulated for use in selling the Series 2024 Bonds at such time or times as a Designated Officer shall deem such Preliminary Official Statement to be final within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, said determination to be conclusively evidenced by a certificate signed by said Designated Officer to said effect. The Preliminary Official Statement shall contain a description of the finances and operations of the LACMTA, a description of the Measure R Sales Tax and a description of historical receipts of sales tax revenues substantially in the form of the Preliminary Official Statement on file with the Clerk of the Board and made available to the Board with such changes as any Designated Officer determines are appropriate or necessary. The Preliminary Official Statement shall also contain a description of the applicable Series 2024 Bonds and the terms and conditions of the Trust Agreement and the Supplemental Trust Agreement together with such information and description as a Designated Officer determines is appropriate or necessary. The Underwriters are hereby authorized to circulate (via printed format and/or through electronic means) the Preliminary Official Statement and any supplement thereto for use in selling the Series 2024 Bonds from time to time. The Underwriters are hereby further authorized to distribute (via printed format and/or through electronic means) copies of the LACMTA's most recent annual audited financial statements and such other financial statements of the LACMTA as any Designated Officer shall approve. Upon the execution and delivery of the Purchase Contract, from time to time, one or more of the Designated Officers shall provide for the preparation, publication, execution and delivery of one or more final Official Statements in substantially the form of the Preliminary Official Statement deemed final by a Designated Officer with such changes as any Designated Officer approves, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution of such final Official Statement. Any Designated Officer is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver one or more final Official Statements in the name and on behalf of the LACMTA. One or more supplements to the final Official Statement(s) or revised final Official Statement(s) may be prepared and delivered to the Underwriters reflecting updated and revised information as shall be acceptable to the Underwriters and as the Designated Officers, or any one of them, approve. Each final Official Statement shall be circulated (via printed format and/or through electronic means) for use in selling the Series 2024 Bonds at such time or times as a Designated Officer deems appropriate after consultation with the Underwriters, the LACMTA's municipal advisor and bond counsel and such other advisors as a Designated Officer believes to be useful. The Underwriters are hereby authorized to circulate (via printed format and/or through electronic means) the final Official Statement, any supplement to the final Official Statement and any revised final Official Statement, as the case may be.

**Section 10. Trustee, Paying Agent and Registrar.** U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association is hereby appointed as Trustee, Paying Agent and Registrar for the Series 2024 Bonds. Such appointments shall be effective upon the issuance of the Series 2024 Bonds and shall remain in effect until the LACMTA, by supplemental agreement, resolution or other action, shall name a substitute or successor thereto.

**Section 11. Additional Authorization.** Each Designated Officer, for and on behalf of the LACMTA, is and they hereby are, jointly and severally authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to effect the issuance of the Series 2024 Bonds and the Financing, and the execution and delivery of each Supplemental Trust Agreement, each Purchase Contract, and each Continuing Disclosure Certificate, and to carry out the terms thereof. The officers, employees and agents of the LACMTA, including, but not limited to the Designated Officers, are hereby authorized and directed, jointly and severally, for and in the name and on behalf of the LACMTA, to do any and all things and to take any and all actions and to execute and deliver any and all agreements, certificates and documents, including, without limitation, any escrow agreements, any tax certificates or agreements, any documents with respect to the refunding of the Prior Bonds, any calculation agent certificates, any agreements for depository services, and any agreements for rebate compliance services, which they, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable in order to consummate the Financing and the issuance and sale of the Series 2024 Bonds, to manage and administer the Financing after the issuance and sale of the Series 2024 Bonds and otherwise to carry out, give effect to and comply with the terms and intent of the Ordinance, this Resolution, the Series 2024 Bonds and the documents approved hereby.

All approvals, consents, directions, notices, orders, requests and other actions permitted or required by any of the documents authorized by this Resolution, whether before or after the issuance of the Series 2024 Bonds, including, without limitation, any of the foregoing that may be necessary or desirable in connection with any investment of proceeds of the Series 2024 Bonds, or in connection with the addition, substitution or replacement of underwriters, or any agreements with paying agents, calculation agents or the Trustee or any similar action may be given or taken by any Designated Officer without further authorization or direction by the LACMTA, and each Designated Officer is hereby authorized and directed to give any such approval, consent, direction, notice, order, request, or other action and to execute such documents and take any such action which such Designated Officer may deem necessary or desirable to further the purposes of this Resolution. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents and employees of the LACMTA in furtherance of this Resolution and the Financing are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.

Any Designated Officer, on behalf of the LACMTA, is further authorized and directed to cause written notice to be provided to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission (“CDIAC”) of the proposed sale of the Series 2024 Bonds, said notice to be provided in accordance with Section 8855 et seq. of the California Government Code, to file the notice of final sale with CDIAC, to file the rebates and notices required under section 148(f) and 149(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, if necessary, and to file such additional notices and reports as are deemed necessary or desirable by such Designated Officer in connection with the Series 2024 Bonds, and any such notices are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

In connection with the sale of all or a portion of the Series 2024 Bonds, any Designated Officers is hereby authorized on behalf of the LACMTA to purchase or otherwise arrange for the provision of (including the payment of such premiums, fees and other costs and expenses as such Designated Officer determines acceptable), one or more policies of municipal bond insurance to support the timely payment of principal of and interest on all or a portion of the Series 2024 Bonds, said municipal bond

insurance to contain such terms and conditions as such Designated Officer(s) shall determine is appropriate or necessary for the issuance of the Series 2024 Bonds.

**Section 12. Continuing Authority of Designated Officers.** The authority of any individual serving as a Designated Officer under this Resolution by a written designation signed by Chair of the Board, any Vice Chair of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer of LACMTA, the Chief Financial Officer of LACMTA, the Treasurer of LACMTA, any Assistant Treasurer of LACMTA, any Executive Officer - Finance of LACMTA or any Deputy Executive Officer Finance of LACMTA shall remain valid notwithstanding the fact that the individual officer of the LACMTA signing such designation ceases to be an officer of the LACMTA, unless such designation specifically provides otherwise.

**Section 13. Investments.** Each Designated Officer is hereby authorized to invest the proceeds of the Series 2024 Bonds in accordance with the Trust Agreement and the Supplemental Trust Agreement and the LACMTA's Investment Policy and is further authorized to enter into or to instruct the Trustee to enter into one or more investment agreements, float contracts, swaps or other hedging products (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Investment Agreement") providing for the investment of moneys in any of the funds and accounts created under the Trust Agreement and the Supplemental Trust Agreement, on such terms as the Designated Officer shall deem appropriate. Pursuant to Section 5922 of the California Government Code, the LACMTA hereby finds and determines that the Investment Agreement is designed to reduce the amount or duration of payment, rate, spread or similar risk or result in a lower cost of borrowing when used in combination with the Series 2024 Bonds or enhance the relationship between risk and return with respect to investments.

**Section 14. Good Faith Estimates.** In accordance with Section 5852.1 of the California Government Code, good faith estimates of the following are set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto: (a) the true interest cost of the Series 2024 Bonds, (b) the sum of all fees and charges paid to third parties with respect to the Series 2024 Bonds, (c) the amount of proceeds of the Series 2024 Bonds expected to be received net of the fees and charges paid to third parties and any reserves or capitalized interest paid or funded with proceeds of the Series 2024 Bonds, and (d) the sum total of all debt service payments on the Series 2024 Bonds calculated to the final maturity of the Series 2024 Bonds plus the fees and charges paid to third parties not paid with the proceeds of the Series 2024 Bonds.

**Section 15. Further Actions.** From and after the delivery of the Series 2024 Bonds, the Designated Officers and each of them are hereby authorized and directed to amend, supplement or otherwise modify each document authorized or authorized to be amended by this Resolution at any time and from time to time and in any manner determined to be necessary or desirable by the Designated Officer executing such amendment, supplement, or modification, upon consultation with the LACMTA's municipal advisor and bond counsel, the execution of such amendment, supplement or other modification being conclusive evidence of the LACMTA's approval thereof. Further, the Designated Officers and each of them are hereby authorized and directed to terminate any municipal bond insurance policy or investment agreement and enter into one or more municipal bond insurance policies or investment agreements as any such Designated Officer shall determine is appropriate or necessary.

**Section 16. Costs of Issuance.** The LACMTA authorizes funds of the LACMTA, together with the proceeds of the Series 2024 Bonds, to be used to pay costs of issuance of the Series 2024 Bonds, including, but not limited to, costs of attorneys, accountants, municipal advisors, trustees, verification agents, escrow agents, calculation agents, the costs associated with rating agencies, bond insurance and surety bonds, printing, publication and mailing expenses and any related filing fees.

**Section 17. Severability.** The provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase or provision shall for any reason be declared to be invalid, such sections, phrases and provisions shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution.

**Section 18. Electronic Signatures.** The Board hereby approves the execution and delivery of all agreements, documents, certificates and instruments referred to herein with electronic signatures as may be permitted under the California Uniform Electronic Transactions Act and digital signatures as may be permitted under Section 16.5 of the California Government Code using DocuSign.

**Section 19. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall be effective with respect to the Series 2024 Bonds issued on or before June 30, 2025.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting as Board Clerk of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

By \_\_\_\_\_

Board Clerk, Los Angeles County  
Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

EXHIBIT A

GOOD FAITH ESTIMATES

The following information was obtained from Montague DeRose and Associates (the “Municipal Advisor”) with respect to the bonds (the “Bonds”) approved in the attached Resolution, and is provided in compliance with Section 5852.1 of the California Government Code with respect to the Bonds:

Section 1. True Interest Cost of the Bonds. Based on market interest rates prevailing at the time of preparation of this information, a good faith estimate of the true interest cost of the Bonds, which means the rate necessary to discount the amounts payable on the respective principal and interest payment dates to the purchase price received for the Bonds, is 2.89%.

Section 2. Finance Charge of the Bonds. Based on market interest rates prevailing at the time of preparation of this information, a good faith estimate of the finance charge of the Bonds, which means the sum of all fees and charges paid to third parties (or costs associated with the Bonds), is \$1,373,910, as follows:

(a) Underwriters’ Discount	\$767,060
(b) Bond Counsel and Disbursements	130,000
(c) Disclosure Counsel and Disbursements	65,000
(d) Municipal Advisor and Disbursements	55,000
(e) Rating Agencies	306,750
(f) Other	50,100
Total	<u>\$1,373,910</u>

Section 3. Amount of Proceeds to be Received. Based on market interest rates prevailing at the time of preparation of this information, a good faith estimate of the amount of proceeds expected to be received by the LACMTA for sale of the Bonds less the finance charge of the Bonds described in Section 2 above and any reserves or capitalized interest paid or funded with proceeds of the Bonds, is \$505,885,855.

Section 4. Total Payment Amount. Based on market interest rates prevailing at the time of preparation of this information, a good faith estimate of the total payment amount, which means the sum total of all payments the LACMTA will make to pay debt service on the Bonds plus the finance charge of the Bonds described in Section 2 above not paid with the proceeds of the Bonds, calculated to the final maturity of the Bonds, is \$627,251,711.

Attention is directed to the fact that the foregoing information constitutes good faith estimates only. The actual interest cost, finance charges, amount of proceeds and total payment amount may vary from the estimates above due to variations from these estimates in the timing of Bonds sales, the amount of Bonds sold, the amortization of the Bonds sold and market interest rates at the time of each sale. The date of sale and the amount of Bonds sold will be determined by the LACMTA based on need to provided funds for the Financing and other factors. The actual interest rates at which the Bonds will be sold will depend on the bond market at the time of each sale. The actual amortization of the Bonds will also depend, in part, on market interest rates at the time of

sale. Market interest rates are affected by economic and other factors beyond the LACMTA's control. The LACMTA has approved the issuance of the Bonds with a maximum true interest cost of 6.0%.



**Summary of Underwriter Selection**

**Evaluation of Proposals**

The Request For Proposals (“RFP”) was sent on July 16, 2024 to 43 firms who had previously expressed interest in serving as underwriter on Metro’s bonds or were known as active in the California market. An advertisement of the RFP was also posted in the Bond Buyer. Proposals were due August 2, 2024 and were received from 25 firms. Of the 25 firms that submitted a proposal, 13 were designated as DBE/SBE/DVBE.

Proposals were evaluated in accordance with the guidelines and the following criteria established in the RFP:

- Relevant experience of the firm and its individuals 25%
- Capabilities of the firm of underwriting & distributing LACMTA’s debt 30%
- Demonstrated commitment of the firm to LACMTA 25%
- Quality of the proposal 20%

Relevant experience included transportation debt, experience working directly with TIFIA or on debt that was secured by revenues that also secured TIFIA loans, toll revenue bonds, grant anticipation notes, private activity bonds, and Transit Oriented Development (TOD) financings. In addition to experience, firms were asked to provide evidence demonstrating their commitment to LACMTA which included items such as bidding on recent competitive bond issues, liquidity support, or other materials that had been recently provided. The RFP also included questions about providing specific suggestions for the structuring of LACMTA’s bonds as well as suggestions for our debt program, in general. The selection committee made up of three staff and LACMTA’s general municipal advisor reviewed all proposals and scored the firms based on the evaluation criteria. The seventeen firms that ranked the highest are being recommended for inclusion in the underwriting pool.

**Recommended Firms for Underwriting Pool (in alphabetical order)**

Academy Securities (Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise and Minority Business Enterprise)  
American Veteran Group (Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise)  
Bank of America  
Barclays  
Blaylock Van (Minority Business Enterprise)  
Cabrera Capital Markets (Minority Business Enterprise)  
Goldman Sachs  
J.P. Morgan Securities  
Jefferies  
Loop Capital Markets (Minority Business Enterprise)  
Mischler Financial Group (Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise)  
Morgan Stanley  
Ramirez & Co. (Minority Business Enterprise)  
Raymond James  
Siebert Williams Shank & Co. (Minority Business Enterprise and Woman Business Enterprise)  
TD Securities  
Wells Fargo Bank

# **Measure R Bonds**

**Finance, Budget and Audit Committee  
September 19, 2024**

# Measure R Bonds

## Measure R Bonds Summary

### **Purpose:**

- To refund the Measure R Series 2010-A (Taxable Build America Bonds) Bonds in October 2024
  - The Build America Bond ("BAB") program, established in 2009, allowed municipal issuers to issue taxable bonds for new money purposes with the expectation that they would be reimbursed for 35% of annual interest costs
  - When the Series 2010-A Bonds were issued, determination was made that with the 35% subsidy, the BABs provided a lower cost of funds than traditional tax-exempt bonds

### **Issue:**

- The refunding would de-risk the bonds by eliminating the threat of sequestration, as well as adding optionality with an early call option

### **Sequestration overview:**

- BAB subsidy reduced by 8.7% in 2013 and annually since
- Subsidy payments are subject to sequestration at the 5.7% rate through FY2030
- In November 2023, Supreme Court confirmed that Congress has full authority to reduce BAB subsidy payments at any time

# Measure R Bonds

## Measure R Bonds Summary

### Mode and Structure:

- Refunding Bonds will be sold to investors on a negotiated basis through underwriters selected from the newly established underwriter bench
- Refunding Bonds will be issued at a fixed rate with maturities ranging from 2025-2039

### DBE/SBE/DVBE Participation Goals:

- Negotiated sale method allows Metro to advance its DBE/SBE/DVBE firm participation goals
- Of the 25 proposals received for the underwriting pool, 13 were designated as DBE/SBE/DVBE firms

# Measure R Bonds

## Measure R Bonds Summary

- In alignment with Metro's desire to maximize DBE/SBE/DVBE firm participation, 50% of the participants chosen for the proposed transaction identify as DBE/SBE/DVBE, including the lead Senior Manager role.

Underwriting Firm	Transaction Role
Siebert Williams Shank & Co., LLC (Minority Business Enterprise and Woman Business Enterprise)	Senior Manager
Jefferies	Co-Senior Manager
Morgan Stanley	Co-Senior Manager
Academy Securities (Disable Veteran Business Enterprise and Minority Business Enterprise)	Co-Manger

# Measure R Bonds

## Underwriter Pool Summary

- In alignment with Metro's desire to maximize DBE/SBE/DVBE firm participation, 47% of the participants chosen for the proposed pool identify as DBE/SBE/DVBE.
- DBE/SBE/DVBE firm participation has increased 76% from the previously selected pool which was comprised of 27% of DBE/SBE/DVBE designated firms

Underwriting Firm	DBE/SBE/DVBE Designation
Academy Securities	Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise and Minority Business Enterprise
American Veteran Group	Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise
Bank of America	No Designation
Barclays	No Designation
Blaylock Van	Minority Business Enterprise
Cabrera Capital Markets	Minority Business Enterprise
Goldman Sachs	No Designation
J.P. Morgan Securities	No Designation
Jefferies	No Designation
Loop Capital Markets	Minority Business Enterprise
Mischler Financial Group	Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise
Morgan Stanley	No Designation
Ramirez & Co.	Minority Business Enterprise
Raymond James	No Designation
Siebert Williams Shank & Co., LLC	Minority Business Enterprise and Woman Business Enterprise
TD Securities	No Designation
Wells Fargo Bank	No Designation



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# Measure R Bonds

## Recommendation:

- A. Adopt a resolution authorizing the negotiated sale of up to \$500 million of Measure R Refunding Bonds
- B. Establish an underwriter pool that will be used to select underwriters for all future negotiated debt issues through June 30, 2029

## Next Steps:

- Obtain credit ratings on the Refunding Bonds
- Complete legal documentation and initiate the pre-marketing efforts
- Negotiate the sale of the Refunding Bonds with the underwriters



**Board Report**

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2024****SUBJECT: STATE AND FEDERAL REPORT****ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE****RECOMMENDATION**

RECEIVE AND FILE the September 2024 State and Federal Legislative Report.

**DISCUSSION**

**Executive Management Committee  
Remarks Prepared by Raffi Haig Hamparian  
Government Relations, Deputy Executive Officer: Federal Affairs**

Chair Hahn and members of the Executive Management Committee, I am pleased to provide an update on several key federal matters of interest to our agency. This report was prepared on August 23, 2024, and will be updated, as appropriate, at the Board of Directors Meeting on September 26, 2024. The status of relevant pending legislation is monitored on the [Metro Government Relations Legislative Matrix <](https://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/9%20-%20September%202024%20-%20LA%20Metro%20Legislative%20Matrix.pdf) [https://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB\\_Attachments/9%20-%20September%202024%20-%20LA%20Metro%20Legislative%20Matrix.pdf](https://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/9%20-%20September%202024%20-%20LA%20Metro%20Legislative%20Matrix.pdf)>, updated monthly.

**East San Fernando Valley Light Rail Transit Project - Federal Transit Administration: Full Funding Grant Agreement**

Metro's Government Relations team has worked closely with key federal stakeholders, U.S. Senator Alex Padilla (D-CA) and Congressman Tony Cardenas (D-CA) to ensure that our agency concludes a \$893 million Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA) for the East San Fernando Valley (ESFV) Light Rail Transit Project. We are very pleased that on September 6, 2024, the Metro Board - joined by Senator Padilla and Congressman Cardenas - among many other distinguished guests - marking the signing of the FFGA for the ESFV at the Marvin Braude Constituent Service Center on Van Nuys Boulevard.

This FFGA is unique - in that LA Metro is the only transit agency in the nation to conclude such an agreement under the FTA's Expedited Project Delivery Pilot Program.

## Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation

We continue our active outreach to the professional staff of members of the Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation. This includes congressional aides working in both District offices and Capitol Hill offices.

USDOT/Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg

Metro was pleased to host a visit this past July by Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg, who held a series of highly successful events and site visits with our agency.

At a major event at Exposition Park and later at Metro Bus Division 13, Secretary Buttigieg and our Chair Janice Hahn and other Board members highlighted a series of federal investments provided to our agency in the last several months. The following day, Secretary Buttigieg and Board member Hilda Solis had the opportunity to visit the Humphries Bridge Crossing Project site - which Metro will be building in partnership with Caltrans and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works.

## Congressionally Directed Spending Requests

In June of this year, I was pleased to update the Board on our agency's efforts to secure federal funding through the Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) process for our LA Metro Regional Bus Stop Enhancement Program. Metro was encouraged that the following members of Congress submitted CDS requests for the LA Metro Regional Bus Stop Enhancement Program: U.S. Senator Alex Padilla, \$5 million, U.S. Senator Laphonza Butler, \$5 million; Congresswoman Julia Brownley, \$1 million; Congressman Tony Cardenas: \$1 million; Congressman Jimmy Gomez: \$1 million; and Congresswoman Sydney Kamlager-Dove: \$1 million. As of this report's filing date, it is our understanding that the Senate CDS requests were not included in the Fiscal Year 2025 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development (THUD) spending bill. Over in the House, several of our House members did have their requests embedded in their version of the Fiscal Year 2025 THUD spending bill.

Likewise, this past June I was pleased to provide the Board with an update concerning our work supporting the Los Angeles Community College District's effort to secure CDS resources for our successful Go-Pass Program. Metro was encouraged that the following members of Congress submitted CDS requests in support of our Go-Pass Program: U.S. Senator Alex Padilla, \$2.46 million, and U.S. Senator Laphonza Butler, \$2.46 million. Unfortunately, the Fiscal Year 2025 THUD spending bill did not include both spending requests. We will continue to work with our Senators in the future to ensure support for our successful Go-Pass Program.

Notwithstanding some setbacks we have seen with some of our CDS requests, we are deeply appreciative to the Board for supporting these requests and to members of the Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation for their work to advance our funding requests for both the LA Metro Regional Bus Stop Enhancement Program and our successful Go-Pass Program. As Congress considers their spending bills for Federal Fiscal Year 2025, we will keep the Board informed of our efforts on this front.

## Transit Operator Safety

As we have consistently reported to the Board, Metro maintains open lines of communication with the Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation on federal initiatives to enhance transit operator safety. The current surface transportation authorization measure-the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law-will expire in September 2026. This will allow our agency to work with various stakeholders to authorize federal programs to enhance transit operator safety further.

## **U.S. Department of Transportation/2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games**

As previously noted, Metro is continuing to work with a diverse number of partners to secure financial support from the federal government for our agency's efforts related to the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games. This effort is outlined and informed by our Board-approved 2024 Federal Legislative Program. In 2024, we have been working with the appropriate congressional committees to explore how the Fiscal Year 2025 Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development bill might include funding for mobility-related projects and initiatives tied to the upcoming 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games. We were pleased that the U.S. Senate's Fiscal Year 2025 THUD bill included \$200 million for Olympics-related mobility projects. Likewise, we are encouraged that Congressman Robert Garcia circulated a letter - signed by 17 members of the House - urging House leaders to include a similar amount of funding in their Fiscal Year 2025 THUD spending measure.

We are continuing to work with the Biden-Harris Administration-including the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT)-to discuss how funding for mobility-related projects and initiatives tied to the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games might be included in the Fiscal Year 2026 White House Budget, which will be released in early 2025.

## **Federal Transportation Grants**

Metro was pleased that in July of this year, our agency was awarded \$77.5 million through the Federal Transit Administration's Buses and Bus Facilities and Low or No Emissions Grant Program.

In late August, we learned that our agency - in cooperation with LA County - would receive a \$15 million Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant. This federal funding will "develop a comprehensive network of publicly accessible, community-based EV charging infrastructure consisting of 18 DC Fast Chargers and 1,263 Level 2 chargers across 15 community facilities, four park and ride multi-modal transportation hubs, and at 1,000 curbside light poles. The charging stations will be strategically located to directly benefit underserved and Justice40 communities and will create an estimated 3,000 high-quality jobs to support installation and maintenance needs."

Metro is also advocating for funding through the USDOT's Mega Grant program for our LinkUS Project. This grant announcement has yet to be made by the USDOT.

As we always do with our federal grant requests, we are working closely with members of the LA County Congressional Delegation and other key stakeholders to solicit their support for our pending and future grant applications.

## Conclusion:

Chair Hahn and members of the committee, I look forward to discussing this report at the Executive Management Committee meeting on September 19, 2024, and any new developments that may occur over the next several weeks.

### **Executive Management Committee Remarks Prepared by Madeleine Moore Government Relations, Deputy Executive Officer: State Affairs**

Chair Hahn and members of the Board, I am pleased to provide an update on several state matters of interest to our agency. This report was prepared on September 6, 2024, and will be updated, as appropriate, at the Board of Directors Meeting on September 26, 2024. The status of relevant pending legislation is monitored monthly on the [Metro Government Relations Legislative Matrix < https://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB\\_Attachments/9%20-%20September%202024%20-%20LA%20Metro%20Legislative%20Matrix.pdf >](https://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/9%20-%20September%202024%20-%20LA%20Metro%20Legislative%20Matrix.pdf).

## Legislative Update

The legislature returned from summer recess on August 5, for a final month of hearings before the end of the two-year session on August 31. The major milestone in the final month of session concerned bills that were determined to have a fiscal impact to the state and were placed in one file to be considered at a final hearing together. On August 15, the Senate and Assembly Appropriations Committees dispensed with these bills on the suspense file. In the Assembly, 219 of the 315 measures in the file were passed, with a higher-than-average number held in committee. In the Senate, 340 of the 515 measures were passed, with 34% held, also higher-than-average.

Related to Metro's sponsored legislation this year, AB 3123 is Metro's bill that would ensure that ethics laws that govern elected officials statewide apply equally to LA Metro's Board of Directors. AB 3123 also clarifies Metro's lobbying definitions and strengthens the role of the Ethics Office. On Friday, August 30, the Assembly held a final concurrence vote for AB 3123, with a final vote of 50-14 in favor of passage. The bill is currently on the Governor's desk, awaiting a signing decision.

Metro-supported AB 761 by Assemblymember Laura Friedman (D - Glendale) has similarly passed the legislature, with a final concurrence vote of 76-0 in the Assembly, and is awaiting a signing decision. This bill would extend the available Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD) tax increment period from 45 years to 75 years for districts intended to fund zero-emission LA Metro transit projects with federal financing through Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loans. The Governor has until September 30 to act on both of these bills.

Government Relations will have a full summary of the Legislature's bill actions and the Governor's signing decisions at the time of Committee.

## **LA County Legislative Delegation Coordination**

Following the November election, the LA County Legislative Delegation in the Senate and Assembly will undergo a number of changes to its membership. LA Metro is pleased to welcome these new members to the Delegation and will be coordinating with the staff of these new members to meet with CEO Wiggins. At these meetings, members are introduced to key projects in their districts and the overall structure of transportation operations in the County, along with information about the funding and Board structure of the agency. These meetings ensure that we establish good working relationships with everyone who represents a portion of the County, along with any new members of legislative leadership.

## **Olympics and Paralympics Coordination**

Pursuant to March 2024 Board motion 24.1 by Directors Solis, Bass, Hahn, Horvath, Najarian, and Yaroslavsky, Building a Cohesive Approach to Los Angeles's Legislative Advocacy for the 2028 Mobility Concept Plan (Attachment A) which directed the Chief Executive Officer to develop a framework for and establish a Legislative Advocacy Working Group for the 2028 Games, staff have been in communication with members of the Games Mobility Executives, as well as all local partners, including the County of Los Angeles, to develop and implement a complete state and federal legislative advocacy plan to advance Metro's 2028 Mobility Concept Plan. This includes planning convenings of local stakeholders and developing an advocacy framework to ensure strong stakeholder coordination. This framework will include recommendations on improving coordination with the entire LA County legislative delegation and other key Games delivery partners. A full report will be presented at the October Ad Hoc 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games Committee meeting.

## **State Equity Analysis**

Government Relations will continue to work with the Office of Civil Rights, Racial Equity, and Inclusion in reviewing legislation introduced in Sacramento to address any equity issues in proposed bills and the budget process.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Motion 24.1 - Building a Cohesive Approach to Los Angeles's Legislative Advocacy for the 2028 Mobility Concept Plan

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## Board Report

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**EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
MARCH 21, 2024**

**Motion by:**

**DIRECTORS SOLIS, BASS, HAHN, HORVATH, NAJARIAN, AND YAROSLAVSKY**

Related to Item 24: State and Federal Report

Los Angeles is looking ahead to the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games. While the Games have emphasized a "no build" ethos to minimize new venue construction, there has always been an objective to enhance regional transportation infrastructure ahead of the global event. This aspiration is evidenced by Metro's Twenty-Eight by '28 initiative, which outlines a goal to complete 28 key transportation projects to benefit the Games and leave a legacy for the county.

Metro has made significant strides in pursuing its 2028 Mobility Concept Plan, designed to seamlessly connect venues and facilitate movement across the County during the event. Yet, as the Games quickly approaches, Metro's need to obtain sufficient funding for these transportation projects becomes even more pressing.

Los Angeles residents have demonstrated a commitment to enhancing the region's transportation systems by voting to increase their sales taxes through Measure R and Measure M. These measures signify a community-driven initiative to finance and expedite an ambitious range of transportation improvements across the county.

Despite the local investments in transportation improvements, state and federal support remains necessary to host the Games successfully. To secure the much-needed funding, it is imperative that an coalition of relevant parties, including the County of Los Angeles and the members of the Games Mobility Executives, which includes Metro, the City of Los Angeles, Caltrans, Metrolink, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), better coordinate efforts to secure the state and federal investments necessary to implement the transportation infrastructure improvements needed to deliver a successful 2028 Olympic and paralympic Games. Their unified advocacy to state and federal partners is critical to realizing Metro's vision of a successful, congestion-free, Games that leave a lasting legacy of improved transit and active transportation infrastructure.

**SUBJECT: BUILDING A COHESIVE APPROACH TO LOS ANGELES'S LEGISLATIVE  
ADVOCACY FOR THE 2028 MOBILITY CONCEPT PLAN MOTION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

APPROVE 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.





# **Government Relations Relevant State Legislation and Federal Affairs Update**

Board of Directors Meeting  
September 26, 2024

## State Affairs Update

- **Sponsored Legislation:** AB 3123 (Jones-Sawyer): Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority: board code of conduct: lobbying rules.
- **Supported Legislation:**
  - AB 761 (Friedman): Local finance: enhanced infrastructure financing districts.
  - SB 1297 (Allen): The City of Malibu's speed safety system pilot program.
- **End of Session Legislative Update**

## Federal Affairs Update

- **Congressionally Directed Spending Request Update**
- **Federal Transit Administration: ESFV FFGA and FTA Administrator Tour**
- **U.S. Department of Transportation/2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games**
- **Metro Board Chair Advocacy Trip To Washington, DC**



Board Report

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2024**

**SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY FOR WESTSIDE PURPLE  
LINE EXTENSION SECTION 1**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

ADOPT the Resolution of Necessity authorizing the commencement of an eminent domain action to acquire a 10-month and 7 days Temporary Construction Easement (“Property Interest”) from the property known as 5318 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90036 APN: 5089-001-028 (formerly 5089-001-026) identified in Attachment A.

(REQUIRES TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE FULL BOARD)

**ISSUE**

Acquisition of the Property Interest is required for the continued construction of the Westside Purple Line Extension Section 1 (“Project”). After testimony and evidence has been received from all interested parties at the hearing, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (“LACMTA”), by a vote of two-thirds of its Board of Directors (“Board”), must make a determination as to whether to adopt the proposed Resolution of Necessity (Attachment B) to acquire the Property Interest by eminent domain. Attached is evidence submitted by staff that supports the adoption of the resolution and sets forth the required findings (Attachment A).

**BACKGROUND**

Acquisition of the Property Interest is required for the construction of the Project. The Larger Parcel land area is 15,028 square feet and is located at the southwest corner of Wilshire Boulevard and Detroit Street. A 1,080 square foot portion of the site adjacent to Wilshire Boulevard is encumbered by a permanent easement in favor of the LACMTA. The Property is currently vacant and is being used as a construction laydown area for the Project. LACMTA previously acquired a ten-year Temporary Construction Easement (TCE) that encumbered the Property for construction laydown which expires on July 26, 2025. LACMTA is seeking to acquire a new TCE that would extend the use

of the construction laydown area through June 1, 2026, to complete the Project.

## **DISCUSSION**

A written offer of Just Compensation to purchase the Property Interest was delivered to the Owner of Record ("Owner") by a letter dated April 16, 2024, as required by California Government Code Section 7267.2. The Owner has not accepted the offer of Just Compensation and the parties have not reached a negotiated settlement for the acquisition. Because the Property Interest is necessary for the construction of the Project, staff recommends the acquisition of the Property Interest through eminent domain to obtain possession to maintain the Project's schedule.

In accordance with the provision of the California Eminent Domain law and Section 30503, 30600, 130051.13, 130220.5 and 132610 of the California Public Utilities Code (which authorizes the public acquisition of private property by eminent domain), LACMTA has prepared and mailed notice of this hearing to the Owners informing them of their right to appear at this hearing and be heard on the following issues: 1) whether the public interest and necessity require the Project; 2) whether the Project is planned or located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest good and the least private injury; 3) whether the Property Interest is necessary for the Project; 4) whether either the offer required by Section 7267.2 of the Government Code has been made to the Owner, or the offer has not been made because the Owner cannot be located with reasonable diligence; 5) that any environmental review of the Project, as may be necessary, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) has occurred; and 6) whether LACMTA has given the notice(s) and followed the procedures that are a prerequisite to the exercise of the power of eminent domain.

After all the testimony and evidence has been received from all interested parties at the hearing, LACMTA must make a determination as to whether to adopt the proposed Resolution of Necessity to acquire the Property by eminent domain. In order to adopt the resolution, LACMTA must, based on the evidence before it, and by vote of two-thirds of its Board, find and determine that the conditions stated in items 1 - 6 above exist.

Attached is the Staff Report prepared by staff and legal counsel setting forth the required findings for acquiring Property Interest through the use of eminent domain (Attachment A).

There are no displacements of residents or local businesses as a result of the acquisition of the Property Interest.

## **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

The Board action will not have an impact on LACMTA's safety standards.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The funding for the acquisition of the Property is included in the Fiscal Year 2025 budget under Project 865518 Westside Purple Line Extension Section 1, in Cost Center 8510 (Construction Project Management), and Account Number 53103 (Acquisition of Land) and Fund 6012.of Land Account

53103.

### Impact to Budget

The approved FY25 budget is designated for the Westside Purple Line Extension Section 1 and does not have an impact on operations funding sources. The funds were assumed in the Long-Range Transportation Plan for the Project. This Project is not eligible for Proposition A and C funding due to the proposed tunneling element of the Project. No other funds were considered.

### EQUITY PLATFORM

The Property Interest is required for the completion of the Project. The project will provide greater operational safety, decrease travel time, improve air quality, and access to the corridor, especially for workers from Equity Focused Communities who work along the corridor. This public goodwill also support the fulfillment of Metro's LA County traffic Improvement Plan under measure M.

There are no displacements of residents or local businesses resulting from the acquisition of this Property Interests. An offer for the Property Interest was delivered to the Property Owners by letter dated April 16, 2024, based on appraisals of fair market value. Fair market value is defined as "the highest price on the date of valuation that would be agreed to by a seller, being willing to sell but under no particular or urgent necessity for so doing, nor obliged to sell, and a buyer, being ready, willing, and able to buy but under no particular necessity for so doing, each dealing with the other with full knowledge of all the uses and purposes for which the property is reasonably adaptable and available." Metro staff has been negotiating with the Owner, but an agreement has not yet been reached. Approving this action will allow staff to continue negotiations while maintaining the project schedule.

### IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The Board action is consistent with LACMTA Vision 2028 Goal #1: Provide high quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling. Adoption of the Resolution of Necessity is a required step to acquire the Property Interest for the Westside Purple Line Extension - Section 1 Project which will provide an improved mobility option.

### ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board could choose not to approve the recommendation. This is not recommended as it will result in significant delays and cost increases for the Project.

### NEXT STEPS

If this action is approved by the Board, LACMTA's condemnation counsel will be instructed to take all steps necessary to commence legal proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction to acquire the

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Property Interest by eminent domain and to conclude those proceedings either by settlement or jury trial. Counsel will also be directed to seek and obtain an Order of Prejudgment Possession in accordance with the provisions of the eminent domain law.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Staff Report

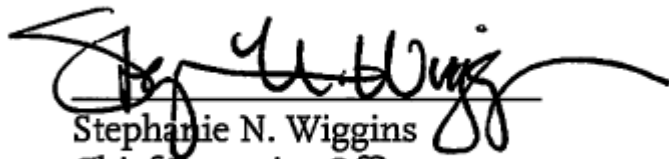
Attachment B - Resolution of Necessity

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Stephanie N. Wiggins  
Chief Executive Officer

**STAFF REPORT REGARDING THE NECESSITY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE PROPERTY INTEREST REQUIRED FOR THE WESTSIDE PURPLE LINE EXTENSION SECTION 1 (“PROJECT”)**

**BACKGROUND**

The Property Interest is required by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (“LACMTA”) for the construction of the Westside Purple Line Extension – Section 1 (“Project”). The parcel addresses, record property owners, purpose of the acquisitions, and nature of the property interests sought to be acquired for the Project are summarized as follows:

Summary Table 1

<b>Assessor's Parcel Number</b>	<b>Project Parcel Number</b>	<b>Parcel Address</b>	<b>Property Owner</b>	<b>Property Interest(s) Sought</b>
5089-001-028 (formerly 5089-001-026)	W-1205 and W-1202-1	5318 Wilshire Blvd., and 5324 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90036	<p>Wilshire Group, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, as to an undivided 18.438% interest, Wilshire Nabat, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, as to an undivided 42.00% interest, White Oak Real Estate Advisors, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, as to an undivided 9.00% interest, and White Water Affiliates, LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, as to an undivided 4.00% interest, Detroit Holding Group, LLC, a California limited liability company, as to an undivided 10.3125% interest and ALPAPAR Holdings LLC, a California limited liability company, as to an undivided 16.2495% interest, as to Parcels 1 and 2;</p> <p>5324 Wilshire Associates, a partnership, as to Parcel 3</p>	10-month and 7 days Temporary Construction Easement

**Property Requirements:**

Purpose of Acquisition is for the construction of the Project.

**Property Interest Sought:**

Acquisition of a 10-month and 7 days Temporary Construction Easement (“Property Interest”).

A written offer of Just Compensation was delivered to the Property Owners by letter dated April 16, 2024, for acquisition of the Property Interest in APN 5089-001-028. The Property Owner has not accepted the offer of Just Compensation. Consequently, LACMTA



is seeking a Resolution of Necessity in order to ensure that it has the necessary property rights to construct the Project on schedule.

**A. The public interest and necessity require the Project.**

The need for the Project is based on population and employment growth, the high number of major activity centers served by the Project, high existing transit usage, and severe traffic congestion. The Project area bisects 12 large population and employment centers, all of which are served by extremely congested road networks that will deteriorate further with the projected increase in population and jobs. This anticipated growth will further affect transit travel speeds and reliability, even with a dedicated lane for express bus service on Wilshire Boulevard. The public interest and necessity require the Project for the following specific reasons:

1. The population and employment densities in the Project area are among the highest in the metropolitan region. Approximately five percent of the Los Angeles County population and 10 percent of the jobs are concentrated in the Project area.
2. Implementation of the Project will result in a reduction of vehicle miles per day and reduction of auto air pollutants.
3. The Project will relieve congestion on the already over capacity 1-405 San Diego and the 1-10 Santa Monica Freeways and surrounding major thoroughfares. In addition, it will reduce the parking demands in the Westside area by providing an alternative means of transportation, competitive in rush-hour travel times with the automobile.
4. The Project will be a major link in the existing county-wide rail transit system, and will thereby provide alternative means of transportation during fuel crises and increased future traffic congestion.
5. The Project will improve transportation equity by meeting the need for improved transit service of the significant transit-dependent population within the Project area.
6. The Project will help meet Regional Transit Objectives through the Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG's) Performance Indicators of mobility, accessibility, reliability, and safety.

It is recommended that based on the above evidence, the Board find and determine that the public interest and necessity require the Project.

**B. The Project is planned or located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and least private injury.**

An Alternatives Analysis (AA) Study was initiated in 2007 to identify all reasonable, fixed-guideway, alternative alignments and transit technologies within the proposed Project Area. The fixed-guideway alternative alignments studied and analyzed during the AA process were heavy rail transit (HRT), light rail transit (LRT), bus rapid transit (BRT), and

monorail (MR). Due to its capacity to meet the anticipated ridership demand and limit the number of transfers, HRT was identified as the preferred technology for further study.

In January 2009, the LACMTA Board approved the AA Study and authorized preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIS/DEIR). A total of seven alternatives, including five heavy rail subway (HRT) Build Alternatives, a No Build Alternative, and a relatively low-cost Transportation System Management (TSM) Alternative, were presented in the DEIS/DEIR. The DEIS/DEIR was circulated and reviewed by interested and concerned parties, including private citizens, community groups, the business community, elected officials and public agencies. Public hearings were held to solicit citizen and agency comments.

In October 2010, the Board approved the DEIS/DEIR and the Wilshire Boulevard to Santa Monica HRT option was selected as the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) for further analysis in the FEIS/FEIR. The FEIS/FEIR was released in March 2012 for public review. On April 26, 2012, the Board certified the FEIS/FEIR, and on May 24, 2012, it approved the route and station locations for the Project. A Record of Decision was received from the Federal Transit Administration in August of 2012.

In June 2017, the Federal Register published a notice indicating the release of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for a 45-day comment period for the Westside Purple Line Extension Section 2. On November 22, 2017, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) issued the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement and Section 4(f) Evaluation, and the Supplemental Record of Decision (ROD) supplementing the previously issued ROD on August 9, 2012. The FTA determined that the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and related federal environmental statutes, regulations, and executive orders have been satisfied for the Westside Subway Extension (now called the Westside Purple Line Extension) Project located in Los Angeles County.

The approved LPA will extend HRT (as subway) approximately nine (9) miles from the existing Metro Purple Line terminus at the Wilshire/ Western Station to a new western terminus at the West Los Angeles Veterans Affairs Hospital (Westwood/ VA Hospital Station). The LPA will include seven new stations spaced in approximately one-mile intervals, as follows:

- Wilshire/La Brea
- Wilshire/Fairfax
- Wilshire/La Cienega
- Wilshire/Rodeo
- Century City
- Westwood/UCLA
- Westwood/VA Hospital

The Project will cause private injury, including the displacement or relocation of certain owners and users of private property. However, no other alternative locations for the

Project provide greater public good with less private injury. Therefore, the Project is planned or located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury.

Due to its bulk, the FEIS/FEIR is not physically included in the Board's agenda packet for this public hearing. However, the FEIS/FEIR documents should be considered in connection with this matter. It is recommended that, based upon the foregoing, the Board find and determine that the Project is planned or located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury.

**C. The Property is necessary for the Project.**

The Property Interest is required for construction of the Project. The Property Interest consists of an exclusive 10-month and 7 days TCE that encumbers 13,948 square feet of the Larger Parcel. The TCE is identified as Project Parcel W-1205 and W-1202-1 as described in the legal description Exhibit A-1 and Exhibit A-2 attached hereto, and as depicted on the Plat Map attached hereto as Exhibit B-1 and Exhibit B-2. LACMTA has been using the Property since July 25, 2015, when LACMTA acquired a 10-year exclusive TCE. The Property Interest is required for the continued construction of the Project. The Property was chosen based upon the FEIS/FEIR for the Project.

Staff recommends that the Board find that the acquisition of the Property Interest is necessary for the Project.

**D. Offers were made in compliance with Government Code Section 7267.2.**

California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1245.230 requires that a Resolution of Necessity contain a declaration that the governing body has found and determined that either the offer required by Section 7267.2 of the California Government Code has been made to the Owner, or the offer has not been made because the Owner cannot be located with reasonable diligence.

California Government Code Section 7267.2 requires that an offer be made to the Owner in an amount which the agency believes to be just compensation. The amount must not be less than the agency's approved appraisal of the fair market value of the property. In addition, the agency is required to provide the Owner with a written statement of, and summary of the basis for, the amount it established as just compensation.

Staff has taken the following actions as required by California law for the acquisition of the Property:

1. Obtained an independent appraisal to determine the fair market value of the Property Interest, which included consideration existing use of the Property, highest and best use of the Property, and impact to the remainder;

2. Reviewed and approved the appraisal, and established the amount it believes to be just compensation;
3. Determined the Owner(s) of the Property by examining the county assessor's record and a preliminary title report;
4. Made a written offer to the Owner(s) for the full amount of just compensation - which was not less than the approved appraised value; and
5. Provided the Owner(s) with a written statement of, and summary of the basis for, the amount established as just compensation with respect to the foregoing offer.

It is recommended that based on the above Evidence, the Board find and determine that the offer required by Section 7267.2 of the California Government Code has been made to the Owner.

**E. LACMTA has fulfilled the necessary statutory prerequisites.**

LACMTA is authorized to acquire property by eminent domain for the purposes contemplated by the Project under Public Utilities Code §§ 30503, 30600, 130051.13, and 130220.5; Code of Civil Procedure §§ 1230.010-1273.050; and Article I, § 19 of the California Constitution.

**F. LACMTA has complied with the California Environmental Quality Act.**

A draft EIR/EIS was circulated for public review and comment. The FEIS/FEIR was released in March 2012 for public review. On April 26, 2012, the Board certified the FEIS/FEIR, and in May 24, 2012, it approved the route and station locations for the Project. A Record of Decision was received from the Federal Transit Administration in August of 2012. The FEIS/FEIR documents therefore comply with the California Environmental Quality Act. Since that time, none of the circumstances identified in CEQA Guidelines Section 15162 have occurred which would require the preparation of a subsequent EIR. As set forth above, LACMTA has also fulfilled the statutory prerequisites under Code of Civil Procedure § 1240.030 and Government Code § 7267.2.

Accordingly, LACMTA has fulfilled the necessary statutory prerequisites to acquire the Property Interest by eminent domain.

**CONCLUSION**

Staff recommends that the Board approve the Resolution of Necessity.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1 - Legal Descriptions (Exhibit A-1 and Exhibit A-2)
- 2 - Plat Maps (Exhibit B-1 and Exhibit B-2)

## **LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

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ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE NORTHERLY, 10.00 FEET OF SAID LOTS 91 AND 92. THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID NORTHERLY, 10.00 FEET BEING PARALLEL WITH AND DISTANT SOUTHERLY, 10.00 FEET FROM THE NORTHERLY LINE OF SAID LOTS 91 AND 92.

APN: AFFECTS 5089-001-026

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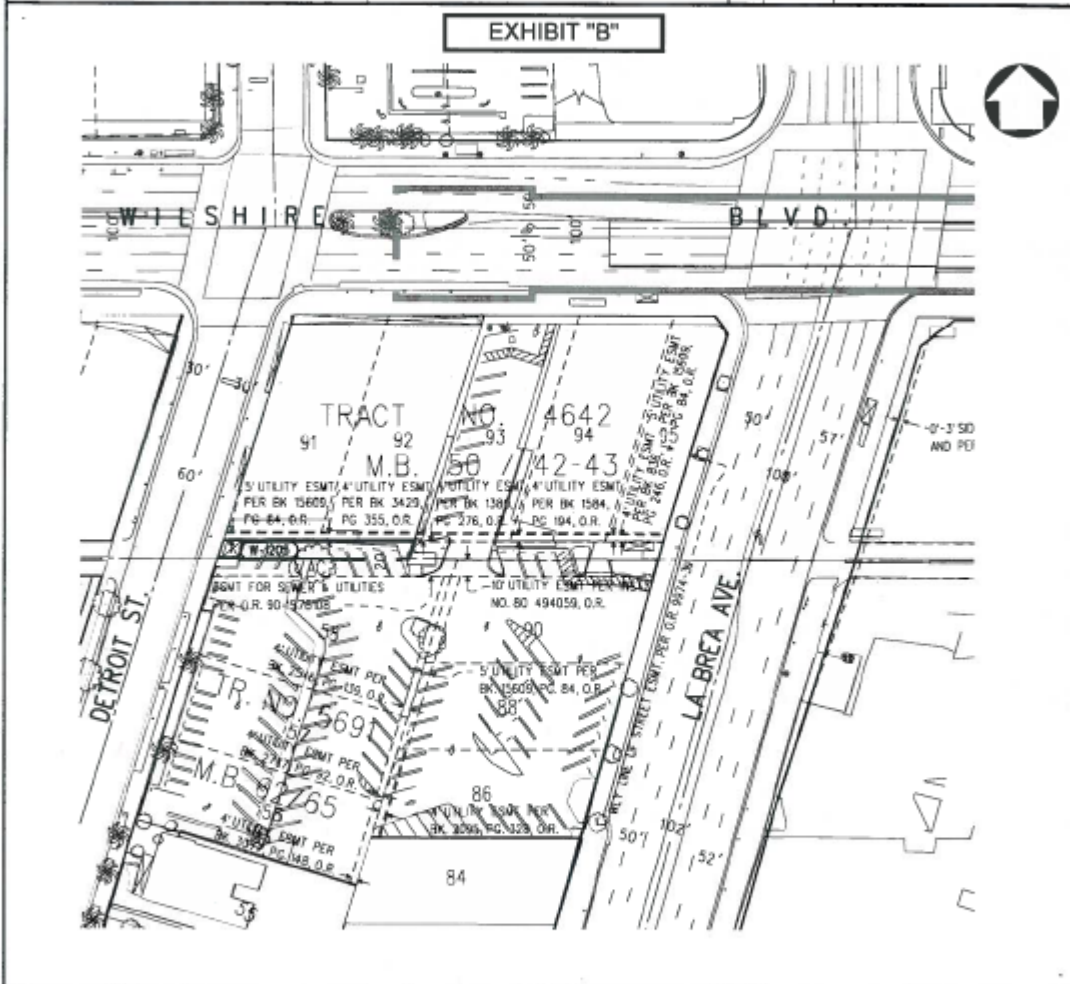


## **PLAT MAPS**



**EXHIBIT B-1**

GRANTOR : 5324 WILSHIRE ASSOCIATES		The data shown on this map and/or plat are compiled from public sources and are subject to field verification.	
DESCRIPTION : PORTION OF ALLEY SOUTH OF WILSHIRE BLVD. PLY TRACT NO. 4642, M.B. 30/42-43			
BENCH MARK : N/A			
TITLE REPORT : STEWART TITLE NO. 421768	ADDRESS : (NONE)	2	05/09/2014 RE-CERTIFY PER MTA REQUEST
ASSESSOR'S REF. : 5089-001-026	R.O.W. REFERENCE : R-2012; W-1205	1	12/08/2011 REVISE BOUNDARY & GRANTOR
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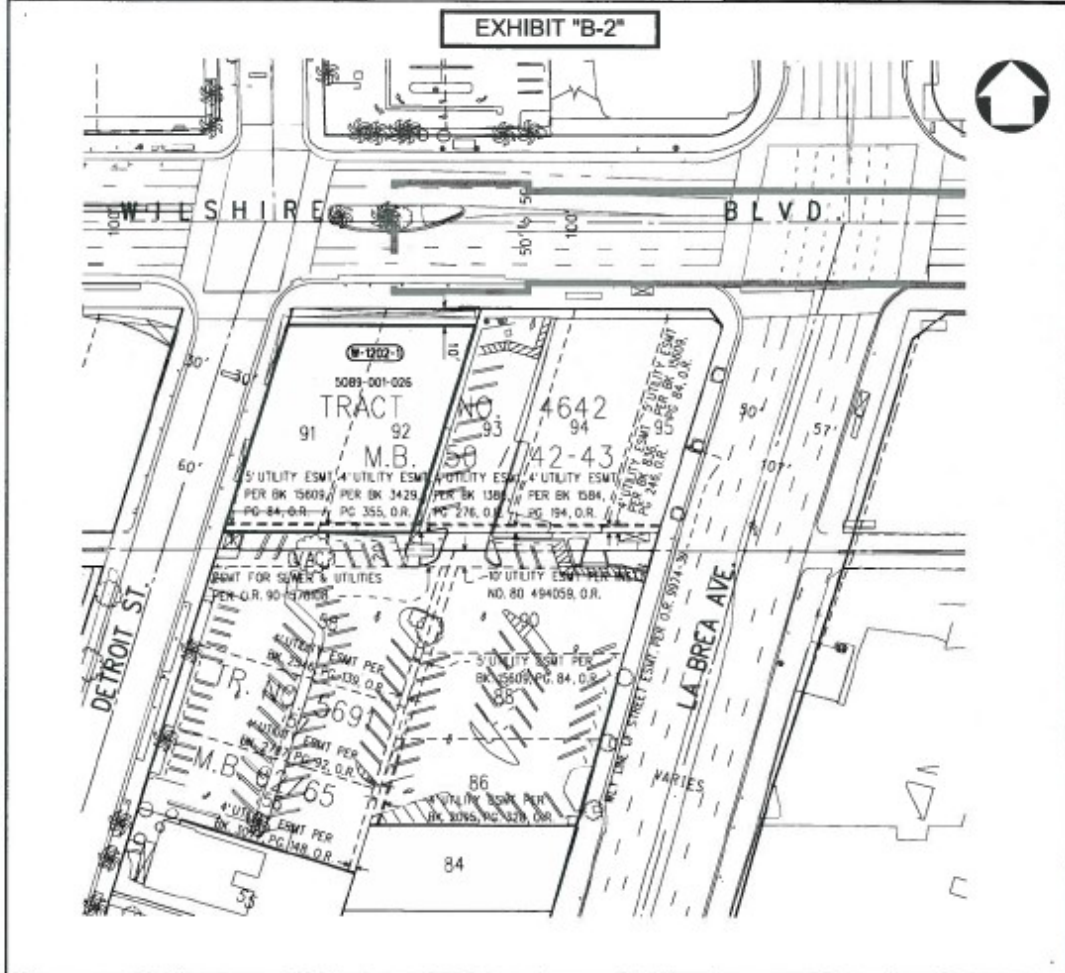


PARCEL	W-1205		
AREA - SQUARE FEET	1.080		

	<p>LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY</p> <p>APPROVED BY:</p> <p><i>J. Nediuk</i></p> <p>MTA PROJECT MANAGER DATE</p>	<p><b>PARCEL PLAT</b></p> <p>W-1205</p> <p>SHEET 1 OF 1</p>	<p>CONTRACT NO./DESIGN UNIT</p> <p>SCALE 1"=80'</p> <p>DATE 10/21/2011</p> <p>DRAWN BY T. RAINEY</p> <p>CHECKED BY J. NEDIUK</p> <p>REV. DATE 05/09/2014</p> <p>REV. NO. 2</p>
	<p>PR</p> <p>PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER</p> <p>J. NEDIUK</p> <p>No. 7563</p> <p>STATE OF CALIFORNIA</p>		<p>DATE</p>

**EXHIBIT B-2**

GRANTOR : WILSHIRE GROUP, LLC, A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY		The data shown on this map and/or plot are compiled from public sources and are subject to field verification.	
DESCRIPTION : PORTION LOTS 91 & 92, TRACT NO. 4642, M.B. 50/42-43			
BENCH MARK : N/A			
TITLE REPORT : FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE NO. 11-725139031-RW	ADDRESS : 5318 WILSHIRE BLVD. LOS ANGELES 90036		
ASSESSOR'S REF. : 5089-001-026	R.O.W. REFERENCE : R-2012; W-1202-1	NO.	DATE
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PARCEL	TOTAL	W-1202-1	
AREA - SQUARE FEET	13,948	12,868	

	LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY APPROVED BY: 	CONTRACT NO./DESIGN UNIT SCALE 1"=80' DATE 05/09/2014 DRAWN BY T. RAINEY CHECKED BY J. NEDLIK REV. DATE REV. NO.
	SUBMITTED BY: _____ MTA PROJECT MANAGER DATE	

**RESOLUTION OF THE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
DECLARING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY INTEREST NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC  
PURPOSES AND AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION THEREOF THROUGH THE  
EXERCISE OF EMINENT DOMAIN  
WESTSIDE PURPLE LINE EXTENSION, SECTION 1, (“PROJECT”)  
APN: 5089-001-028 (formerly 5089-001-026) W-1205 and W-1202-1**

THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS (“BOARD”) HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES, AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.

THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (“LACMTA”) is a public entity organized and existing pursuant to Chapter 2 of Division 12 of the California Public Utilities Code (commencing with Section 130050).

Section 2.

The Property Interest described hereinafter are to be taken for public use, namely, for public transportation purposes and all uses necessary, incidental or convenient thereto, and for all public purposes pursuant to the authority conferred upon the Board to acquire property by eminent domain by California Public Utilities Code Sections 30000-33027, inclusive, and particularly Section 30503 and 30600, Sections 130000-132650, inclusive, and particularly Sections 130051.13 and 130220.5, Code of Civil Procedure Sections 1230.010-1273.050, inclusive, and particularly Sections 1240.510 and 1240.610, and Article I, Section 19 of the California Constitution.

Section 3.

The Property Interest consist of the acquisition of a 10-month and 7 days exclusive Temporary Construction Easement (“TCE”) as described more specifically in the legal description Exhibit “A-1” and “A-2” and depicted in the plat map Exhibit “B-1” and “B-2” (hereinafter, the “Property Interest”).

The TCE shall be valid for a period of not more than 10-months and 7 days. The TCE shall commence on July 25, 2025, and it shall terminate on the earliest of (a) the date upon which LACMTA notifies the applicable owner that it no longer needs the TCE or (b) 10-months and 7 days from the commencement date of the TCE.

Section 4.

- (a.) The acquisition of the above-described Property Interest is necessary for the development, construction, of the Westside Purple Line Extension, Section 1 (“Project”);
- (b.) The environmental impacts of the Project were evaluated in the Final

Environmental Impact Statement/Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIS/FEIR), which was certified by the Board on April 26, 2012 and May 24, 2012. The Board found that in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Section 15162, no subsequent or supplemental Environmental Impact Report is required for the Project, and the FEIS/FEIR documents are consistent with CEQA; and;

- (c.) The Board has reviewed and considered the FEIS/FEIR, before and as part of the process of determining whether to acquire the above-referenced Property.

#### Section 5.

The Board hereby declares that it has found and determined each of the following:

- (a.) The public interest and necessity require the proposed Project;
- (b.) The proposed Project is planned or located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury;
- (c.) The Property Interest sought to be acquired, which has been described herein, is necessary for the proposed Project;
- (d.) The offer required by Section 7267.2 of the Government Code has been made to the Owner; and said offer was transmitted together with the accompanying statement of, and summary of the basis for, the amount established as just compensation, which offers and accompanying statements/summaries were in a form and contained all of the factual disclosures provided by Government Code Section 7267.2(a).
- (e.) Environmental review consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Project has been previously certified by this Board.

#### Section 6.

Pursuant to Sections 1240.510 and 1240.610 of the Code of Civil Procedure, to the extent that the Property is already devoted to a public use, the use to which the Property is to be put is a more necessary public use than the use to which the Property is already devoted, or, in the alternative, is a compatible public use which will not unreasonably interfere with or impair the continuance of the public use to which the Property is already devoted.

#### Section 7.

That notice of intention to adopt this resolution was given by first class mail to each person whose Property is to be acquired by eminent domain in accordance with Section 1245.235 of the Code of Civil Procedure and a hearing was conducted by the Board on the

matters contained herein and each person whose property is to be acquired by eminent domain was given an opportunity to be heard.

Section 8.

Legal Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to commence legal proceedings, in a court of competent jurisdiction, to acquire the Property Interests described above by eminent domain. Counsel is also authorized and directed to seek and obtain an Order for Prejudgment Possession of said Property Interest in accordance with the provisions of the eminent domain law and is directed that the total sum of probable just compensation be deposited with the State Treasurer or the Clerk of the Superior Court. Counsel may enter into stipulated Orders for Prejudgment Possession and/or Possession and Use Agreements, where such agreements constitute the functional equivalent of an Order for Prejudgment Possession. Counsel is further authorized to correct any errors or to make or agree to any non-material changes to the legal description of the real property that are deemed necessary for the conduct of the condemnation action or other proceedings or transactions required to acquire the Property Interest.

Counsel is further authorized to compromise and settle such eminent domain proceedings, if such settlement can be reached, and in that event, to take all necessary actions to complete the acquisition, including stipulations as to judgment and other matters, and causing all payments to be made. If settlement cannot be reached, Counsel is authorized to proceed to resolve the proceedings by means of jury trial. Counsel is further authorized to associate with, at its election, a private law firm for the preparation and prosecution of said proceedings.

I, COLLETTE LANGSTON, Board Clerk of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by a vote of two-thirds of all the members of the Board of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority at a meeting held on the 26th day of September 2024.

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COLLETTE LANGSTON  
LACMTA Board Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENTS**

Exhibit A-1 and A-2 – Legal Description

Exhibit B-1 and B-2 – Plat Map

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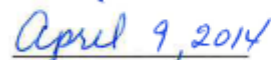
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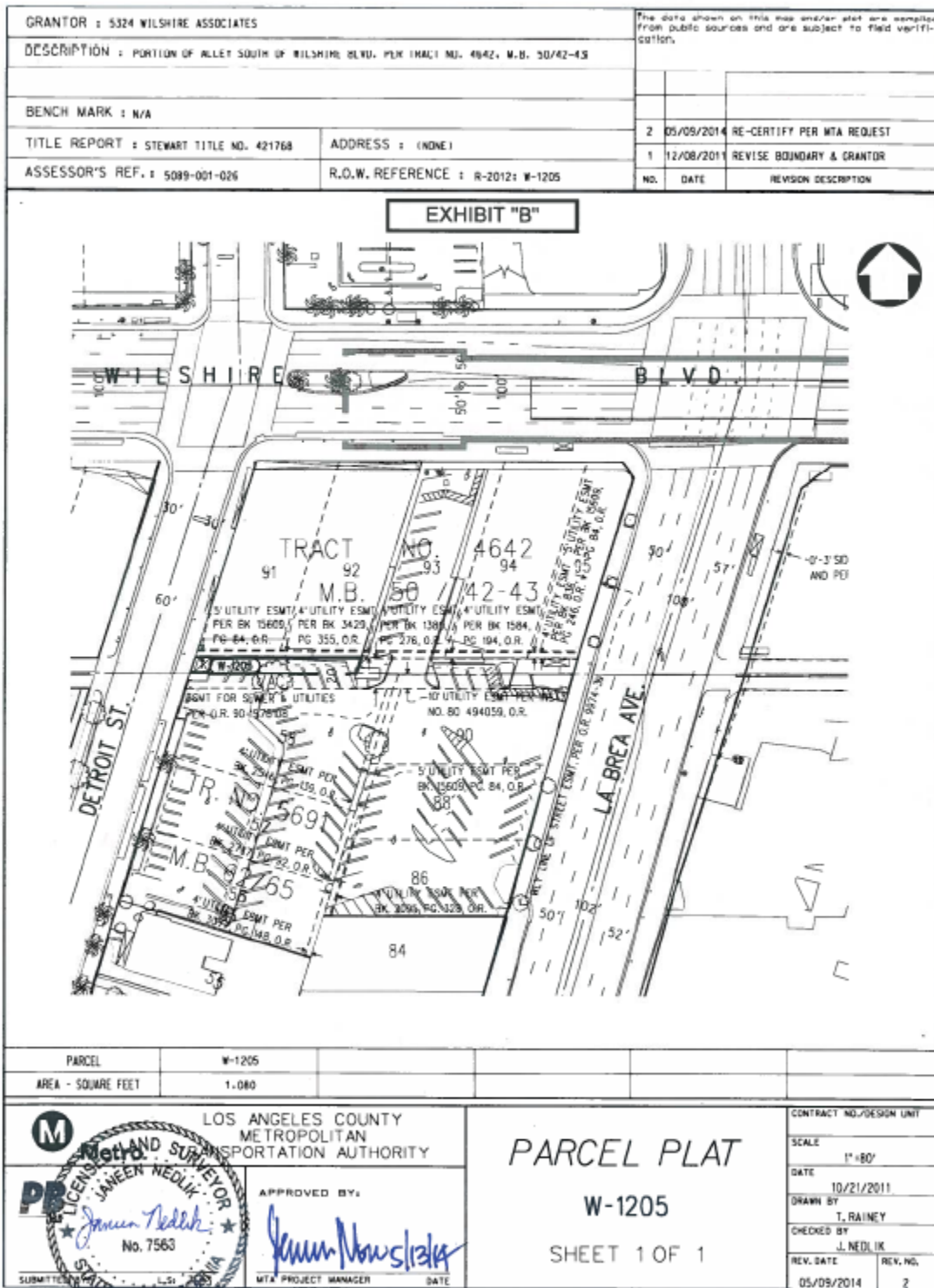
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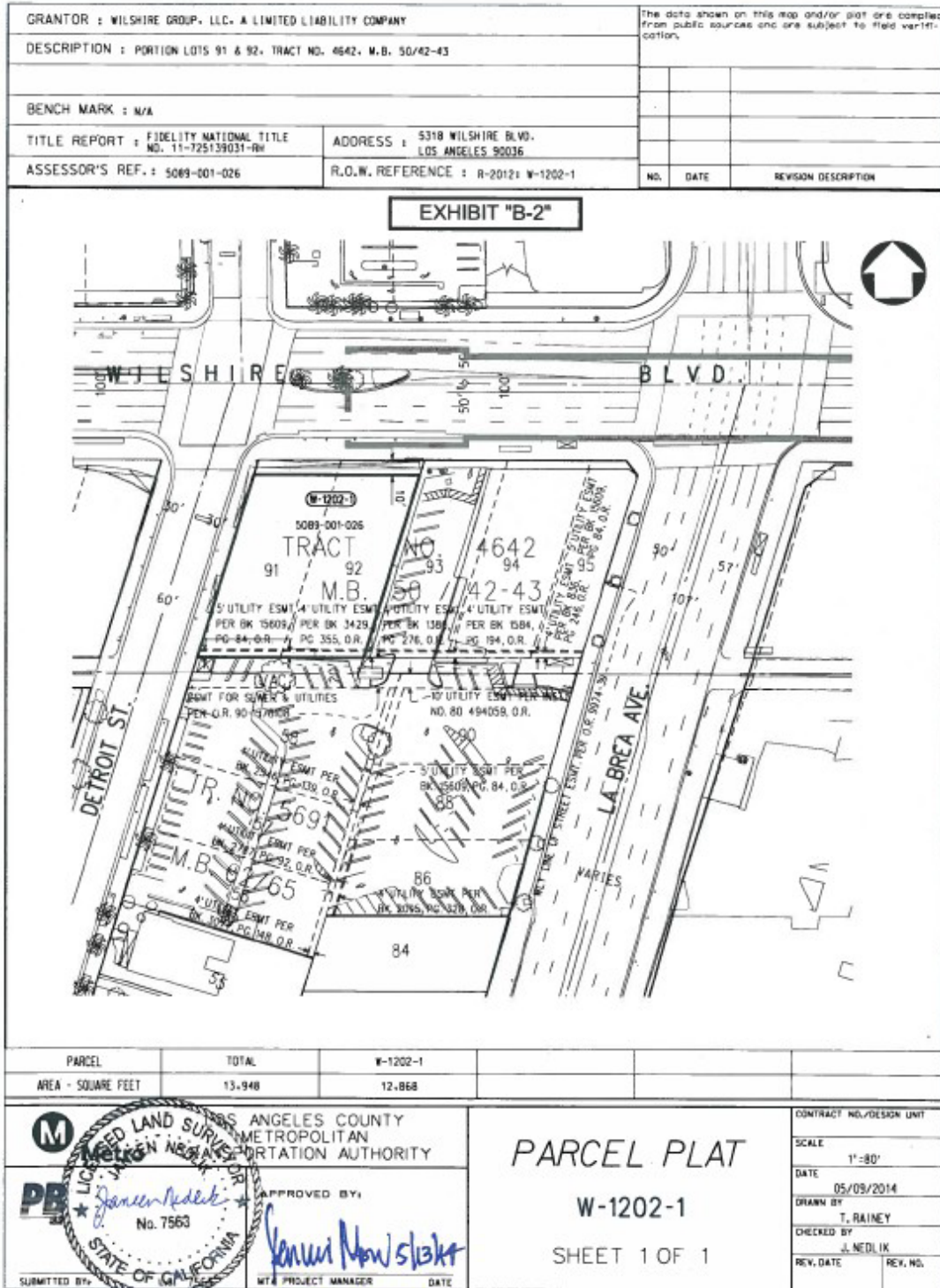



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**Hearing to Adopt Resolutions of Necessity**  
**Westside Purple Line Extension Section 1**  
**Agenda Item #2024-0173**

# Hearing to Adopt Resolutions of Necessity Westside Purple Line Extension Section 1

## **Project:**

The Project extends the Purple (D Line) from the existing Metro Purple Line terminus at the Wilshire/Western Station adding 3 new stations at Wilshire/La Brea, Wilshire/Fairfax, and Wilshire/La Cienega.

## **Property Impacts:**

Acquire a 10-month and 7 days Temporary Construction Easements (TCE) covering the entire property.

## **Property Locations:**

Wilshire Boulevard and Detroit Street in the City of Los Angeles

## **Relocation Impacts:**

Project impacts will not create a displacement

## **Safety Impacts:**

The Board action will not have an impact on LACMTA's safety standards

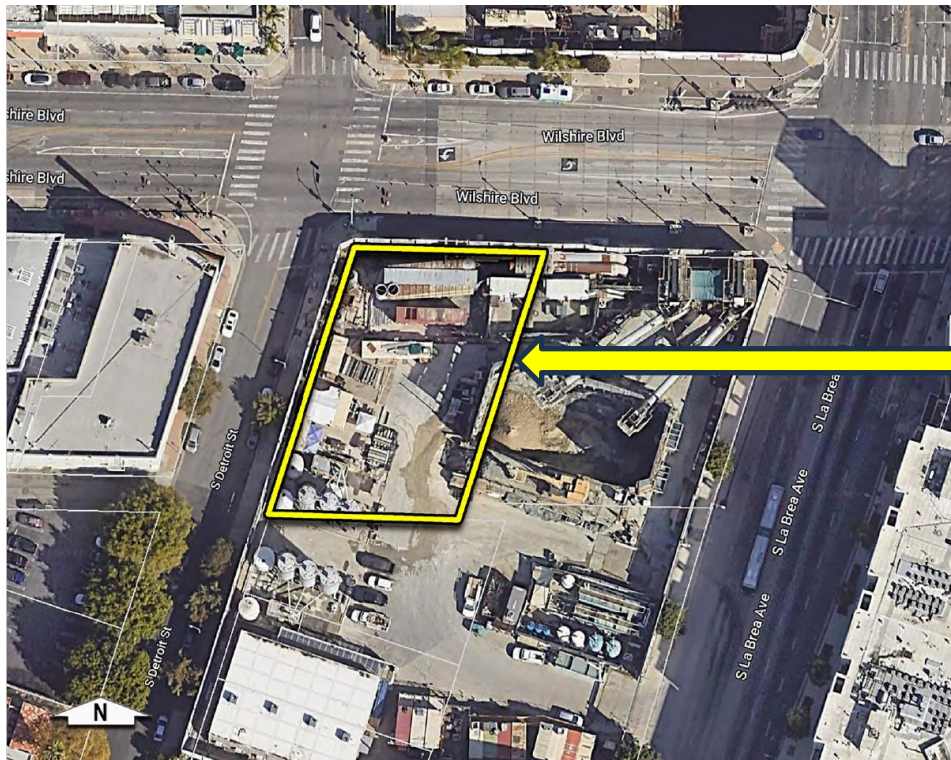


# Hearing to Adopt Resolutions of Necessity Westside Purple Line Extension Section 1

<b>Project Parcel Number</b>	<b>Assessor's Parcel Number</b>	<b>Parcel Address</b>	<b>Purpose of Acquisition</b>	<b>Property Interests Sought</b>
W-1205 and W-1202-1	5089-001-028	5318 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90036	Construction Laydown for the Project	10-Month and 7-days TCE

# Hearing to Adopt Resolution of Necessity Westside Purple Line Extension Section 1

## PARCEL OVERVIEW



10-Month and 7 days TCE  
Begins: July 25, 2025  
Expires: June 1, 2026  
APN: 5089-001-028,  
13,948 Square Feet

# Hearing to Adopt Resolution of Necessity Westside Purple Line Extension Section 1

**Staff recommends the Board make the below findings and adopt the Resolution of Necessity:**

- The public interest and necessity require the proposed Project;
- The proposed Project is planned or located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury;
- The Property sought to be acquired, which has been described herein, is necessary for the proposed Project;
- The offer required by Section 7267.2 of the Government Code has been made to the Owner; and
- Whether the statutory requirements necessary to acquire the property or property interest by eminent domain have been complied with by LACMTA.



Thank you



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**Board Report**

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**File #:** 2024-0937, **File Type:** Minutes

**Agenda Number:** 2.

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2024**

**SUBJECT: MINUTES**

**RECOMMENDATION**

APPROVE Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held July 25, 2024.



## July 2024 RBM Public Comments – Item 26

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 7:52 AM

**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; oung-Gi Harabedian <ygharabedian@sgvcog.org>; Wingert, Matthew <WingertM@metro.net>; Johnson, Rodney <JohnsonR5@metro.net>; Ricky Choi <rchoi@sgvcog.org>; Marisa Creter <mcreter@sgvcog.org>

**Subject:** Public Comment - Metro Board of Directors - FOR Item 26

Good morning - please accept the below public comment for the upcoming Metro Board of Directors meeting (7/25) from Marisa Creter, Executive Director of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments. You may reach out to me [REDACTED] with any questions regarding this comment. Thank you.

### **FOR - Item 26. SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' LOCAL CONTRIBUTION AND DIRECT LOAN TO ALAMEDA CORRIDOR EAST AND I-605/VALLEY BOULEVARD INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS**

On behalf of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG), I write in support of Item 26. This action will authorize an agreement between LA Metro and SGVCOG to advance local Measure M MSP funding through a loan mechanism. The loan will ensure that SGVCOG can complete the remaining projects of the Alameda Corridor-East (ACE) Program and the I-605/Valley Boulevard Project.

The ACE Program consists of freight rail-highway grade separations and crossing improvements that mitigate the effects of growing freight rail traffic to and from the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to the transcontinental rail network. When completed, the Program will have delivered a multi-billion-dollar series of safety improvements along a nationally recognized freight trade corridor. ACE is a critical and longstanding priority for the San Gabriel Valley region, bringing relief from significant safety, air quality, greenhouse gas emission, mobility, and congestion impacts borne by surrounding communities. Similarly, the I-605/Valley Boulevard Project will implement much-needed safety improvements at a dangerous and high-impact juncture that is traversed by significant truck freight traffic and commuter traffic on a daily basis. The funding agreement outlined in Item 26 will ensure that SGVCOG is able to meet its local match and cash flow needs for these projects. It will also ensure that Metro is made whole plus interest by means of loan repayments using locally-directed MSP funding.

We are grateful to Metro staff and Directors Sandoval and Solis, who have shown their support for these projects and the proposed action. Metro's partnership in helping complete these key regional projects will ensure a healthier, safer, more equitable multi-modal future for the residents of the

San Gabriel Valley. We respectfully urge the Metro Board of Directors to approve the recommendation for this item.

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 9:05 AM

**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

**Cc:** Sam Pedroza <SPedroza@cityofindustry.org>; Ricky Choi <rchoi@sgvcog.org>; Stephanie Wong <swong@sgvcog.org>

**Subject:** FOR - Item 26. SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' LOCAL CONTRIBUTION AND DIRECT LOAN TO ALAMEDA CORRIDOR EAST AND I-605/VALLEY BOULEVARD INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS

Metro Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, July 25, 2024

10:00 AM

Janice Hahn, Chair

Fernando Dutra, 1st Vice Chair

Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker 2nd Vice Chair

Kathryn Barger

Karen Bass

James Butts

Lindsey Horvath

Paul Krekorian

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Tim Sandoval

Hilda Solis

Katy Yaroslavsky

Gloria Roberts, non-voting member

Stephanie Wiggins, Chief Executive Officer

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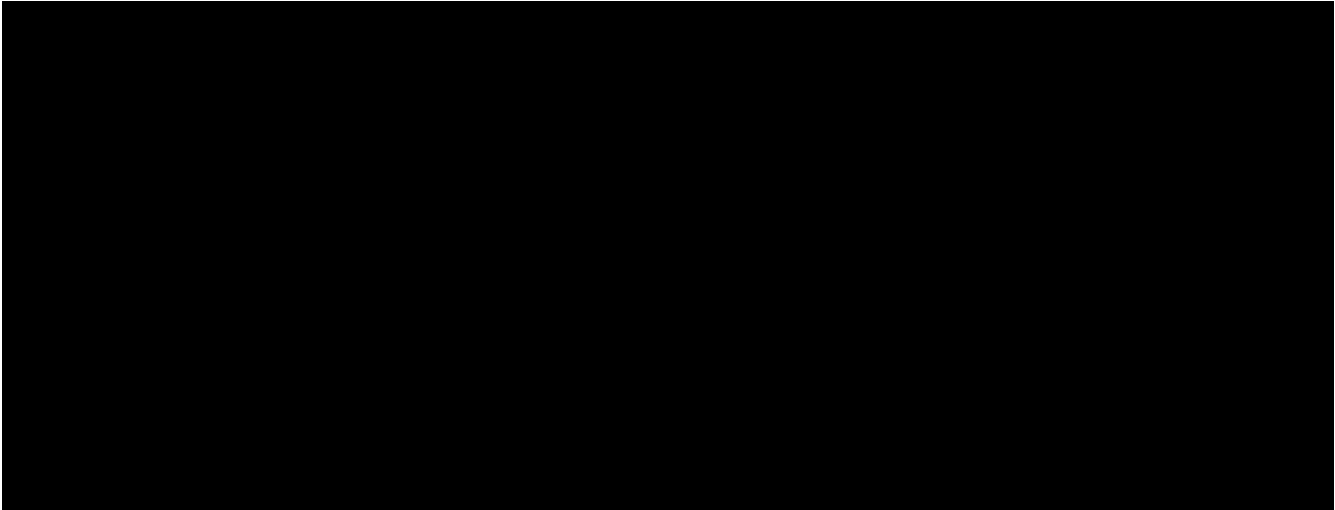
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We are grateful to Metro staff and Directors Sandoval and Solis, who have shown their support for these projects and the proposed action. Metro's partnership in helping complete these key regional projects will ensure a healthier, safer, more equitable multi-modal future for our residents and the businesses that rely on commerce to and from the ports. We respectfully urge the Finance, Budget, and Audit Committee, and the Metro Board of Directors, to approve the recommendation for this item.

Sincerely,







**Via Email/U.S. Mail**

July 22, 2024

Clerk of the Board  
Los Angeles County Metropolitan  
Transportation Authority  
Board Administration  
One Gateway Plaza  
MS: 99-3-1  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Email: BoardClerk@metro.net

**Re: Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority v.  
Spectrum Investment Corporation, et al.**

**The Board of Directors' adoption of a new resolution of necessity  
authorizing the abandonment of Metro's condemnation of Mr.  
Shapiro's property**

**Agenda Item No. 43**

Dear Clerk of the Board:

This firm represents Richard Shapiro and his Spectrum Investment Corporation, the owner of 21339 Sherman Way, Canoga Park. Mr. Shapiro's property is the subject of the Board of Directors' July 25, 2024, regular board meeting because the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's staff and attorney tried to abandon its condemnation of that property *without* obtaining the requisite authorization from the Board. The Board can and should refuse to adopt a new resolution of necessity authorizing the abandonment of Metro's condemnation of Mr. Shapiro's property.

We submit this letter to detail Mr. Shapiro's objections to the Board's adoption of a new resolution authorizing Metro's abandonment of its condemnation proceeding. In addition, this letter outlines Mr. Shapiro's proposed resolution to this years-long condemnation process and the reasoning behind it. (Mr. Shapiro has authorized me to make a settlement proposal to the Board.)

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Mr. Shapiro and my colleague will attend the Board’s July 25th regular board meeting to address these issues.

We request that this objection letter appear in the record for Agenda Item Number 43 for the adoption of a new resolution authorizing Metro’s abandonment.

We also request that copies of this letter be distributed to all Board members before they consider the adoption of a new resolution authorizing Metro’s abandonment.

### **Background**

Let’s start with a review of the facts.

As noted, Mr. Shapiro owns 21339 Sherman Way in Canoga Park. Mr. Shapiro’s property is a prominent corner lot that fronts a major commercial thoroughfare – Sherman Way. The lot has prime visibility from Sherman Way and the neighboring major cross street, Canoga Avenue. The property is improved with a single-story building. Mr. Shapiro’s property is outlined in yellow in the following aerial photograph.



Before Metro’s project and taking, Mr. Shapiro’s property was ripe for redevelopment and was leased for an auto-sales lot as an interim use, at a below-market rate. The highest-and-best use of Mr. Shapiro’s property is industrial redevelopment. Yet Metro’s project has made it impossible for Mr. Shapiro to attract and retain market tenants or to redevelop his property.

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This is a photograph of Mr. Shapiro's property before Mr. Shapiro's auto-sales-business tenant vacated the property.



**Metro's taking and the ongoing delay and uncertainty caused by Metro's continuous deliberation over redesigning its project.**

For more than a decade, Metro has communicated to the world about its G Line (Orange) Bus Rapid Transit Improvement Project that is clouding Mr. Shapiro's property.

Since the mid-2000's, Metro communicated to the general public that businesses fronting commercial thoroughfares intersecting Canoga Avenue, including Sherman Way, would be significantly, negatively impacted by Metro's project. For example, Metro's Planning and Programming Committee's June 2008 staff report identified "used car dealerships" as one of the many business tenants along Canoga Avenue that the project would put out of business.

Consequently, Metro's project clouded Mr. Shapiro's property for more than a decade before Metro sent its notice of its intent to condemn Mr. Shapiro's property. This greatly impaired Mr. Shapiro's property's leasing at market rates and redevelopment because both hinged on the scope of Metro's taking.

Eventually, in 2021, Metro announced its intent to condemn Mr. Shapiro's property for Metro's project. But then Metro delayed for more than a year before seeking the Board's adoption of a resolution of necessity authorizing this condemnation.

Then, in 2022, Metro explicitly communicated to the world that it was condemning nearly 60% of the property's frontage along Sherman Way for more than five years – taking roughly 1/3rd



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of the property's prime frontage on Sherman Way plus a 65-month (i.e., 5½-year), "temporary"-construction easement.

The following aerial map depicts Metro's taking of Mr. Shapiro's property.



Photo showing approximate area of the fee acquisition and TCE

The scope of Metro's taking from Mr. Shapiro's property made planning for any redevelopment impossible. As a result, Metro caused Mr. Shapiro to suffer huge precondemnation and post-condemnation damages and rendered the property a real-estate pariah permanently frozen in an unmarketable limbo – unable to be redeveloped or earn market-rate rent.

Even after Metro's Board adopted its resolution of necessity in 2022, Metro was considering a redesign that might reduce Metro's take of Mr. Shapiro's property. Metro thus forced Mr. Shapiro into an awkward wait-and-see position for years before filing this condemnation proceeding.

Since filing its condemnation proceeding in February 2023, Metro's flip-flopping about its redesign of the project and the scope of Metro's taking has occurred with more frequency. From February 2023 to February 2024, Metro flip-flopped *five* times.

For example, in June 2023, Metro moved for prejudgment possession of Mr. Shapiro's property "to allow the Project to proceed in a streamlined and cost effective manner." Then Metro withdrew its motion for possession in September 2023. (Metro's attorney confirmed that Metro's motion was taken off calendar because Metro ran into budgetary issues with the project.)

The continued uncertainty with Metro's project has reinforced the Metro-created doubts the market has regarding the viability of Mr. Shapiro's property. As a result, in November 2023, Mr. Shapiro's auto-sales-business tenant vacated the property. Since then, Mr. Shapiro has been unable

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to attract a new tenant – and the property has been overtaken by persons experiencing homelessness. Any plan for redevelopment of Mr. Shapiro’s property is impossible until the completion of Metro’s project.

Then, in December 2023, Metro informed Mr. Shapiro that Metro was *still* considering reducing the scope of its taking. This uncertainty caused by Metro’s indecision has only cast a darker cloud over Mr. Shapiro’s clouded title and further decimated the marketability of Mr. Shapiro’s property for sale and lease.

Suddenly and without prior warning, on February 5, 2024, Metro filed its notice to abandon Metro’s entire condemnation of Mr. Shapiro’s property.

**Metro’s condemnation still clouds Mr. Shapiro’s property, making it impossible to restore Mr. Shapiro to his precondemnation position.**

To this day, Metro refuses to lift the cloud on Mr. Shapiro’s property. And Metro’s purported abandonment will not change this. Metro’s project staff has confirmed this.

In opposition to Mr. Shapiro’s motion to set aside Metro’s abandonment of its condemnation proceeding, Ms. Annalisa Murphy, a Metro Senior Director that is purportedly in charge of revising property acquisitions for Metro’s project, stated that there are no *current* plans to condemn Mr. Shapiro’s property.

22 |           5.       On February 22, 2024, I also sent a letter to Spectrum’s counsel explaining that  
23 | Metro no longer needs to acquire any portion of Spectrum’s land at 21339 Sherman Way for the G  
24 | Line Improvements Project. In my letter, I also stated that Metro currently has no further plans to  
25 | acquire this property in the future. Attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** is a true and correct copy of the  
26 | letter I sent.

But Metro’s countless flip-flops are a guide to the future. Why else has Metro refused to commit, in writing, that Metro will not condemn Mr. Shapiro’s property *in the future*? Of course, this is because Metro knows it will (again) decide it needs Mr. Shapiro’s property. And that Metro’s staff chose not to obtain the Board’s authorization to rescind the Board’s resolution of necessity is further proof of this.

So, as things stand today – with *no* written commitment to Mr. Shapiro that Metro will not condemn Mr. Shapiro’s property for its project in the future – Metro continues to cloud Mr. Shapiro’s property as long as the project exists. Metro’s project remains active and is a long way from completion – Metro’s project will purportedly open in 2027.

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In short, Metro has now put Mr. Shapiro in a position where Mr. Shapiro has no tenant, Mr. Shapiro has no prospect for a new tenant because of Metro's condemnation cloud, and Mr. Shapiro cannot sell because of Metro's condemnation cloud, meaning that Metro has "banked" Mr. Shapiro's property in an undevelopable state for Metro's future condemnation.

**Mr. Shapiro's proposed resolution.**

In the event the Board authorizes Metro's abandonment and is unwilling to resolve this matter as detailed below, Metro's abandonment will definitively obligate Metro to pay Mr. Shapiro's attorneys' fees, costs, and damages. (Code Civ. Proc., §§ 1268.610, 1268.620.) Furthermore, Mr. Shapiro will retain his ability to sue Metro for inverse condemnation. (Code Civ. Proc., § 1268.620.)

Mr. Shapiro seeks to resolve this matter without further delay and injury to himself in either of the following ways:

- If Metro is prepared to provide a written commitment that it will not condemn Mr. Shapiro's property again, then Mr. Shapiro is willing to accept monetary relief for his lost-rent damages, appraisal fees, and litigation expenses. (Obviously, Mr. Shapiro's attorneys' fees and appraisal fees will increase if Metro forces Mr. Shapiro to pursue these amounts through further litigation.)
- If, on the other hand, Metro cannot provide that written, no-condemnation commitment, then Mr. Shapiro remains willing (1) to sell his entire property to Metro and (2) to waive all of his litigation expenses, appraisal fees, and lost-rent damages.

KEF:slp

cc: Nazani N. Temourian, Esq.  
Lucas A. Urgoiti, Esq.

[REDACTED]

July 16, 2024

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
Board of Directors  
c/o Collette Langston  
*boardclerk@metro.net*

**Re: RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY HEARING: July 25, 2024, 10:00 AM  
East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Project  
14626 Raymer Street, Van Nuys  
Raymer Street Properties, LLC (fee owner)  
Rouge Gentlemens Club, Inc., dba Dames & Games (business)**

Members of the Board of Directors:

This office represents Raymer Street Properties, LLC, and Rouge Gentlemens Club, Inc., dba Dames & Games. We received Metro’s “Impasse Letter,” informing us and our clients that Metro will be holding a hearing on adopting a resolution of necessity to enable Metro to use the power of Eminent Domian to acquire the above-referenced property. While we do not object to Metro’s adoption and use of Eminent Domain, we wish to make this letter part of the record at the hearing.

Dames & Games will require sufficient time to find, and relocate to a suitable site to continue to operate its business. Adult entertainment businesses require special permitting and specific geographical characteristics. We will require Metro’s assistance to expedite the permitting processes; to give our clients as much time as possible to enable a successful relocation; and to assist in identifying potential relocation sites based on the specific criteria needed by our clients.

In addition, while Metro has appraised the subject property and presented an offer to purchase pursuant to Government Code section 7267.2, the offer is inadequate, as it fails to account for the special purpose of the subject property and the lack of comparable sales and potential relocation sites. The offer presented by Metro has made it extremely difficult for our clients to even consider accepting the offer, and to purchase a relocation site with the amounts offered by Metro.

We look forward to working with Metro to achieving the appropriate just compensation taking into account the unique and special nature of the subject property and the subject business.

[REDACTED]

## July 2024 RBM Public Comments – Item 45

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 5:12 PM  
**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION

Metro Board Clerk,

I am writing to express concern that the planned Smart Bathroom program fails to meet the needs of essential Metro workers and of Metro riders.

I agree that public bathrooms are a necessary public service at all LA Metro stations (#stationsneedstalls), and I support LA Metro's efforts to make public bathrooms available at 64 stations over 4 years. However, because the proposed vendor (Throne Labs) operates using a "gig work" employment model, the current proposal would undercut the labor rights for the workers cleaning and maintaining these bathrooms. We cannot build a truly equitable and sustainable bathroom system at the expense of essential workers!

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And while Metro is considering the future of public bathrooms in our system, we should think beyond the 2028 Olympics. This 4-year program can be a powerful demonstration of the value and importance of public amenities on transit, but Metro should be investing in public goods that will stand for generations to come. Where Metro is designing new transit stations for projects like the Southeast Gateway Line, K Line Northern Extension, Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project, East San Fernando Valley Light Rail Project, and others, we should be designing to include permanent public bathrooms from day one. As part of this program,

Metro should be studying and planning for the inclusion of permanent, Metro-operated bathrooms in all future transit stations.

This bathroom plan should be amended to:

- Ban the use of "gig work" employment for bathroom attendants
- Guarantee strong unionization protections in bathroom contracts
- Study a transition to permanent, Metro-owned bathrooms at new Metro stations

I ask the Metro Board to amend Item 45 to protect essential transit workers and build towards a permanent system of public bathrooms that will serve LA Metro riders and workers for generations to come.

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Wiggins, Stephanie](mailto:Wiggins,Stephanie); [Karen.Bass@lacity.org](mailto:Karen.Bass@lacity.org); [firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov); [anajarian@glendaleca.gov](mailto:anajarian@glendaleca.gov); [councilmember.krekorian@lacity.org](mailto:councilmember.krekorian@lacity.org); [ThirdDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:ThirdDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov); [kathryn@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:kathryn@bos.lacounty.gov); [councilmember.yaroslavsky@lacity.org](mailto:councilmember.yaroslavsky@lacity.org); [jdupontw@aol.com](mailto:jdupontw@aol.com); [tim.sandoval@pomona.gov](mailto:tim.sandoval@pomona.gov); [fdutra@cityofwhittier.org](mailto:fdutra@cityofwhittier.org); [fourthdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:fourthdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov); [HollyJMitchell@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:HollyJMitchell@bos.lacounty.gov)  
**Cc:** [Board Clerk](#); [BudgetComments](#)  
**Subject:** CONCERNS: Agenda item #45 - IMPROVING ACCESS CONTROL  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 11:19:09 PM

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Dear Metro Board and CEO Stephanie Wiggins,

I am concerned about the expansion of the TAP-to-Exit pilot. In 2022-2023 the board requested and received a report showing that end-of-line stations have the highest offloading of people experiencing homelessness. The goal was to make sure we had services and housing where PEH needed them most. The TAP-to-Exit program stands as a barrier to access those services and specifically targets those that have to decide between a fare and the cost to live. I urge you to abandon this flawed fare-enforcement policy.

We should be budgeting for more services and not doubling the amount of TAP readers in fare gates. TAP-to-Exit also requires gate telephone installations; an equitable solution would not require additional technology for differently abled riders.

Thank you,

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 7:03:19 PM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 7:35:59 PM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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**Date:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 7:49:03 PM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 7:51:01 PM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 8:06:56 PM

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Metro Board Clerk,

Hello,

I am writing to express concern that the planned Smart Bathroom program fails to meet the needs of essential Metro workers and of Metro riders.

I enthusiastically agree that public bathrooms are a necessary public service at all LA Metro stations ([#stationsneedstalls](#)), and I strongly support LA Metro's efforts to make public bathrooms available at 64 stations over 4 years. However, because the proposed vendor (Throne Labs) operates using a "gig work" employment model, the current proposal would undercut the labor rights for the workers cleaning and maintaining these bathrooms. We cannot build a truly equitable, stable, and sustainable bathroom system at the expense of essential workers!

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Thank you for your consideration!

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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Metro Board Clerk,

I am writing to urge you to amend metro board item #45 and keep good union jobs in LA Metro. I want to express concern that the planned Smart Bathroom program fails to meet the needs of essential Metro workers and of Metro riders.

First, let me say that I support LA Metro's efforts to make public bathrooms available at 64 stations over 4 years! However, because the proposed vendor (Throne Labs) operates using a "gig work" employment model, the current proposal would undercut the labor rights for the workers cleaning and maintaining these bathrooms. We cannot build a truly equitable and sustainable bathroom system at the expense of essential workers!

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 9:48:30 PM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 10:28:50 PM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 9:48:19 AM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 11:14:19 AM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 11:15:02 AM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 11:20:30 AM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 11:25:18 AM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 11:31:38 AM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 11:41:08 AM

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"A society grows great when old men plant trees in whose shade they shall never sit." —



Greek Proverb

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 11:47:20 AM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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Public bathrooms are necessary for a civilized city. Look at Mexico City. They have clean well

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Now, when community pressure moves the Metro to finally install public bathrooms so LA isn't an international embarrassment for the World Cup and Olympics, they want to tear up workers rights and use a gig work model. Gig work is cell phone serfdom, where workers are slaves to app based management schemes without the worksite protections that California communities have fought for for generations such as minimum wages, health and safety, protections against discrimination and harassment, and other fundamental rights. Using public bathrooms to union bust and erode the opportunities for good paying public sector union jobs as bathroom attendants is like a Trojan horse; bathrooms are the gift, with gig work the invading army inside seeking to destroy workers rights at LA Metro.

As a public health professional, we know that public restrooms, like basic sanitation and clean drinking water, is a fundamental human right that helps reduce the risk of communicable disease for urban populations.

Please do not sacrifice workers rights in the name of public health.

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**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 12:14:24 PM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 12:16:01 PM

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I am writing to express concern that the planned Smart Bathroom program fails to meet the needs of essential Metro workers and of Metro riders. I believe the program needs further consideration before widespread implementation.

As a full-time metro rider who uses LA's public transit system as my main form of transportation, I believe that public bathrooms are a necessary public service at all LA Metro stations (#stationsneedstalls), and I commend LA Metro's efforts to make public bathrooms available at 64 stations over 4 years. However, because the proposed vendor (Throne Labs) operates using a "gig work" employment model, the current proposal would undercut the labor rights for the workers cleaning and maintaining these bathrooms. We cannot build a truly equitable and sustainable bathroom system at the expense of essential workers!

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**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 12:29:46 PM

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Metro Board Clerk,

I support having restrooms at MTA stations. I am a Metro rider that uses the Little Tokyo/Arts District station. I am writing to express concern that the planned Smart Bathroom program fails to meet the needs of essential Metro workers and of Metro riders.

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**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 12:38:58 PM

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**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 12:45:34 PM

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Metro Board Clerk,

Hello, thank you for your time. Below are a list of concerns about the Smart Bathroom program. I would like to add the following personal note: gig based work exploits our most vulnerable members of society. Essential workers at ALL levels deserve protections and the right to benefits that a union provides. The metro desperately needs these employees, and they deserve respect and the same protections as any other metro employee.

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A rising tide lifts all boats. Thank you for working to ensure we are all supporting each other to

build a stronger community-based city.

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**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 1:30:06 PM

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**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 12:59:46 AM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - PLEASE DISCUSS  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 11:58:45 AM

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Metro Board Clerk,

I am extremely concerned that the planned Smart Bathroom program fails to meet the needs of essential Metro workers and of Metro riders.

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**To:** [FourthDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:FourthDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov)  
**Cc:** [transit@dsa-la.org](mailto:transit@dsa-la.org); Board Clerk  
**Subject:** Proposed Amendments to Metro Agenda Item #45 Smart Restrooms - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 10:54:36 AM

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Metro Chair Janice Hahn,

We are writing to you today on behalf of Democratic Socialists of America – Los Angeles (DSA-LA) to urge you to amend Item 45 on the upcoming Metro Board agenda, which addresses the expansion of the Smart Restroom program. While we are encouraged by Metro’s commitment to providing public restrooms at stations, we believe that improvements must be made in order to support the rights and wellbeing of all Metro workers (as you identified in your State of Metro priorities) and to ensure that Metro builds sustainable, equitable, and accessible services for the riders of today and tomorrow.

Access to safe, clean, and accessible public restrooms at Metro stations is not simply a matter of convenience – it is a matter of fundamental human dignity, public health, and environmental justice. It is a clear alignment between the needs of riders and the needs of Metro workers, all of whom need bathrooms as part of everyday life and also deserve clean Metro stations and safe workplaces. Expanding public services like bathrooms should be a core focus for Metro, and it is necessary as Los Angeles must transition beyond car dependence to more sustainable transportation methods to respond to the climate crisis.

The need for public restrooms resonates deeply with Metro riders themselves. Over the past year as part of DSA-LA’s campaign for public bathrooms on transit, DSA-LA members have been canvassing riders at stations across Los Angeles, engaging in conversations about their experiences and the need for improved amenities. We have collected over 150 signatures on a petition urging Metro to expand the restroom program, ensure restrooms are maintained by union workers, and incorporate them into the design of all future stations. The resounding message from riders is clear: clean and accessible restrooms are essential for a positive and dignified transit experience. We will follow this email with another listing the signatures of the Metro riders signing this petition.

So while we support expanding access to public restrooms, we cannot do so at the expense of the workers who will be responsible for their upkeep. The proposed reliance on a "gig work" labor model, as currently utilized by Throne Labs for their cleaning staff (see on Throne’s website, “Clean with Throne”), is deeply concerning. This model is fundamentally exploitative, misclassifying workers and denying them basic labor protections, fair and predictable wages, and the right to organize. Allowing a Metro contractor to classify essential workers as “gig workers” sets a dangerous precedent for all Metro workers. We ask for all Smart bathroom contracts to include a prohibition on “gig work” employment and to include best-practice protections for the rights of workers to

organize, including a strict neutrality agreement for Metro contractors, an agreement to recognize labor representation by card check, and change-of-ownership protections for labor agreements.

While expanding the pilot program is a positive step, Metro must prioritize permanent, publicly-owned restrooms as it expands the LA transit system. Relying on a single company like Throne Labs creates vulnerability to market forces, and modular units are a poor substitute for thoughtfully designed facilities integrated into stations from the outset. This forward-thinking approach is more efficient and ensures high-quality, accessible restrooms for generations to come. We urge you to prioritize permanent restrooms in all new Metro projects.

Therefore, we urge you to include the following amendments in Agenda Item 45:

**Study permanent, Metro-owned bathroom options on new projects:**

**D. DIRECTING the Chief Executive Officer to report back to the Board within 60 days on the feasibility of incorporating permanent public bathrooms into the design and construction of each new or expanded station along new Metro rail projects.**

**Prohibit “gig work” for Smart Restroom workers and protect the right to organize:**

E. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer, or their designee, to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and contract modifications associated with the Enhanced Access Control LOP. **The Chief Executive Officer will ensure that:**

**1. All contracts for the Smart Restroom initiative will include a Project Labor Agreement (PLA);**

**2. The Smart Restroom initiative PLA will prohibit any contractor or subcontractor from using freelance independent contractors, app-based or “gig work” independent contractors, or any other non-employee classification for the workers who clean, service, or maintain restrooms under the Smart Restroom initiative;**

**3. The Smart Restroom initiative PLA will include neutrality terms requiring contractors and subcontractors to maintain strict neutrality with respect to the unionization of employees and to recognize a labor organization designated by the majority of employees according to a “card check” process recognized by Federal or State card check authorities; and**

**4. The Smart Restroom initiative PLA will include change-of-ownership terms requiring all provisions to remain in force and to transfer to any future employers**

due to a sale, merger, acquisition, or restructuring of the contractor or subcontractor.

Metro has a unique opportunity to create a model public restroom program for Los Angeles, one that prioritizes both the needs of riders and the rights of workers. By incorporating these amendments, we can build towards a truly equitable and sustainable transit system that works for all Angelenos. We urge you to join us in supporting these crucial amendments and building a brighter future for public transportation in Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

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**To:** [FourthDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:FourthDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov)  
**Cc:** [transit@dsa-la.org](mailto:transit@dsa-la.org); [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed Amendments to Metro Agenda Item #45 Smart Restrooms - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 10:58:10 AM

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Metro Chair Janice Hahn,

We're sending this as a secondary email due to length. These are the Metro riders who we have had organizing conversations with over the past year about the issue of public bathrooms on Metro, who have shared their experiences, and who have signed on to the following petition letter. These names represent dozens of hours of cumulative conversations by DSA-LA volunteers and Metro riders. These signers call for the expansion of public bathrooms on Metro, for those bathrooms to be maintained by union workers with fair working conditions, and to design future Metro stations for the inclusion of permanent bathroom facilities.

Petition letter (Station Need Stalls!):

Dear Metro Board of Directors,

I am a concerned transit rider urging Metro to prioritize cleanliness and improve the rider experience by establishing public restrooms at Metro stations. Metro's recent 6-month pilot program with startup Throne Labs highlighted the need and appreciation for putting public restrooms at or near Metro transit hubs. The Throne pilot program is set to end shortly, but Metro cannot allow access to public bathrooms to disappear when this contract ends.

So far, the program has been a resounding success, according to Metro's own reporting: 13.5K uses, 4.3/5 star cleanliness rating, 90% uptime, and zero incidents of misuse. Most notably, stations with throne pilots saw a 50% reduction in public urination and defecation — improving the Metro experience for everyone.

The value of this resource extends not just to riders but also to Metro employees, who deserve frequent access to high-quality public restrooms in their places of business and along transit routes. Our communities deserve nice things, and Angelenos have shown that we value public services that value us, the people. We urge Metro to use the insights gained from this program and move forward with its stated plans to both continue and expand the implementation of public restrooms at and near transit stations.

In the Vision 2028 Plan, Metro notes “delivering outstanding trip experiences for all

users of the transportation system” as one of the primary targets — establishing public restrooms at Metro hubs would work towards achieving this goal. Riders cannot have an outstanding trip experience in a filthy station, where elevators and station corners are used as pseudo-restrooms. Moreover, riders cannot have an outstanding trip experience without access to public restrooms along the way. If Metro truly wants to improve the rider experience and increase ridership, Metro must commit to prioritizing station cleanliness and establishing public restrooms at Metro stations.

As a transit rider, I believe Metro should invest in services that create a high-quality public transit experience for all transit riders and foster a safe work environment for Metro employees. This is why I think it is so important for Metro to prioritize cleanliness and the user experience by establishing permanent public restrooms at Metro stations. I ask you to:

- 1) Expand the public restroom program and establish accessible, free, public restrooms at all Los Angeles Metro stations;
- 2) Ensure restrooms are maintained by union workers;
- 3) Incorporate public bathrooms into the design of all future Metro stations.

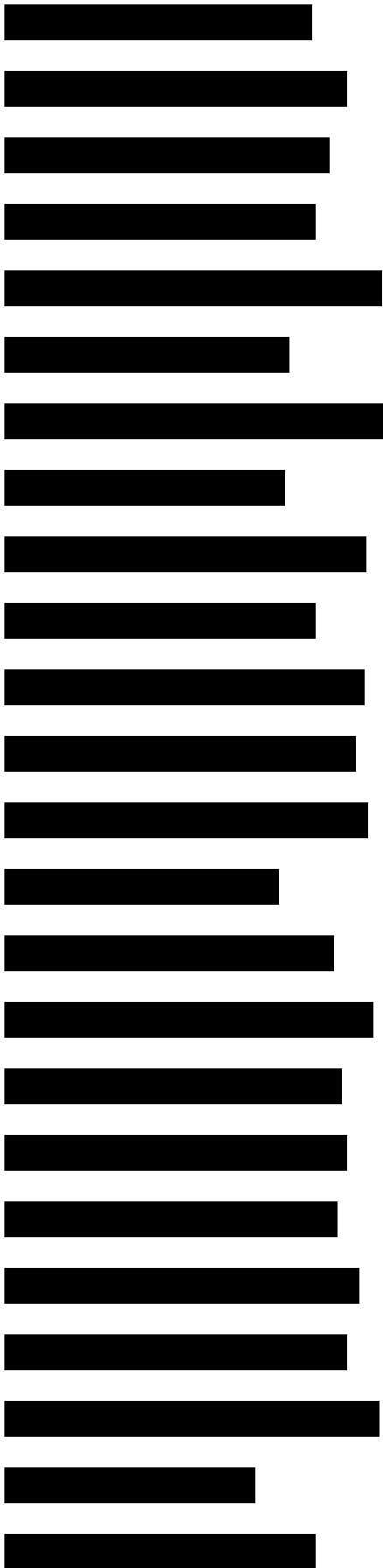
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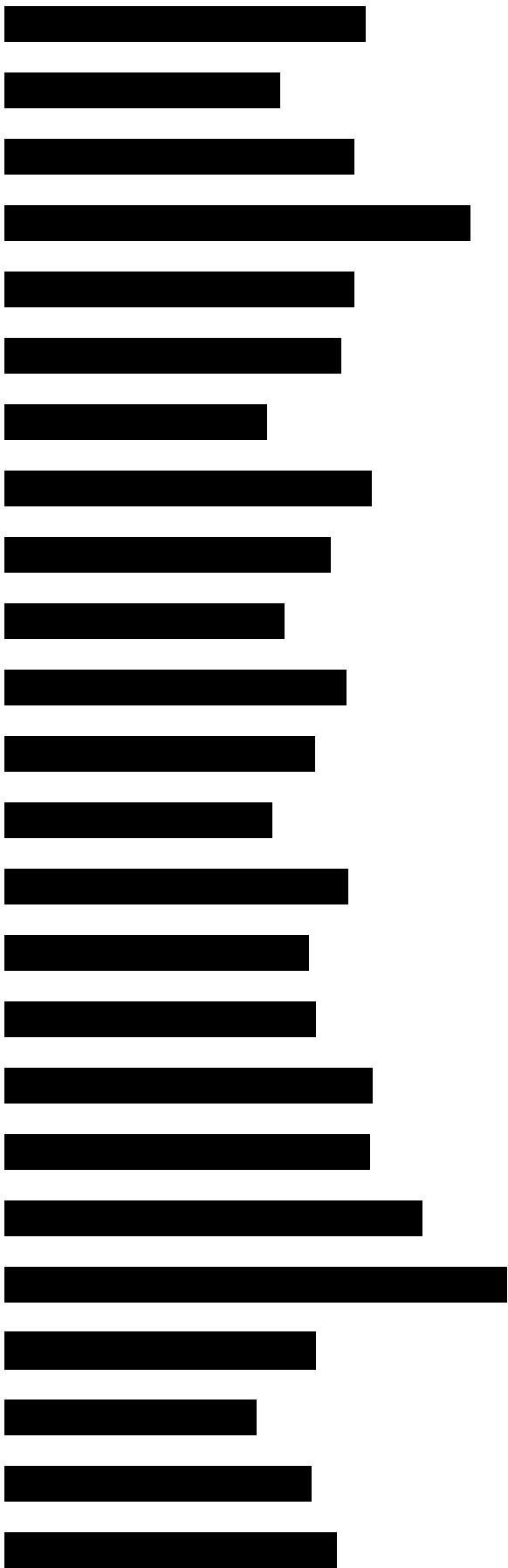
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Metro Chair Janice Hahn,

We are writing to you today on behalf of Democratic Socialists of America – Los Angeles (DSA-LA) to urge you to amend Item 45 on the upcoming Metro Board agenda, which addresses the expansion of the Smart Restroom program. While we are encouraged by Metro's commitment to providing public restrooms at stations, we believe that improvements must be made in order to support the rights and wellbeing of all Metro workers (as you identified in your State of Metro priorities) and to ensure that Metro builds sustainable, equitable, and accessible services for the riders of today and tomorrow.

Access to safe, clean, and accessible public restrooms at Metro stations is not simply a matter of convenience – it is a matter of fundamental human dignity, public health, and environmental justice. It is a clear alignment between the needs of riders and the needs of Metro workers, all of whom need bathrooms as part of everyday life and also deserve clean Metro stations and safe workplaces. Expanding public services like bathrooms should be a core focus for Metro, and it is necessary as Los Angeles must transition beyond car dependence to more sustainable transportation methods to respond to the climate crisis.

The need for public restrooms resonates deeply with Metro riders themselves. Over the past year as part of DSA-LA's campaign for public bathrooms on transit, DSA-LA members have been canvassing riders at stations across Los Angeles, engaging in conversations about their experiences and the need for improved amenities. We have collected over 150 signatures on a petition urging Metro to expand the restroom program, ensure restrooms are maintained by union workers, and incorporate them into the design of all future stations. The resounding message from riders is clear: clean and accessible restrooms are essential for a positive and dignified transit experience. We will follow this email with another listing the signatures of the Metro riders signing this petition.

So while we support expanding access to public restrooms, we cannot do so at the expense of the workers who will be responsible for their upkeep. The proposed reliance on a "gig work" labor model, as currently utilized by Throne Labs for their cleaning staff (see on Throne's website, "Clean with Throne"), is deeply concerning. This model is fundamentally exploitative, misclassifying workers and denying them basic labor

protections, fair and predictable wages, and the right to organize. Allowing a Metro contractor to classify essential workers as “gig workers” sets a dangerous precedent for all Metro workers. We ask for all Smart bathroom contracts to include a prohibition on “gig work” employment and to include best-practice protections for the rights of workers to organize, including a strict neutrality agreement for Metro contractors, an agreement to recognize labor representation by card check, and change-of-ownership protections for labor agreements.

While expanding the pilot program is a positive step, Metro must prioritize permanent, publicly-owned restrooms as it expands the LA transit system. Relying on a single company like Throne Labs creates vulnerability to market forces, and modular units are a poor substitute for thoughtfully designed facilities integrated into stations from the outset. This forward-thinking approach is more efficient and ensures high-quality, accessible restrooms for generations to come. We urge you to prioritize permanent restrooms in all new Metro projects.

Therefore, we urge you to include the following amendments in Agenda Item 45:

**Study permanent, Metro-owned bathroom options on new projects:**

**D. DIRECTING the Chief Executive Officer to report back to the Board within 60 days on the feasibility of incorporating permanent public bathrooms into the design and construction of each new or expanded station along new Metro rail projects.**

**Prohibit “gig work” for Smart Restroom workers and protect the right to organize:**

E. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer, or their designee, to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and contract modifications associated with the Enhanced Access Control LOP. **The Chief Executive Officer will ensure that:**

**1. All contracts for the Smart Restroom initiative will include a Project Labor Agreement (PLA);**

**2. The Smart Restroom initiative PLA will prohibit any contractor or subcontractor from using freelance independent contractors, app-based or “gig work” independent contractors, or any other non-employee classification for the workers who clean, service, or maintain restrooms under the Smart Restroom initiative;**

**3. The Smart Restroom initiative PLA will include neutrality terms requiring contractors and subcontractors to maintain strict neutrality with respect to the unionization of employees and to recognize a labor organization designated by the majority of employees according to a “card check” process recognized by**



Federal or State card check authorities; and

4. The Smart Restroom initiative PLA will include change-of-ownership terms requiring all provisions to remain in force and to transfer to any future employers due to a sale, merger, acquisition, or restructuring of the contractor or subcontractor.

Metro has a unique opportunity to create a model public restroom program for Los Angeles, one that prioritizes both the needs of riders and the rights of workers. By incorporating these amendments, we can build towards a truly equitable and sustainable transit system that works for all Angelenos. We urge you to join us in supporting these crucial amendments and building a brighter future for public transportation in Los Angeles.

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**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** LA Metro Board Item #45 - ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 3:52:46 PM

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**To:** [Board Clerk](#)  
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**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 4:27:39 PM

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**July 2024 RBM Public Comment – Item 46**

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 20, 2024 3:42 PM  
**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>  
**Subject:** Item #46 – Item Needs More Consideration – July 25 2024 BOD Meeting

Hello LA Metro. My name is [REDACTED] I'm a resident of Downey, and I occasionally use the Transit Watch App to make reports while riding on LA Metro's buses and trains.

I do agree (as mentioned in the motion) that having a timely follow-up would be great to have, especially with time-sensitive reported incidents (examples: a rider causing a disturbance on the train/bus by shouting non-stop, or riders getting into a verbal altercation argument). Maybe you can even have a status bar page in the app that shows the current status of the reports the user made.

And while I agree that the app needs to be more user-friendly, there also needs to be a consolidation of all of LA Metro's multiple smartphone applications into 1. Here is a full list of LA Metro's current apps (as far as I know):

- 1) LA Metro Transit Watch
- 2) MetroParking
- 3) Metro Vanpool
- 4) TAP LA
- 5) Metro Micro
- 6) Metro Bike Share

Bonus: LA Metro should have (in its consolidated app) its own version of the Transit app (where users can see live GPS tracking of their buses and trains). Or at the very least, LA Metro should agree on another partnership with the Transit app (just like it did around 2 years ago).

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]



## July 2024 RBM Public Comments – Item 47

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 20, 2024 3:47 PM  
**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>  
**Subject:** Item #47 – Item Needs More Consideration – July 25 2024 BOD Meeting

Hello LA Metro. My name is [REDACTED] I'm a resident of Downey that uses LA Metro buses and trains for work daily, and I always pay my fares. I do mostly support the findings found in the Response Bridge to Fareless Report, but wanted to provide some feedback and to also say that LA Metro should support enacting Phase 2 of Bridge to Fareless by having LIFE Unlimited rides.

I find it contradictory that the report talks about how challenging (funding wise) it is to do LIFE Unlimited rides, and yet both LA Metro & the LIFE program are massively pushing to recruit as many low-income riders into its program regardless of cost. In fact, Item #19 is going to award millions of dollars just for more LIFE recruitment.

When 100% of all enrolled LIFE riders have access to unlimited rides, it has already been shown that more rides occur per a month than the limited 20 trips (10 round trips) per a month (19.2 rides with unlimited vs 13.3 rides with limited trips). And by making LIFE have unlimited rides, users will no longer be required to go through the convoluted/bureaucratic process of refreshing their 20 rides (10 round trips) per a month. It wasn't surprising to read in Item 48 that these current hurdles have hurt the LIFE program, resulting in the LIFE program only having 53,600 active users (out of the 335,000 total enrolled users, which is just 16%). And after the free 90-day pass ends, 13 percent of users immediately drop off from the LIFE program (personally, my own sister is one of those LIFE people who didn't want to use the LIFE program after her 90-day unlimited pass ended due to TAP's "annoyingly frustrating" process of renewing 20 trips each month).

And I find it interesting that when LA Metro really wants to fund something, money appears for it. Whether it's amending the FY 2025 budget to spend money on items like TAP to Exit (Item 45) or Staffing Request for more security (Item 38), LA Metro doesn't appear to be too worried about negatively impacting their operating budget or needing dedicated funding to pay for them. But for some reason, this report treats Unlimited LIFE rides like it will negatively hurt LA Metro's system (which I strongly disagree with).

But since the counter I'm expecting to hear is where is the funding for the estimated \$30.5-\$89.8 million for Unlimited LIFE rides going to come from, my recommendation is that instead of spending hundreds of millions of dollars on things like TAP to Exit, new fare gates, police officers (all things that are not the best solutions for security), I recommend moving that money to increasing ridership

for things like Unlimited LIFE rides. This is because when more people ride on LA Metro's buses and trains, the amount crimes and homeless/unhoused sleeping in the system drops. But when ridership decreases, more criminals uses the system as an opportunity to commit crimes (when no one/fewer riders are around), and more homeless/unhoused people uses the system when less riders are around (as shown during late night services). Which is why one of the best solutions for increasing security is to increase ridership, and which is one of the main reasons why LA Metro should support enacting Unlimited LIFE rides.

I thank you for taking the time in reading my comment.

Sincerely,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the sender's name.

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2024 2:21 PM

**To:** Wiggins, Stephanie <WIGGINSS@metro.net>; Karen.Bass@lacity.org; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; anajarian@glendaleca.gov; councilmember.krekorian@lacity.org; ThirdDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; kathryn@bos.lacounty.gov; councilmember.yaroslavsky@lacity.org; jdupontw@aol.com; tim.sandoval@pomona.gov; fdutra@cityofwhittier.org; fourthdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; HollyJMitchell@bos.lacounty.gov  
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Regards,

Community Memeber

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Sincerely,

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2. Devolución Local: Preferimos explorar estrategias de financiamiento interno. ¿Qué tan realista es que cada consejo municipal asigne su devolución local a un programa de subsidios?
3. Responsabilidad: El reporte actual no incluye un calendario para la responsabilidad del personal. ¿Cuándo habrá actualizaciones sobre el progreso? Los pasajeros llevan cinco años esperando el transporte sin tarifas.

Por favor, atiendan estas preocupaciones y trabajen con la comunidad en esta importante iniciativa.

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I really appreciate the leadership you have all shown to get us this far. By creating an equitable and fareless transit system you are ensuring safety of your passengers and your drivers lending to an overall better experience while riding Metro. With that in mind, I urge more clarity and accountability on item #47: Response to Motion 22 Bridge to Fareless Transit.


It would be really great to have a clear timeline for staff to report progress on securing permanent funding for the expansion of LIFE and transforming it to a fareless program. All funding options should be at the table.

I encourage you to ask for the following in the reportbacks and make this information public:

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Looking forward to seeing the discussion that arises and the inclusion of the stakeholders in the planning process,

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Please address these concerns and work with the community on this important initiative.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Wiggins, Stephanie](mailto:Wiggins,Stephanie); [Karen.Bass@lacity.org](mailto:Karen.Bass@lacity.org); [firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov); [anajarian@glendaleca.gov](mailto:anajarian@glendaleca.gov); [councilmember.krekorian@lacity.org](mailto:councilmember.krekorian@lacity.org); [ThirdDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:ThirdDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov); [kathryn@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:kathryn@bos.lacounty.gov); [councilmember.yaroslavsky@lacity.org](mailto:councilmember.yaroslavsky@lacity.org); [jdupontw@aol.com](mailto:jdupontw@aol.com); [tim.sandoval@pomonaca.gov](mailto:tim.sandoval@pomonaca.gov); [fdutra@cityofwhittier.org](mailto:fdutra@cityofwhittier.org); [fourthdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:fourthdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov); [HollyJMitchell@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:HollyJMitchell@bos.lacounty.gov)  
**Cc:** [Board Clerk](#); [BudgetComments](#)  
**Subject:** CONCERNS: Agenda item #47 - Bridge to Fareless  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 4:16:27 PM

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Dear Metro Board and CEO Stephanie Wiggins,

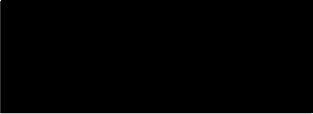
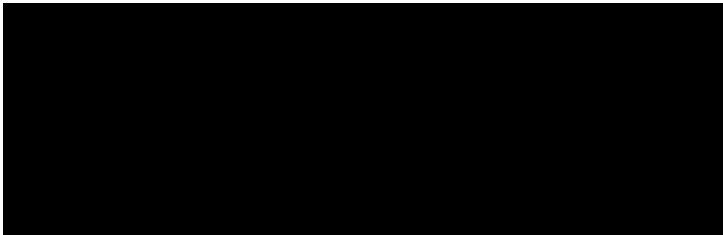
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July 22, 2024

Esteemed Board Members,

On behalf of SMART and our nearly 5000 members at LACMTA we are writing to encourage your approval of the Tentative Agreement ATU Local 1277 members recently ratified. We do so for these reasons:


- Flyers with SMART's name on them were distributed to ATU members prior to their ratification vote. These flyers advocated a NO vote. These flyers were not sanctioned by SMART, nor were we aware that others were trying to interfere with ATU's ratification vote until after the fact. SMART respects the autonomy of each union to negotiate and to conduct ratification votes free of any outside pressure.
- Because we have information that one or more other unions at LACMTA may be lobbying some Board members to withhold approval of the ATU tentative agreement we wish to express our concern that such an outcome will put a chill on any upcoming bargaining. It's critical for us to be able to trust that agreements made within approved parameters will be upheld. Otherwise, we as union leaders will be reticent to recommend acceptance of tentative agreements to our members.
- LACMTA has asked SMART to negotiate a two-year extension to our current Collective Bargaining Agreement. Our members tend to be skeptical about extensions and have voted against them in the past. We recently agreed to meet and confer over the terms of a potential two-year contract extension after the other unions' contracts have been ratified and approved by the Board. To ultimately move forward with this negotiation and to be able to ratify a mutually agreed tentative agreement we need to be assured that LACMTA's long-standing approval process will remain intact.

Lastly, I wish to comment on the Me, Too grievances that the four other unions filed regarding the economic terms of SMART's 2022 collective bargaining agreement. We support the right of all unions to pursue their individual grievances. We testified at ATU's Me, Too grievance arbitration and would have done so for the other unions had they so requested. We believe our testimony strengthened ATU's case and may have led to a better outcome. Each union made its own choices in terms of how they advocated and settled their respective grievances. To now try to derail the approval of collective bargaining agreements because of dissatisfaction over a grievance settlement is, in our opinion, detrimental to trust in our mutual commitment to good faith bargaining.

Thank you for considering SMART's concerns.

In Solidarity,





July 22, 2024

Honorable Board Members,

This is to urge you to approve the adoption of the Tentative Agreement reached between ATU Local 1277 and LACMTA Management June 21, 2024. This tentative agreement was ratified by ATU's members on July 18, 2024.

We appreciate the months-long efforts of the parties to reach this agreement. Both Labor and Management worked hard to craft a collective bargaining agreement that is mutually acceptable and that is designed to foster improved working relationships.

It has come to our attention that some individuals may be miscommunicating key facts in an effort to influence this Board to vote against ratification. This appears to stem from a mistaken belief that ATU and LACMTA resolved ATU's Me Too grievance in a manner that somehow requires the re-opening and re-negotiation of the economic terms of all current Tentative Agreements. This is simply not the case.

Here are the facts.

- 1) On August 29, 2022 ATU filed a grievance seeking to be made whole for all economic increases (beyond 3.5% wage increases in 2022 and 2023) contained in the recently approved SMART contract. This was in accordance with the terms of ATU's Me Too clause.

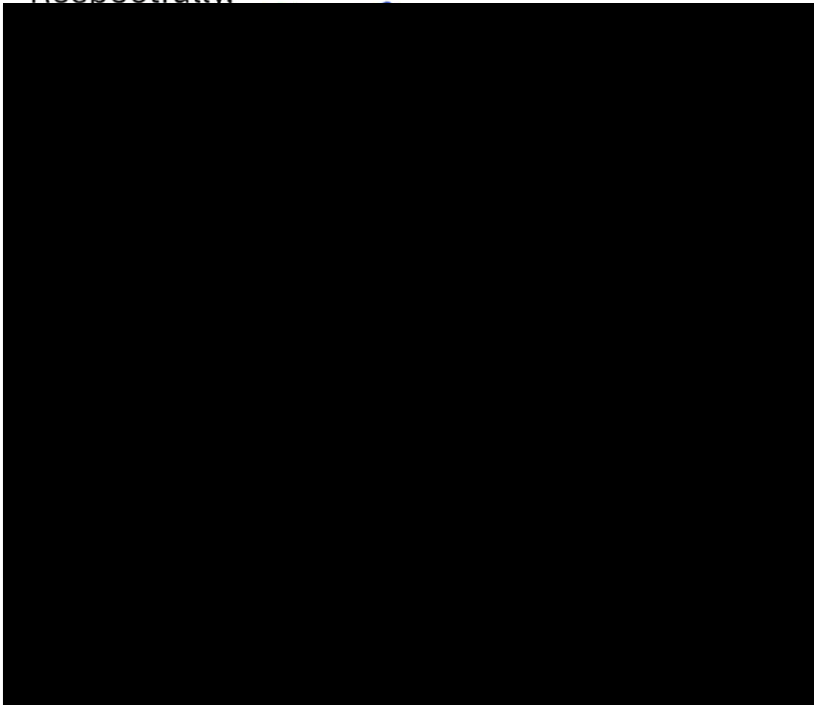
- 2) September 7, 2022 then ATU Local 1277 President Art Aguilar emailed a copy of ATU's Me Too grievance to the leaders of every union at LACMTA. He also offered to work in concert with all the other unions should they wish to process their respective Me Too grievances together. Each union chose to proceed on their own. As a result, each union resolved their grievances at different times and with some significantly differing economic terms.
- 3) In October 2022 TCU/IAM signed a settlement agreement of their Me Too grievance with the provision "not to file any grievance, claim or action in the future asserting that TCU/IAM employees are entitled to additional wages, health and welfare benefits or pension benefits based on the terms of the SMART CBA or on any increase in wages, health and welfare benefits, or pension benefits which may flow to any other employee or unit of employees as a result of the SMART CBA."
- 4) In May 2023 Teamsters Local 911 signed a settlement agreement of their Me Too grievance with almost identical waiver language as the TCU agreement. However, the economic terms of this settlement were not entirely the same.
- 5) In December 2023 AFSCME Local 3634 signed a settlement agreement with almost identical waiver language as TCU and Teamsters, but with different economic terms than the other two unions.
- 6) On Jan 4, 2024 (after many months of financial records reviews and settlement attempts) ATU and LACMTA began arbitration hearings on ATU's Me Too grievance. After three days of testimony and briefs filed on May 24, 2024 the tri-partite arbitration board subsequently met by video conference and agreed to an arbitration award in which a final and binding remedy was approved and signed by all three arbitrators as of 7-1-24. The economic terms of this arbitration award were significantly different than those negotiated by the other three unions.
- 7) It appears that because ATU achieved a better Me Too grievance result one or more other unions have indicated that they wish to reopen their Tentative Agreements, negotiate new monies which ATU secured through their grievance procedure and/or prevent ATU from ratifying our TA with LACMTA.


8) It is important to note that the Me Too grievance processes and the negotiation of successor collective bargaining agreement were completely separate processes. AT NO TIME DID ATU OR LACMTA COMINGLE THOSE PROCESSES.

For the first time in the history of this agency, representatives from at least one other union attempted to interfere with ATU's contract ratification. Misleading and untrue leaflets were handed to our members as they came to vote. Other attempts were made to influence the vote's outcome as well. Now it seems that attempts are being made to interfere with this Board's approval of ATU's Tentative Agreement. Our hope is that we can put these disruptive and divisive actions behind us and continue to build on the positive relationship ATU and LACMTA have been working so hard to build.

We are available to provide more information, documents and evidence in support of the facts as presented in this email at any time. Should you wish to meet or call any of us please see our contact information below.

Respectfully,





Monday, July 22nd, 2024

LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn and Metro Board  
Board Administration  
1 Gateway Plaza, Mail Stop 99-3-1  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisor Hahn and Members of the Metro Board,


I am writing to share my concerns regarding the current operation of the A Line and to strongly advocate for the provision of **Right of Way for the A Line along East Washington Boulevard**.

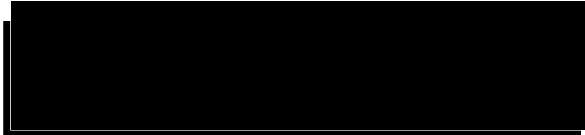
It is upsetting that the segment between Washington Station, just before the intersection of Long Beach Avenue and East Washington Boulevard, and Grand/LATTC Station, just before Flower Street and East Washington Boulevard, **often takes 9-15 minutes to traverse**. This excessive duration is primarily due to the train having to wait at multiple intersections for 3-5 vehicles to pass through.

It is **disappointing and discouraging** for Metro riders, like myself, to witness trains full of people being delayed while single-occupant vehicles maintain uninterrupted right of way throughout the entire East Washington Boulevard. This inefficiency not only hampers the convenience and reliability of Metro services but also undermines the broader goals of promoting public transportation and reducing traffic congestion in our community.

To address this issue, I urge you and your colleagues to prioritize the Right of Way for the A Line along East Washington Boulevard. Providing the A Line with dedicated right of way will significantly improve travel times, enhance the rider experience, and encourage more people to choose public transit over private vehicles.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I sincerely hope that you will consider this proposal to help make our public transportation system more efficient and equitable for all residents of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,  




July 24, 2024

LA Metro Board Administration

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RE: Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project

Dear LA Metro Board Administration,

The 2024-2025 Undergraduate Students Association Council (USAC) is writing to express our strong support for Alternatives 4-6 of the Sepulveda Transit Corridor (STC) Project that include a direct, on-campus station at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and a seamless connection to the Metro Purple (D) Line in Westwood Village. USAC strongly opposes Alternatives 1 and 3 as the proposed monorail routes contain stations next to the 405 freeway, which will expose passengers to dangerous pollution levels and unhealthy noise levels.<sup>1 2</sup> USAC additionally opposes Alternative 1 as it does not provide a direct stop at UCLA, which will minimize the number of weekly riders and limit accessibility to public transit for the entire UCLA community.<sup>3</sup>

We urge Metro to select an alternative that maximizes equity and accessibility. On a daily basis thousands of people travel from the San Fernando Valley (and beyond) to the Westside to access UCLA for education, healthcare, cultural attractions, businesses, and jobs. In fact, UCLA is the county's fourth largest employer and the largest west of downtown Los Angeles. Commuters between the San Fernando Valley and the Westside face chronic congestion with limited transit alternatives. Current public transit options are limited to routes necessitating multiple transfers, which often results in commuters using their personal vehicle if they have access to one. This negatively impacts our quality of life, harms our regional economy and limits our ability to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Metro's ridership projections clearly show that the alternatives with the highest use include a direct stop at the UCLA campus and seamless connection to the D line. A UCLA station is projected to be the busiest non-transfer station in Metro's network when it opens. To motivate people to consider using public transit instead of their vehicles, the future STC needs to go directly to the destinations where the

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.lung.org/clean-air/outdoors/who-is-at-risk>

<sup>2</sup> <https://la.streetsblog.org/2018/08/06/metros-mid-freeway-transit-stations-are-hellishly-loud>

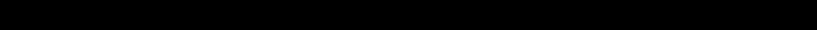
<sup>3</sup> <https://thesource.metro.net/2023/11/27/weve-got-updates-on-the-sepulveda-transit-corridor-project-and-we-want-your-feedback-by-december-8-please/>



overwhelming majority of people are heading while limiting transfers. Public transit is more appealing to commuters when: there is no need to transfer, it is affordable, and it is fast. The alternatives with higher ridership, each including a station on the UCLA campus, should be favored as Metro seeks to achieve the goals of the Sepulveda Transit Corridor project.

Selecting an alternative that includes an on-campus station at UCLA and a seamless connection to the D Line is key to ensuring Metro can achieve all the goals of the Sepulveda Transit Corridor. The ridership projections of approximately 120,000 boardings per day for several of the alternatives demonstrate this is a project with the potential to transform our region by providing fast and reliable transportation for Angelenos and visitors. The alternatives including an on-campus station at UCLA will provide what our region desperately needs – effective and accessible public transit in one of the most congested corridors in the nation.

Sincerely,



- CC: Honorable Janice Hahn, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 4<sup>th</sup> District  
Honorable Karen Bass, Mayor, City of Los Angeles  
Honorable Fernando Dutra, Councilmember, Whittier City Council  
Honorable Lindsey Horvath, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 3<sup>rd</sup> District  
Honorable Kathryn Barger, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 5<sup>th</sup> District  
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Honorable Holly Mitchell, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 2<sup>nd</sup> District  
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Honorable Katy Yaroslavsky, Councilwoman, Los Angeles City Council, 5<sup>th</sup> District  
Honorable Ara J. Najarian, Councilmember, Glendale City Council  
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Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker, Appointee of the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles  
Gloria Roberts, Director, Caltrans District 7  
Stephanie Wiggins, Metro, Chief Executive Officer



## July 2024 RBM General Public Comment

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 3, 2024 7:37 AM

**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

**Subject:** Single Seat Ride Norwalk C Line to K line

Metro Board Member Board Clerk ,

I am writing to express my support for the proposal to extend the single seat ride on the C Line from Norwalk to the K Line. As a resident of the Gateway Cities region, I believe that this proposal will greatly benefit thousands of commuters who rely on the Metro system to get to work, school, and other destinations.

The Norwalk Metro Station is an important transportation link that connects the Gateway Cities and beyond to Downtown Los Angeles, serving thousands of commuters every day. Currently, riders on the C Line have a difficult transfer schedule to reach the Santa Monica Region, which can be time-consuming and inconvenient. I believe that the Norwalk C Line Station to K Line proposal is the best choice for the following reasons:

(1) It serves a larger population: Norwalk is a major transportation hub, serving several surrounding cities, and extending the single seat ride to Norwalk will benefit a larger number of commuters than the Redondo Beach proposal.

(2) It has better transfer connections: Norwalk is a major transfer point for several other Metro lines, including the A Line and the C Line, as well as the Metrolink. By extending the single seat ride to Norwalk, riders will have better transfer connections to these other lines, making it easier to travel to other parts of the region.

(3) It is more cost-effective: The Norwalk to K Line proposal is expected to be more cost-effective than the Redondo Beach proposal, by saving commuter time and reducing traffic on the 105 and 405 freeways.

(4) The MAJORITY of survey responders (those making under \$100,000 and from all underprivileged groups) would like a connection from Norwalk Station C Line to the K line, when combining options 1 and 3 from the Metro survey.

I urge the Metro Board of Directors to approve the Norwalk to K Line proposal and invest in improving the C Line for the benefit of commuters throughout Los Angeles. By eliminating the need for transfers, riders will save time and avoid the hassle of changing trains, making the C Line a more attractive option for commuters.

Thank you for considering my input on this important transportation initiative. I hope that you will support Option 1 (Norwalk to K Line proposal) to improve the Metro system for the most transit dependent users.

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Monday, July 8, 2024 7:56 PM

**To:** An, Ara <aan@bos.lacounty.gov>; Holly J. Mitchell <HollyJMitchell@bos.lacounty.gov>; Shamdasani, Karishma <KShamdasani@bos.lacounty.gov>; Yoon, Anne <AYoon@bos.lacounty.gov>

**Cc:** Mayor Pullen-Miles <rpmlawndale@aol.com>; Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; GreenlineExtension <GreenlineExtension@metro.net>; Sheridan, Georgia <SheridanG@metro.net>; Mieger, David <MiegerD@metro.net>; Dierking, Mark <DierkingM@metro.net>; anajarian@glendaleca.gov; jdupontw@aol.com; FourthDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; mayor.helpdesk@lacity.org; fdutra@cityofwhittier.org; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; HollyJMitchell@bos.lacounty.gov; jbutts@cityofinglewood.org; Kathryn@bos.lacounty.gov; Councilmember.Yaroslavsky@lacity.org; assemblymember.mckinnor@assembly.ca.gov; CA43MWima-113@mail.house.gov; senator.bradford@senate.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; Hayley.Hutt@asm.ca.gov; rpmlawndale@aol.com

**Subject:** Metro lies again and again and again ... 🙄

To: Representative Holly Mitchell,

It has come to our attention that Metro has double down on ignoring the “ Butts Amendment” for the Metro C-line extension along the ROW, and that your office is going along with business-as-usual by pretending that nothing else happened. **This is absolutely unacceptable, and does not bode well considering that we should trust your office to represent us in Lawndale.**

**We are now formally requesting an amendment to correct these minutes ASAP, at least by the next board meeting.** We expect that you will immediately correct this “mistake” and propose a correction, which should then be voted on by the board.

**We were all there. Nearly 300 of us.** There will be twice as many when the final EIR report comes out, and **next time we will not be fooled.**

By the way, we expect with the infusions of money that the State is giving for transportation, that the **board actually follow the spirit of the Butts amendment and sincerely considers OTHER options other than the poorly-conceived Hybrid ROW alternative.**



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Not only is it fallacious to ignore that this legitimate amendment was **voted on and approved during the Metro meeting**, it is likely illegal to ignore that this happened, and then go on to

misrepresent what actually happened in Metro's official minutes; **important amendments and key decisions should always be documented.**

In fact, including the details of an important amendment during a board meeting in the official notes would be considered deceitful by most reasonable people. Official meeting minutes are meant to provide an accurate record of discussions and decisions made during board meetings. **Deliberately omitting significant information, such as details of an important amendment, would misrepresent what actually occurred and could be seen as an attempt to mislead.**

Accurate and complete meeting minutes are crucial for transparency, accountability, and proper governance. Omitting key details goes against the principles of full disclosure and could potentially violate legal or ethical obligations of board members. It may also undermine trust among stakeholders who rely on meeting minutes for information.

**To maintain integrity and avoid accusations of deception, it's best practice to ensure meeting minutes comprehensively and accurately reflect all significant discussions, amendments, and decisions made during board meetings.**

**We expect this correcting to be documented ASAP.**

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 11, 2024 7:56 AM

**To:** ServiceCouncils <[ServiceCouncils@metro.net](mailto:ServiceCouncils@metro.net)>; [dominickfalzone1212@gmail.com](mailto:dominickfalzone1212@gmail.com)

**Subject:** Westlake/MacArthur Park

Please forward my suggestion to anyone from Metro who is involved with the pending street closure. I particularly recommend your forwarding this message to the mayor of Los Angeles. The mayor is a member of Metro's board of directors, appoints 3 other Metro directors, and oversees several Los Angeles city government agencies which would be involved with the proposed street closure.

Thank you for your help.

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The Los Angeles city government is considering a proposal to close a mile of Wilshire Boulevard to traffic. The street closure would reunite the 2 halves of MacArthur Park, and would eventually unite MacArthur Park with Lafayette Park, which is half a mile west of MacArthur Park.

The subway might handle normal bus traffic which would be disrupted by the street closure. But Metro should support installing a bus lane through the closed portion of Wilshire Boulevard for use when the subway is not running. The bus lane could also be utilized by emergency vehicles.

An occasional bus or emergency vehicle driving thorough the parkland area would be far less intrusive than the present level of traffic.

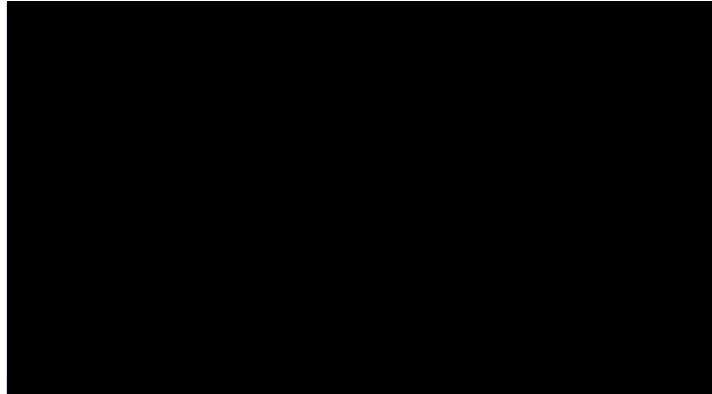
The parkland serves low-income Latino immigrants, who are a major demographic of Metro's passengers. Neighborhood residents might benefit from a balance of parkland and public transit. In addition, a bus lane would serve people from other communities who ride Metro buses.

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Monday, July 15, 2024 10:03 AM

**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

**Subject:** A Call to Action: End the Tragic Violence on Our Streets



Dear friends,

I am writing to you today with a heavy heart and a deep sense of urgency. This past March, a beloved Alhambra resident, aged 47, was tragically killed by a vehicle driven by a former guitarist of the Red Hot Chili Peppers at West Main Street. This heartbreaking incident has resurfaced and been reported on after the family of the victim opened a lawsuit against the driver, underscoring a critical issue we have been battling for years—pedestrian safety in Alhambra.

For the past half-decade, I have dedicated myself to making our streets safer for pedestrians. I have led numerous community walk audits, collecting feedback from residents about the locations where they feel unsafe. I have shared this feedback with the City, pushing for necessary changes. For the last three years, I have urged the City staff, who are renovating the very area where this tragic incident occurred, to prioritize pedestrian safety. Yet, despite my efforts, the designs for adding essential

street safety measures have been consistently rejected. This is why it is so important to have members on the city council who understand urban planning and prioritize public safety.

The statistics are alarming. In 2017, according to the Office of Traffic Safety, Alhambra was rated the worst for similarly sized cities in the state of California for pedestrian safety for those over the age of 65. In 2018, we were the fourth worst for all pedestrians and the fifth worst for those over 65. By 2021, Alhambra was considered the second worst in the state for pedestrians over the age of 65. This is unacceptable. And we have tools at our disposal to prevent these accidents and fatalities.

I speak from personal experience. In 2015, I was hit while walking at an intersection with a crosswalk and stop sign. I was fortunate that the driver was moving slowly, but I still could not work for two weeks due to severe body aches and required medication for the pain.

The likelihood of a pedestrian fatality increases drastically with vehicle speed. According to the US Department of Transportation, the average risk of severe injury or death for a pedestrian reaches 10% at 20 mph, 40% at 30 mph, and 80% at 40 miles per hour. Meanwhile, we see vehicles driving up to 50 mph near schools like Fremont Elementary and Marguerita Elementary here in Alhambra.





## DEATH DUE TO SPEED

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, LITERATURE REVIEWED ON VEHICLE TRAVEL SPEEDS AND PEDESTRIAN INJURIES, MARCH 2000.  
[HTTP://WWW.NHTSA.GOV/ABOUT-NHTSA/TRAFFIC/TICS/CURRENT/LITERATURE-REVIEWED-ON-VEHICLE-TRAVEL-SPEEDS-AND-PEDESTRIAN-INJURIES](http://www.nhtsa.gov/about/nhtsa/traffic/tics/c/current/literature-reviewed-on-vehicle-travel-speeds-and-pedestrian-injuries)

Alhambra faces its own traffic issues unlike any other city in the region. Some of the busiest traffic corridors go through our city. The 710 Freeway ends in our city, and the 10 Freeway cuts through our neighborhoods, with many of our schools next to this freeway. As the gateway to the San Gabriel Valley and Los Angeles, we bear the brunt of heavy traffic, reckless driving, and significant air pollution. **If people are using our roads, we must ensure they do so on our terms.** We do not need commuters driving at highway speeds through our city.

We need common-sense measures like implementing speed bumps around schools, senior homes, hospitals, and shopping areas. Currently, there is no process for requesting speed bumps in our neighborhoods. This means that residents have no power to slow down vehicles that drive at alarming speeds in neighborhood roads where kids play. And, we deal with reckless commuters. This must change. We need to protect our residents and end the preventable deaths on our streets. **How many more lives must be lost before our voices are heard?**

Almost every year, an Alhambra resident is struck and killed while walking our city streets. **Traffic crashes are the leading cause of premature death in Los Angeles**

**County for children aged 5-14** and the second leading cause for those aged 1-4, 15-24, and 25-44. Vehicle speed plays a significant role in the severity of these incidents. Even a small increase in speed can have a serious, long-term impact on public safety. Remember the senior killed at the intersection of Marengo and Valley last year? ([CBS News](#)) Or the 74-year-old who was hit while on the sidewalk? ([Pasadena Star News](#)) Or the numerous other pedestrians, young and old, who have lost their lives? ([SGV City Watch](#)).

I have spent the last five years collecting data, speaking to over 1,000 residents, and pushing for stronger pedestrian infrastructure. I have advocated for repaving sidewalks and adding new crosswalks in my neighborhood, resulting in 2,000 feet of repaved sidewalks and five new crosswalks. I have arranged walking tours of how students walk to school at Alhambra's Fremont Elementary, organizing multiple tours with residents and Councilmembers so they can see firsthand how dangerous it is to walk to and from school ([Streetsblog LA](#)).

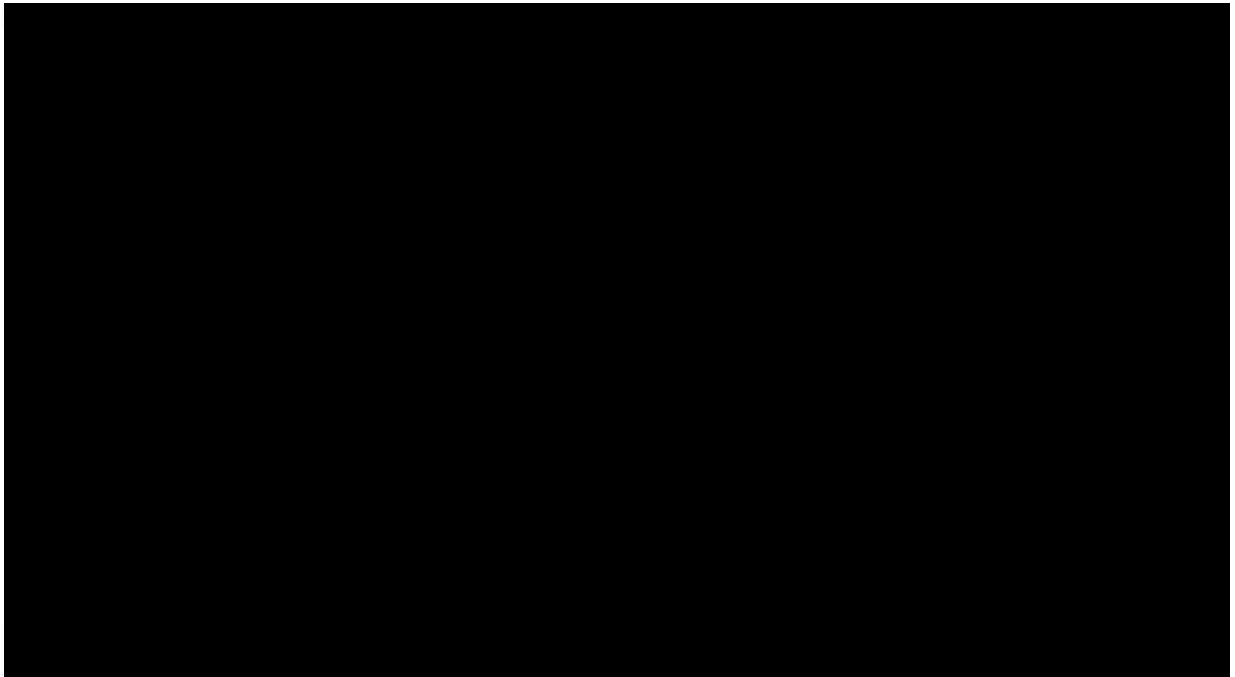
For the past five years, I have successfully fought against million-dollar projects that would have removed street parking on Garvey Ave in Monterey Park to make the street into a six-lane road next to **Ynez Elementary—the school with the most pedestrian collisions in all of Alhambra Unified School District**. You can read more about these efforts in Streetsblog LA ([Streetsblog LA](#)) . I have also opposed freeway ramp expansion projects in Alhambra. I have worked tirelessly with the City to gather feedback for the first Active Transportation Plan, which was passed in March.

I urge you to read about my pedestrian safety activism ([Streetsblog LA](#)) and my interview with SGV Connect ([SGV Connect](#)). We must continue fighting to make our city safer for pedestrians. Our focus must be on the residents of Alhambra, not on commuters cutting through our city.

**We need immediate action.** We need to protect our community from the violence of reckless vehicles. These deaths are preventable. Let us work together to ensure the safety and well-being of all Alhambra residents.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature]



From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2024 4:10 PM

To: anajarian@glendaleca.gov; jdupontw@aol.com; FourthDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; mayor.helpdesk@lacity.org; fdutra@cityofwhittier.org; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; HollyJMitchell@bos.lacounty.gov; jbutts@cityofinglewood.org; Kathryn@bos.lacounty.gov; Councilmember.Yaroslavsky@lacity.org; paul.Krekorian@lacity.org; ThirdDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; info@timsandoval.com; Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; GreenlineExtension <GreenlineExtension@metro.net>  
Subject: METRO GREEN/C-LINE EXTENSION TO TORRANCE FOR HAWTHORNE ALIGNMENT

FOR HAWTHORNE BLVD ALIGNMENT

Metro Board of Directors,

I support the Hawthorne alignment of the Green/C-Line Extension to Torrance. It is the safest option and saves so many trees. Below are all the reasons I support the Hawthorne alignment.

1. SAVES MORE TREES: The route along the ROW would require ~220 to be removed. DON'T KILL ALL OUR TREES! That is significantly more than the 40-50 smaller trees required for the Hawthorne alignment.
2. ENVIRONMENT: Hawthorne Elevated would allow for more biking paths, jogging paths, dog-walking, etc. along the Harbor ROW in an area considered "park poor" per LA County Parks & Wildlife.
3. SAFETY: Hawthorne elevated is safer as 200-300 trains per day would NOT be running past schools and parks where children play, it would NOT SHARE A CORRIDOR WITH 20-40 LIQUID PETROLEUM GAS TANKERS that run along a path where there are multiple high pressure gas lines.
4. INCREASED RIDERSHIP: Hawthorne Elevated will increase Metro ridership as a stop at the Galleria will better serve commuters in Lawndale, Redondo Beach, and Torrance, making it a destination for shopping, restaurants, entertainment and other businesses.
5. CONNECTIVITY: Buses already stop at Artesia and Hawthorne so connectivity is seamless by directly boarding desired bus at the Artesia/Hawthorne bus stop which will be accommodated by the new station's configuration.
6. BOOST ECONOMY: Hawthorne Elevated contains a stop at the South Bay Galleria, future South Bay Social district that will not only help support the many shops soon to be built there, but will also serve any offices, hotels, or apartment units on Hawthorne Blvd that are part of the Galleria's upcoming redesign.

7. REVITALIZE LAWNDALE: Light rail elevated on Hawthorne Blvd, will help to support and revitalize the businesses on that shopping corridor without sacrificing parking, which would also be beneficial to Redondo Beach and Torrance commerce

Please choose the Hawthorne alignment for the safety of residents and save the trees!

Thank you,

A Concerned Resident

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 24, 2024 8:16 AM

**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

**Subject:** To Board of Administration

As a regular rider of the Silver Line 950, I implore you to convert this into rail. Standing on a crowded bus on the freeway is dangerous. Often during rush hours the bus is overcrowded. We need the safety of a train. I feel converting the 950 into rail is long overdue.

Cordially,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



**MINUTES**

**Thursday, July 25, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

**Board of Directors - Regular Board Meeting**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

**Janice Hahn, Chair  
Fernando Dutra, 1st Vice Chair  
Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker, 2nd Vice Chair  
Kathryn Barger  
James Butts  
Lindsey Horvath  
Holly J. Mitchell  
Ara J. Najarian  
Tim Sandoval  
Hilda Solis  
Katy Yaroslavsky  
Gloria Roberts, non-voting member**

**Stephanie Wiggins, Chief Executive Officer**

**CALLED TO ORDER: 10:05 A.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

1. APPROVED Consent Calendar Items: 2, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 43, 14, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 30.

Consent Calendar items were approved by one motion except item 13, which was carried over to September due to absences and conflicts.

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

*\*Voting Deviations:*

*Item 12 – the following Directors were conflicted: KRB, LH, HS, KY, and JH*

*Item 23 – the following Director was conflicted: KRB*

2. **SUBJECT: MINUTES**

**2024-0487**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held June 27, 2024.

3. **SUBJECT: REMARKS BY THE CHAIR**

**2024-0485**

RECEIVED remarks by the Chair.

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

4. **SUBJECT: REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**2024-0486**

RECEIVED report by the Chief Executive Officer.

FD	JDW	KB	KRB	JB	LH	PK	HJM	AJN	TS	HS	KY	JH
P	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	A	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, A/C = ABSENT/CONFLICT, C = CONFLICT, ABS = ABSTAIN, A = ABSENT, P = PRESENT



**5. SUBJECT: MEASURE R MULTIMODAL HIGHWAY SUBREGIONAL PROGRAMS - SEMI-ANNUAL UPDATE** **2024-0229**

APPROVED AS AMENDED:

- A. \$33,688,564 in additional programming within the capacity of Measure R Multimodal Highway Subregional Programs and funding changes via the updated project list. Projects within this Measure R Multimodal Highway Subregional Program are inclusive of traffic signal, pedestrian, bicycle, transit, and roadway improvements;
- B. the deobligation of \$1,800,000 in previously approved Measure R Multimodal Highway Subregional Program funds for re-allocation to other existing Board-approved Measure R projects; and
- C. AUTHORIZING the CEO or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements for Board-approved projects.

**NAJARIAN AMENDMENT:** ~~Approve item 5 and hold for discussion the recommendations listed in Attachment A regarding the Arroyo Verdugo Operational Improvements.~~ Approve the item and all the areas except for project MR310.10.

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

**6. SUBJECT: MEASURE M METRO ACTIVE TRANSPORT, TRANSIT AND FIRST/LAST MILE (MAT) PROGRAM UPDATE** **2024-0171**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. REPROGRAMMING of Measure M Metro Active Transport, Transit and First/Last Mile (MAT) projects;
- B. DELEGATING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee the authority to:
  - 1. Amend Measure M MAT funding agreements to modify the scope of work of projects and project development phases consistent with eligibility requirements; and
  - 2. Administratively extend funding agreement lapse dates for Measure M MAT funding agreements to meet environmental, design, right-of-way, and construction time frames; and
- C. AUTHORIZING the CEO, or their designee, to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and/or amendments for approved projects.

**7. SUBJECT: NEW SR-710 NORTH MOBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

**2024-0278**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. the list of new eligible SR-710 North Mobility Improvement Projects (MIP) recommended for Board approval;
- B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer or their designee to:
  - 1. REALLOCATE funds from MIPs withdrawn by Alhambra and Los Angeles (LA City) to fund new eligible projects recommended for Board approval;
  - 2. TRANSFER the project sponsorship and implementation of the Los Angeles County + USC Medical Center Mobility Improvements (Valley Boulevard Multimodal Improvements) MIP to LA City; and
  - 3. ALLOCATE and program local funds to the new LA City MIP recommended for Board approval.

**8. SUBJECT: FUNDING AWARD RECOMMENDATION FOR THE STATE ACCESS FOR ALL GRANT PROGRAM**

**2024-0331**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. the recommended Access for All Program funding award to ButterFLi Technologies, Inc. totaling \$1,584,814; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or their designee, to negotiate and execute funding agreements with the entities receiving awards.

**10. SUBJECT: THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION - CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

**2024-0430**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute the FY25 Annual Work Plan Budget for the City of Los Angeles.

**12. SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL ENGINEERING SERVICES (SES)  
CONSULTANT SERVICE CONTRACT**

**2024-0373**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. AWARD a cost plus fixed fee Contract No. AE120356 to HDR Engineering, Inc. for Supplemental Engineering Services for Engineering Design of Transit Rail Projects on a task order basis, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000,000 for the base three-year term, and \$10,000,000 for each of the two, one-year options, for a total contract value not to exceed \$70,000,000, subject to resolution of any protest(s), if any; and
- B. ISSUE individual Task Orders and modifications within the Board approved contract amount.

**13. SUBJECT: EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2 PROJECT**

**2024-0413**

CARRIED OVER TO SEPTEMBER 2024 DUE TO CONFLICTS AND ABSENCES:

~~AUTHORIZED the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute Modification No. 8 to Contract No. AE51242000 with Cordoba HNTB Design Partners, a Joint Venture, in the amount of \$74,869,029 to advance to 30% Preliminary Engineering (PE) for the Initial Operating Segment (IOS), increasing the contract value from \$35,514,357 to \$110,383,386 and extending the period of performance from December 31, 2024, to August 30, 2026.~~

**14. SUBJECT: EAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT  
LINE PROJECT**

**2024-0323**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. INCREASE the Board approved Preconstruction Budget for the East San Fernando Valley Light Rail Transit Project (Project) by \$382,875,000 from \$496,856,000 to \$879,731,000; and
- B. NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE all project-related agreements and modifications to existing contracts within the authorized Preconstruction Budget.

**19. SUBJECT: LOW INCOME FARE IS EASY (LIFE) PROGRAM  
ADMINISTRATOR SUPPORT SERVICES**

**2024-0405**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute Modification No. 6 to Contract No. PS60564000B with International Institute of Los Angeles (IILA) for Low Income Fare is Easy (LIFE) Program Administrator Services to include the Southwest, Southeast and Northwest service regions of Los Angeles County, in the amount of \$984,603, increasing the total contract value from \$ 2,792,333 to \$3,776,936 and extending the period of performance from September 30, 2024 to December 31, 2024.

**23. SUBJECT: CUSTODIAL BANKING SERVICES**

**2024-0408**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute Modification No. 3 to Contract No. PS133590000 with U.S. Bank N.A. in the amount of \$500,000 to continue to provide custodial banking services, increasing the contract value from \$1,100,370 to \$1,600,370 and extending the period of performance from December 31, 2024 to March 31, 2025.

**24. SUBJECT: FIRST AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH DWF V WILSHIRE/ VERMONT LP**

**2024-0246**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or their designee, to execute the First Amendment to the Lease Agreement (First Amendment) or any other documents with DWF V Wilshire/ Vermont LP, (Lessor), to extend the lease by five years (First Option) commencing September 1, 2024, for the Metro Customer Center located at 3183 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 174 (Site) in Los Angeles consisting of 2,469 square feet at a rate of approximately \$10,001.93 per month for a total of \$600,115.80 over the First Option term.

**25. SUBJECT: CYBERSECURITY LIABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM**

**2024-0245**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and purchase a cybersecurity liability insurance policy with up to \$50 million in limits at a cost not to exceed \$3.850 million for the 12-month period effective September 1, 2024, to September 1, 2025.

**26. SUBJECT: SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' LOCAL CONTRIBUTION AND DIRECT LOAN TO ALAMEDA CORRIDOR EAST AND I-605/VALLEY BOULEVARD INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS**

**2024-0407**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. AUTHORIZING AND DELEGATING authority to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and amendments to enter into a direct loan for a not to exceed disbursement amount of \$160,950,000 to be repaid with interest between the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) to fund the Alameda Corridor-East (ACE) Project and the I-605/Valley Boulevard Interchange Improvements (I-605/Valley) Project (the Projects). This direct loan advances partial funding on future anticipated, available funding from the Measure M Multiyear Subregional Programs (MSP) for the Projects. This direct loan will replace the \$61.1 million direct loan approved at the August 2022 meeting; and

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B. AUTHORIZING the CEO to amend the FY25 Budget by \$31,310,000 to accommodate the cashflow requirements of FY25 for the estimated first-year annual not-to-exceed advance of the direct-loan.

**27. SUBJECT: STATE AND FEDERAL REPORT**

**2024-0453**

RECEIVED AND FILED the July 2024 State and Federal Legislative Report.

**APPROVED HAHN, BASS, SOLIS, BARGER, DUTRA, AND SANDOVAL AMENDMENT:** We move to reaffirm the Board’s previous position that the remaining outstanding \$500 million in SB 125 funding designated for our region will be distributed as follows:

- \$298 million for the Gold Line Foothill Extension to Montclair; and
- \$202 million for the Southeast Gateway Line.

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

**30. SUBJECT: RAIL STATION NAME FOR WESTSIDE PURPLE (D LINE) EXTENSION, SECTION 2 (CITY OF LA)**

**2023-0255**

ADOPTED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the staff recommendation for the official and operational station name for the City of LA station on Metro Rail’s Purple (D Line) Extension Section 2:

- Official Station Name: Century City
  - Operational Station Name: Century City

**33. SUBJECT: BUS OPERATOR SEAT ASSEMBLIES**

**2024-0350**

AUTHORIZED the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA120707 to Gillig LLC, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for bus operator seat assemblies in a not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$1,260,596, inclusive of sales tax, and subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

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

**34. SUBJECT: TURBOCHARGERS**

2024-0354

AUTHORIZED the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA103954-2000 to Cummins Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to supply Turbocharger Assemblies in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$1,624,966.51, inclusive of sales tax, and subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

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

**35. SUBJECT: ZERO EMISSION BUS (ZEB) PROGRAM PLANNING AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT SERVICES**

2024-0362

AUTHORIZED the Chief Executive Officer to award a cost plus fixed fee Contract No. PS112435 to AECOM Technical Services, Inc. to provide as-needed Program Management Support Services (PMSS), and Design and Engineering Support Services (DESS) for Vehicle Engineering and Acquisition (VEA) to support the conversion of Metro’s bus fleet to Zero Emission Buses (ZEB) by 2030 in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$8,399,421 for the five (5) year base term, and \$5,668,871 for the three (3) one-year option terms, for a total combined not-to-exceed amount of \$14,068,292, subject to the resolution of all properly submitted protest(s), if any.

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

**36. SUBJECT: APPROVE LIFE-OF-PROJECT BUDGET FOR METRO A, B, D, LINES COMMUNICATION TRANSMISSION SYSTEM UPGRADE**

2024-0375

APPROVED AS AMENDED a Life of Project (LOP) Budget of \$65,350,000 for the Metro A, B, and D Lines Communication Transmission System Upgrade Project 205692.

**DUPONT-WALKER, MITCHELL, AND BUTTS AMENDMENT: WE THEREFORE MOVE to amend Item 36 directing the Metro CEO to:**

A. Report back by October 2024 on the feasibility of identifying areas along the public right-of-way where open access leasable fiber could be accessed at Metro’s Communications Equipment Rooms by City and County agencies.

B. If feasible, include in the report back a map showing areas along the public right-of-way where open access leasable fiber could be accessed at Metro’s Communications Equipment Rooms.

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

**37. SUBJECT: STAFFING REQUEST FOR LAX/METRO TRANSIT CENTER 2024-0212  
OPENING AND RELATED C AND K LINE  
RECONFIGURATION**

AUTHORIZED the Chief Executive Officer to amend the FY25 Budget to add 108 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) positions, as shown below:

- A. ADD seven (7) non-contract positions to manage customer experience programs, facility maintenance contracts, and provide administrative/financial support; and
- B. ADD 101 contract positions to provide daily revenue service as well as supervise, perform ongoing building maintenance, daily security, daily cleaning, custodial work, and customer service in support of planned operations at the new transit center, in addition to the reconfigured C and K lines.

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

**38. SUBJECT: STAFFING REQUEST FOR METRO CENTER 2024-0213**

AUTHORIZED the Chief Executive Officer to amend the Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) Budget and add 27 positions as shown below:

- A. ADD five non-contract positions for the System Security and Law Enforcement, Information and Technology Services, and the Operations department to manage/perform the day-to-day emergency, security, physical security, and cyber security operations, as well as manage facilities staff to support maintenance/custodial activities within the facility; and
- B. ADD 22 contract positions for the System Security and Law Enforcement, Information and Technology Services, and Operations departments to manage calls for security service systemwide, as well as provide technical support of computers, software, and data center for a critical facility, supervise/perform ongoing building maintenance, safety and security, daily cleaning, and custodial work in support of a 24-hour daily operation.

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

**39. SUBJECT: FIRE-LIFE SAFETY SYSTEMS TESTING, REPAIR AND CERTIFICATION SERVICES**

**2024-0385**

AUTHORIZED the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No. 3 to Contract No. OP729180008370 with Link-Nilsen Corp, for Fire-Life Safety Systems Testing, Repair and Certification Services, to exercise the one, two-year option in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$1,990,280, and adding testing locations in the NTE amount of \$702,452, increasing the total contract NTE amount from \$3,911,744 to \$6,604,476, inclusive of the option term, and extending the period of performance from September 30, 2024 to September 30, 2026.

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

**43. SUBJECT: METRO G LINE (ORANGE) BUS RAPID TRANSIT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT RESCISSION OF RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY**

**2024-0439**

RESCINDED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD the Resolutions of Necessity (“RON’s”) previously adopted on August 25, 2022, which authorized the commencement of eminent domain actions to acquire certain partial permanent and temporary property rights (“Property Interests”) in the Canoga Park properties listed along the Metro G Line in the table below as follows:

- A. Property: 21339 Saticoy St., Canoga Park, CA 91304
  - APN: 2109-031-017 (MOL-004)
  - Property Owner: Astra Holding, Inc a California Corporation
  - Property Interests: Permanent Partial Acquisition - 185 SF, TCE - 313 SF, 64 months duration
  
- B. Property: 21339 Sherman Way, Canoga Park, CA 91303
  - APN: 2111-030-018 (MOL-006)
  - Property Owner: Spectrum Investment Corporation, a California Corporation
  - Property Interests: Permanent Partial Acquisition - 720 SF, TCE - 400 SF, 66 months duration
  
- C. Property: 21400 Roscoe Blvd, Canoga Park, CA 91304
  - APN: 2110-003-036 (MOL-008)
  - Property Owner: 21400 Roscoe, LLC, a California limited liability company
  - Property Interests: Permanent Street Easement - 177 SF, TCE - 264 SF, 67 months duration

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



**44. SUBJECT: EAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT PROJECT RESOLUTIONS OF NECESSITY** **2024-0432**

APPROVED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD:

- A. HOLDING a public hearing on the proposed Resolutions of Necessity; and
- B. ADOPTING the Resolutions of Necessity authorizing the commencement of eminent domain actions to acquire fee simple interest, improvements pertaining to realty, and leasehold improvements (Property Interests) for the properties and described as follows:
  1. 14546 Raymer St., Van Nuys, CA, APN: 2210-030-029; ESFV-E-004 -1
  2. 14617 Keswick St., Van Nuys, CA, APN: 2210-030-024; ESFV-E-008 -1
  3. 14626 Raymer St., Van Nuys, CA, APN: 2210-030-017; ESFV-E-010 -1
  4. 14635 -14645 Keswick St., Van Nuys, CA, APN: 2210-025-005, 035; ESFV-E-011-1

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

**45. SUBJECT: IMPROVING ACCESS CONTROL: RESPONSE TO MOTION 2024-0437**  
**34.1 IMPROVING SAFETY FOR METRO RIDERS AND EMPLOYEES**

APPROVED AS AMENDED:

- A. RECEIVING AND FILING an update on strategies to improve safety for Metro riders and employees, including costs and implementation timelines, in response to Motion 34.1;
- B. ESTABLISHING a Life-of-Project (LOP) budget in an amount not-to-exceed \$65.1 million for the implementation of Enhanced Access Control strategies, to include:
  1. Expansion of the TAP-to-Exit pilot from one end-of-line station to all 10 end-of-line stations;
  2. Expansion of the Elevator Open-Door pilot from 21 elevators to 57 elevators;

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3. Expansion of the Smart Restroom pilot from 10 stations to 64 stations and transit centers;
4. A new pilot of taller fare gates at up to three rail stations; and
5. A new pilot of two weapons detection technologies at two transit hubs on the rail system, which may include Dual-lane metal detector and Millimeter-Wave radar detection systems

C. AMENDING the FY25 budget by an amount not-to-exceed \$15.4 million for TAP-to-Exit at 10 end-of-line stations with gate telephone (GTEL) installations, adding TAP and barcode readers to exit side of gates, and to pilot test upgraded new faregates from different vendors at up to three rail stations; and

D. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer, or their designee, to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and contract modifications associated with the Enhanced Access Control LOP.

**HORVATH, HAHN, DUPONT-WALKER, AND SANDOVAL AMENDMENT: WE MOVE that the Board direct the CEO to report back to the Board on the feasibility of bringing the custodial services for the Throne Restroom Pilot in-house, including but not limited to opportunities to expand Metro’s Room-to-Work Program and the use of Room-to-Work employees to perform these custodial functions.**

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

**46. SUBJECT: A BETTER TRANSIT WATCH MOTION**

**2024-0500**

APPROVED Motion by Hahn, Barger, Horvath, Najarian, Butts, and Yaroslavsky that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to report back by October 2024 on efforts to improve and/or replace the Metro Transit Watch App, including ways to:

- Increase awareness of and access to the app on Metro buses and trains,
- Improve user-friendliness for a more intuitive app; and
- Elevate elements of the app relating to rider experience like cleanliness, graffiti, and other concerns that extend beyond public safety.

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

**47. SUBJECT: MOTION 22 RESPONSE: BRIDGE TO FARELESS TRANSIT 2024-0463**

RECEIVED AND FILED an update on the Low Income Fare is Easy (LIFE) Program in response to Board Motion 22 Bridge to Fareless Transit.

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

**48. SUBJECT: ENHANCING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE LIFE PROGRAM MOTION 2024-0499**

APPROVED AS AMENDED Motion by Mitchell, Bass, Dutra, Sandoval, Solis, and Dupont-Walker that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. Conduct a survey among past and current LIFE participants to identify the greatest barriers and opportunities to increasing utilization of LIFE benefits.
- B. Report back in March 2025 with a presentation on the survey’s key findings, an analysis of utilization data, and proposed plan for increasing utilization, including any programmatic adjustments based on the data and survey analysis.

WE, FURTHER MOVE, that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to:

- C. Utilize the findings from the Metro Free Monthly Pass Program for the Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) grant in South Los Angeles and City of Pomona to evaluate and model a more accurate projection of costs and benefits to an unlimited LIFE program, including but not limited to ridership increases and behaviors, operational costs, quantified socio-economic and climate benefits, and projected regional impacts.

**SOLIS AMENDMENT:** Direct the CEO to expand the Youth on the Move Program to all Transitional Age Youth, regardless of age or enrollment in the Independent Living Program.

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

**49. SUBJECT: EXPANDING THE LIFE PROGRAM THROUGH TECHNOLOGY MOTION**

**2024-0497**

APPROVED Motion by Mitchell, Sandoval, Solis, Najarian, Dupont-Walker, and Bass that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. Include social benefit cards as fare media as part of Phase II account-based system launch of TAP Plus. If unable to implement as part of Phase II launch, report to the Board on reasons for the delay.
- B. Coordinate with relevant federal, state, and County agencies, such as the Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services, to make necessary technical and system upgrades to TAP in order to:
  - 1. Enroll members into LIFE upon qualification without undergoing an additional LIFE application; and
  - 2. Enable social benefit cards (when upgraded to contactless EMV - Europay, Master card, Visa) to be used in lieu of Metro fare media to access the Metro’s system and LIFE’s free and discounted rides.
- C. Report back in December 2024 with an update on the LIFE program enrollment strategy and TAP system upgrades, including a progress update on the above that includes but is not limited to:
  - 1. Social benefit programs identified for automatic LIFE enrollment, including availability of a social benefit card;
  - 2. Technical and system upgrades along with supportive state or federal legislative actions required to enable utilization of social benefit cards as fare media by respective social benefit programs;
  - 3. Capabilities and upgrade requirements to Metro’s TAP system to use social benefit cards;
  - 4. A plan to implement automatic LIFE enrollment and social benefit card utilization as fare media
- D. Include in all future board reports on TAP Plus upgrades a specific section outlining progress on enabling TAP system compatibility with social benefit card utilization as fare media.

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

**50. SUBJECT: COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT**

**2024-0493**

AUTHORIZED the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. EXECUTE a successor collective bargaining agreement with the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) Local 1277, effective July 1, 2024; and
- B. AMEND the FY25 budget in the amount of \$35.6 million for the implementation for the wage and benefit changes for the approval of the final collective bargaining agreement.

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

**51. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION**

**2024-0489**

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

- 1. Christopher Nieves v. LACMTA, LASC Case No. 19STCV19606

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$1,000,000.

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

**B. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation - G.C. 54956.9(d)(2)**

Significant Exposure to Litigation (One case)

No report.

**C. Conference with Real Estate Negotiator - Government Code 54956.8**

Property: 1801 Avenue of the Stars, Los Angeles, CA 90067 and 1930 Century Park West, Los Angeles, CA 90067  
 Agency Negotiator: Craig Justesen  
 Negotiating Party: Kim Brewer, Senior Vice President - Development  
 Under Negotiations: Price and Terms

No report.

**D. Conference with Labor Negotiator - G.C. 54957.6**

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

No report.

**ADJOURNED AT 3:04 P.M. IN MEMORY OF JETHRO GUZMAN.**

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Collette Langston, Board Clerk



**Board Report**

**File #:** 2024-0506, **File Type:** Program

**Agenda Number:** 5.

**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2024**

**SUBJECT: MEASURE M MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAM AND MEASURE R  
TRANSIT INVESTMENTS PROGRAM UPDATE - SOUTH BAY SUBREGION**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

A. APPROVING:

1. Programming of an additional \$11,164,810 within the capacity of Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) - Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 50), as shown in Attachment A;
2. Programming of an additional \$11,586,591 within the capacity of Measure M MSP - South Bay Highway Operational Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 63), as shown in Attachment B;
3. Programming of an additional \$600,000 within the capacity of Measure M MSP - Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 66), as shown in Attachment C;
4. Programming of an additional \$16,300,000 within the capacity of Measure R South Bay Transit Investments Program, shown in Attachment D; and

B. AUTHORIZING the CEO or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and/or amendments for approved projects.

**ISSUE**

Measure M MSPs and Measure R South Bay Transit Investments Programs, whose funds are limited to capital uses, are included in the Measure M and/or Measure R Expenditure Plans. The annual update allows the South Bay subregion and implementing agencies to approve new eligible projects for funding and revise scopes of work, schedules, and project budgets for previously funded projects.

This update includes changes to projects that previously received Board approvals and funding allocations for new projects. Funds are programmed through Fiscal Year (FY) 2027-28. The Board's approval is required to program additional funds and acknowledge the updated project lists, which will serve as the basis for Metro to enter into funding agreements and/or amendments with the respective implementing agencies.

## **BACKGROUND**

In September 2019, the Metro Board of Directors approved South Bay Subregion's first MSP Five-Year Plan (Plan) and programmed funds in 1) Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (expenditure line 50); 2) South Bay Highway Operational Improvements (expenditure line 63); and 3) Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (expenditure line 66). Since the first Plan, staff provided annual updates to the Board in August 2020, September 2021, 2022, and 2023.

Based on the amount provided in the Measure M Expenditure Plan, \$465.9 million was forecasted for programming for Fiscal Years (FY) 2017-18 to FY 2027-28. In prior actions, the Board approved programming of \$295.1 million. Therefore, \$170.8 million of Measure M MSP funds is available to the Subregion for programming as part of this update.

In July 2021, the Metro Board of Directors approved the Measure R Ordinance Amendment that authorized the transfer of up to \$400 million from the Measure R Highway Capital Subfund to eligible Transit Capital projects. The South Bay Transit Investments Program was added to the Measure R Expenditure Plan, and the Measure R Transit Investments Program Guidelines were also approved. In September 2021, the Metro Board of Directors approved the project list and programmed funds for ten projects. Since the first Plan, staff provided annual updates to the Board in September 2022 and 2023. In prior actions, the Board approved programming of \$350.9 million. Therefore, \$49.1 million of Measure R is available to the Subregion for programming as part of this update.

## **DISCUSSION**

Metro staff worked closely with the SBCCOG and the implementing agencies on project eligibility reviews preparing for the annual update, including changes to the scope of work and/or funding requests. The jurisdictional requests are proposed by the cities and approved/forwarded by the subregion. In line with the Metro Board adopted guidelines and June 2022 Objectives for Multimodal Highway Investments, cities provide documentation demonstrating community support, project need, and multimodal transportation benefits that enhance safety, support traffic mobility, economic vitality, and enable a safer and well-maintained transportation system. Cities lead and prioritize all proposed transportation improvements, including procurement, the environmental process, outreach, final design, and construction. Each city and/or agency, independently and in coordination with the subregion undertakes their jurisdictionally determined community engagement process specific to the type of transportation improvement they seek to develop. These locally determined and prioritized projects represent the needs of cities.

During staff review, Metro required a detailed project scope of work to confirm project eligibility, reconfirm funding eligibility for those that request changes in the project scope of work, and establish



the program nexus during project reviews, i.e. project location information and limits, length, elements, phases, total estimated expenses and funding request, schedules, etc. Final approval of funds for the projects shall be contingent upon the implementing agency demonstrating the eligibility of each project, as required in the Measure M Master Guidelines and/or the Measure R Transit Investments Program Guidelines. Staff expect the collection of the project details in advance of Metro Board action to enable the timely execution of project Funding Agreements for approved projects. Additionally, all projects are subject to a close-out audit after completion, per the Guidelines.

The changes in this annual update include additional programming of Measure M MSP in the Transportation System & Mobility Improvement Program (Attachment A), South Bay Highway Operational Improvements Program (Attachment B), Transportation System & Mobility Improvement Program (Attachment C), and Measure R Transit Investments Program (Attachment D).

#### Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 50)

This update includes funding adjustments to two existing and two new projects as follows:

##### *Carson*

- Program \$4,512,915 in FYs 25 & 26 for MM4601.17 - South Bay Local Travel Network (LTN) in Carson. The project includes deploying 32.1 LTN route miles as a Class III shared lane (sharrow) network and branded wayfinding system on low-speed neighborhood streets to connect individuals with key destinations. The funds will be used for the project's Plans Specification and Estimates (PS&E) and construction phases.

##### *LA City*

- Reprogram previously approved \$10,207,400 as follows: \$2,670,000 in FY 25, \$3,544,000 in FY 26, and \$3,993,400 in FY 26 for MM4601.03 - Avalon Promenade and Gateway. The project will construct a dedicated pedestrian/cycling bridge over the active freight railroad tracks and approximately 12 acres of public open space adjacent to the pedestrian bridge. The funds will be used for the project's construction phase.

##### *Lomita*

- Program \$6,651,895 in FYs 25 & 26 for MM4601.18 - South Bay Local Travel Network (LTN) & Related Safety Enhancements in Lomita. The project includes deploying 5.35 LTN route miles as a Class III shared lane (sharrow) network and branded wayfinding system on low-speed neighborhood streets to connect individuals with key destinations. Additionally, it includes construction and installation of additional street calming facilities on Eshelman as LTN safety enhancements. The funds will be used for the project's PS&E and construction phases.

##### *Redondo Beach*

- Reprogram previously approved \$1,272,700 to FY 25 for MM4601.16 - South Bay Local Travel

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Network in Redondo Beach. This project will implement a Class III shared lane (sharrow) network and branded wayfinding system on low-speed neighborhood streets to connect individuals with key destinations. The funds will be used for the project's PS&E and construction phases.

South Bay Highway Operational Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 63)

This update includes funding adjustments to five existing projects as follows:

*Hawthorne*

- Program additional \$986,591 in FY 25 for MM5507.01 - North East Hawthorne Mobility Improvement Project. The project includes the installation of flashing beacons for pedestrian safety, new traffic signal installation, and construction of new ADA ramps. The funds will be used for the project's PS&E, Right-of-Way (ROW), and construction phases.

*Inglewood*

- Program additional \$1,900,000 in FY 25 for MM5507.06 - Downtown ITS Project. The project is to connect corridors in the downtown area to the City's Traffic Management Center, which allows the City to monitor real-time traffic conditions and take proper action when congestion or problems occur. The funds will be used for the project's Project Approval/Environmental Document (PAED), PS&E, and construction phases.
- Program additional \$5,200,000 in FY 25 for MM5507.11 - Crenshaw Blvd. ITS Project. The project will upgrade the Crenshaw Boulevard traffic signal systems to be fully integrated and compatible with the City's Intelligent Transportation System network. This will allow the City to actively monitor the traffic conditions in real time and for the City to make real-time adjustments to improve traffic flow. The funds will be used for the project's construction phase.

*LA County*

- Program additional \$3,000,000 in FY 26 for MM5507.07 - Avalon Blvd. TSSP in the City of Carson Project. The project will construct the traffic signal synchronization improvements on Avalon Boulevard by upgrading the traffic signals, providing additional vehicle detection to enable operation as a full traffic-actuated signal, and installing the appropriate components to enable each signal to be capable of timed-based coordination. The funds will be used for the project's PAED, PS&E, and construction phases.

*Redondo Beach*

- Program additional \$500,000 in FY 25 for MM5507.22 - Traffic Signal Communications and Network System Phase 2 Project. The project will construct the advanced traffic signal network/communications system, to upgrade in-field traffic signal equipment to help monitor and modify traffic signal operations to streamline mobility and ultimately, enhance traffic safety

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throughout the city. The funds will be used for the project's PAED and PS&E phases.

Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 66)

This update includes funding adjustments to one existing project as follows:

*Redondo Beach*

- Program additional 600,000 in FY 25 for MM4602.08 - North Redondo Beach Bikeway (NRBB) Extension - Felton Ln. to Inglewood Ave. This project extends the existing North Redondo Beach Bikeway from Felton Lane to Inglewood Avenue. The funds will be used for the project's PAED, PS&E, and construction phases.

Measure R Transit Investments Program

This update includes funding adjustments to two existing projects as follows:

*Gardena*

- Reprogram previously approved \$12,375,000 as follows: \$8,375,000 in FY 26, and \$4,000,000 in FY 27 for MR524.03 - GTrans: Purchase of Up to 15 Expansion Buses. The project enables the agency to purchase up to 15 expansion buses for use in the deployment of additional services within the GTrans service area, over 10 years. The funds will be used for the projects' construction capital phase.

*Inglewood*

- Program additional \$16,300,000 in FY 25 for MRINGITC - Inglewood Transit Connector Project. The project is to complete a critical first/last mile gap between the countywide Metro Rail system and the City of Inglewood's new housing and employment centers, and sports and entertainment venues. The funds will be used for the project's PAED, PS&E, ROW, and construction phases.

**DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Programming of Measure M MSP and Measure R Transit Investments funds to the South Bay Subregion projects will not have any adverse safety impacts on Metro's employees or patrons.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

In FY 25, \$179.5 million is budgeted in Cost Center 0441 (subsidies budget - Planning) for South Bay Transit Investment Program (Project #465524), \$1.5 million is budgeted in Cost Center 0442 (Highway Subsidies) for the Transportation System Mobility Improvement Program (Project #475502), \$500,000 is budgeted in Cost Center 0442 (Highway Subsidies) for the South Bay Highway Operational Improvements Program (Project #475507), and \$4 million is budgeted in Cost Center 0442 (Highway Subsidies) for the Transportation System Mobility Improvement Program

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(Project #475508). Upon approval of this action, staff will reallocate necessary funds to appropriate projects within Cost Centers 0441 and 0442. Since these are multi-year projects, Cost Centers 0441 and 0442 will be responsible for budgeting the cost in future years.

### Impact to Budget

The sources of funds for these projects are Measure M Highway Construction 17% and Measure R Transit Capital. These fund sources are not eligible for Metro bus and rail operations expenses.

### EQUITY PLATFORM

The South Bay subregion comprises 15 cities and the adjacent unincorporated area of Los Angeles County. Equity Focus Communities (EFCs) within the subregion are concentrated in Gardena, Hawthorne, Inglewood, the City of Los Angeles, and the unincorporated County of Los Angeles. Eighteen percent of census tracts are defined as EFC in the Subregion.

The SBCCOG projects have a range of potential equity benefits. The Hawthorne project, for example, will help the many pedestrians, cyclists, and people with disabilities traversing the corridor connect to destinations and opportunities more safely. The traffic calming features will increase safer, more equitable streets for non-drivers. As another example, the City of LA project, located in an EFC area in Wilmington, will construct a dedicated pedestrian/cycling bridge over active freight railroad tracks, and the future realigned Water Street. The bridge will include walking/cycling paths, benches, lighting, shade trees, bike racks, and other features to provide a safe path for non-drivers.

### IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The recommendation supports the following goals of the Metro Vision 2028 Strategic Plan:

Goal 1: Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling by alleviating the current operational deficiencies and improving mobility along the projects.

Goal 4: Transform LA County through regional collaboration by partnering with the Council of Governments and the local jurisdictions to identify the needed improvements and take the lead in development and implementation of their projects.

### ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board could elect not to approve the additional programming of funds for the Measure M MSP and Measure R Transit Investments Program projects for the South Bay Subregion. This is not recommended as the Subregion developed the proposed projects in accordance with the Measure M Ordinance, Guidelines, and Administrative Procedures, as well as the Measure R Transit Investments Program Guidelines.

### NEXT STEPS

Metro staff will continue to work with the Subregion to identify and deliver projects. Funding

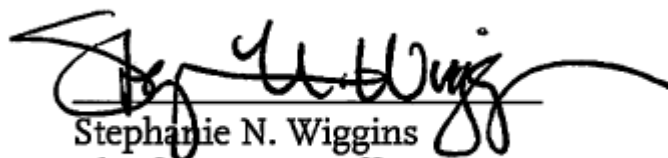
Agreements will be executed with those who have funds programmed in FY 2024-25.  
Program/Project updates will be provided to the Board annually.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- Attachment A - Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (expenditure line 50)  
Project List
- Attachment B - South Bay Highway Operational Improvements Program (expenditure line 63) Project  
List
- Attachment C - Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (expenditure line 66)  
Project List
- Attachment D - Measure R South Bay Transit Investments Program Project List

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South Bay Subregion  
 Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Plan - Transportation System & Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 50)

	Agency	Project ID No.	Project/Location	Funding Phases	Note	Pror Alloc	Alloc Change	Current Alloc	Prior Year Prog	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
1	CARSON	MM4601.09	BIKE LANE INSTALLATION - CARSON ST., FIGUEROA ST., MAIN ST., VICTORIA ST.	CONSTRUCTION		\$ 5,256,700		\$ 5,256,700	\$ -	\$ 1,056,700	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 1,200,000	\$ -	\$ -
2	CARSON	MM4601.10	BIKE LANE INSTALLATION - 223RD ST., AVALON BLVD., CENTRAL AVE., DEL AMO BLVD., UNIVERSITY DR.	CONSTRUCTION		5,384,400		5,384,400	-	884,400	3,500,000	1,000,000		
3	CARSON	MM4601.17	SOUTH BAY LOCAL TRAVEL NETWORK IN CARSON	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION	New	-	4,512,915	4,512,915			450,000	4,062,915		
4	EL SEGUNDO	MM4601.11	SOUTH BAY LOCAL TRAVEL NETWORK IN EL SEGUNDO	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		925,000		925,000	-	925,000				
5	INGLEWOOD	MM5502.02	ITS (GAP) CLOSURE IMPROVEMENTS	CONSTRUCTION	Compl	13,500,000		13,500,000	13,500,000					
6	INGLEWOOD	MM5502.03	INGLEWOOD INTERMODAL TRANSIT/PARK AND RIDE FACILITY	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		4,933,310		4,933,310	4,933,310					
7	INGLEWOOD	MM5502.09	PRAIRIE AVE. DYNAMIC LANE CONTROL SYSTEM	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		13,120,000		13,120,000	-				13,120,000	
8	LA CITY	MM4601.01	SAN PEDRO PEDESTRAIN IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		7,245,710		7,245,710	1,207,619	3,372,445	2,665,646			
9	LA CITY	MM4601.02	WILMINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD STREET IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		3,000,600		3,000,600	3,000,600					
10	LA CITY	MM4601.03	AVALON PROMENADE AND GATEWAY	CONSTRUCTION	Chg	10,207,400		10,207,400	-		2,670,000	3,544,000	3,993,400	
11	LA COUNTY	MM4601.04	WESTMONT/WEST ATJENS PEDESTRIAN IMRROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		6,682,000		6,682,000	1,248,400	831,809	3,660,000	941,791		
12	LA COUNTY	MM4601.06	EL CAMINO VILLAGE TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS	PAED, PS&E		1,038,000		1,038,000	114,000	264,000	264,000	396,000		
13	LA COUNTY	MM4601.12	LENNOX VISION ZERO TRAFFIC ENHANCEMENTS	PAED, PS&E		1,206,000		1,206,000	-	179,000	300,000	300,000	427,000	
14	LA COUNTY	MM5502.04	182ND ST/ ALBERTONI ST. TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYNCH PROGRAM	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		4,228,500		4,228,500	200,000	370,000	380,000	3,278,500		
15	LA COUNTY	MM5502.06	VAN NESS TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYCH PROGRAM	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		1,702,000		1,702,000	80,000	135,000	320,000	1,167,000		
16	LA COUNTY	MM5502.07	DEL AMO BLVD. (EAST) TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYCH PROGRAM	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		1,324,500		1,324,500	70,000	110,000	280,000	864,500		
17	LOMITA	MM4601.18	SOUTH BAY LOCAL TRAVEL NETWORK & RELATED SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS IN LOMITA	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION	New	-	6,651,895	6,651,895			709,390	5,942,505		

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18	MANHATTAN BEACH	MM4601.13	HIGHLAND AVE CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E		500,000		500,000	-	50,000	450,000			
19	REDONDO BEACH	MM4601.14	PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS ON AVIATION BLVD.	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		1,500,000		1,500,000	-		125,000	687,500	687,500	
20	REDONDO BEACH	MM4601.15	RIVIERA VILLAGE PEDESTRIAN AND MULTI-MODAL ENHANCEMENTS	PAED, PS&E		4,000,000		4,000,000	-		1,500,000	2,000,000	500,000	
21	REDONDO BEACH	MM4601.16	SOUTH BAY LOCAL TRAVEL NETWORK IN REDONDO BEACH	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION	Chg	1,272,700		1,272,700	-		1,272,700			
22	ROLLING HILLS ESTATES	MM5502.08	PALOS VERDES DRIVE NORTH AT DAPPLEYGRAY SCHOOL	PAED, PS&E, ROW, CONSTRUCTION		2,880,252		2,880,252	1,696,102	1,184,150				
23	SBCCOG	MM5502.01	PLANNING ACTIVITIES FOR MEASURE M MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAMS ^	PLANNING DEVELOPMENT		92,095		92,095	92,095					
24	SBCCOG	MM5502.05	SOUTH BAY FIBER NETWORK	CONSTRUCTION		6,889,365		6,889,365	6,889,365					
25	SBCCOG	MM5502.10	PLANNING ACTIVITIES FOR THE SOUTH BAY LOCAL TRAVEL NETWORK ^	PLANNING DEVELOPMENT		171,991		171,991	81,843	90,148				
26	TORRANCE	MM4601.05	TORRANCE SCHOOLS SAFETY AND ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAM	PS&E CONSTRUCTION		7,185,000		7,185,000	232,045	4,704,200	2,248,755			
27	TORRANCE	MM4601.07	TRANSPORTATION OPEN SPACE CORRIDOR MULTI-USE TRAIL	PAED, PS&E		650,000		650,000	650,000					
28	TORRANCE	MM4601.08	TORRANCE SCHOOL SAFETY AND ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAM - PHASE II	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		10,372,609		10,372,609	768,600	9,604,009				
29	TORRANCE	MM5502.11	TORRANCE FIBER NETWORK AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL OPTIMIZATION	PS&E		1,050,000		1,050,000	70,000	980,000				
<b>TOTAL PROGRAMMING AMOUNT</b>						<b>\$ 116,318,132</b>	<b>\$ 11,164,810</b>	<b>\$ 127,482,942</b>	<b>\$34,833,979</b>	<b>\$24,740,861</b>	<b>\$23,795,491</b>	<b>\$25,384,711</b>	<b>\$18,727,900</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

^ Subregion Planning Activities (0.5%) for MM MSPs.

South Bay Subregion  
 Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Plan - South Bay Highway Operational Improvements (Expenditure Line 63)

	Agency	Project ID	Project/Location	Funding Phases	Note	Pror Alloc	Alloc Change	Current Alloc	Prior Year Prog	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
1	CARSON	MM5507.02	CARSON STREET ITS PROJECT	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		\$ 700,000	\$ -	\$ 700,000	\$ 700,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2	CARSON	MM5507.03	SEPULVEDA BLVD. WIDENING FROM ALAMEDA ST. TO ICTF	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		11,897,999		11,897,999	5,473,078	5,830,014	594,907			
3	CARSON	MM5507.10	TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADE -- AVALON BLVD. AND GARDENA BLVD.	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		350,000		350,000	2,000	130,000	218,000			
4	GARDENA	MM5507.04	REDONDO BEACH BLVD. ARTERIAL IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		11,242,000		11,242,000	2,940,000	5,802,000	2,500,000			
5	HAWTHORNE	MM5507.01	NORTH EAST HAWTHORNE MOBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT	PS&E, ROW, CONSTRUCTION	Chg	2,000,000	986,591	2,986,591	2,000,000		986,591			
6	HAWTHORNE	MM5507.16	JACK NORTHROP IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E		200,000		200,000	-	40,000	40,000	40,000	80,000	
7	HAWTHORNE	MM5507.17	VAN NESS IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E		200,000		200,000	-	40,000	40,000	40,000	80,000	
8	HAWTHORNE	MM5507.18	135TH STREET IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E		160,000		160,000	-	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	
9	HAWTHORNE	MM5507.19	INGLEWOOD AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E		130,000		130,000	-	40,000	40,000	40,000	10,000	
10	INGLEWOOD	MM5507.05	MANCHESTER BLVD./PRAIRIE AVE. ITS & TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E		1,500,000		1,500,000	-		1,500,000			
11	INGLEWOOD	MM5507.06	DOWNTOWN ITS	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION	Chg	11,100,000	1,900,000	13,000,000	800,000	10,300,000	1,900,000			
12	INGLEWOOD	MM5507.11	CRENSHAW BLVD. ITS	CONSTRUCTION	Chg	8,800,000	5,200,000	14,000,000	-	2,000,000	12,000,000			
13	LA COUNTY	MM5507.07	AVALON BLVD. TSSP IN THE CITY OF CARSON	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION	Chg	2,601,223	3,000,000	5,601,223	1,530,000	214,245	685,583	3,171,395		
14	LA COUNTY	MM5507.20	ADVANCED TRAFFIC CONTROL UPGRADES	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		2,130,000		2,130,000	-	1,278,000	852,000			
15	MANHATTAN BEACH	MM5507.12	MANHATTAN BEACH BLVD. AT PACIFIC AVE. IMPROVEMENTS	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		1,200,000		1,200,000	160,000	720,000	320,000			
16	MANHATTAN BEACH	MM5507.13	MANHATTAN BEACH BLVD. AT PECK AVE. TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS (MR312.87)	CONSTRUCTION		740,000		740,000	740,000					



	Agency	Project ID	Project/Location	Funding Phases	Note	Pror Alloc	Alloc Change	Current Alloc	Prior Year Prog	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
17	MANHATTAN BEACH	MM5507.14	MAHATTAN BEACH BLVD. TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS	PS&E		400,000		400,000	150,000	250,000				
18	METRO	MM5507.08	I-110 SOUTHBOUND OFF-RAMP TO PCH	PAED, PS&E		5,781,000		5,781,000	4,250,000	1,531,000				
19	METRO	MM5507.09	405/110 SEPERATION	PAED, PS&E		17,500,000		17,500,000	12,500,000	5,000,000				
20	REDONDO BEACH	MM5507.21	ADVANCED TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEM ON AVIATION BLVD.	PS&E		160,000		160,000	-		80,000	80,000		
21	REDONDO BEACH	MM5507.22	TRAFFIC SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND NETWORK SYSTEM PHASE 2	PAED, PS&E	Chg	2,130,000	500,000	2,630,000	-	1,278,000	1,352,000			
21	SBCCOG	MM5502.01	PLANNING ACTIVITIES FOR MEASURE M MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAMS ^	PLANNING DEVELOPMENT		131,564		131,564	131,564					
23	SBCCOG	MM5502.10	PLANNING ACTIVITIES FOR THE SOUTH BAY LOCAL TRAVEL NETWORK ^	PLANNING DEVELOPMENT		245,703		245,703	116,919	128,784				
22	TORRANCE	MM5507.15	RIGHT TURN LANE AT LOMITA BLVD./182ND ST.	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		1,000,000		1,000,000	75,000	200,000	480,000	245,000		
<b>TOTAL PROGRAMMING AMOUNT</b>						<b>\$ 82,299,489</b>	<b>\$ 11,586,591</b>	<b>\$ 93,886,080</b>	<b>\$ 31,568,561</b>	<b>\$ 34,822,043</b>	<b>\$ 23,629,081</b>	<b>\$ 3,656,395</b>	<b>\$ 210,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

^ Subregion Planning Activities (0.5%) for MM MSPs.

South Bay Subregion  
 Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Plan - Transportation System & Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 66)

	Agency	Project ID	Project/Location	Funding Phases	Note	Pror Alloc	Alloc Change	Current Alloc	Prior Year Prog	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
1	CITIES HEALTH DISTRICT	MM4602.01	DIAMOND STREET BIKE PATH PROJECT	PS&E CONSTRUCTION	Compl	\$ 1,734,974	\$ -	\$ 1,734,974	\$ 1,734,974	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2	EL SEGUNDO	MM4602.02	EL SEGUNDO BLVD	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		4,050,000		4,050,000	4,050,000					
3	HAWTHORNE	MM4602.03	HAWTHORNE MONETA GARDEN MOBILITY IMPROVEMENTS	PS&E, ROW, CONSTRUCTION		3,320,000		3,320,000	200,000	349,400	2,770,600			
4	HAWTHORNE	MM5508.07	ROSECRANS AVE MOBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, PHASE II FROM PRAIRIE AVE TO CRENSHAW BLVD	PAED, PS&E		260,000		260,000	80,000	180,000				
5	HAWTHORNE	MM5508.08	CRENSHAW BLVD SIGNAL IMPROVEMENT AND INTERSECTION	PAED, PS&E		260,000		260,000	80,000	180,000				
6	HERMOSA BEACH	MM5508.09	MOBILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT	PID, PAED		1,800,000		1,800,000	1,300,000	500,000				
7	INGLEWOOD	MM4602.06	FIRST/LAST MILE IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		6,500,000		6,500,000	500,000	6,000,000				
8	INGLEWOOD	MM5508.10	CHANGEABLE MESSAGE SIGNS	PAED, PS&E		1,000,000		1,000,000	-		100,000	900,000		
9	LA CITY	MM4602.04	CROSSING UPGRADES AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		3,260,625		3,260,625	1,462,979	1,797,646				
10	LA CITY	MM5508.01	SIGNAL OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		2,500,000		2,500,000	2,500,000					
11	LA CITY	MM5508.02	ATSAC COMMUNICATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT IN SAN PEDRO	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		2,250,000		2,250,000	-	2,250,000				
12	LA CITY	MM5508.03	ASTAC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK INTEGRATION WITH LA COUNTY	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		1,750,000		1,750,000	-	1,750,000				
13	LA CITY	MM5508.14	ALAMEDA ST (SOUTH) WIDENING FROM ANAHEIM ST TO HARRY BRIDGES BLVD (MR312.48)	CONSTRUCTION		17,518,670		17,518,670	3,000,000	10,000,000	4,518,670			
14	LA COUNTY	MM4602.05	DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL GREENWAY	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		3,600,000		3,600,000	408,000	259,500	1,492,500	1,440,000		
15	LA COUNTY	MM4602.07	WESTMONT/WEST ATHENS PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE II	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		1,165,000		1,165,000	80,000	80,000	625,000	380,000		
16	LACMTA	MM5508.18	RIITS NETWORK ENHANCEMENTS	CONSTRUCTION		500,000		500,000	-	500,000				

	Agency	Project ID	Project/Location	Funding Phases	Note	Pror Alloc	Alloc Change	Current Alloc	Prior Year Prog	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
17	MANHATTAN BEACH	MM5508.04	ADVANCED TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEM	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		17,713,000		17,713,000	10,750,000	3,000,000	3,963,000			
18	MANHATTAN BEACH	MM5508.15	AVIATION BLVD. EAST BOUND LEFT-TURN IMPROVEMENTS	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		1,200,000		1,200,000	1,200,000					
19	PALOS VERDES ESTATES	MM5508.11	PALOS VERDES DRIVE WEST CORRIDOR EXPANSION PROJECT	PAED, PS&E		5,517,000		5,517,000	3,677,000	1,840,000				
20	RANCHO PALOS VERDES	MM5508.12	CONGESTION IMPROVEMENTS (25TH TO PV DR) **	PSR, PAED		1,330,000		1,330,000	330,000	1,000,000				
21	REDONDO BEACH	MM4602.08	NORTH REDONDO BEACH BIKEWAY (NRBB) EXTENSION -- FELTON LN TO INGLEWOOD AVE	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION	Chg	1,000,000	600,000	1,600,000	1,000,000		600,000			
22	REDONDO BEACH	MM4602.09	BIKEWAY (NRBB) EXTENSION -- INGLWOOD AVE.	PAED, PS&E, ROW		1,735,000		1,735,000	1,735,000					
23	REDONDO BEACH	MM5508.05	REDONDO BEACH TRANSIT CENTER AND PARK AND RIDE	ROW, CONSTRUCTION		7,750,000		7,750,000	7,250,000	500,000				
24	REDONDO BEACH	MM5508.13	TRAFFIC SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND NETWORK SYSTEM	PAED, PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		5,000,000		5,000,000	2,000,000	3,000,000				
25	ROLLING HILLS ESTATES	MM4602.10	ROLLING HILLS ROAD BIKE LANES	PAED, PS&E		229,450		229,450	212,950	16,500				
26	SBCCOG	MM5502.01	PLANNING ACTIVITIES FOR MEASURE M MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAMS ^	PLANNING DEVELOPMENT		514,854		514,854	514,854					
27	SBCCOG	MM5502.10	PLANNING ACTIVITIES FOR THE SOUTH BAY LOCAL TRAVEL NETWORK ^	PLANNING DEVELOPMENT		333,626		333,626	158,758	174,868				
28	TORRANCE	MM5508.06	TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS	PS&E, CONSTRUCTION		390,000		390,000	390,000					
29	TORRANCE	MM5508.16	TORRANCE TRANSIT PARK AND RIDE REGIONAL TERMINAL (MR312.23)	CONSTRUCTION		1,631,000		1,631,000	1,631,000					
30	TORRANCE	MM5508.17	IMPROVMENTS FROM DEL AMO TO DOMINGUEZ ST (MR312.60)	CONSTRUCTION		609,000		609,000	609,000					
<b>TOTAL PROGRAMMING AMOUNT</b>						<b>\$ 96,422,199</b>	<b>\$ 600,000</b>	<b>\$ 97,022,199</b>	<b>\$ 46,854,515</b>	<b>\$ 33,377,914</b>	<b>\$ 14,069,770</b>	<b>\$ 2,720,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	

\*\* Metro may procure services for the project development phases.

\*\*\* Further design details are subject to Metro approval.

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South Bay Subregion  
Measure R South Bay Transit Investments Program

	Agency	Project ID No.	Project/Location	Funding Phases	Note	Pror Alloc	Alloc Change	Current Alloc	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28	FY 2028-29
1	CARSON	MR524.02	CARSON CIRCUIT: FASHION OUTLET REGIONAL TRANSIT CENTER	PAED, PS&E ROW, CON		\$ 3,525,000		\$ 3,525,000	\$ 1,380,000	\$ 2,145,000						
2	GARDENA	MR524.03	GTRANS: PURCHASE OF UP TO 15 EXPANSION BUSES	Construction Capital	Chg	\$12,375,000		12,375,000					8,375,000	4,000,000		
3	GARDENA	MR524.04	GTRANS: SOLAR ENERGY GENERATION/BUS FUELING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT	PS&E CON		\$6,000,000		6,000,000		3,000,000	3,000,000					
4	INGLEWOOD	MRINGITC	INGLEWOOD TRANSIT CONNECTOR PROJECT	PAED, PS&E ROW, CON	Chg	233,700,000	16,300,000	250,000,000	26,575,570	76,863,918	130,260,512	16,300,000				
5	REDONDO BEACH	MR524.05	BEACH CITIES TRANSIT: TRANSIT OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE FACILITY	Env, PS&E CON		\$32,090,555		32,090,555					5,150,000	8,838,734	17,677,469	424,352
	SBCCOG	MR524.01	TRANSIT INVESTMENTS PROGRAMS ADMIN SUPPORT ^	PLANNING DEVELOPMENT		\$159,024		159,024	40,000	20,000	23,608	24,400	25,132	25,884		
6	TORRANCE	MR524.06	RETURN OF THE RED CAR URBAN CIRCULATOR TROLLEY	Construction Capital		\$4,500,000		4,500,000	2,000,000	2,500,000						
7	TORRANCE	MR524.07	TORRANCE TRANSIT: EXPANSION BUSES	Construction Capital		\$20,000,000		20,000,000	17,100,000	2,900,000						
8	TORRANCE	MR524.08	TORRANCE TRANSIT: REGIONAL TRANSIT CENTER PARKING STRUCTURE	Construction Capital		\$35,000,000		35,000,000	35,000,000							
9	TORRANCE	MR524.09	MICROTRANSIT EXPANSION OF THE TORRANCE COMMUNITY TRANSIT	Construction Capital		\$240,000		240,000	60,000	180,000						
10	TORRANCE	MR524.10	CONSTRUCTION OF HEAVY-DUTY ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION	Construction Capital		\$3,500,000		3,500,000	3,000,000	500,000						
<b>TOTAL PROGRAMMING AMOUNT</b>						<b>\$351,089,579</b>	<b>\$16,300,000</b>	<b>\$367,389,579</b>	<b>\$85,155,570</b>	<b>\$88,108,918</b>	<b>\$133,284,120</b>	<b>\$16,324,400</b>	<b>\$ 13,550,132</b>	<b>\$12,864,618</b>	<b>\$17,677,469</b>	<b>\$ 424,352</b>

^ Subregion Planning Activities (0.5%) for Measure R Transit Investments Program.

The background features a large, stylized graphic of the letters 'M' and 'R' in a light beige color, set against a dark green circular backdrop. This is overlaid on a larger red circular shape that is partially visible on the left and bottom edges of the frame. The overall design is modern and clean.

**Measure M Multi-year Subregional Program  
Measure R Transit Investments Program  
South Bay Subregion**

**Planning and Programming Committee  
September 18, 2024**

# South Bay Subregion

- Three Multi-Year Subregional Programs (MSP)
  - Transportation System & Mobility Improvements (expenditure line 50)
  - Highway Operational Improvements (expenditure line 63)
  - Transportation System & Mobility Improvements (expenditure line 66)
- Measure R Transit Investments
- Limited to Capital projects
  - Environmental Phase and forward

Los Angeles County Transportation Expenditure Plan  
(2015 \$ in thousands)

**ATTACHMENT A**  
Groundbreaking Sequence  
(Exceptions Noted)

For Reference Only	Project (Final Project to be Defined by the Environmental Process)	Notes	Schedule of Funds Available		Subregion*	2016 - 2027 Local, State, Federal, Other Funding 2015\$	Measure M Funding 2015\$	Most Recent Cost Estimate 2015\$**	Modal Code
			Ground-breaking Start Date†	Expected Opening Date (3 year range)					
	<b>Multi-Year Subregional Programs</b>		1 <sup>st</sup> yr of Range						
47	Metro Active Transport, Transit 1st/Last Mile Program	p	FY 2018	FY 2057	sc	\$0	\$857,500	\$857,500	H
48	Visionary Project Seed Funding	p	FY 2018	FY 2057	sc	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000	T
49	Street Car and Circulator Projects	k,p	FY 2018	FY 2022	sc	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000	T
50	Transportation System and Mobility Improve. Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	sb	\$0	\$293,500	\$293,500	H
51	Active Transportation 1st/Last Mile Connections Prog.		FY 2018	FY 2057	w	\$0	\$361,000	\$361,000	H
52	Active Transportation Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	nc	\$0	\$264,000	\$264,000	H
53	Active Transportation Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	gc	\$0	TBD	TBD	H
54	Active Transportation Program (Including Greenway Proj.)		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$231,000	\$231,000	H
55	Active Transportation, 1st/Last Mile, & Mobility Hubs		FY 2018	FY 2057	cc	\$0	\$215,000	\$215,000	H
56	Active Transportation, Transit, and Tech. Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	lvm	\$0	\$32,000	\$32,000	T
57	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	lvm	\$0	\$133,000	\$133,000	H
58	Bus System Improvement Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000	T
59	First/Last Mile and Complete Streets		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$198,000	\$198,000	H
60	Highway Demand Based Prog. (HOV Ext. & Connect.)		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$231,000	\$231,000	H
61	I-605 Corridor "Hot Spot" Interchange Improvements @		FY 2018	FY 2057	gc	\$240,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,240,000	H
62	Modal Connectivity and Complete Streets Projects		FY 2018	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$202,000	\$202,000	H
63	South Bay Highway Operational Improvements		FY 2018	FY 2057	av	\$600,000	\$500,000	\$1,100,000	H
64	Transit Programs		FY 2018	FY 2057	nc	\$500,000	\$88,000	\$588,000	T
65	Transit Projects		FY 2018	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$257,100	\$257,100	T
66	Transportation System and Mobility Improve. Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	sb	\$0	\$350,000	\$350,000	H
67	North San Fernando Valley Bus Rapid Transit Improvements	p,s	FY 2019	FY 2023	sc	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000	T
68	Subregional Equity Program	p,s	FY 2018	FY 2057		TBD	TBD	\$1,196,000	T/H
69	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 1 (All Subregions)	l,p	FY 2020	FY 2022	sc	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	T
70	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 2 (All Subregions)	l,p	FY 2030	FY 2032	sc	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	T
71	Active Transportation Projects		FY 2033	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$136,500	\$136,500	H
72	Los Angeles Safe Routes to School Initiative		FY 2033	FY 2057	cc	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	H
73	Multimodal Connectivity Program		FY 2033	FY 2057	nc	\$0	\$239,000	\$239,000	H
74	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 3 (All Subregions)	l,p	FY 2040	FY 2042	sc	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	T
75	Arterial Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	nc	\$0	\$726,130	\$726,130	H
76	BRT and 1st/Last Mile Solutions e.g. DASH		FY 2048	FY 2057	cc	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	T
77	Freeway Interchange and Operational Improvements		FY 2048	FY 2057	cc	\$0	\$195,000	\$195,000	H
78	Goods Movement (Improvements & RR Xing Elim.)		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$33,000	\$33,000	T
79	Goods Movement Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	nc	\$0	\$104,000	\$104,000	T
80	Goods Movement Projects		FY 2048	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$81,700	\$81,700	T
81	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	nc	\$0	\$128,870	\$128,870	H
82	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$534,000	\$534,000	H
83	Highway Efficiency, Noise Mitig. and Arterial Projects		FY 2048	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$602,800	\$602,800	H
84	ITS/Technology Program (Advanced Signal Tech.)		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$66,000	\$66,000	H
85	LA Streetscape Enhance. & Great Streets Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	cc	\$0	\$450,000	\$450,000	H
86	Modal Connectivity Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	lvm	\$0	\$68,000	\$68,000	H
87	Public Transit State of Good Repair Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	cc	\$0	\$402,000	\$402,000	T
88	Traffic Congestion Relief and Improvement Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	lvm	\$0	\$63,000	\$63,000	H
89	Traffic Congestion Relief/Signal Synchronization		FY 2048	FY 2057	cc	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	H
90	Arroyo Verdugo Projects to be Determined		FY 2048	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$110,600	\$110,600	H
91	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 4 (All Subregions)	p	FY 2050	FY 2052	sc	\$90,000	\$10,000	\$100,000	T
92	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 5 (All Subregions)	p	FY 2060	FY 2062	sc	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000	T
93	Multi-Year Subregional Programs Subtotal					\$1,430,000	\$10,253,700	\$12,879,700	
94	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>					<b>\$21,011,027</b>	<b>\$31,243,641</b>	<b>\$53,450,669</b>	

# September 2024 Recommendation

## CONSIDER:

### A. APPROVING:

1. Programming of an additional \$11,164,810 within the capacity of Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) – Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 50), as shown in Attachment A;
2. Programming of an additional \$11,586,591 within the capacity of Measure M MSP – South Bay Highway Operational Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 63), as shown in Attachment B;
3. Programming of an additional \$600,000 within the capacity of Measure M MSP – Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 66), as shown in Attachment C;
4. Programming of an additional \$16,300,000 within the capacity of Measure R South Bay Transit Investments Program, shown in Attachment D; and

- B. AUTHORIZING the CEO or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and/or amendments for approved projects.

# Next Steps

- Execute Funding Agreements with the implementing agencies to initiate projects
- Continue working with the Subregion to identify and deliver projects
- Return to the Board annually for Program/Project updates





## Board Report

File #: 2024-0473, File Type: Contract

Agenda Number: 6.

**REVISED**  
**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE**  
**SEPTEMBER 18, 2024**

**SUBJECT: NORTH SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TRANSIT CORRIDOR**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute Modification No. 14 to Contract No. AE49337000 with Arcadis, A California Partnership (formerly IBI Group) in the amount of \$3,158,761 for the optional task for preliminary engineering and to advance the design of curb extensions (bus bulbs) or boarding islands as part of the North San Fernando Valley (NSFV) Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Corridor Project, increasing the contract value from \$5,683,973 to \$8,842,734, and extend the period of performance from October 31, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

### **ISSUE**

The North San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Project continues with the design and implementation of several Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) elements to improve existing transit lines in the San Fernando Valley. However, Board action is required for the existing contract's optional task for Preliminary Engineering (PE), design services, and to meet the Measure M schedule. Given the objective of Measure M to improve transportation, transit service, and ease traffic congestion in the region, the timely use of funds is Metro's fiscal responsibility to ensure that Measure M sales tax revenues are spent as quickly as possible according to the requirements of the Measure M Ordinance to realize the benefits of the Measure M Expenditure Plan promised to the people of Los Angeles County. Exercising the current contract's optional PE task will enable the existing contractor to begin the design process.

### **BACKGROUND**

In May 2018, the Board awarded Contract No. AE49337000 to IBI Group to complete the Planning/Environmental Study for the NSFV BRT Corridor. This contract developed the NSFV BRT project from concept through alternative analysis and environmental clearance following the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines, with an optional task to complete the proposed project's advanced conceptual engineering or PE.

In December 2022, the Board approved the NSFV BRT Network Improvements as the proposed

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project (Attachment A). This project provided an enhanced bus network to increase connectivity and provide high-quality bus service and transit infrastructure in NSFV communities. The primary corridors enhanced through the BRT Network Improvements include Roscoe Boulevard, Nordhoff Street, and Lankershim Boulevard, with additional improvements planned for Reseda Boulevard, Sherman Way, Vanowen Street, and Victory Boulevard.

### Project Description

The NSFV BRT Corridor Project aims to improve speed, reliability, pedestrian safety, and accessibility to riders in the NSFV by installing bus bulbs and boarding islands at Metro bus stops. These bulbs and boarding islands are one of several speed and reliability tools applied to various NSFV bus lines to help reduce travel times. These bus bulbs and boarding islands will also provide more space at bus stops, improving accessibility and allowing the installation of amenities such as shelters, lighting, and information displays. Bus bulbs and boarding islands also allow the bus to stop in the travel lane without pulling out of traffic, removing delays associated with re-entering the traffic lane as the transit driver waits for gaps in traffic. Lastly, bus bulbs shorten pedestrian crossing distances at intersections, improving safety for everyone walking. This shorter crossing distance can also improve the efficiency of the traffic signal and provide more opportunities for transit signal priority.

### DISCUSSION

Staff is requesting Board action to execute Contract Modification No. 14 for the optional task for preliminary engineering and to extend the period of performance to allow for the design of bus speed improvements in the form of curb extensions (bus bulbs) or boarding islands (the "Project") at 82 locations in NSFV. Metro requires consultant support in developing design concepts and preparing design plans, such as schematic design concepts, detailed civil design plans, utility composite plans, worksite traffic control plans, and design implementation services.

### Planned Coordination Efforts

The consultant will conduct working sessions with Metro, the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering, and the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Street Services (StreetsLA) to discuss concepts and determine the work scope for 82 locations. The project will be divided into phases so that "lessons learned" in previous phases can direct the design of future phases.

If required, the consultant will also be available at in-person outreach presentations in the NSFV. Outreach staff will prepare presentation materials, address public questions related to concepts, and plan drawings/renderings for project outreach.

### DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

The Project will positively impact safety, as patrons waiting for transit will have more space and be more comfortable waiting for service. Accessibility can be improved for passengers' boarding and alighting. For example, the Project will allow buses to reduce weaving out from and into traffic as they approach and leave the bus stop.

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## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The funds for this action are included in the FY25 budget under Project 496007 (North San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Project-Curb Improvements), Cost Center 4741, and Task No. 01.MM64.002. There is \$6M budgeted for this project/task in FY25.

### **Impact to Budget**

The current source of funds for this action is Measure M Construction 35%. Since this is a multi-year project, the Senior Executive Officer, Service Development, will be responsible for budgeting in future years.

## **EQUITY PLATFORM**

This design task supports an improved passenger experience with faster, more reliable service and improved stop amenities in Equity Focus Communities (EFCs). Similar recent and in-progress projects by the City of Los Angeles and Metro have shown that these bus stop improvements can enhance speed, reliability, and accessibility to these corridors. The City of Los Angeles recently completed the Reseda Boulevard Complete Streets Project, which installed bus boarding islands on Reseda BI in the San Fernando Valley. The boarding islands on Reseda BI/Victory BI, Reseda BI/Saticoy St, and Reseda BI/Vanowen provide dedicated areas for pedestrians to wait for transit. They are enabling Metro transit to move faster through the Reseda BI corridor by eliminating the time lost when merging in and out of traffic to stop and board passengers.

The City of Los Angeles is constructing bus bulbs and bus boarding islands on 7<sup>th</sup> St in downtown LA as part of the 7<sup>th</sup> Street Streetscape Improvements Project. Lastly, Metro has been awarded funding through the I-405 Corridor Community Bus Service Improvement Program to construct up to 30 bus boarding islands on Venice BI between Inglewood BI and Fairfax Av. As considered in the NextGen Bus Plan Speed and Reliability program, this type of improvement will be considered for other corridors where appropriate, such as when bus lanes are not justified and supported by the jurisdiction and community, especially those in EFCs.

~~The consultant is meeting the Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) Small Business Enterprise (SBE) and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) goals of commitment for this contract is 22.190% and 3.65%, respectively. The current level of participation is 19.82% SBE and 2.41% DVBE, which has been the result of the change of the nature of the project. The original Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) corridor project involving heavy road and station construction was unable to build community consensus on a BRT corridor. The project then evolved to a quick build type of project improving existing transit lines. This change was approved by the Metro Board in December 2022. The new project does not require the same range of planning and design services. Therefore, the services of the original range of companies in the DEOD summary are no longer required. However, with the proposed scope and fee for Contract Modification No. 14, the contractor anticipates that it will be able increase participation to 22.58% SBE and 4.12% DVBE based on services required for the new project scope.~~

## **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

This Board action supports the following goals:

- Goal 1: Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling
- Goal 2: Deliver outstanding trip experiences for all users of the transportation system
- Goal 3: Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity

The program aligns with Metro Vision 2028, where providing high-quality mobility options, delivering outstanding trip experiences for all users, and enhancing mobility and access to opportunities are targeted goals within Metro.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board could elect to not approve this contract modification but Metro would have to seek alternative providers for these design services, which would require a new procurement, resulting in the company's disruption of work on conceptual design for bulbs and boarding islands for this project. In addition, delays to the completion of design work by a year or more would impact the benefits to Metro's riders and likely cost significantly more to restart the work with a different vendor. This approach is not recommended.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon Board approval, staff will execute Modification No. 14 to Contract No. AE49337000 with Arcadis, A California Partnership, for the optional task for preliminary engineering and to advance the design of curb extensions (bus bulbs) or boarding islands and extend the performance period from October 31, 2024, through December 31, 2026.

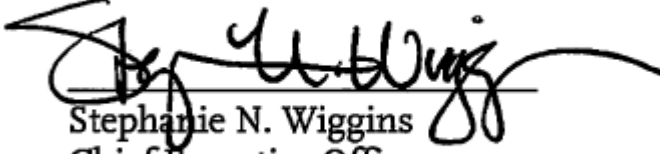
### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A -Network Improvements Project Map  
Attachment B - Procurement Summary  
Attachment C - Contract Modification/Change Order Log  
Attachment D - DEOD Summary

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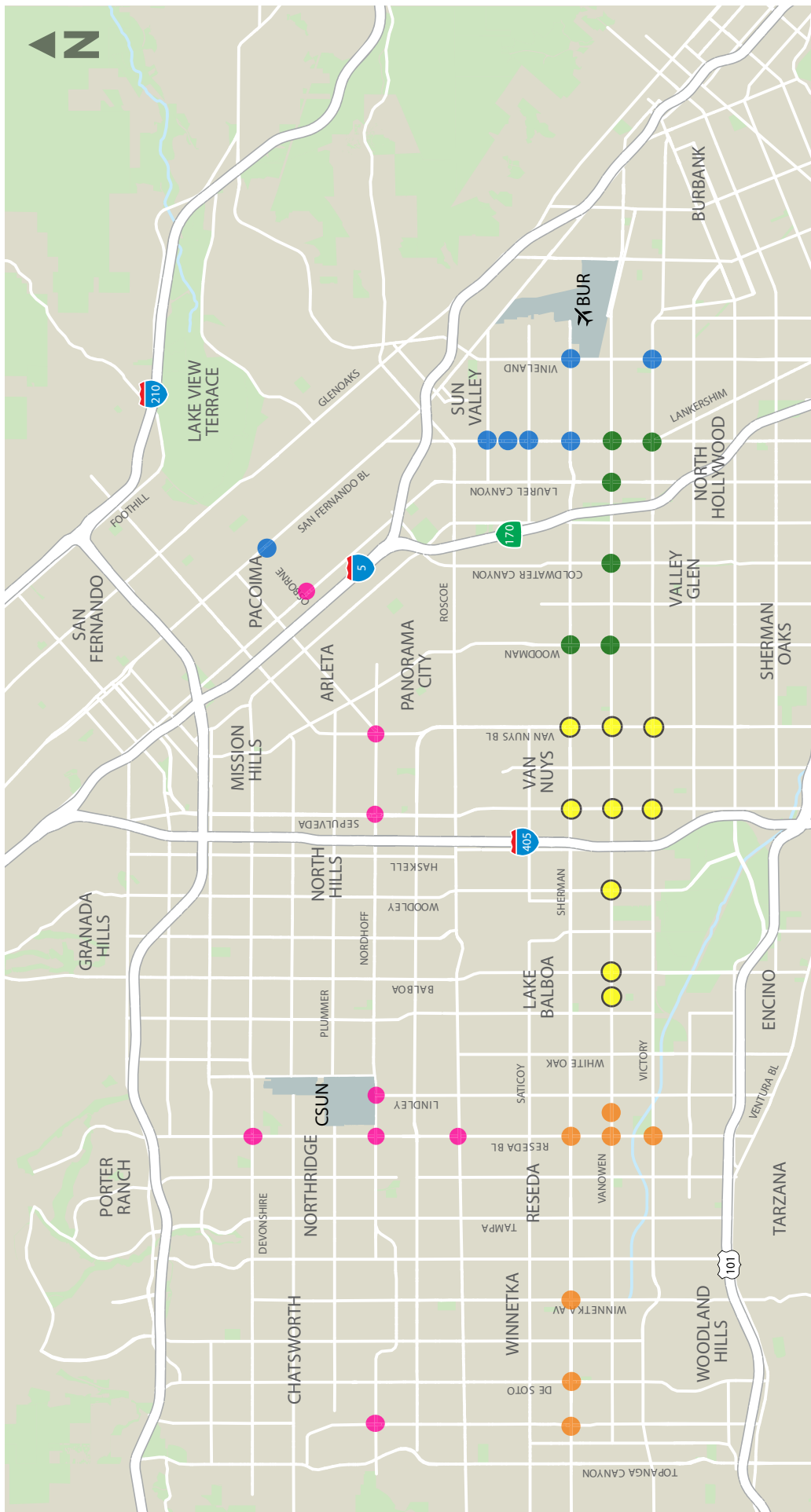
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# North San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor

## Bus Bulbs/Boarding Islands



### Legend

- Phase 1 (pink dot)
- Phase 2 (orange dot)
- Phase 3 (yellow dot)
- Phase 4 (green dot)
- Phase 5 (blue dot)

## Attachment A: Bus Bulbs/Boarding Island Locations\*

Phase	Intersection	Direction				Total
		NB	SB	EB	WB	
1	Nordhoff St (E/W) & Canoga Bl (N/S)			X		1
	Nordhoff St (E/W) & Reseda Bl (N/S)	X	X	X		3
	Nordhoff St (E/W) & Lindley Av (N/S)			X	X	2
	Nordhoff St (E/W) & Sepulveda Bl (N/S)			X	X	2
	Nordhoff St (E/W) & Van Nuys Bl (N/S)			X	X	2
	Osborne St (E/W) & Laurel Cyn Bl (N/S)			X	X	2
	Devonshire St (E/W) & Reseda Bl (N/S)	X	X			2
	Roscoe Bl (E/W) & Reseda Bl (N/S)	X	X			2
2	Sherman Wy (E/W) & Canoga Av (N/S)			X	X	2
	Sherman Wy (E/W) & De Soto Av (N/S)			X	X	2
	Sherman Wy (E/W) & Reseda Bl (N/S)	X	X	X	X	4
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Reseda Bl (N/S)	X		X	X	3
	Victory Bl (E/W) & Reseda Bl (N/S)		X	X	X	3
	Sherman Wy (E/W) & Winnetka Ave (N/S)			X	X	2
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Etiwanda Av (N/S)			X	X	2
3	Sherman Wy (E/W) & Sepulveda Bl (N/S)			X	X	2
	Sherman Wy (E/W) & Van Nuys Bl (N/S)			X	X	2
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Amestoy Av (N/S)			X	X	2
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Balboa Bl (N/S)			X	X	2
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Woodley Ave (N/S)			X	X	2
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Sepulveda Bl (N/S)				X	1
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Van Nuys Bl (N/S)				X	1
	Victory Bl (E/W) & Sepulveda Bl (N/S)			X	X	2
4	Victory Bl (E/W) & Van Nuys Bl (N/S)			X	X	2
	Sherman Wy (E/W) & Woodman Av (N/S)			X	X	2
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Woodman Av (N/S)			X	X	2
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Laurel Cyn Bl (N/S)			X	X	2
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Lankershim Bl (N/S)	X	X	X	X	4
	Victory Bl (E/W) & Lankershim Bl (N/S)	X	X	X	X	4
	Vanowen St (E/W) & Coldwater Cyn Av (N/S)			X	X	2
5	Osborne St (E/W) & San Fernando Rd (N/S)			X	X	2
	Victory Bl (E/W) & Vineland Av (N/S)			X	X	2
	Saticoy St (E/W) & Lankershim Bl (N/S)	X	X			2
	Sherman Wy (E/W) & Lankershim Bl (N/S)	X	X	X	X	4
	Sherman Wy (E/W) & Vineland Av (N/S)	X			X	2
	Strathern St (E/W) & Lankershim Bl (N/S)	X	X			2
	Stagg St (E/W) & Lankershim Bl (N/S)	X	X			2
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\*Locations subject to change based on physical constraints and/or cost to construct.

## PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

## NORTH SAN FERNANDO VALLEY BUS RAPID TRANSIT CORRIDOR /AE49337000

1.	<b>Contract Number:</b> AE49337000		
2.	<b>Contractor:</b> Arcadis, A California Partnership		
3.	<b>Mod. Work Description:</b> Optional task for preliminary engineering and to advance the design of curb extensions (bus bulbs) or boarding islands and period of performance extension from October 31, 2024 through December 31, 2026.		
4.	<b>Contract Work Description:</b> North San Fernando Valley Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Corridor Planning and Environmental Study.		
5.	<b>The following data is current as of:</b> 08/02/2024		
6.	<b>Contract Completion Status</b>		<b>Financial Status</b>
	<b>Contract Awarded:</b>	05/24/2018	<b>Contract Award Amount:</b> \$5,582,619
	<b>Notice to Proceed (NTP):</b>	N/A	<b>Total of Modifications Approved:</b> \$101,354
	<b>Original Complete Date:</b>	11/06/2021	<b>Pending Modifications (including this action):</b> \$3,158,761
	<b>Current Est. Complete Date:</b>	12/31/2026	<b>Current Contract Value (with this action):</b> \$8,842,734
7.	<b>Contract Administrator:</b> Samira Baghdikian		<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-1033
8.	<b>Project Manager:</b> Joe Forgiarini		<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 418-3400

**A. Procurement Background**

This Board Action is to approve Contract Modification No. 14 issued for the optional task for preliminary engineering and to advance the design of curb extensions (bus bulbs) or boarding islands as part of the North San Fernando Valley Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Corridor Project. This Contract Modification also extends the period of performance from October 31, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

This Contract Modification was processed in accordance with Metro's Acquisition Policy and the contract type is a firm fixed price.

On May 24, 2018, the Board awarded firm fixed price Contract No. AE49337000 to IBI Group (now Arcadis, A California Partnership) for the North San Fernando Valley BRT Corridor Planning and Environmental Study with one of two optional tasks to advance the design through either i) Advanced Conceptual Engineering or ii) Preliminary Engineering.



A total of 13 modifications have been executed to date.

Refer to Attachment C - Contract Modification/Change Order Log.

**B. Cost Analysis**

The recommended price has been determined to be fair and reasonable based on the Independent Cost Estimate (ICE), cost analysis, technical analysis, and fact finding.

<b>Proposal Amount</b>	<b>Metro ICE</b>	<b>Negotiated Amount</b>
\$3,158,761	\$3,311,700	\$3,158,761

## CONTRACT MODIFICATION/CHANGE ORDER LOG

## NORTH SAN FERNANDO VALLEY BUS RAPID TRANSIT CORRIDOR / AE49337000

<b>Mod. No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status (approved or pending)</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>\$ Amount</b>
1	Two additional alternatives for consideration for BRT.	Approved	06/05/2019	\$54,807
2	Reallocation of Task 3.4 (Value Capture Analysis) to Task 1.7 (Community Meetings, Scoping Meetings, and Public Hearings) and Task 3.1 (Facilitation and Attendance at Community Meetings).	Approved	12/11/2019	\$0
3	Additional services to support analysis of summer 2019 community outreach and October 2020 Board presentation to update ridership model to include NextGen transit network and period of performance (POP) extension through 06/30/21.	Approved	09/18/2020	\$267,950
4	No cost POP extension through 07/30/21.	Approved	06/22/2021	\$0
5	No cost POP extension through 09/30/21.	Approved	07/26/2021	\$0
6	No cost POP extension through 12/31/21.	Approved	09/24/2021	\$0
7	No cost POP extension through 03/31/22.	Approved	12/27/2021	\$0
8	Reallocation of Task 5 (Environmental Study & Statutory Exemption Documentation) to new Tasks 8.1 (Project Admin., 8.2 (Project Meetings), 8.3 (Support for Community Engagement), 8.4 (Traffic Analysis for Network Approach), 8.5 (Conceptual Engineering for Network Approach), 8.6 (Aerial Mapping for Network Approach), 8.7 (Ridership Modeling for Network Approach), 8.9 (Operational Assessment Support	Approved	01/24/2022	\$0

	for Network Approach), and 8.10 (Summary Technical Memo for Network Approach).			
9	No cost POP extension through 03/31/23.	Approved	12/12/2022	\$0
10	No cost POP extension through 05/31/23.	Approved	03/23/2023	\$0
11	Reallocation of remaining funds from Task 1 (Administration & Project Management), Task 5 (Environmental Study & Statutory Exemption Documentation), and Task 6 (Project Commitments & Close-Out of CEQA Process) to Task 9 (Project Administration and Conceptual Engineering) for Roscoe Boulevard Peak-Period Transit-Only Lanes between Topanga Canyon Boulevard and Coldwater Canyon Avenue as part of the Proposed Project. POP extension through 10/30/23.	Approved	05/30/2023	\$22,825
12	No cost POP extension through 10/31/24.	Approved	10/26/2023	\$0
13	Deductive change for Task 9.3.3 (Traffic Signal Plans) and Task 9.4 (Worksite Traffic Control Plans and Key Transfer Location Needs Assessment).	Approved	08/15/2024	(\$244,228)
14	Optional task for preliminary engineering and to advance the design of curb extensions (bus bulbs) or boarding islands and POP extension through 12/31/26.	<b>Pending</b>	<b>Pending</b>	<b>\$3,158,761</b>
	<b>Modification Total:</b>			<b>\$3,260,115</b>
	<b>Original Contract:</b>		05/24/2018	<b>\$5,582,619</b>
	<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$8,842,734</b>

## DEOD SUMMARY

## NORTH SAN FERNANDO VALLEY BUS RAPID TRANSIT CORRIDOR / AE49337000

**A. Small Business Participation**

Arcadis, a California Partnership (formerly IBI Group) (Arcadis) made a 22.19% Small Business Enterprise (SBE) and a 3.65% Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) commitment. The project is 86% complete and the current SBE/DVBE participation is 19.82% and 2.41%, representing shortfalls of 2.37% and 1.24%, respectively.

Arcadis contends that the shortfalls are due to Metro descopeing work committed to two (2) SBE subcontractors, Epic Land Solutions, Inc. and Eyestone-Jones Environmental, LLC, and have not been utilized, as confirmed by Metro's Project Manager. Arcadis further contends that execution of this modification includes budget for FPL and Associates and MA Engineering which will reflect an increase in both SBE and DVBE participation. Arcadis further anticipates exceeding the SBE and DVBE commitments through the end of the project.

<b>Small Business Commitment</b>	<b>22.19% SBE 3.65% DVBE</b>	<b>Small Business Participation</b>	<b>19.82% SBE 2.41% DVBE</b>
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	<b>SBE Subcontractors</b>	<b>% Committed</b>	<b>Current Participation<sup>1</sup></b>
1.	BAE Urban Economics, Inc.	0.38%	0.10%
2.	Connectics Transportation	1.29%	2.43%
3.	Epic Land Solutions, Inc.	1.14%	0.00%
4.	Eyestone-Jones Environmental, LLC	1.72%	0.00%
5.	FPL and Associates, Inc.	4.23%	4.16%
6.	Galvin Preservation Associates	4.26%	0.11%
7.	GCM Consulting, Inc.	0.00%	0.46%
8.	Oschin Partners, Inc.	0.72%	1.61%
9.	V.W. & Associates (Virtek Co.)	2.35%	4.07%
10.	Wagner Engineering & Survey, Inc.	4.98%	1.75%
11.	Wiltec	1.12%	1.85%
12.	Zephyr UAS, Inc.	Added	3.28%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>22.19%</b>	<b>19.82%</b>

	<b>DVBE Subcontractors</b>	<b>% Committed</b>	<b>Current Participation<sup>1</sup></b>
1.	MA Engineering	3.65%	2.41%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3.65%</b>	<b>2.41%</b>

<sup>1</sup>Current Participation = Total Actual amount Paid-to-Date to DBE firms ÷ Total Actual Amount Paid-to-date to Prime.

**B. Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy Applicability**

The Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy is not applicable to this contract.

**C. Prevailing Wage Applicability**

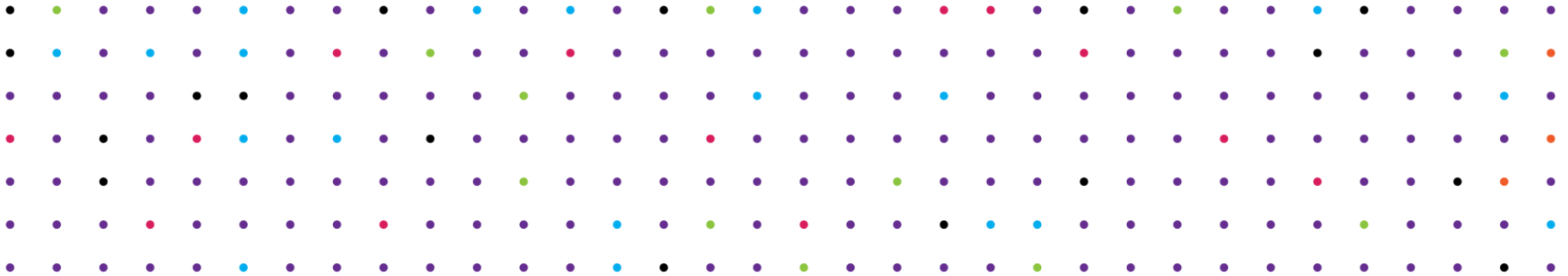
Prevailing Wage requirements are applicable to this contract. DEOD will monitor contractors' compliance with the State of California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR), California Labor Code, and, if federally funded, the U S Department of Labor (DOL) Davis Bacon and Related Acts (DBRA).

**D. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy**

Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is not applicable to this Contract. PLA/CCP is applicable only to construction contracts that have a construction related value in excess of \$2.5 million.

Service Development

# North San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor



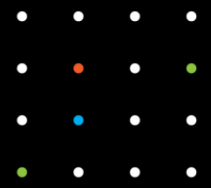
Planning and Programming Committee  
September 18, 2024

# RECOMMENDATION



AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute Modification No. 14 to Contract No. AE49337000 to Arcadis, a California Partnership (formerly IBI Group) in the amount of \$3,158,761 for the optional task for preliminary engineering and advance the design of curb extensions (bus bulbs) or boarding islands as part of the North San Fernando Valley (NSFV) Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Corridor Project and extend the period of performance from Q4 CY24 through Q4 CY26.

# ISSUE



## AWARDEE

Arcadis, a California Partnership

## DEOD COMMITMENT

22.190% SBE commitment

3.65% DVBE commitment



<https://nacto.org/publication/urban-street-design-guide/street-design-elements/curb-extensions/bus-bulbs/>

## ISSUE

- Buses must merge out of traffic lanes to access transit stops
- Buses must wait for a gap to weave into traffic as they leave the transit stop
- Transit stops have limited space to provide shelter, shade, and comfort for patrons waiting for transit service





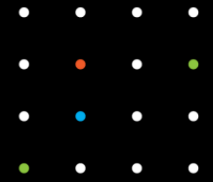
# DISCUSSION



## DISCUSSION

- The NSFV BRT Project is one of the 28 by 2028 project initiatives. Bus bulbs are one of a number of improvements funded by \$175 million in Measure M being applied to NSFV corridors including bus lanes on Roscoe Bl, transit signal priority on 7 corridors, all door boarding throughout the San Fernando Valley, almost 400 new bus shelters, improved service frequency on two corridors, and 75 new battery electric buses and associated charging equipment for four corridors
- The bus bulbs/boarding islands will enable buses to avoid having to merge out of/into traffic lanes to access/leave transit stops
- The modification will have a positive impact on patrons waiting for transit by providing more space for amenities as they wait for service
- Accessibility can be improved for the boarding and alighting of passengers
- Bus bulbs shorten pedestrian crossing distances at intersections, improving safety for everyone walking

# DISCUSSION



## DISCUSSION

- To make the project manageable for the design consultant and City agency review, the project deliverables shall be completed in five (5) phases

Phase	Design – Begin	Design – End
1	4th quarter CY24	2nd quarter CY25
2	2nd quarter CY25	4th quarter CY25
3	4th quarter CY25	2nd quarter CY26
4	2nd quarter CY26	3rd quarter CY26
5	3rd quarter CY26	4th quarter CY26



Board Report

File #: 2024-0779, File Type: Program

Agenda Number: 7.

**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2024**

**SUBJECT: PROGRAM FUNDS FOR ARROYO VERDUGO OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. APPROVING \$5,000,000 in additional programming for two City of Glendale projects within the Arroyo Verdugo subregion as shown in Attachment A; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the CEO or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements for the Board-approved projects.

**ISSUE**

At the July 2024 meeting, the Metro Board approved the updated project list and proposed changes related to schedules, scope, and funding allocations for existing projects as part of the bi-annual Measure R Multimodal Highway Subregional Program.

The purpose of this Board report is to identify the projects that will be added to the updated list and to program additional funds. Board approval of the projects is needed as the updated project list serves as the basis for Metro to enter into the necessary agreements with the City.

**BACKGROUND**

Per the Measure R Expenditure Plan, the Arroyo Verdugo Subregion (Line 31) allocated funds for multimodal highway operational improvement subfund programs. In coordination with local jurisdictions, Metro staff lead the implementation and development of multi-jurisdictional and regionally significant highway and arterial projects.

Local jurisdictions prioritize and develop projects that are within the eligibility for both Measure R and Measure M program criteria. Metro staff worked with the City of Glendale to review projects for eligibility and compliance with the Board-adopted policies outlined in Metro’s Complete Streets Policy, Active Transportation Strategic Plan, and First/Last Mile Strategic Plan. Projects are also further evaluated to ensure that projects aim to reduce congestion, resolve operational deficiencies, improve safety, and incorporate multimodal investments.

## **DISCUSSION**

Additional programming in the amount of \$5,000,000 is being requested for two projects in the Arroyo Verdugo subregion as described below and shown in Attachment A.

### **Arroyo Verdugo Operational Improvements**

To date, a total of \$134,181,200 has been programmed for projects in the subregion. This update includes funding adjustments for two existing projects.

#### **Glendale**

Program an additional \$3,000,000 for MR310.54 - Traffic Signal Modifications on La Crescenta Avenue and San Fernando Road in FY24-25 for a revised budget of \$4,650,000. The Project is in the PS&E phase and the additional funding will go towards the construction phase, as the City will readvertise their construction solicitation since they received bids costlier than their current available funding. The Project includes fiber installation, signal upgrades, vehicle and bike video detection installation, and upgrades to wheelchair ramps, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, and street pavement.

Program an additional \$2,000,000 for MR310.62 - Downtown Glendale Signal Mobility Improvements Project in FY24-25 for a revised budget of \$8,626,736. The Project is in the PS&E phase and funds are being programmed to fund the construction phase, as the City anticipates increased costs for the construction phase. The Project includes software and hardware modifications to coordinate traffic flow via signal synchronization, benefiting all modes of transportation regarding safety.

## **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

The multimodal subregional programs support the development of a safer transportation system that will provide high-quality multimodal mobility options to enable people to spend less time traveling.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The highway projects are funded from the Measure R 20% Highway Capital subfund earmarked for the subregions. FY25 funds are allocated for Arroyo Verdugo Project No.460310 (Subsidies to Others).

Since the Measure R Multimodal Highway Subregional Programs are multiyear programs that contain various projects, Countywide Planning and Development will be responsible for budgeting the costs in current and future years.

### **Impact to Budget**

This action will not impact the approved FY25 budget. Staff will rebalance the approved FY25 budget as necessary to fund the identified priorities and revisit the budgetary needs using the quarterly and mid-year adjustment processes subject to the availability of funds.

The source of funds for these projects is Measure R 20% Highway Funds. This fund source is not eligible for transit capital or operations expenses.

### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

This bi-annual update funds subsequent phases of Board-approved Highway Subsidy grants aligned with the Measure R Board-approved guidelines and the [Metro Objectives for Multimodal Highway Investments](https://boardagendas.metro.net/board-report/2022-0302/) <<https://boardagendas.metro.net/board-report/2022-0302/>>. The Highway Subsidy Grants do not have a direct equity impact; rather they offer equity opportunities via the development of transportation project improvements through city contracts that can reduce transportation disparities. Furthermore, Metro staff will work with the various subregions to provide equity guidance in the selection of individual projects to address disparities and create more equitable access to opportunity.

As with all subregions, the City of Glendale independently and in coordination with its subregion, undertakes its jurisdictionally determined community engagement process specific to the type of transportation improvement it seeks to develop. These locally determined and prioritized projects represent the needs of cities.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

The recommendation supports the strategic plan goal:

“Goal 1: Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling.”

Goal 1.1. Approval of the multimodal highway subregional programs will expand the transportation system as responsibly and quickly as possible as approved in Measure R and M to strengthen and expand LA County’s transportation system.

“Goal 4: Transform LA County through regional collaboration”

Goal 4.1. Metro will work closely with municipalities, council of governments, Caltrans to implement holistic strategies for advancing mobility goals”

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board may choose not to approve the funding allocation for the two projects. However, this option is not recommended as it will delay the development of the construction phases and will face significant cost implications by delaying the required amendments.

### **NEXT STEPS**

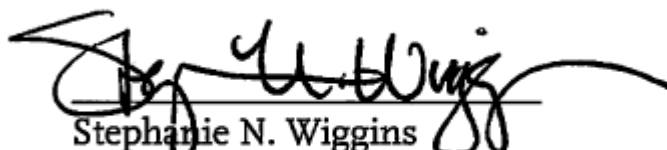
Staff will notify the City of the Board’s decision and continue working with Arroyo Verdugo and the other subregions for their consideration of multimodal investments within the Measure R Multimodal Highway Subregional Program.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Program Funds for Arroyo Verdugo Operational Improvements

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Agency	Project ID No.	PROJECT/LOCATION	Funding Phases	Note	Prior Alloc	Alloc Change	Current Alloc	Prior Yr Program	FY2024-25	FY2025-26	FY2026-27	FY2027-28
		<b>Total Measure R Programmed to Date</b>			1,781,492	36,704	1,820,181	1,685,846	102,609	25,395	2,922	3,365
		<b>Arroyo Verdugo Operational Improvements (Expenditure Line 31)</b>			127,196.2	5,000.0	134,181.2	103,069.1	15,558.4	15,028.7	525.0	0.0
Glendale	MR310.54	Signal Mod on La Crescenta Ave and San Fernando Rd.	PS&E, Construction	<b>CHG</b>	1,650.0	3,000.0	4,650.0	1,650.0	3,000.0			
Glendale	MR310.62	Downtown Glendale Signal Mobility Improvements Project	PS&E, Construction	<b>CHG</b>	6,626.7	2,000.0	8,626.7	6,626.7	2,000.0			
		<b>TOTAL PROGRAMMING GLENDALE</b>			77,113.7	5,000.0	82,113.7	69,097.3	6,416.4	6,600.0	0.0	0.0
		<b>TOTAL ARROYO VERDUGO PROGRAMMING</b>			127,196.2	5,000.0	134,181.2	103,069.1	15,558.4	15,028.7	525.0	0.0
		<b>Total Measure R Programmed to Date</b>			1,781,492	36,704	1,820,181	1,685,846	102,609	25,395	2,922	3,365
<b>Definitions:</b>												
Lead Agency is the primary project manager for the administration of scope and use of funds												
Funding Agreement (FA): references the agreement number on file with Metro												
Project Location: Describes the general scope and parameters of the project												
Project Phase identifies which lifecycle phase the project is in at the time of reporting noted as follows: <i>PI - Project Initiation / PE - Preliminary Engineering / EA - Environmental Analysis / FD - Final Design / ROW - Right of Way Acq / CON - Construction</i>												
Notes: Provide a quick reference to reported change for the period such as: <i>Add - Addition of a new project / REP - Reprogram of funds / CHG - Change in funding / SCAD - Scope Addition / BAD - Budget Adjustment / DEL - Deletion</i>												
Prior Allocation identifies the reported project allocation reported in the previous report												
Alloc Change denotes the amount of change occurring in the current reporting period.												
Current Allocation identifies the total current allocation planned for a project. This includes the prior year Programming and the sum of the future fiscal years												



# Program Funds for Arroyo Verdugo Operational Improvements



SEPTEMBER 2024



# Staff Recommendation

## CONSIDER:

- A. APPROVING \$5,000,000 in additional programming for two City of Glendale projects shown in Attachment A.
- B. AUTHORIZING the CEO or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements for Board-approved projects.



# Equity Focus Communities

This update includes additional funding for the Equity Focus Communities and Metro Equity Need Index (MENI) designations of Moderate and High Need in Glendale.





Board Report

File #: 2024-0510, File Type: Program

Agenda Number: 8.

PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

**SUBJECT: COUNTYWIDE CALL FOR PROJECTS**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. DEOBLIGATING \$5.94 million of previously approved Call for Projects (Call) funding, as shown in Attachment A, and hold in RESERVE;
- B. APPROVING changes to the scope of work for:
  - 1. City of Los Angeles - Last Mile Folding Bike Incentive Program (Call #F7707);
  - 2. City of Los Angeles - Building Connectivity with Bicycle Friendly Business District (Call #F9803);
- C. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements/or amendments for previously awarded projects; and
- D. RECEIVING AND FILING time extensions for 49 projects shown in Attachment B.

**ISSUE**

Each year the Board must recertify funding for Prior Call projects in order to release the funds to project sponsors. The Board must also approve the deobligation of lapsing project funds after providing project sponsors the opportunity to appeal staff’s preliminary deobligation recommendations to Metro’s Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The Board must also approve changes to the project scope of work. Staff has evaluated the proposed changes and found that they are consistent with the intent of the original scope of work. The Board must also receive and file the time extensions granted through previously delegated Board authority. The background and discussion of each of these recommendations can be found in Attachment C.

**BACKGROUND**

The Call, an existing competitive grant program dating back to the early 1990s, programs transportation funds to local jurisdictions for regionally significant projects that are often beyond the financial capabilities of local sponsors. The last Call cycle, including all funding commitments and project scopes of work, was approved by the Metro Board in September 2015.

The Call process implements Metro's multi-modal programming priorities and the adopted Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Since the adoption of the Call funding commitments, the Metro Board has reinforced annual authorization and timely use of funds policies. Specifically, Board policy calls for the consideration of the deobligation of funding from project sponsors who have not met lapsing deadlines or have formally notified Metro that they no longer wish to proceed with the project (cancellation). All projects are subject to a close-out audit after completion. This report summarizes the 2024 annual review and recommendations.

## **DISCUSSION**

### Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Appeals

Projects with significant delays are then notified of the potential deobligation and the project sponsor's right to appeal at the Metro TAC. In May 2024, project sponsors who were required to appear at the Metro Call for Projects TAC appeals were notified. On June 5, 2024, TAC heard sponsor appeals on the proposed deobligation of funding from eight projects (Attachment D). TAC recommended a one-year extension for all eight projects and requested one LA County project return to TAC in six months for a status update. Staff concurs with these recommendations.

Close-out audits are performed once a project is complete. Once the project sponsor concurs with the audit findings, remaining funding, if any, is proposed for deobligation. All proposed deobligated funds included in Attachment A are due to project savings or cancellation requested by the project sponsors and would not be involuntarily deobligated by this proposed Board action, as further described in the attachment.

### Project Scope of Work Changes

1. The City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation - Last Mile Folding Bike Incentive Program (Call #F7707) was programmed through the 2013 Call. As approved, this project provides financial incentives to transit riders towards the purchase of 1,800 collapsible or electric bikes to use in conjunction with bus and rail systems.
2. The City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation - Building Connectivity with Bicycle Friendly Business Districts (Call #F9803) was programmed through the 2015 Call. As approved, this project creates Bicycle Friendly Business Districts that coordinate with business districts to offer Transportation Demand Management (TDM) incentives and provide applications and amenities that encourage short trips by bicycle.

The cost of an e-bike has risen significantly since the awards of the Call grants. The City has found that to benefit low-income residents, the subsidy amount must be approximately equal to the cost of

a good quality e-bike. The City is requesting to revise the scope of work by combining the two above projects with a single e-bike voucher program that will provide approximately 900 income-qualifying participants with at least \$1,500 toward the purchase of a pedal-assisted e-bike. The project area will either be South Los Angeles where the city is currently implementing the Universal Basic Mobility (UBM) pilot program or a UBM Priority Area as determined by the City’s Mobility Action Plan. Metro staff has evaluated the proposed change in scope and found that it is consistent with the intent of the original scope of work for both projects. Metro will maintain its funding commitment using the combined total of the original two projects of \$1,518,124 (\$694,570 + \$823,554), and the city will maintain its local match commitment of the two combined projects of \$398,267 (\$192,378 + \$205,889). In addition, the City is committed to covering any future project cost overruns, if they should occur.

Active Call for Projects as of June 30, 2024

Staff have been actively working with the local jurisdictions to prioritize and expedite project implementations, especially the earlier cycles of the Call, to meet the Call funding commitments. Annually since August 2020, Metro staff reported the completed assessments of the past and current recipient performance in project delivery (2007 to 2015 Call cycles). We updated the table as of June 30, 2024 (see below), which shows 123 active Call projects totaling \$294.3 million are yet to be fully implemented. Since July 2023, project sponsors have completed 26 projects which include bottleneck intersection, signal, bikeway, and pedestrian improvement projects, with total expenditures of \$52.4 million. Remaining projects across numerous jurisdictions throughout Los Angeles County focus on multimodal improvements and support for the region’s mobility needs and support of safe, sustainable, environmentally friendly improvements. The majority of the remaining projects are near the construction phase, and approximately 30 projects are near completion. Staff will continue working with the project sponsors to expedite those projects' delivery.

Cycle	# of Awarded Projects	Original Programming Years	Total Prog Amount (\$000')	# of Active Projects (June 2023)	# of Active Projects (June 2024)	Remaining Balance (\$000')
2007 Call	169	FY08 - FY13	\$ 454,520	22	19	\$ 41,826
2009 Call	133	FY12 - FY15	337,551	24	19	59,317
2011 Call	72	FY15 - FY17	123,516	14	13	17,585
2013 Call	96	FY15 - FY19	199,390	35	28	84,925
2015 Call	88	FY17 - FY21	201,923	54	44	90,647
	558		\$1,316,900	149	123	\$294,300

STBG/CMAQ Corrective Action Update

A portion of the funding for the Call is from the federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program funds. Federal CMAQ and Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funds were previously programmed by Metro for the benefit of the Call recipients but in April 2021, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Association (FTA) issued a corrective action to Caltrans on the

administration of the STBG and CMAQ Improvement Programs. The findings require Caltrans to ensure that sub-recipients of STBG and CMAQ funds throughout the state are administering these programs in compliance with federal program guidance and regulations. Subsequently, in August 2022, FHWA and FTA jointly issued a corrective action to SCAG, requiring a review of Caltrans' CMAQ and STBG administrative policies and the development of a process that ensures compliance with federal program guidelines and regulations for the administration of the STBG and CMAQ programs. The program guidelines adopted by SCAG to comply with the federal Corrective Action require that any new project or new project phase funded with CMAQ and/or STBG funds are subject to a competitive project selection process administered by SCAG.

The Corrective Action took effect in the 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Plan (FTIP) on July 1, 2023. Under this new federal action, any STBG/CMAQ funds that were programmed in the 2023 FTIP between FFY23 and FFY26 before July 1, 2023, are considered 'grandfathered.' In the upcoming 2025 FTIP, grandfathered funds are only permitted to be programmed in FFY25 and FFY26 and agencies must obligate the funds by September 30, 2026. Failure to obligate by the deadline will result in the permanent loss of funds.

Should agencies not be able to obligate by September 30, 2026, agencies are encouraged to apply in the next SCAG Nomination process as the STBG/CMAQ funds programmed from the Call will be lost permanently.

### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

The 2024 Call Recertification and Deobligation will not have any adverse safety impacts on Metro's employees or patrons.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The amount of \$40.2 million is included in the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget in Cost Centers 0441 (Subsidies to Others) and 0442 (Highway Subsidies) for the Countywide Call. Since these are multi-year projects, the cost center managers and Chief Planning Officer will be responsible for budgeting in future years.

#### **Impact to Budget**

The sources of funds for these activities are Proposition C 25%, State Repayment of Capital Project Loan Funds, CMAQ and RSTP. Proposition C 25% funds are not eligible for Metro bus and rail operations expenses.

CMAQ funds can be used for both transit operations and capital. Los Angeles County must strive to fully obligate its share of CMAQ funding by May 1 of each year, otherwise, it risks its redirection to other California Regional Transportation Planning Agencies by Caltrans. Staff recommends the use of long lead-time CMAQ funds as planned to ensure the utilization of Metro's federal funds.

RSTP funds in this action could be used for Metro's transit capital needs. Also, while these funds cannot be used directly for Metro's bus or rail operating needs, these funds could free up other such

eligible funds by exchanging the funds used for Metro's paratransit provider, Access Services Incorporated. Since these RSTP funds originate in the Highway portion (Title 23) of MAP-21, they are among the most flexible funds available to Metro and are very useful in meeting Call projects' requirements.

### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

Metro's Call program was a competitive process that distributed discretionary capital transportation funds to regionally significant projects that improve traffic flow, reduce congestions, provide access and mobility, connect bikeway networks, and promote walking, etc. The projects (and scopes) included in this action predate the Equity Platform (adopted in 2018). As such, Equity Platform criteria were not included in the evaluation of these projects. However, the third pillar of the Equity Platform, "Focus and Deliver" applies to these community-driven projects. Given that no equity analysis occurred during the initial grant process, staff are now working to evaluate the equity impacts from the existing grants. The Equity Focus Communities ("EFCs", adopted as part of the 2020 Long Range Transportation Plan, updated in 2022) are being applied to all current Call grants to support the first pillar of the Equity Platform "Define and Measure." Specifically, the EFCs are a mapping tool that has been added to the Call administration database since July 2021. The analysis of the EFC layer to the Call grants (within a 1-mile radius) provides information about the makeup of the communities being served by these projects. See Attachment E for a map of the remaining 123 projects and EFCs.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

The recommendation supports the following goals of the Metro Vision 2028 Strategic Plan:

Goal 1: Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling by alleviating the current operational deficiencies and improving mobility along the projects.

Goal 4: Transform LA County through regional collaboration with the subregions and local jurisdictions in the implementation of the projects.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board could cancel all or some of the FY 2024-25 funding commitments rather than authorize their continued expenditures. This would be a change to the previous Board-approved Countywide Calls programming commitments and would disrupt ongoing projects, right-of-way acquisition particularly, that received multi-year funding.

With respect to deobligation, the Board could choose to deobligate funds from one or more project sponsors whose projects are beyond the lapse dates and are not moving forward consistent with the adopted Revised Lapsing Policy rather than extending the deadlines. A much stricter interpretation of the Revised Lapsing Policy might encourage project sponsors in general to deliver them in a timelier fashion. However, this would be disruptive to the process of delivering the specific projects currently underway, approximately 30 projects, are now very close to being delivered. On balance, the appeals process between the project sponsors and the Metro TAC is a significant reminder to project

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sponsors that these funded projects should not be further delayed thus ensuring policy objectives are achieved in expending the funds as intended by the Call program.

### **NEXT STEPS**

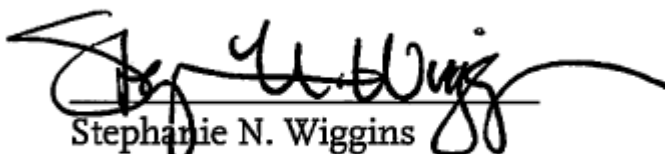
With Board approval of the 2024 Countywide Call Deobligation and Extension process, project sponsors will be notified. Amendments to existing Funding Agreements will be completed for those sponsors receiving time extensions. Metro staff will identify recommended uses for the reserve, including countywide needs and to address subregional cost increases, which are consistent with the prior recommended uses of the Call reserve. Project sponsors whose funds are being deobligated and those receiving date-certain time extension deadlines for executing their agreements will be formally notified of the Board's action.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- Attachment A - FY 2023-24 Countywide Call Deobligation
- Attachment B - FY 2023-24 Countywide Call Extensions
- Attachment C - Background/Discussion of Each Recommendation
- Attachment D - Result of TAC Appeals Process
- Attachment E - Call and Equity-Focused Communities Map

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					Prior	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22				
1	F1166	CULVER CITY	SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD WIDENING PROJECT	PC25	RSTI	3,982					3,725	257	AUDIT SAVINGS
2	F7300	DIAMOND BAR	DIAMOND BAR ADAPTIVE TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM PROJECT	PC25	SS	1,407					1,132	275	AUDIT SAVINGS
3	F7118	DOWNEY	FLORENCE AVE. BRIDGE OVER SAN GABRIEL RIVER	CMAQ	RSTI	1,917					-	1,917	CANCELLED
4	F1308	LA CITY	ATCS - WEST ADAMS	PC25	SIG	496					438	58	AUDIT SAVINGS
5	F5412	LA COUNTY	ARROW HIGHWAY BUS STOP IMPROVEMENT PLAN	LTF	TC	302					111	191	AUDIT SAVINGS
6	F3518	LONG BEACH	DAISY CORRIDOR AND 6TH STREET BIKE BOULEVARD	LTF	BIKE	1,115					974	141	AUDIT SAVINGS
7	F9502	MONTEREY PARK	MONTEREY PASS ROAD COMPLETE STREETS BIKE PROJECT	PC25	BIKE	132	1,395	467			-	1,994	CANCELLED
8	F3849	NORWALK	PIONEER ARTERIAL TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENTS	LTF	TEA	806					765	41	AUDIT SAVINGS
9	F9802	PASADENA	SHARED EV EMPLOYER DEMONSTRATION (SEED) PROGRAM	LTF	TDM	335					313	22	AUDIT SAVINGS



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					Prior	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22				
10	F3300	SANTA CLARITA	ITS PHASE IV INTERCONNECT GAP CLOSURE AND SIGNAL SYNCH	PC25	SS	\$ 3,032					\$ 2,903	\$ 129	AUDIT SAVINGS
11	F9533	SANTA MONICA	BEACH BIKE PATH RAMP CONNECTION TO SANTA MONICA PIER	CMAQ	BIKE	138			912		138	912	CANCELLED
					<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 13,662</b>	<b>\$ 1,395</b>	<b>\$ 467</b>	<b>\$ 912</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 10,499</b>	<b>\$ 5,937</b>	

TOTAL DEOBLIGATION RECOMMENDATION BY MODE	
REGIONAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS (RSTI)	\$ 2,174
TRANSIT CAPITAL (TC)	191
TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT ACTIVITIES (TEA)	41
SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION (SS)	462
BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS (BIKE)	3,047
TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT	22
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,937</b>

**Reason for Extensions:**

1. Project delay due to an unforeseen and extraordinary circumstance beyond the control of the project sponsor (federal or state delay, legal challenge, Act of God, etc.);
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1 F9600	AVALON	CITY OF AVALON FIVE-CORNER COMPREHENSIVE PEDESTRIAN PROJECT	LTF	2019 2020	1,736	390	1,346	12	3	2/28/2025
2 F7120	BELL GARDENS	EASTERN AVENUE AND FLORENCE AVENUE RSTI PROJECT (SEE MR306.30 FOR FUND MATCH)	PC25	2017 2018	\$2,200	\$591	1,609	12	1	2/28/2025
3 F1502	BURBANK	SAN FERNANDO BIKEWAY	CMAQ	2019	\$6,173	\$532	5,641	12	1	6/30/2025
4 F7506	BURBANK	CHANDLER BIKEWAY EXTENSION	CMAQ	2017 2018	\$2,639	\$456	2,183	12	1	6/30/2025
5 F9530	COMPTON	CENTRAL AVENUE REGIONAL COMMUTER BIKEWAY PROJECT	LTF PC25	2018 2019	1,438	-	1,438	12	3	2/28/2025
6 F9605	CUDAHY	CUDAHY CITY WIDE COMPLETE STREETS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT	PC25	2017 2020	2,135	73	2,062	12	3	2/28/2025
7 F3317	CULVER CITY	BUS SIGNAL PRIORITY IN CULVER CITY	PC25	2018	2,200	1,929	271	12	3	2/28/2025
8 F7311	DOWNEY	DOWNEY CITYWIDE TRANSIT PRIORITY SYSTEM PROGRAM	PC25	2018 2019	1,292	223	1,069	12	3	2/28/2025
9 F7709	GLENDALE	REGIONAL BIKE STATIONS (MATCH: MR310.34)	LTF	2018	747	-	747	12	2	6/30/2025
10 F5100	INDUSTRY	SR57/60 CONFLUENCE, GRAND AVENUE AT GOLDEN SPRINGS DRIVE	PC25	2017	6,728	6,164	564	12	3	2/28/2025
11 F3514	LA CITY	EXPOSITION-WEST BIKEWAY-NORTHVALE PROJECT (LRTP PROGRAM)	CMAQ	2014 2015	\$4,416	\$1,732	2,684	12	1	6/30/2025
12 F3516	LA CITY	LOS ANGELES RIVER BIKE PATH PHASE IV - CONSTRUCTION	CMAQ	2019	\$1,827	\$0	1,827	12	1	6/30/2025
13 F3646	LA CITY	ARTS DISTRICT/LITTLE TOKYO GOLD LINE STATION LINKAGES	MR	2016	869	734	135	12	3	2/28/2025
14 F3647	LA CITY	MENLO AVE/MLK VERMONT EXPO STATION PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS	CMAQ	2021	\$1,687	\$337	1,350	12	1	6/30/2025
15 F3656	LA CITY	CENTRAL AVENUE HISTORIC CORRIDOR STREETScape	CMAQ	2021	\$1,697	\$424	1,273	12	1	6/30/2025
16 F3726	LA CITY	FIRST AND LAST MILE TRANSIT CONNECTIVITY OPTIONS	CMAQ	2013 2014	\$1,313	\$105	1,208	12	1	6/30/2025
17 F5519	LA CITY	BICYCLE FRIENDLY STREETS (BFS)	CMAQ	2015 2016	\$586	\$110	476	12	1	6/30/2025
18 F5525	LA CITY	BICYCLE CORRAL PROGRAM LAUNCH (PLUS F5709 TDM)	CMAQ	2016 2017	\$972	\$0	972	12	1	6/30/2025

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19	F5821	LA CITY	VALENCIA TRIANGLE LANDSCAPE BEAUTIFICATION PLAZA	RSTP	2020	\$553	\$111	442	12	1	6/30/2025
20	F7123	LA CITY	MAGNOLIA BL WIDENING (NORTH SIDE) -CAHUENGA BL TO VINELAND	RSTP	2017 2018	\$5,461	\$975	4,486	12	1	6/30/2025
21	F7205	LA CITY	ALAMEDA ST. WIDENING FROM ANAHEIM ST. TO 300 FT SOUTH OF PCH	RSTP	2017 2018	\$5,874	\$1,014	4,860	12	1	6/30/2025
22	F7207	LA CITY	IMPROVE ANAHEIM ST. FROM FARRAGUT AVE. TO DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL (SEE MR312.51 IS MATCH)	RSTP	2017 2018	\$3,565	\$0	3,565	12	1	6/30/2025
23	F7622	LA CITY	LANI - WEST BOULEVARD COMMUNITY LINKAGES PROJECT	CMAQ	2021	\$1,060	\$212	848	12	1	6/30/2025
24	F7636	LA CITY	BROADWAY STREETScape IMPLEMENTATION (8TH-9TH)	CMAQ	2019	\$2,384	\$426	1,958	12	1	6/30/2025
25	F7707	LA CITY	LAST MILE FOLDING BIKE INCENTIVE PROGRAM	LTF	2016 2017 2018 2019	695	-	695	12	1	2/28/2025
26	F9123	LA CITY	COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT FOR COLORADO BLVD. IN EAGLE ROCK	PC25	2019	1,754	1,114	640	12	3	2/28/2025
27	F9308	LA CITY	ATSAC ATCS/TPS/LRT/HRI/CMS SYSTEM RELIABILITY AND EFF.	PC25	2020	2,160	1,457	703	12	3	2/28/2025
28	F9803	LA CITY	BUILDING CONNECTIVITY WITH BICYCLE FRIENDLY BUSINESS DISTRICTS	LTF	2017 2018 2019	823	-	823	12	1	2/28/2025
29	F7412	LA COUNTY	LOS ANGELES COUNTY/USC MEDICAL CENTER TRANSIT VEHICLE	CMAQ	2016	\$282	\$0	282	12	1	6/30/2025
30	F7806	LA COUNTY	VERMONT AVENUE STREETScape IMPROVEMENT PROJECT	LTF	2017 2018 2019	765	-	765	12	3	2/28/2025
31	F9412	LA COUNTY	ATHENS SHUTTLE AND LENNOX SHUTTLE TRANSIT VEHICLES	CMAQ	2019	750	-	750	12	1	2/28/2025
32	F9504	LA COUNTY	E. PASADENA & E. SAN GABRIEL VALLEY BIKEWAY ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS	CMAQ	2018	1,802	408	1,394	12	1	2/28/2025
33	F9511	LA COUNTY	SOUTH WHITTIER COMMUNITY BIKEWAY ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS (MR315.64 MATCH)	CMAQ	2020	3,191	617	2,574	12	3	2/28/2025
34	F9101	LAWNDALE	REDONDO BEACH BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENTS	PC25	2022	\$3,363	\$1,508	1,855	20	3	2/28/2026
35	F9314	LONG BEACH	MID-CITY SIGNAL COORDINATION IN LONG BEACH	PC25	2019 2020	2,606	58	2,548	12	1	2/28/2025

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36	F9628	LONG BEACH	1ST STREET PEDESTRIAN GALLERY	PC25	2019 2020	2,717	-	2,717	12	1	2/28/2025
37	F9402	LONG BEACH TRANSIT	LBT PURCHASE OF ZERO EMISSION BUSES	CMAQ	2020	2,111	-	2,111	12	1	2/28/2025
38	8211	MONROVIA	HUNTINGTON DRIVE PHASE II PROJECT (OLD TOWN PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS)	RSTP	2017	\$1,242	\$0	1,242	12	1	6/30/2025
39	F1300	PALMDALE	NORTH COUNTY TRAFFIC FORUM ITS EXPANSION	PC25	2016 2018 2019 2020	12,424	8,613	3,811	12	3	2/28/2025
40	F7304	PALMDALE	NORTH COUNTY ITS - PALMDALE EXTENSION	CMAQ	2017 2018 2019	\$3,000	\$0	3,000	12	1	6/30/2025
41	F3302	PASADENA	INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (ITS) PHASE III	PC25	2015	4,235	4,151	84	12	3	2/28/2025
42	F7317	PASADENA	PASADENA AREA RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM - TRANSIT SIGNAL PRIORITY	PC25	2018 2019	1,158	265	893	12	3	2/28/2025
43	F7318	PASADENA	ADAPTIVE TRAFFIC CONTROL NETWORK - PHASE II	PC25	2019	1,658	1,476	182	12	3	2/28/2025
44	F7204/ F9203	PORT OF LONG BEACH	PIER B STREET FREIGHT CORRIDOR RECONSTRUCTION	RSTP CMAQ	2018 2019 2020	\$16,309	\$0	16,309	12	1	6/30/2025
45	F5301	REDONDO BEACH	GRANT AVENUE SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS	PC25	2017	1,222	1,194	28	12	3	2/28/2025
46	F9313	SAN FERNANDO	SAN FERNANDO CITYWIDE SIGNAL SYNCH AND BUS SPEED IMPRV.	PC25	2018 2019 2020	775	-	775	12	1	2/28/2025
47	F1804	SAN GABRIEL	LAS TUNAS DRIVE STREETScape ENHANCEMENT PROJECT	CMAQ	2019	\$641	\$0	641	12	1	6/30/2025
48	F5516	SOUTH EL MONTE	CIVIC CENTER AND INTERJURISDICTIONAL BICYCLE LANES (+ MM4703.09)	CMAQ	2016	\$485	\$0	485	12	1	6/30/2025
49	F7309	SOUTH GATE	TWEEDY BOULEVARD AND SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION PROJECT	PC25	2018 2019	1,317	366	951	12	3	2/28/2025

\* All projects funded by CMAQ and STBG (RSTP) will be subject to SCAG's STBG/CMAQ Corrective Action.

## Background/Discussion of Each Recommendation

### A. Deobligate

Attachment A shows the \$5.94 million of previously approved Countywide Calls funding that is being recommended for deobligation. This represents canceled projects requested by the project sponsors, as well as project savings.

### B. Approve Project Scope Changes

1. The City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation - Last Mile Folding Bike Incentive Program (Call #F7707), was programmed through the 2013 Call. As approved, this project provides financial incentives to transit riders towards the purchase of 1,800 collapsible or electric bikes to use in conjunction with bus and rail systems.
2. The City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation - Building Connectivity with Bicycle Friendly Business Districts (Call #F9803), was programmed through the 2015 Call. As approved, this project creates Bicycle Friendly Business Districts that coordinate with business districts to offer TDM incentives and provide applications and amenities that encourage short trips by bicycle.

The cost of an e-bike has risen significantly since the awards of the Call grants. The city has found that to benefit low-income residents, the subsidy amount must be approximately equal to the cost of a good quality e-bike. The city is requesting to revise the scope of work by combining the two above projects with a single e-bike voucher program that will provide approximately 900 income-qualifying participants with at least \$1,500 toward the purchase of a pedal-assisted e-bike. The project area will either be South Los Angeles where the city is currently implementing the Universal Basic Mobility (UBM) pilot program or a UBM Priority Area as determined by the City's Mobility Action Plan. Metro staff has evaluated the proposed change in scope and found that it is consistent with the intent of the original scope of work for both projects. Metro will maintain its funding commitment using the combined total of the original two projects of \$1,518,124 (\$694,570 + \$823,554), and the city will maintain its local match commitment of the two combined projects of \$398,267 (\$192,378 + \$205,889). In addition, the city is committed to covering any future project cost overruns, if occur.

### C. Authorize

Projects receiving time extensions are required to execute Amendments with Metro. This recommendation will authorize the CEO or their designee to negotiate and execute any agreements and/or amendments with the project sponsors, based on the project sponsors showing that the projects have met the Project Readiness Criteria and timely use of funds policies.

### D. Receive and File

1. During the 2001 Countywide Call Recertification, Deobligation, and Extension, the Board authorized the administrative extension of projects based on the following reasons:

## ATTACHMENT C

- 1) Project delay due to an unforeseen and extraordinary circumstance beyond the control of the project sponsor (federal or state delay, legal challenge, Act of God);
- 2) Project delay due to Metro action that results in a change in project scope, schedule, or sponsorship that is mutually agreed upon; and
- 3) The project is contractually obligated, however, a time extension is needed to complete construction that is already underway (capital projects only).

Based on the above criteria, extensions for the 49 projects shown in Attachment B are being granted.



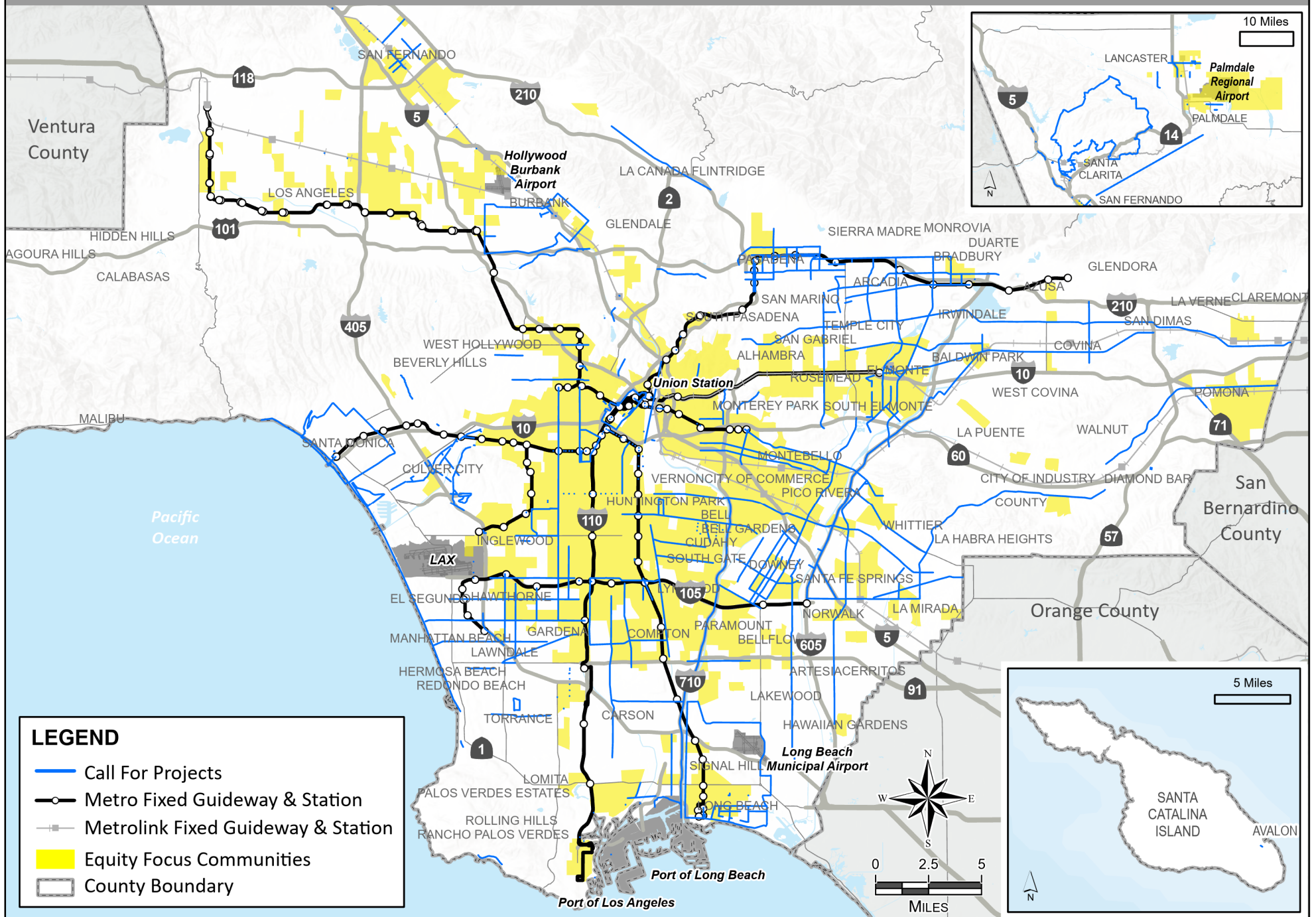
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PROJ #	AGENCY	PROJECT TITLE	FUND SOURCE	PROG YR(S)	TOTAL METRO PROG \$	LAPSING FUND YR(S)	TOTAL FUNDING	PROG \$ SUBJECT TO LAPSE ('000')	TOTAL YRS EXT	REASON FOR APPEAL	TAC RECOMMENDATIONS	METRO RESPONSE	
1	F7120	BELL GARDEN	EASTERN AVENUE AND FLORENCE AVENUE RSTI PROJECT (MR306.30 - MATCH)	PC25	2017 2018	2,200	2017 2018	\$ 2,200	1,609	3	Did not meet Lapsing Policy	One-year extension to February 28, 2025.	Concur with TAC recommendation.
2	F7123	LA CITY	MAGNOLIA BL WIDENING (NORTH SIDE) - CAHUENGA BLVD. TO VINELAND	RSTP	2015 2016 2017 2018	5,461	2017 2018	5,461	4,486	5	Did not meet Lapsing Policy	One-year extension to June 30, 2025.	Concur with TAC recommendation.
3	F7205	LA CITY	ALAMEDA ST. WIDENING FROM ANAHEIM ST. TO 300 FT SOUTH OF PCH	RSTP	2017 2018	5,874	2017 2018	5,874	4,860	5	Did not meet Lapsing Policy	One-year extension to June 30, 2025.	Concur with TAC recommendation.
4	F7207	LA CITY	IMPROVE ANAHEIM ST. FROM FARRAGUT AVE. TO DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL (MR312.51 - MATCH)	RSTP	2017 2018	\$ 3,141	2017 2018	\$ 3,141	\$ 3,141	5	Did not meet Lapsing Policy	One-year extension to June 30, 2025.	Concur with TAC recommendation.
5	F9504	LA COUNTY	E. PASADENA & E. SAN GABRIEL VALLEY BIKEWAY ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS	CMAQ	2017 2020	1,802	2020	1,802	1,394	2	Did not meet Lapsing Policy	One-year extension to February 28, 2025. Project Sponsor must provide a project status update at the December 2024 TAC meeting.	Concur with TAC recommendation.
6	F9314	LONG BEACH	MID-CITY SIGNAL COORDINATION IN LONG BEACH	PC25	2018 2019 2020	2,606	2019 2020	2,606	2,530	2	Did not meet Lapsing Policy	One-year extension to February 28, 2025.	Concur with TAC recommendation.
7	F9628	LONG BEACH	1ST STREET PEDESTRIAN GALLERY	PC25	2019 2020	2,717	2019 2020	2,717	2,717	2	Did not meet Lapsing Policy	One-year extension to February 28, 2025.	Concur with TAC recommendation.
8	F9313	SAN FERNANDO	SAN FERNANDO CITYWIDE SIGNAL SYNCH AND BUS SPEED IMPRV.	PC25	2018 2019 2020	775	2018 2019 2020	775	775	2	Did not meet Lapsing Policy	One-year extension to February 28, 2025.	Concur with TAC recommendation.





# CALL FOR PROJECTS AND EQUITY FOCUS COMMUNITIES





# Countywide Call for Projects

Planning and Programming Committee  
September 18, 2024



**Metro**

File# 2024-0510

# September 2024 Recommendation

## CONSIDER:

- A. DEOBLIGATING \$5.94 million of previously approved Call funding, as shown in Attachment A, and hold in RESERVE;
- B. APPROVING changes to the scope of work for:
  - 1. City of Los Angeles - Last Mile Folding Bike Incentive Program (Call #F7707); and
  - 2. City of Los Angeles - Building Connectivity with Bicycle Friendly Business (Call #F9803); and
- C. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements/or amendments for previously awarded projects; and
- D. RECEIVING AND FILING time extensions for 49 projects shown in Attachment B.

# Next Steps

- Execute Funding Amendments with the project sponsors receiving time extensions.
- Continue working with the project sponsors to expedite project deliveries.
- Return to the Board annually for updates.



Board Report

File #: 2024-0468, File Type: Project

Agenda Number: 9.

PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

SUBJECT: NORTH HOLLYWOOD JOINT DEVELOPMENT

ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION

CONSIDER:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or designee to execute and enter into a Joint Development Agreement (JDA) with NOHO Development Associates, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (Developer), an affiliate of Trammell Crow Company, and associated Ground Leases (Ground Leases) and other related documents with Developer or its affiliates or qualified transferees, for the construction and operation of a mixed-use project on up to 11.8 acres of Metro-owned property located at the North Hollywood Metro Station (District NoHo or Project) in accordance with the Joint Development Summary of Key Terms and Conditions (Attachment A) upon receipt of concurrence by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the California Transportation Commission (CTC);
- B. DETERMINING that the Board, acting as the governing body of the responsible agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), after consideration of the whole of the administrative record, adopts the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations setting forth the reasons and benefits with full knowledge that significant impacts may remain (Attachment B), and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (Attachment C) of the City of Los Angeles Environmental Impact Report No. ENV-2019-7241-EIR which was certified on August 22, 2023; and
- C. AUTHORIZING the CEO or designee to file a Notice of Determination (Attachment D) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the State of California Clearinghouse.

ISSUE

Since 2016, staff and the Developer have collaborated under a Board-authorized Exclusive Negotiation Agreement and Planning Document (ENA) to conduct community outreach, refine the Project design, negotiate key terms and conditions for a JDA and form of Ground Lease, and review CEQA studies associated with the Project. Staff recommends that the Board authorize the execution of a JDA and subsequent Ground Leases according to the negotiated terms and conditions

presented herein; and adopt environmental findings consistent with CEQA.

## **BACKGROUND**

In 2015, Metro conducted an extensive community outreach process, which revealed the desire for intensified urban uses, community open space, and public art, all of which were summarized into Development Guidelines and adopted by the Board in December 2015. Those Development Guidelines were the basis of a competitive solicitation for the joint development of Metro-owned property at the terminus of the Red and Orange Lines (Site). Through that competitive solicitation, Trammell Crow Company and Greenland USA were together selected as the joint development partners for the Site and entered into a Short-Term ENA with Metro in 2016. As milestones and requirements of the Short-Term ENA were met, the Board authorized the execution of the full ENA in 2017 (as amended and extended in May 2019, December 2019, June 2021, and May 2024). At the time of the initial execution of the full ENA, Greenland USA exited the partnership, leaving Trammell Crow Company as the sole party in the development entity. Over the ENA period, the Developer and Metro have worked closely and diligently to advance the Project through scoping, design, entitlements, CEQA clearance, and financial and transaction negotiations.

### **Community Outreach**

Throughout the ENA term, the Developer has led ongoing outreach with the community through public meetings at locations immediately proximate to the Site, one-on-one meetings with key stakeholders and business owners, and presentations for nearly 24 community organizations. In total, the team has presented the Project at nearly 100 meetings.

In the Spring of 2024, staff partnered with National CORE, the Developer's affordable housing partner, and Pacoima Beautiful, a local community-based organization, to conduct outreach around transit and active transportation improvements adjacent to the first affordable housing building. Community meetings held at Groundwork Coffee Co. and online surveys revealed preferences for additional seating, landscaping, and lighting, more real-time signage, and improved maintenance and security.

## **DISCUSSION**

The District NoHo Project would be the largest joint development in Metro's history, including more affordable homes than any other joint development, more total units than any other joint development, and would provide nearly 15% of the homes in Metro's 10,000 home commitment. While two other major joint development efforts were attempted on the Site in 2001 and 2007, the current Project, including both the initial and secondary areas, is the only effort to have been environmentally cleared, entitled, and to have been negotiated to the point of seeking Board approval. If approved, the Project would integrate housing, office, and retail with a multi-modal transit

hub to create a model transit-oriented community (TOC) for the Southern California region.

The Metro Joint Development Policy, adopted in 2021, is aimed at building as much housing as possible, as quickly as possible, for those who need it most. Planning for the District NoHo Project predates the current Policy, but nevertheless is supportive of the spirit of the Joint Development Goals as the Project stands to house thousands of Angelenos, including hundreds of low-income individuals, when completed.

Staff, with the support of consultants, County Counsel, and outside counsel have negotiated several iterations of the proposed transaction to ensure alignment with the Vision 2028 Strategic Plan, the Equity Platform Framework, the TOC Policy, and the Joint Development Policy. Staff believe that the deal terms would expeditiously deliver new housing to a range of income levels and provide additional public benefits while protecting and enhancing Metro's ability to serve its customers. Key terms of the JDA and the form of Ground Leases are summarized in Attachment A.

### Site

The proposed Project would occupy two distinct subareas of the Site. Blocks 1, 2, 3, 7, and 8 of the Project would be constructed on approximately 8.8 acres of vacant and underutilized Metro-owned property located north of active transit and park and ride facilities (the Primary Development Area, as shown in Attachment E - Site Plan and Rendering). The Secondary Development Area (shown in Attachment E as Blocks 4, 5 and 6) is currently occupied by bus boarding and layover facilities, park and ride uses, and the station's primary plaza and portal which would need to be relocated before proceeding.

### Phasing and Transit Center

Originally, it was envisioned that the new Transit Center would be delivered together with the private development. However, the COVID-19 pandemic, rising interest rates, high construction costs, and Measure ULA (see further discussion under Financial Consideration) resulted in less funding available for the Transit Center. The Project has been bifurcated to allow the majority of the housing to be constructed on vacant and underutilized land in the Primary Development Area that is available today. If Metro, in its sole and absolute discretion, decides to move forward with the replacement Transit Center, this would make the Secondary Development Area available for additional housing, retail, and office uses on Blocks 4, 5, and 6.

The Project's bifurcated structure allows for the accelerated delivery of at least 880 units of housing, while preserving Metro's options to fund and construct the new Transit Center later. To-date staff have secured approximately \$24 million in grant funds toward the estimated \$59.5 million cost of the Transit Center. Together with upfront ground rent payments from the Primary Development Area, a total of \$38.4 million in funding will have been secured for the Transit Center. Future ground rent is adequate to repay the remaining cost of the Transit Center over the 99-year terms of the ground leases, however it is not available to pay for the Transit Center upfront. Staff will continue to identify near-term solutions to close the funding gap including City funds, State grants, low-interest

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infrastructure loans that could be repaid with revenue from the Project, and other value capture tools. Once sufficient funds are in place to construct the Transit Center, Metro would notify the Developer that they may proceed with development of Blocks 4, 5, and 6 in the Secondary Development Area.

### Development Description

The Project includes a mix of high-rise and low-rise buildings, retail and potential office space, and a multi-modal shared street connecting the new blocks to the B Line portal, which would be completed in phases as follows:

#### *Primary Development Area*

- Block 1 (approximately 420 mixed-income homes and 10,000 sq ft of retail) and Block 7 (approximately 150 homes affordable to residents earning less than 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI)) and would be completed first.
- Block 2 (approximately 150 mixed-income homes) and Block 3 (approximately 160 homes affordable to residents earning less than 60% AMI) would be completed next.
- Block 8 (approximately 400,000 sq ft of office and 18,000 sq ft of retail) may be completed provided that both affordable housing buildings are completed, or an anchor tenant has been secured.

The Developer intends to construct Block 8 as a commercial office building; however, development rights for Block 8 and Blocks 4, 5, and 6 may be exchanged. If Block 8 is developed as residential, the development plan for Blocks 4, 5, and 6 will be reduced by a corresponding number of transferred units from the original Block 8 plan. The Developer may also pursue amendments to the existing entitlements package with the City of Los Angeles to permit the construction of additional units on Blocks 4, 5, and 6 if Block 8 is developed as residential.

#### *Secondary Development Area*

Metro, in its sole and absolute discretion, may provide for the development of Blocks 4, 5, and 6 by removing existing local bus and parking facilities from the Secondary Development Area. It is envisioned that the bus facilities would be relocated to the new Transit Center, but these could be relocated to another site of Metro's choosing. Blocks 4, 5, and 6 would frame a large lawn and plaza connecting the B line portal and includes:

- Approximately 600 housing units, at least 30 of which would be affordable to residents earning 80%-120% AMI
- Approximately 20,000 sq ft of retail space
- Two (2) acres of publicly accessible open space

#### *Affordable Housing*

The Developer's original RFP response included only 750 total units-of which 262 units were income-



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restricted-and fewer public benefits. Through early negotiations, staff pushed the Developer to deliver more housing and benefits in alignment with the underlying redevelopment plan for the area. In addition, the Developer plan is consistent with the community's priorities, identified in the 2015 Development Guidelines, which called for a vibrant, transit-oriented community with a public gathering space and an intensity of uses.

The Project now includes at least 311 housing units reserved for individuals and families earning less than 60% of the AMI for Los Angeles County to be delivered in the first two phases of the development (Blocks 3 and 7). In response to community concerns about the amount and integration of affordable housing, staff worked with the Developer to integrate 55 additional income-restricted units for individuals and families earning less than 120% of the AMI into the first market-rate buildings (Blocks 1 and 2), resulting in a total of 366 income-restricted units to be delivered in the initial phases of the project. In addition, at least 5% of residential units in Blocks 4, 5, and 6 would also be restricted to moderate-income households. Affordable housing buildings would be provided with shared access to amenities in mixed-income buildings. In total, the development of the Project would significantly increase the number of income-restricted units in Metro's portfolio and make substantial progress toward meeting the Board's established goal of delivering 10,000 units by 2031.

#### *Additional Public Benefits*

The Project provides a large package of public investments and benefits. All phases of the Project will be subject to Project Labor Agreements that mandate 100% union labor for construction as well as Metro's Construction Careers Policy. Local retailers and eateries will also be given the opportunity for "first look" leasing. Additional amenities in the Primary Development Area include a refurbished East Portal canopy (estimated \$1 million value) and a two-way Class IV bicycle facility. The Secondary Development Area will feature two (2) acres of maintained and programmed community open space.

#### JDA/Ground Lease Terms

After the execution of the JDA, the Developer must secure the necessary permits, financing, and contractors to begin construction. Following the Developer's satisfaction of the conditions required to move forward on each phase, as set forth in the JDA, the Developer (or a qualified transferee) would be required to execute the ground lease for that phase (there would be one ground lease per block), beginning with the first affordable block.

#### *Term*

The JDA terminates 15 years after the full execution of the JDA (the Effective Date). However, the JDA may be extended by up to seven years beyond the original JDA term, solely as a result of unavoidable delays. The Developer must cover Metro costs during the JDA term.

The ground lease term for each block would be 99 years. The income restrictions for all residential blocks would remain in place for the 99-year term.

*Schedule of Performance*

The Developer shall execute Ground Leases on at least one affordable housing phase (Blocks 3 or 7) and one mixed-residential or commercial phase (Blocks 1, 2, or 8) on the Primary Development Area within two (2) years after execution of the JDA. Execution of a Ground Lease will require evidence of payment and performance bonds equal to 100 percent of the cost to complete the construction project and a Schedule of Performance that includes outside dates for commencement and completion of the construction. Failure to meet these deadlines will result in default. This initial Ground Lease deadline may be extended by up to four years, after which the Developer would be in default, and Metro would be able to offer the property to another developer.

Further, the Developer must execute Ground Leases for at least one affordable housing phase that was not part of the initial Ground Leases (Blocks 3 or 7) and at least one market residential or commercial phase that was also not part of the initial Ground Leases (Blocks 1, 2, 8 and, if the Secondary Development Area has become available for development, Blocks 1, 2, 8, 4, 5, or 6) within eight years after execution of the JDA. This subsequent Ground Lease deadline may be extended by up to four years, after which point Metro would be allowed to offer the Site to another developer.

Financial Consideration

Revenues generated would accrue to Metro in a combination of one-time payments and ongoing participation in project revenues. The total estimated present value of the revenue is approximately \$45.4 million using a 7.5% discount rate. Key components include:

<b>Development Area</b>	<b>Revenue Source</b>	<b>Timing</b>	<b>Estimated Annual Rent (at stabilization)</b>	<b>Estimated Present Value</b>
Primary Development Area	Non-refundable deposit	One-time	N/A	\$2,000,000
	Upfront capitalized payments	One-time on ground lease of each Blocks 1, 3 and 7	N/A	\$13,683,654

	Percentage Rent	1.15% average of ground lease revenue for years 1 through 65; 2.15% average for years 66 through 99	\$1,082,939	\$19,634,726
	Signage Revenue	13% average of gross signage revenue for all years	\$150,000	\$2,497,918
<b>Estimated Revenue</b>				<b>\$37,816,298</b>
Secondary Development Area	Gross rent revenues	0.75% of ground lease revenue for years 1 through 65; 1.75% for years 66 through 99	\$485,958	\$6,937,725
	Signage Revenue	15% of gross signage revenue for all years	\$50,000	\$634,523
<b>Estimated Revenue</b>				<b>\$7,572,248</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenue</b>				<b>\$45,388,546</b>

*United to House LA Ballot Measure (Measure ULA)*

In November 2022, City of Los Angeles residents approved the United to House LA ballot measure (Measure ULA). Measure ULA created the ULA Tax, imposing a real property transfer tax of 4% on properties conveyed over \$5 million and 5.5% on properties conveyed over \$10 million. The ULA Tax is imposed on top of the City and County’s existing tax of 0.56% and went into effect on April 1, 2023. The increased transfer tax applies to the value of transactions at sale, which includes long-term ground leases. ULA does not exempt public land but does exempt stand-alone affordable housing projects constructed by non-profit developers.

The Project deal structure anticipates that each development block would transfer to a permanent owner/operator once fully leased and income stabilized. The original Project financial structure, which predated ULA, did not anticipate this level of transfer tax. The proposed deal terms include that if the transfer tax rate in effect at the time is less than what is in effect today, Metro would receive the difference. The amount paid to Metro could be as much as \$110 million over the entirety of the Project.

*Value Analysis*

The sum of the revenue package is estimated to have a net present value of approximately \$45.4

million. Because the revenues to Metro would accrue with the execution of each phase, and the Project includes many “non-market” elements such as open space, preservation of Metro right of way, new privately maintained public streets including District Way, etc., identifying a fair market value for the transaction is challenging. To assist, Metro retained three independent financial consultants to review the deal terms and assist with an assessment of value.

The consultants conducted a detailed analysis of the Developer’s proforma financial projections, including assumptions regarding rents, costs, phasing, and absorption. In addition, they prepared their own analysis based on the project profile to independently verify the residual land value. Finally, additional analysis was conducted to test the Project’s sensitivity to different deal structures, so that Metro would be able to receive the greatest value while preserving the Project’s feasibility. The financial consultants each concluded that the base package of revenues is reasonable after deducting additional costs for the public benefits provided in the Project. In addition, the participation in future transfers and the provision to recapture revenues in the event of reduced transfer taxes, preserves significant additional upside potential for Metro.

### Additional Considerations

#### *California Transportation Commission and Federal Transportation Administration*

As the Site was acquired in the early 1990s using funding from both the FTA and State bonds, Metro has submitted the terms of the JDA and form of Ground Leases to the FTA and the CTC for review and concurrence. If approved by the Board, the JDA and Ground Lease would be executed upon receipt of FTA and CTC concurrence.

#### *Surplus Land Act*

Execution of each ground lease under the JDA will be subject to the Surplus Land Act (SLA). However, staff have determined that the agency’s portfolio meets eligibility requirements for a programmatic exemption under Section 103 of the Updated SLA Guidelines, which would exempt the Site and future joint development projects from disposition requirements under the SLA. Over the coming months, staff will update the Joint Development Policy to ensure compliance with all SLA provisions. Staff plan to bring the updated Policy to the Metro Board in early 2025 with the recommendation that the Board execute a declaration of exempt surplus land on active and future JD sites (including this Site).

### CEQA Actions

Metro is a responsible agency under CEQA because it has discretionary approval power over the Project and the Transit Center, for which the City of Los Angeles has prepared an environmental impact report (EIR) via the District NoHo Specific Plan. Both the Project and the Transit Center were analyzed together in the EIR. The Developer held two virtual EIR scoping and feedback sessions—one in English and one in Spanish—for members of the surrounding community in July 2020. During these meetings, community members shared feedback on potential project impacts and mitigation measures, which the Developer incorporated into the final EIR submittal. The EIR No. ENV-2019-7241-EIR was approved and adopted by the City of Los Angeles on August 22, 2023.

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Before entering into the JDA and Ground Leases, Metro must consider the environmental effects of the Project as shown in the EIR, make findings for each significant environmental effect, and make a statement of overriding considerations for significant effects that cannot be avoided or substantially lessened, which are included as Attachment B - CEQA Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations.

As evaluated in the EIR, implementation of the Project and Transit Center would result in significant direct and cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to operational regional air pollutant emissions, regional concurrent construction and operational air pollutant emissions, historic resources (Lankershim Depot), and on-site and off-site noise and vibration (human annoyance) during construction.

Notwithstanding the Project and the Transit Center's significant unavoidable impacts, the Project and Transit Center is being proposed to redevelop the area around Metro's North Hollywood Station with a high-density, mixed-use development, which is transit- and pedestrian-oriented and provides housing and jobs in the North Hollywood community. The Project and Transit Center support the goals, objectives, and policies of applicable larger-scale regional and local land use plans to improve mobility, accessibility, reliability, and travel safety for people and goods. In addition, the project supports the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by developing new residential, retail, restaurant, and office uses on a site that is well-served by public transit, including Metro's B Line subway, G Line busway, as well as Metro local bus lines, LADOT Commuter Express, Santa Clarita Transit, and the Burbank Bus.

Furthermore, the Project would provide a variety of open space areas, supporting the objective to encourage open space for recreational uses. Specifically, the Project would provide approximately 87,000 square feet of which would be publicly accessible, privately operated, and maintained.

If approved, Metro would be the agency charged with enforcing the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, included as Attachment C, for the Transit Center. The City of Los Angeles would be responsible for enforcing the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Project.

Based on the above, the Project and Transit Center are consistent with the overall vision of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), the City of Los Angeles, and Metro to locate supporting and compatible uses within one site to create sustainable communities near public transit and enhance the quality of life throughout the City and region. As such, the Project and Transit Center present several benefits that override the limited and temporary adverse environmental effects. Furthermore, no feasible alternative was identified that would eliminate all of the significant and unavoidable impacts. If authorized by the Board, Metro staff would file the Notice of Determination, included as Attachment D.

## **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

At the cost of the Developer, Metro would oversee the construction of the Project adjacent to Metro infrastructure to ensure that it does not adversely impact the continued safety of staff, contractors, and the public. Project oversight will be conducted via existing Metro processes: the Developer will submit Construction Workplans, Track Allocation Requests, and all other required documentation for

review and approval by Metro staff. All safety measures and associated requirements to be met by the Developer and its construction contractor would be identified in the Ground Leases. All phases of the Project are anticipated to improve safety for patrons, Metro employees, and the public by activating underutilized Metro property with new homes and businesses that would provide for increased passive and active surveillance of the area.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Metro's financial compensation under the JDA and Ground Leases is fair and reasonable as determined by the third-party financial feasibility analysis. The estimated net present value of the JDA consideration for all phases in the Primary and Secondary Development Areas is \$45.4 million, using a discount rate of 7.5%. The near-term contributions of this consideration, estimated to be approximately \$15.7 million, would be immediately available to help fund the replacement Transit Center if Metro elects to relocate the Transit Center and allow development of the Secondary Development Area.

If the transfer tax effectuated by Measure ULA is eliminated or reduced prior to the Developer transferring completed mixed income or commercial blocks to a long-term owner/operator, Metro would receive additional payments totaling as much as \$110 million. This payment would be made as each block is transferred and would be based on the valuation of the completed building and the transfer tax rate at the time of transfer.

### *Impact to Budget*

Funding for activities related to the Project are included in the FY25 Budget under Project 401011 "North Hollywood Joint Development", Cost Center 2210, and Metro staff, legal, and consultant costs (excluding JD staff and in-house counsel time, which are covered by the program budgets) would be recovered from the Developer. No Metro funds are used to entitle and construct the project. The Transit Center, if pursued, would be evaluated and budgeted separately.

## **EQUITY PLATFORM**

Feedback from extensive community engagement with affordable housing developers and Community Based Organizations in Fall 2015 was captured in the Development Guidelines and Request for Proposals for the Project. Community members emphasized the importance of including subsidized housing units, retail space for local businesses, and accessible walkways and bikeways, which informed the design and program for the Project, in focus groups and workshops during this period. Additional outreach was conducted by the Developer throughout the approvals period from Spring 2019 to Summer 2020 via eblasts, in-person and online community meetings and open houses in English and Spanish, stakeholder meetings with small businesses and community organizations, and in-person outreach to transit riders at the Station in English and Spanish. The Developer and Metro held nearly all community meetings and outreach events at and around the North Hollywood Station to facilitate participation from transit riders and residents of the surrounding Equity Focus Community. Further, meetings and events were held at various times-including during morning and evening rush hours and afterschool hours-to accommodate diverse schedules throughout the outreach process. Community members expressed a need for affordable homes and

pedestrian- and cyclist-friendly amenities during outreach events and feedback sessions. The Project's 366 income-restricted homes and public open space aim to address some of these priorities. In accordance with the Metro Equity Platform commitment to listen and learn from community members, public input has been incorporated to further shape and refine the Project by including significant open space and additional income-restricted units.

The community surrounding the Site, which includes Equity Focus Community designated census tracts, as well as Metro's B and G Line riders, are disproportionately made up of low-income individuals and people of color. According to the American Community Survey's 2022 5-year estimate data, within a half-mile walking distance of the Station, the average median household income is approximately \$59,000 (approximately 71% of the Median Household Income for Los Angeles County). Research shows that individuals with lower incomes are more likely to ride transit than those with higher incomes: improvements to the Transit Center and bus service expansion would therefore positively impact the surrounding community by reducing disparities in access to high quality transit and opportunities in and outside the neighborhood.

The Project-which is located in a California Tax Credit Allocation Committee High Resource area, providing access to jobs, schools, and amenities-would include affordable housing units intended to benefit people with low incomes in the North Hollywood community.

Lastly, the Project would be constructed under a project labor agreement and would create over 15,000 one-time construction jobs and nearly 5,000 recurring jobs, as well as nearly \$2 billion in one-time economic impact and over \$1 billion in stabilized economic impact, according to a study by RCLCO Real Estate Consulting. The Project would also generate nearly \$300 million in tax revenues for the City and County over its first 30 years.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

The recommendations support strategic plan Goal 3 (Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity), by bringing high-quality housing options to the doorstep of the Metro network and addressing the need for housing in the region.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board could choose not to approve the recommendations. Staff is not recommending this option because the proposed Project and Transit Center are the product of nine years of careful study, robust outreach, iterative design, and dedicated effort by many teams. The negotiated project would bring much-needed housing, open space, construction, and permanent employment to the region, tax revenue to the City, and ground lease revenue to Metro. Electing not to authorize the execution of the JDA and Ground Leases would block the construction of approximately 1,481 homes including up to 311 low-income homes and 55 moderate-income homes.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon approval of the recommended actions, and receipt of necessary approvals by FTA and CTC,

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staff would complete and execute the JDA in substantial accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in Attachment A and file the Notice of Determination with the county clerk and State Office of Planning and Research.

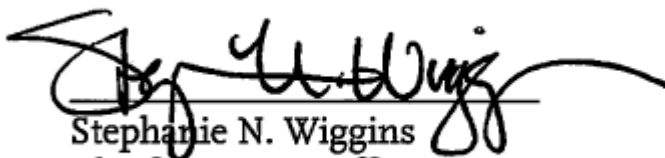
Using funds received through a SCAG Regional Early Action Planning grant, staff will continue to advance the design and engineering for the Transit Center in coordination with LADWP and other City Departments. Staff will continue to explore funding options for the Transit Center while coordinating with Program Management to update the Transit Center cost estimate as the design advanced.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- Attachment A - Joint Development Summary of Key Terms and Conditions
- Attachment B - CEQA Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations
- Attachment C - Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program
- Attachment D - Notice of Determination
- Attachment E - Site Plan and Rendering

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**SUMMARY OF KEY TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF  
JOINT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND GROUND LEASES  
FOR  
NORTH HOLLYWOOD SITE**

**DATED: SEPTEMBER 6, 2024**

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

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**DEVELOPER:** NoHo Development Associates, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“**Developer**”); provided, however, if the ENA is assigned or transferred in accordance with the terms thereof, or if direct or indirect ownership interests in Developer are transferred or assigned in accordance with the terms of the ENA, such assignee or transferee, or reconstituted Developer, as applicable, shall be the “Developer” for all purposes under this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions.

**DEVELOPMENT SITE:** The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (“**LACMTA**”) is the fee owner of approximately 15.6 acres of real property located at or near the terminus stations of the Metro Red and Orange Lines, at and near Lankershim Boulevard and Chandler Boulevard in the City of Los Angeles and more particularly described on Attachment A (the “**LACMTA Property**”). An approximately 10.5 acre portion of the LACTMA Property to the east of Lankershim Boulevard and north of Chandler Boulevard is currently improved with the Red Line subway east portal, a surface parking lot, and a local bus plaza. To the south of Chandler Boulevard and west of Lankershim Boulevard, an approximately 1.8 acre portion of the LACMTA Property is developed with a surface parking lot. To the west of Lankershim Boulevard and north of Chandler Boulevard, an approximately 2.6 acre portion of the LACMTA Property is improved with light industrial buildings, the Orange Line bus plaza, the Red Line subway west portal, and the Lankershim Depot building. To the north of North Chandler Boulevard and east of Tujunga Avenue, approximately 0.66 acres of the LACMTA Property is undeveloped. The proposed development site is shown on the site plan attached hereto as Attachment B (the “**Site**”).

The Site is divided into two distinct areas, 1) the site that is currently available for development (the “**Primary Development Area**”) and 2) the portion of the Site that is currently occupied by existing bus pick-up, drop-off, and layover facilities plus existing park and ride spaces immediately south of the bus facilities (collectively, the “**Existing Transit Center**”) that can only be made available for

development if LACMTA elects in its sole discretion to relocate the Existing Transit Center (the “**Secondary Development Area**”).

**PROPOSED PROJECT:**

The proposed development project (the “**Project**”) will be constructed on certain portions of the Site by Ground Lessees (as hereinafter defined), at each such Ground Lessee’s sole cost and expense.

Developer intends to develop portions of the Primary Development Area with several buildings, including in the aggregate when completed, approximately: 570 mixed-income rate for-rent apartment units and 311 affordable units such number of affordable rate for-rent apartment units such that the Project maintains a minimum balance of 20% affordable units (and, from and after completion of all mixed-income buildings, at least 5% of the residential units contained in each mixed-income building must be Moderate Income Units (as hereinafter defined)); 40,000 square feet of retail space (the use of which shall be limited to exclude certain prohibited retail uses, which shall be mutually agreed to by LACMTA and Developer and set forth in the JDA and each applicable Ground Lease); and 400,000 square feet of office space; together with such parking for all such improvements as required by the City (“**Phase 1**”). Any changes to the foregoing Project components shall be subject to LACMTA approval, which approval shall be granted or withheld in accordance with, and subject to the requirements and limitations of, the Design Review Guidelines described herein.

Developer may only develop the Secondary Development Area if LACMTA’s Existing Transit Center is relocated. To accommodate the relocation of the Existing Transit Center, LACMTA may construct, in its sole and absolute discretion, a new transit center, the cost, budget, location, design, specifications and development of which shall be in the sole determination of LACMTA (the “**Replacement Transit Center**”). For the avoidance of doubt, LACMTA has no obligation to fund nor construct the Replacement Transit Center. It is contemplated that the Replacement Transit Center would be located on Block 0 of the Site; provided, however, in the course of design and construction of the Replacement Transit Center, LACMTA reserves the right to use other sites outside of the Site on a temporary or permanent basis for all or portions of the Replacement Transit Center. The Replacement Transit Center would not be subject to any Ground Lease, nor constitute part of the Project. If the Replacement Transit Center is constructed, LACMTA will have the responsibility for the ongoing operation, repair and maintenance of the Replacement Transit Center following its completion. If the Secondary Development Area becomes available as provided herein, then Developer may develop several buildings on the Secondary Development Area, including in the aggregate approximately 600 mixed-income units

and 20,000 square feet of retail space together with such parking for all such improvements as required by the City.

Developer or the applicable Ground Lessee shall propose a Schedule of Performance for each Phase (as hereinafter defined) of the Project, which will detail the milestones for each such Phase of the Project, each of which, when mutually agreed to by Developer (or such Ground Lessee, as applicable) and LACMTA, shall be attached as an exhibit to the applicable Ground Lease (which exhibit shall be updated as necessary from time to time to reflect the agreed upon Schedule of Performance for each Phase).

The most current site plan and rendering for the proposed Project (as defined in that certain Exclusive Negotiation Agreement and Planning Document (North Hollywood Joint Development) dated as of June 12, 2017 between Developer and LACMTA (as amended, the “**ENA**”)) are attached hereto as Attachment F. For purposes of clarification, Greenland US Commercial Holding, Inc. is no longer a party to the ENA and will not be involved in the Project.

**PHASED DEVELOPMENT:**

The Project will be constructed in multiple Phases. The first Phases will be located in the Primary Development Area, comprised of Blocks 1, 2, 3, 7 and 8 as further described below. If LACMTA elects, in its discretion, to relocate the Existing Transit Center, as provided herein, then subsequent Phases of the Project may be located in the Secondary Development Area, comprised of Blocks 4, 5 and 6.

Subject to the limitations below in this section, the JDA shall permit Developer, or, if applicable, one or more other Qualified Ground Lessees (as defined herein) to enter into separate Ground Leases, each covering a portion of the land comprising the Project. Each such portion of the land comprising the Project that will be the subject of a Ground Lease is depicted as a separate numbered block on Attachment B and is referred to herein as a “**Phase**”. A Ground Lease may cover one or more Phases such that there may be up to eight (8) separate Ground Leases entered into pursuant to the JDA.

**PRIMARY DEVELOPMENT  
AREA:**

As soon as reasonably possible following Developer or such Qualified Ground Lessee having provided the JDA Consideration Allocated Payment (as such term is hereinafter defined) for such Phase in accordance with the JDA, such Ground Lessee shall be permitted to enter into Ground Leases covering any Phase in the Primary Development Area, provided that all of the closing conditions for such Phase (to be mutually agreed to by Developer and LACMTA and set forth in the JDA) have been satisfied and the following additional conditions have been satisfied:

(a) At all times the number of residential units constructed for affordable housing (to be defined in the JDA) must be at least 20% of the total number of constructed residential units in the overall Project (and, from and after completion of all mixed-income buildings, at least 5% of the residential units contained in each mixed-income building must be Moderate Income Units).

(i) Developer may not apply for and obtain a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy or Permanent Certificate of Occupancy (collectively, "CO") for the mixed-income units in any mixed-income building (which may be on Block 1 or 2) until (x) a CO has been issued for the affordable housing units in at least one affordable housing building (which may be on Block 3 or 7) and (y) the affordable housing units in such affordable housing building(s) shall comprise at least 20% of the total constructed residential units in the overall Project upon issuance of a CO for such mixed-income units.

(ii) Thereafter, so long as at least 20% of the total constructed residential units in the overall Project are affordable housing residential units having a CO, Developer may develop more than one mixed-income building (i.e., Blocks 1 and 2).

(iii) Block 8 may be developed when either of the following two conditions are satisfied:

(x) Two affordable housing buildings have been completed and a CO issued for each and at least 20% of the total constructed residential units in the overall Project are affordable housing residential units having a CO; or

(y) Developer has secured an anchor tenant for the office building to be constructed on Block 8 pursuant to a debt and/or equity financing term sheet, as shall be more particularly described in the JDA.

The development rights for Block 8 and Blocks 4,5,6 may be exchanged between Phases provided that the total unit count, retail, and office square footage for all Phases in the Project is within the maximums allowed in the entitlements. For example, if Block 8 is developed with a mixed-income multifamily building, then the revised Blocks 4,5,6 development plan would need to be reduced by a corresponding number of transferred units, but could also include the transferred allocation of office uses from the original Block 8 entitlements.

Cosmetic refurbishment of the East Portal clamshell will take place as part of the construction on Block 1 at Developer's cost not to exceed \$1,000,000 (adjusted for CPI from the Block 1 closing date outlined in Attachment D to the date of Ground Lease closing for Block 1), provided however that the East Portal access must remain

open while construction prevents or compromises access to the existing West Portal.

Note that any Ground Lease of a parcel for commercial development to an owner-user will require that, to the extent any ground rent is payable under the JDA, such user be charged an imputed space rent for the commercial building to be constructed on such parcel at market rental rates for comparable space from time to time, which rates will be subject to reasonable approval by LACMTA, for purposes of calculating the Percentage Rent to be paid to LACMTA under the Ground Lease for such parcel.

LACMTA agrees that any tenant relocation or lease buyout costs to clear existing tenants from the Site shall be an LACMTA expense. LACMTA further acknowledges and agrees that it shall deliver each Phase to Ground Lessee free and clear of all tenants and occupants.

**SECONDARY DEVELOPMENT  
AREA:**

No demolition or construction on the Secondary Development Area can take place unless (a) LACMTA, in its sole and absolute discretion, notifies Developer of its desire to proceed and (b) the Existing Transit Center has been relocated to another location acceptable to LACMTA in its sole discretion and at its sole cost and expense (which may be the Replacement Transit Center on Block 0 or another site selected by LACMTA). If office development rights are transferred from Block 8 to Blocks 4, 5 and 6, the changes to the development program may necessitate that Blocks 4,5 and 6 are financed and developed as separate Phases rather than as a single Phase.

**LACMTA RELOCATION  
OF THE EXISTING  
TRANSIT CENTER:**

For the avoidance of doubt, LACMTA shall not be obligated to commence the relocation of the Existing Transit Center. If LACMTA elects in its sole and absolute discretion to relocate the Existing Transit Center, LACMTA shall notify Developer of its intent to relocate the uses within 18 months of the anticipated completion of relocation. Developer may only proceed with Ground Leases for Blocks 4, 5 or 6 if LACMTA relocates the Existing Transit Center.

If LACMTA does elect to relocate the Existing Transit Center, LACMTA shall use commercially reasonable efforts to complete the relocation of the Existing Transit Center pursuant to a schedule determined by LACMTA prior to commencement of such relocation or construction, if applicable.

If LACMTA relocates the Existing Transit Center prior to the date on which Developer is ready to proceed with one or more of the Phase of the Project in the Primary Development Area, then

Developer shall be permitted to proceed with Ground Leases for Blocks 4, 5 or 6 ahead of or in conjunction with any other Phase of the Project (provided that the conditions to such development hereunder are satisfied).

**MAINTENANCE OF PARKING  
DURING PHASED  
DEVELOPMENT:**

Developer shall be responsible for maintaining, at a Developer's cost, the functionality, access to and use of, as much existing surface parking for transit riders as possible during the construction of each Phase on each of the remaining Blocks that have not yet been ground leased pursuant to the JDA (which maintenance shall include, as applicable, re-striping such existing surface parking on such remaining non-ground leased Blocks). In connection with the foregoing obligation:

1. Developer and LACMTA will coordinate to maximize all existing parking on all remaining Blocks that have not yet been ground leased, throughout the construction of all Phases; and

2. LACMTA will grant Developer a temporary right of entry to permit Developer to so maintain the functionality, access to and use of, such surface parking on those Blocks that have not yet been ground leased.

For purposes of clarification, nothing in this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions shall require Developer to replace any parking spaces on a Block that are displaced during the construction of such Phase.

LACMTA may elect, at LACMTA's cost, to develop up to 750 striped passenger-vehicle parking spaces (or such lesser number of parking spaces as LACMTA may determine in its sole discretion) in one or more locations approved by LACMTA dedicated solely to Metro transit users, which replacement parking spaces would replace the existing surface parking spaces currently located on the Site, temporarily or permanently, as existing surface parking spaces are displaced during the construction of each Phase. In connection with the foregoing election, LACMTA may engage Developer Project Manager (as defined below) to develop such replacement parking spaces at LACMTA's sole cost and expense, in which event:

1. Developer Project Manager will agree to a schedule of performance for the completion of the work;

2. LACMTA will grant Developer Project Manager a temporary right of entry to the applicable replacement parking sites to permit Developer Project Manager to so develop such replacement parking spaces; and

3. In the event Developer Project Manager is engaged to develop such replacement parking, Developer Project Manager shall do so according to LACMTA specifications.

In the event LACMTA does not so engage Developer Project Manager for the development and construction of such replacement parking sites, LACMTA will have the sole responsibility for the construction of the same and, in any event, LACMTA will have the sole responsibility for the ongoing operation, repair and maintenance thereof following completion.

**INVESTOR/LENDER  
SECURITY:**

Prior to the execution of the JDA or during the term of the JDA, as applicable, Developer and LACMTA shall cooperate with one another in order to effectuate a transaction structure that will provide necessary and desirable certainty to Developer's investor(s) and/or lender(s) with respect to the JDA Consideration (as defined herein) that such investor(s)' and/or lender(s)' respective investments and contributions toward the JDA Consideration are adequately secured, whether pursuant to rights to develop pursuant to the JDA or otherwise, which transaction structure shall be mutually agreeable to Developer and LACMTA, and which cooperation may include, without limitation, entering into documents or instruments in addition to the JDA or amending the JDA, to effect such structure and/or provide such security, and which such documents, instruments and/or amendments, as applicable, shall in each case be mutually acceptable to Developer and LACMTA; provided that such documents or instruments shall not materially adversely affect the rights or obligations of either LACMTA or Developer as outlined in this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions.

**REA:**

Developer acknowledges that one of the most important considerations for LACMTA to enter into the JDA is the provision of public amenities throughout the Project which provide all public users and common areas with a welcoming and accessible set of features and improvements, all designed and constructed to provide an integrated and consistent experience to the public users throughout the Project. These public amenities are contemplated to include streets, curbs and gutters, street trees, sidewalks, pedestrian walkways, bicycle lanes and bicycle hubs, and street lighting. Each Ground Lease will require that the Ground Lessee construct, install and maintain the foregoing public amenities in the respective Phase of the Project using a design and materials that are consistent throughout the Project. Developer shall require that each Ground Lessee enter into a Reciprocal Easement and Covenant Agreement ("**REA**") in a form reasonably approved by LACMTA which will provide for reciprocal easements between the Phases of the Project for access, utilities, common areas and other cross-easements typical for multi-phase projects comparable to the

Project in quality and nature. The REA will further require that each Ground Lessee be responsible for the ongoing maintenance, repair and operation of the Project common areas and public amenities located in the respective Phase of the Project that such Ground Lessee ground leases. A maintenance association will be formed for the Project pursuant to the REA, the members of which shall be the Ground Lessees, which maintenance association shall be controlled by the Developer (or its successor in interest as the "Developer" of the Project) until Developer no longer owns an interest in the Project or this Agreement expires or earlier terminates, whichever first occurs, and which shall thereafter be controlled by the Ground Lessees as shall be more particularly set forth in the REA. Such maintenance association shall, among other things, have enforcement rights with respect to the maintenance, repair and operation of the Project common areas and public amenities throughout the Project. LACMTA shall be a third-party beneficiary of such REA with enforcement rights thereunder with respect to the maintenance, repair and operation of the public amenities throughout the Project.

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

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### **DEDICATIONS:**

LACMTA will consider any dedications and grants of LACMTA real property rights to the City or other public or quasi-public entities as are reasonably necessary to support the development, construction, and operation of the Project, subject to acceptable compensation.

### **FEDERAL FUNDING SOURCE APPROVAL:**

Some or all of the parcels comprising the Site were acquired by LACMTA using Federal Transit Administration ("**FTA**") funds and some or all of the transit facilities at or adjacent to the Site were constructed using similar funding sources. Therefore, the construction and operation of the Project, and the Ground Leases and dedications and other development-related matters contemplated in this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions are subject to (a) applicable FTA and bond holder approval/concurrence, and (b) LACMTA confirmation that such actions will not violate any bond funding related requirements or restrictions imposed on LACMTA or the LACMTA Property (collectively, the "**Funding Approvals**"). Prior to any LACMTA Board Action regarding this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions, LACMTA shall have received the Funding Approvals, including, without limitation, approval of the terms and conditions set forth in this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions by the appropriate funding agency(ies) that participated in LACMTA's original acquisition of the Premises.

The parties hereto acknowledge and in connection with the execution of the JDA and/or the Ground Leases, the FTA may



require that certain covenants, conditions and restrictions be recorded against the Site prior to the effectiveness of any Ground Lease, which covenants, conditions and restrictions will set forth the on-going requirements that LACMTA must demonstrate to the FTA are being satisfied with respect to the Site, and which shall be mutually agreeable to LACMTA and Developer and shall not contain any restrictions inconsistent with the Retained Rights (as defined herein).

**DEVELOPMENT  
ENTITLEMENTS AND OTHER  
LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:**

Developer will have, at its sole cost and expense obtained all required entitlements for the Project, including adoption of CEQA findings, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ENA, and any applicable period for the filing of an administrative appeal, judicial challenge, referendum petition, request for reconsideration or other protest of the approval of any such entitlement has expired without an appeal, challenge, petition, request or other protest being taken, or if any appeal, challenge, petition, request or other protest has been taken, or any challenge to the approval is made, the body ruling on the appeal or challenge shall have made a formal, final finding upholding approval of such entitlements in a form and content and subject to conditions of approval reasonably acceptable to Developer and all further appeal periods have expired without further appeal being taken. Developer and/or each Ground Lessee, as applicable, shall also comply with all applicable City zoning and planning requirements and other legal requirements related to the development and construction of each applicable Phase of the Project. Prior to entering into the JDA and any Ground Lease, the LACMTA Board will need to make the requisite findings as a responsible agency pursuant to CEQA requirements, as more particularly set forth in the ENA.

**AS-IS CONDITION:**

Each Ground Lessee shall acquire its leasehold interest under each Ground Lease with respect to the Site on an “as is, where is, with all faults” basis, and shall acknowledge that it has conducted its own due diligence and investigations with respect to the Site.

**PROVISION OF COVENANTED  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING:**

As part of the Project, (a) at least 20% of the total rental apartment units constructed on the Project shall be affordable rental apartment units provided as covenanted affordable housing, which covenant shall have a term of ninety-nine (99) years from the date of recordation thereof and which shall be recorded in the Official Records concurrently with the commencement of the term of each applicable Ground Lease for an Affordable Housing Phase and restricted to individuals or families with incomes of no greater than

60% of area median income as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (“**AMI**”) and (b) at least 5% (but, in any event, not less than 55) of the remaining rental apartment units constructed on the Project (i.e., excluding the affordable rental apartment units) shall be restricted to individuals or families with incomes of no greater than 120% of AMI (such units, “**Moderate Income Units**”), which Moderate Income Units shall be distributed evenly throughout the Mixed-Income Rate Housing Phases. The unit types and sizes of the affordable units shall be in compliance with the applicable affordable housing guidelines.

**REPLACEMENT TRANSIT CENTER – GENERALLY:**

In consideration of the grant of Developer’s rights under the JDA, Developer and/or each applicable Ground Lessee shall pay to LACMTA the JDA Consideration, which may be used by LACMTA in its sole and absolute discretion to construct the Replacement Transit Center, or for any other purpose. At LACMTA’s cost, which may be offset by outside funding sources, LACMTA may, in its sole discretion, relocate its existing uses on Blocks 4,5,6 to the Replacement Transit Center. Developer’s obligations with respect to the Replacement Transit Center are (a) to provide to LACMTA all design and development work product produced by or on behalf of Developer with respect to the Replacement Transit Center and (b) construct the Replacement Transit Center if hired by LACMTA as Developer Project Manager.

**CONSTRUCTION OF REPLACEMENT TRANSIT CENTER:**

If LACMTA elects in its sole discretion to construct the Replacement Transit Center, it is contemplated that the construction of the Replacement Transit Center may be performed by LACMTA’s own contractors but LACMTA may elect to engage Developer’s affiliate, Trammell Crow Company, or an affiliate of Trammell Crow Company (Trammell Crow Company, or such affiliate, as project manager, is hereinafter referred to as “**Developer Project Manager**”), or any other third party selected by LACMTA as the project manager for the development and construction of the Replacement Transit Center and the East Lot Parking facility.

In the event LACMTA so elects to engage Developer Project Manager as project manager for the Replacement Transit Center and East Lot Parking facility, LACMTA and Developer Project Manager shall negotiate and execute a development agreement with respect to the development of the Replacement Transit Center and East Lot Parking facility that will set forth LACMTA’s and Developer Project Manager’s respective rights and obligations with respect to the construction thereof (such agreement, the “**Transit Center Development Agreement**”), which Transit Center Development Agreement, without limitation, shall provide for (a) execution of the work pursuant to a schedule of performance, (b) the payment to Developer Project Manager of a project

management fee in the amount of three percent (3%) of total project-managed hard and soft costs and (c) Developer Project Manager's right to access the applicable portion(s) of the LACMTA Property for the construction of the Replacement Transit Center (and East Lot Parking facility, if applicable), but which obligations of Developer Project Manager shall not include pre-development design and permitting.

In the event LACMTA does not so engage Developer Project Manager as the project manager for the development and construction of the Replacement Transit Center and the East Lot Parking Facility, LACMTA will have the sole responsibility for the construction of the same and, in any event, LACMTA will have the sole responsibility for the ongoing operation, repair and maintenance of the Replacement Transit Center following its completion.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, and regardless of whether or not Developer Project Manager is so engaged as project manager for the development and construction of the Replacement Transit Center, Developer shall reasonably coordinate with LACMTA in connection with the development thereof and provide to LACMTA all design and development work product produced by or on behalf of Developer with respect thereto. The Replacement Transit Center, if so constructed, will not be subject to any ground lease, nor constitute part of the Project.

**OUTSIDE FUNDING SOURCES:** Developer shall cooperate with LACMTA to obtain outside funding sources for the Replacement Transit Center, including but not limited to local, state, or federal grants and Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District ("EIFD") bonds.

## **KEY JOINT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT ("JDA") TERMS:**

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### **JDA - GENERALLY:**

After (i) any required approval of this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions by FTA and any other appropriate funding agency(ies) that participated in LACMTA's original acquisition of the Site and the construction of any Public Transit Facilities located thereon as determined by LACMTA to be required, (ii) Developer acceptance of this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions and LACMTA Board approval of the same, (iii) Developer has met all CEQA requirements (as further described below in the Closing Conditions), and (iv) the LACMTA Board has made the requisite findings as a responsible agency pursuant to CEQA requirements, then LACMTA and Developer will enter into a Joint Development Agreement ("JDA") containing terms and conditions that are substantially consistent with those set forth in this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions, subject to any modifications as are required by the LACMTA Board as a condition to such LACMTA Board approval and agreed to by Developer.

**JDA TERM:**

The JDA shall be effective upon execution by LACMTA and Developer (the “**JDA Effective Date**”), and will continue until satisfaction or waiver by the applicable party of certain to-be-determined conditions precedent to execution of each of the Ground Leases; the expiration date for such term shall be mutually agreed between the parties, provided that, except as otherwise expressly set forth herein, in no event shall the JDA term be greater than fifteen (15) years from the JDA Effective Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the fifteen (15) year outside date of the JDA term shall be subject to extension, up to an aggregate period of seven (7) years beyond the original JDA term, solely as a result of unavoidable delays for the duration of the actual delay attributable to the applicable event or events.

**JDA DEPOSIT AND  
JDA CONSIDERATION:**

**JDA DEPOSIT:** No later than 120 days after executing the JDA, Developer shall post a deposit in an amount equal to \$2,000,000 (the “**Deposit**”). The Deposit is non-refundable under any circumstances (other than LACMTA failure to ground lease all or any portion of the Site in breach of the JDA), such that LACMTA shall be entitled to retain the Deposit if Developer fails to proceed with the development of the Site or any portion thereof in accordance with the JDA.

**Determination and Payment of JDA Consideration:**

LACMTA shall be paid via wire transfer or Automated Clearing House electronic funds transfer, as directed by LACMTA in writing, an aggregate sum equal to the JDA Consideration (as hereinafter defined), in the manner set forth herein. The JDA Consideration shall be payable to LACMTA on a Phase-by-Phase basis, by payment by Developer or the applicable Ground Lessee of the JDA Consideration Allocated Payment set forth on Attachment D attached hereto with respect to such Phase, concurrently with the execution of a Ground Lease by LACMTA and Developer or such Ground Lessee with respect to a Phase.

JDA Consideration Payable per Phase:

In connection with the execution of a Ground Lease for each Phase, LACMTA shall be paid the JDA Consideration Allocated Payment set forth on Attachment D with respect to such Phase.

JDA Consideration Allocated Payment Adjustments:

If a Ground Lease has not been entered into for a particular Phase by the Anticipated Closing Date for that Phase set forth on

Attachment D, the JDA Consideration Allocated Payment set forth on Attachment D with respect to such Phase shall be escalated by CPI from such Anticipated Closing Date to the actual ground lease closing date for such Phase, as such date may be extended by Developer's extension rights.

**"JDA Consideration"** shall mean the aggregate amount of JDA Consideration Allocated Payments payable to LACMTA by Developer and/or each applicable Ground Lessee with respect to each Phase for which a Ground Lease is executed pursuant to the JDA, and each of which payment shall be due and payable by Developer and/or the applicable Ground Lessee concurrently with the mutual execution and delivery of the Ground Lease for such Phase by LACMTA and Developer or the applicable Ground Lessee.

**SPECIAL MEASURE ULA  
PROVISIONS:**

In the event that prior to the date on which the First Ground Lease Transfer (as hereinafter defined) occurs with respect to a Ground Lease, the aggregate transfer tax rate then in effect in the City and County of Los Angeles is less than the aggregate City and County of Los Angeles transfer tax rate in effect as of April 1, 2023 (i.e., less than 6.06% (0.56% for City and County of Los Angeles transfer tax plus 5.50% for Measure ULA) but is greater than 0.56%, then Developer or the applicable Ground Lessee shall pay to LACMTA, concurrently with and as a condition to such First Ground Lease Transfer with respect to such Ground Lease, an amount equal to (i) 6.06% of the applicable amount subject to transfer tax in connection with such First Ground Lease Transfer with respect to such Ground Lease, less (ii) the actual aggregate transfer tax payable in connection with such First Ground Lease Transfer with respect to such Ground Lease.

In the event that prior to the date on which the First Ground Lease Transfer occurs with respect to a Ground Lease, the aggregate transfer tax rate then in effect in the City and County of Los Angeles is more than the aggregate City and County Los Angeles transfer tax rate in effect as of April 1, 2023 (i.e., more than 6.06% (0.56% for City and County of Los Angeles transfer tax plus 5.50% for Measure ULA), then LACMTA and Developer, on behalf of each applicable Ground Lessee or, if the JDA has expired or otherwise terminated, LACMTA and each applicable Ground Lessee, shall promptly, following the request of either party, meet and confer to determine in good faith whether a potential adjustment to or modification of the consideration payable to LACMTA in connection with each such applicable Ground Lease is appropriate to address such increase in the aggregate transfer tax rate.

As used herein, **“First Ground Lease Transfer”** means a sale, conveyance, assignment or other transfer (excluding the encumbrance of the leasehold estate under a Ground Lease pursuant to a leasehold mortgage or deed of trust or the foreclosure or the mortgagee’s or its designee’s acceptance of an assignment in lieu thereof) of all of the Ground Lessee’s interest in and rights under a Ground Lease to an unaffiliated third-party transferee for value (it being acknowledged and agreed that if a transfer of a portion of the Ground Lessee’s interest in and rights under a Ground Lease occurs, the First Ground Lease Transfer with respect to such Ground Lease will not be deemed to have occurred until the occurrence of the first transfer of a portion of the Ground Lessee’s interest in and rights under such Ground Lease that, together with each prior transfer of a portion of the Ground Lessee’s interest in and rights under such Ground Lease, results in the transfer of one hundred percent (100%) of such interests in and rights under such Ground Lease (in each case, solely to the extent that each such partial transfer would trigger the payment of transfer tax in the City and/or County of Los Angeles if such partial transfer were treated as a recorded sale of one hundred percent (100%) of the Ground Lessee’s interest in and rights under such Ground Lease). Upon the occurrence of such first subsequent transfer at which time the **“First Ground Lease Transfer”** is deemed to have occurred with respect to such Ground Lease pursuant to this paragraph (such first subsequent transfer, the **“Triggering Partial Transfer”**), (a) the **“applicable amount subject to transfer tax”** for purposes of clause (i) of the first paragraph of this section entitled **“Special Measure ULA Provisions”** shall be the aggregate amount that was subject to transfer tax in connection each prior transfer of a portion of the Ground Lessee’s interest in and rights under such Ground Lease (or that would be subject to transfer tax if such partial transfer was treated as a recorded sale of one hundred percent (100%) of the Ground Lessee’s interest in and rights under such Ground Lease) and the Triggering Partial Transfer and (b) the **“actual aggregate transfer tax payable”** for purposes of clause (ii) of the first paragraph of this section entitled **“Special Measure ULA Provisions”** shall be the sum of (i) the actual aggregate transfer tax payable in connection with each prior transfer of a portion of the Ground Lessee’s interest in and rights under such Ground Lease (or that would be subject to transfer tax if such partial transfer was treated as a recorded sale of one hundred percent (100%) of the Ground Lessee’s interest in and rights under such Ground Lease) and (ii) the actual aggregate transfer tax payable in connection the Triggering Partial Transfer.

Annual ground rent payments to LACMTA under the Ground Leases will not be reduced due to Measure ULA or any other transfer tax applicability.

**INITIAL GROUND LEASE  
DEADLINE:**

Developer must execute Ground Leases on at least one Affordable Housing Phase (Blocks 3 or 7) and one mixed use Phase (residential or commercial) (Blocks 1, 2 or 8) (“**Initial Ground Leases**”) within two (2) years after execution of the JDA (“**Initial Ground Lease Deadline**”). If LACMTA elects to and does complete the relocation of the Existing Transit Center to a Replacement Transit Center so that Developer is able to proceed with development of Blocks 4,5,6 in the Secondary Development Area prior to the development of Blocks 1, 2 or 8, then Ground Leases for Blocks 4,5,6 may be the Initial Ground Leases for purposes of this provision (subject to the requirements set forth in the section above entitled “Replacement Transit Center Generally”).

The Initial Ground Lease Deadline may be extended by up to 4 years by Developer as follows:

A. **First Extension:** Developer shall have an option to extend the Initial Ground Lease Deadline by one (1) year upon giving LACMTA notice thereof no later than 5 business days prior to the Initial Ground Lease Deadline.

B. **Second Extension:** If the first extension option is timely exercised, then Developer shall have a second option to extend the Initial Ground Lease Deadline by an additional one (1) year beyond the end of the first extension period upon giving LACMTA notice thereof no later than 5 business days prior to the expiration of the First Extension Period; and

C. **Third Extension:** If both the First Extension and Second Extension have been timely exercised, then Developer shall have a third option to extend the Initial Ground Lease Deadline for a final two (2)-year period beyond the end of the Second Extension Period upon giving LACMTA notice thereof no later than 5 business days prior to the expiration of the Second Extension Period.

If Developer or a Qualified Ground Lessee fails to sign an Initial Ground Lease for at least one Affordable Housing Phase and one mixed use Phase by the Initial Ground Lease Deadline, as it may be extended above, then LACMTA shall no longer have an obligation to ground lease such Affordable Housing Phase or mixed use Phase of the Project Site to the Developer or to a Qualified Ground Lessee and may, instead, enter into a transaction with a third party for the development of such portions of the Project Site.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, in the event that Developer is unable to satisfy the Initial Ground Lease Deadline solely due to the inability of Developer or the applicable Qualified Ground Lessee to obtain financing for the construction of the applicable Affordable Housing Phase, then provided that

Developer has provided evidence reasonably satisfactory to LACMTA of Developer's or such Qualified Ground Lessee's, as applicable, diligent good faith efforts to obtain such financing by the Initial Ground Lease Deadline, then the Initial Ground Lease Deadline shall be tolled for up to one (1) year to permit Developer or such Qualified Ground Lessee, as applicable, to obtain such financing for the construction of the applicable Affordable Housing Phase. In such event, Developer shall be entitled to exercise the three (3) extension options above, at its option, following the expiration of such up to one (1) year tolling period.

#### **SUBSEQUENT GROUND LEASE**

##### **DEADLINE:**

Developer must execute Ground Leases for at least one Affordable Housing Phase that was not part of the Initial Ground Leases (Block 3 or 7) and at least one market Phase (residential or commercial) (Blocks 1, 2, 8 or, if the Secondary Development Area has become available for development hereunder, then Blocks 4,5,6) that was not part of the Initial Ground Leases ("**Subsequent Ground Leases**") within eight (8) years after execution of the JDA ("**Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline**").

The Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline may be extended by up to 4 years by Developer as follows:

A. **First Extension:** Developer shall have an option to extend the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline by one (1) year upon giving LACMTA notice thereof no later than 5 business days prior to the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline

B. **Second Extension:** If the first extension option is timely exercised, then Developer shall have a second option to extend the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline by an additional one (1) year beyond the end of the first extension period upon giving LACMTA notice thereof no later than 5 business days prior to the expiration of the First Extension Period; and

C. **Third Extension:** If both the First Extension and Second Extension have been timely exercised, then Developer shall have a third option to extend the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline for a final two (2)-year period beyond the end of the Second Extension Period upon giving LACMTA notice thereof no later than 5 business days prior to the expiration of the Second Extension Period.

If Developer or a Qualified Ground Lessee fails to sign a Subsequent Ground Lease on at least one Affordable Housing Phase that was not part of the Initial Ground Leases and one mixed use Phase that was not part of the Initial Ground Leases by the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline, as it may be extended above, then LACMTA shall no longer have an obligation to ground lease such Affordable Housing Phase or mixed use Phase of the Project



Site to the Developer or to a Qualified Ground Lessee and may, instead, enter into a transaction with a third party for the development of such portions of the Project Site.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, in the event that Developer is unable to satisfy the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline solely due to the inability of Developer or the applicable Qualified Ground Lessee to obtain financing for the construction of the applicable Affordable Housing Phase, then provided that Developer has provided evidence reasonably satisfactory to LACMTA of Developer's or such Qualified Ground Lessee's, as applicable, diligent good faith efforts to obtain such financing by the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline, then the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline shall be tolled for up to one (1) year to permit Developer or such Qualified Ground Lessee, as applicable, to obtain such financing for the construction of the applicable Affordable Housing Phase. In such event, Developer shall be entitled to exercise the three (3) extension options above, at its option, following the expiration of such up to one (1) year tolling period. In the event that Developer is unable to satisfy the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline but is actively engaged in the process to obtain entitlements for Block 8 as a mixed-income residential phase from the City of Los Angeles, then provided that Developer has provided evidence reasonably satisfactory to LACMTA of Developer's or such Qualified Ground Lessee's, as applicable, diligent good faith efforts to obtain such entitlements by the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline, then the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline shall be tolled until such entitlements are received. In such event, Developer shall be entitled to exercise the extension option above, at its option, following the obtainment of such entitlements.

**OWNERSHIP OF  
ENTITLEMENTS:**

If Developer fails to satisfy the conditions required by either the Initial Ground Lease Deadline or the Subsequent Ground Lease Deadline, as the case may be, LACMTA may, at its option, give a notice of default to Developer under the JDA. If Developer fails to cure such default under the terms of the JDA, then without limiting the other remedies of LACMTA under the terms of the JDA on account of such uncured default, LACMTA may by written notice to Developer, elect to cause the entitlements with the City of Los Angeles (and any other applicable governmental authority) on the undeveloped portions of the Project Site that have not already been ground leased by Developer or a Qualified Ground Lessee to be vested in the name of LACMTA or in the name of a replacement third party developer for the Project Site or such portion thereof, selected by LACMTA. Upon receipt of such notice from LACMTA Developer shall assign to LACMTA all of Developer's right, title and interest in and to all of the entitlements, plans, specifications, reports and studies relating to the undeveloped portions of the Project Site that have that have not already been ground leased by

Developer or a Qualified Ground Lessee, to the extent assignable. Such assignment shall be made without any representations or warranties by Developer whatsoever and subject to LACMTA, at its sole cost and expense and in its discretion, obtaining consents to such assignments, if any, required from the third party consultants engaged by Developer to provide such plans, specifications, reports and studies to LACMTA. In such event, LACMTA shall be entitled, at its sole cost and expense and in its discretion, to seek reliance letters from any such third party consultants with respect to their reports and studies.

**ASSIGNMENTS OF OPTIONS  
TO GROUND LEASE:**

The JDA will permit Developer to assign its option to Ground Lease any one or more Phases to a Qualified Ground Lessee by delivering to LACMTA certain option assignment deliveries to be set forth in the JDA, including a form of Option to Ground Lease and the form of Ground Lease (each to be attached to the JDA). LACMTA will have a period of time, to be set forth in the JDA, to review and approve such option assignment deliveries. Following LACMTA's review and approval of the same pursuant to the JDA, such assignee may exercise the option to Ground Lease such Phase in accordance with the JDA.

**CONDITIONS TO CLOSING:**

The JDA will address matters occurring from the JDA Effective Date through the date that the Closing Conditions for each Phase have been satisfied or waived by the applicable party; at such time as the closing conditions are satisfied for an individual Phase, the applicable Ground Lessee and LACMTA will enter into a Ground Lease for such Phase (each such date is referred to as a "**Closing**").

The "**Closing Conditions**" will require, among other things to be mutually agreed upon by Developer and LACMTA, that (a) the applicable Ground Lessee has applied for and received all governmental approvals necessary (including LACMTA and City of Los Angeles approval) for the development and construction of the applicable Phase, and any applicable period for the filing of an administrative appeal, judicial challenge, referendum petition, request for reconsideration or other protest of the approval of any such entitlement has expired without an appeal, challenge, petition, request or other protest being taken; (b) CEQA Documents for the applicable Phase shall have been approved/certified by the applicable Governmental Authorities and the LACMTA Board shall have made the requisite findings as required by CEQA, and any applicable period for the filing of an administrative appeal, judicial challenge, referendum petition, request for reconsideration or other protest of the approval of any such entitlement has expired without an appeal, challenge, petition, request or other protest being taken; (c) LACMTA has received evidence reasonably satisfactory to LACMTA that grading and foundation permits for the applicable

Phase have been issued, or are ready to be issued subject only to the payment of the fees therefor; (d) Developer or the applicable Ground Lessee has provided LACMTA with a schedule showing the sources and uses of funds with respect to the development of the applicable Phase, with such level of detail as shall be reasonably required by LACMTA; (e) no uncured breach or default by Developer under the JDA shall then exist; (f) the representations and warranties of Developer under the JDA shall be true and correct in all material respects; (g) the applicable Ground Lessee shall have delivered to LACMTA all insurance certificates required by the Ground Lease with respect to insurance coverages and policies required to be in place as of the effective date of such Ground Lease; (h) LACMTA shall have confirmed that such Ground Lease is consistent with the terms of this Summary of Terms and Conditions as approved by FTA and any other appropriate funding agency(ies) that participated in LACMTA's original acquisition of the Site and the construction of any Public Transit Facilities located thereon as determined by LACMTA to be required; (i) the applicable Ground Lessee shall have executed and delivered to escrow all closing documents as contemplated by the parties (e.g., the Ground Lease, and other transaction documents as determined between parties with respect to such Phase); and (j) the final vesting tentative tract map for the Site shall have received all applicable approvals and the unit map for the Phase that is the subject of the applicable Ground Lease shall have been recorded against such Phase, or be ready to record against such Phase, prior to the Memorandum of Ground Lease with respect to the closing of the first Phase pursuant to the JDA.

**DESIGN REVIEW GUIDELINES:** The JDA will reference the most recent set of drawings for the Project, which shall have been approved by LACMTA, including any comments or qualifications with respect thereto from LACMTA.

Developer or the applicable Ground Lessee shall prepare and submit to LACMTA for LACMTA's further review and approval or disapproval in accordance with the JDA (a) Design Development Drawings and (b) Final Construction Documents for the improvements to be located on a particular Phase (as such terms are hereinafter defined). Such Design Development Drawings and Final Construction Documents shall describe the improvements to be constructed on such Phase in such detail and form as is customary for the applicable level of design development, and, to the extent necessary or appropriate for the applicable level of design development, include site plans, specifications, renderings, material samples and other information at a level of detail as is customary for such level of design development.

LACMTA's right to review and approve the Design Development Drawings and Final Construction Documents for the improvements to be located on a particular Phase, including, without limitation, any changes to such Design Development Drawings and/or Final

Construction Documents that have been previously approved by LACMTA shall be in accordance with the design review standards set forth in Section 11 of the ENA pursuant to which LACMTA was entitled to review and approve the 50% Schematic Design Drawings, subject to any revisions thereto that LACMTA and Developer may mutually agree to in the JDA; provided, however, notwithstanding the design review standards set forth in Section 11 of the ENA, for purposes of LACMTA's review and approval of Design Development Drawings and Final Construction Documents for the improvements to be located on a particular Phase, including, without limitation, any changes to such Design Development Drawings and/or Final Construction Documents that have been previously approved by LACMTA, the following shall apply:

(a) LACMTA may disapprove the Plans and Specifications for a Phase at any Level of Design Development solely with respect to any portions of the specific Project Improvements located above the Ground Plane of such Phase, solely on the grounds that (i) such Plans and Specifications are not in compliance with the Design Guidelines, excluding only any components thereof that are Governmental Changes, or (ii) such Plans and Specifications are inconsistent with (or would prevent the Ground Lessees, collectively, from complying with) the Scope of Development to be attached to the JDA; (provided, however, if any Governmental Change would result in such Plans and Specifications being inconsistent with, or would prevent the Ground Lessees, collectively, from complying with, such Scope of Development, LACMTA may not unreasonably withhold its approval of such Plans and Specifications as impacted by such Governmental Change);

(b) LACMTA may disapprove the Plans and Specifications for a Phase at any Level of Design Development solely with respect to any portions of the specific Project Improvements located within the Ground Plane, solely on the grounds that such Plans and Specifications are (x) not in compliance with the Design Guidelines, and/or (y) do not reflect a Logical Evolution from the previously approved Plans and Specifications for such Phase (e.g., the Ground Plane as depicted in the Design Development Drawings does not reflect a Logical Evolution from the 50% Schematic Design Drawings for such Phase), excluding only any components thereof that are Governmental Changes;

(c) LACMTA may disapprove the Plans and Specifications for a Phase at any Level of Design Development with respect to any portions of the specific Project Improvements, whether located within the Ground Plane or above the Ground Plane, with respect to any elements of such Plans and Specifications that contemplate (i) any improvements or modifications to any of the LACMTA Transit Property, (ii) any improvements or modifications to any Material Public Transit Facilities, (iii) any adverse impact on or improvements impeding access (as reasonably determined by

LACMTA) to or from the LACMTA Transit Property or Material Public Transit Facilities within a ten foot (10') radius around the same, as applicable, or (iv) any adverse impact (as reasonably determined by LACMTA) on any lateral and subjacent support to any of the LACMTA Transit Property or any Material Public Transit Facilities (the foregoing, collectively, the "LACMTA Material Transit Property and Facilities"), if, in the case of any of clauses (i) through (iv) hereof, LACMTA has identified an issue in such Plans and Specifications which adversely impacts (as reasonably determined by LACMTA) any of the following (collectively, the "**LACMTA Development-Related Concerns**"): (a) the operations of LACMTA, (b) LACMTA's exercise of its Retained Rights, (c) public health and safety, including the health and safety of LACMTA Parties, (d) the LACMTA Transit Property, the Material Public Transit Facilities and the access to or from the same, and (e) the lateral and subjacent support to the LACMTA Transit Property, the Material Public Transit Facilities and any area providing support necessary for LACMTA to exercise its Retained Rights; and

(d) LACMTA may only request changes to a specific Level of Design Development for a Phase under the following circumstances: (i) solely with respect to any portions of the specific Project Improvements located above the Ground Plane of such Phase, to address a component of the Plans and Specifications for such Phase at such Level of Design Development that is not in compliance with the Design Guidelines, excluding any components thereof that are Governmental Changes or that is inconsistent with the Scope of Development to be attached to the JDA, (ii) solely with respect to any portions of the specific Project Improvements located within the Ground Plane, to address a component of the Plans and Specifications for such Phase at such Level of Design Development that either is not in compliance with the Design Guidelines or fails to reflect a Logical Evolution from the previously approved Plans and Specifications for such Phase at the prior Level of Design Development, excluding any components thereof that are Governmental Changes, or (iii) solely with respect to any elements of such Plans and Specifications that contemplate any improvements to or adverse impacts (as reasonably determined by LACMTA) on any of the LACMTA Material Transit Property and Facilities, regardless of whether they are within or above the Ground Plane, when LACMTA has identified an issue in such Plans and Specifications which adversely impacts (as reasonably determined by LACMTA) any LACMTA Development-Related Concerns. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for purposes of clauses (i) and (ii) above, LACMTA may not request a change to the Plans and Specifications due to an issue that LACMTA has identified as not being in compliance with the Design Guidelines when (x) such issue identified by LACMTA existed in the Plans and Specifications at any Level of Design Development previously approved by LACMTA, or (y) such issue identified by LACMTA requires a change to a component of the design of the Project Improvements

to be located on such Phase that was previously approved by LACMTA at a prior Level of Design Development (i.e., LACMTA could have identified such issue as a condition to such prior approval but failed to); provided, however, for purposes of clause (iii) above, LACMTA shall have the right to request changes to the Plans and Specifications even if (a) such elements of the Plans and Specifications were clearly depicted, described or specified on the Plans and Specifications previously approved by LACMTA at the immediately preceding Level of Design Development; (b) such elements as depicted, described or specified on the current set of Plans and Specifications represent a Logical Evolution of such elements clearly depicted, described or specified in the previously approved Plans and Specifications; and (c) a disapproval or request for changes could have been made by LACMTA, but was not made, during LACMTA's prior review of such previously approved Plans and Specifications (individually and collectively, a "**Late Change**"), in each case subject to the provisions of subsection (e) below. LACMTA's design approval rights as set forth in this section are, in part, intended to ensure that the Project Improvements meet LACMTA's Satisfactory Continuing Control Requirement (as defined in the Retained Rights subsection of this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions).

(e) In the event LACMTA requests a Late Change to any Level of Design Development for a Phase in accordance with clause (c) of subsection (d) above, then notwithstanding any provisions of this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions to the contrary, (i) LACMTA shall reimburse Developer, or the applicable Ground Lessee, as applicable, for the actual cost in excess of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) incurred by Developer or such Ground Lessee, as applicable, on an aggregated basis in making any such requested changes or revising such Plans and Specifications in response to any such issue identified by LACMTA; (ii) any reasonable additional time incurred by Developer or such Ground Lessee, as applicable, to make the requested change or revise such Plans and Specifications in response to such issue identified by LACMTA shall be deemed an Unavoidable Delay for all purposes under the JDA and Developer shall have the right to extend any impacted milestone dates set forth in the Schedule of Performance for such Phase by a period equal to the duration of such Unavoidable Delay; and (iii) LACMTA shall not have the right to require the requested change if such change could reasonably be expected to result in a breach by Developer or such Ground Lessee of a contract or agreement with an unaffiliated third party, unless LACMTA agrees in writing to indemnify Developer or such Ground Lessee against all losses resulting directly, solely and not consequentially from such breach. As a condition to the application of the provisions of this subsection (e), within thirty (30) days after written notice from LACMTA of a proposed Late Change, Developer (or the Ground Lessee) shall notify LACMTA in writing of (i) Developer's (or Ground Lessee's) reasonable estimate of any

actual cost of making such requested Late Change, (ii) whether such proposed Late Change is reasonably expected to result in a breach by Developer (or Ground Lessee) of a contract or agreement with an unaffiliated third party, and, if so, the specifics regarding such breach and the projected losses resulting directly from and as a consequence of such breach, and (iii) Developer's (or Ground Lessee's) reasonable estimate of the projected delay in the Project Schedule of Performance for such Phase resulting from such proposed Late Change. After receipt of the foregoing notice, LACMTA shall have twenty (20) Business Days to notify Developer (or Ground Lessee) in writing as to whether LACMTA agrees with or disputes one or more of the assertions in such notice, and if so, whether LACMTA withdraws or reaffirms its desire to proceed with a proposed Late Change. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such twenty (20) business day period shall not apply if LACMTA determines in its good faith discretion that a decision regarding whether LACMTA should proceed with or withdraw a proposed Late Change requires consideration and action by the LACMTA Board, in which case LACMTA shall use its good faith efforts to present promptly all such matters to the LACMTA Board as soon as possible in accordance with LACMTA policy and procedures and the LACMTA Board meeting schedule.

LACMTA's design approval rights as set forth herein are, in part, intended to ensure that the Project meets LACMTA's Satisfactory Continuing Control Requirement (as defined in the Retained Rights subsection of this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions).

The following terms shall have the following meanings:

**"Design Development Drawings"** means plans and specifications customarily associated with the "design development level" of the sequential iterative process by which the Developer, through its architects, engineers and design consultants, produces customary plans and specifications related to the improvements to be located on a particular Phase. Such plans and specifications shall contain sufficient details to allow LACMTA to conduct its review pursuant to the JDA, including, among other things, interface of such improvements with Material Public Transit Facilities (as hereinafter defined) and LACMTA's Retained Rights, structural dimensions, delineation of site features and elevations, building core, materials and colors, public art, landscaping and signage plan, a description of all primary design features and sizes, character and quality of the architectural and structural systems of such improvements, with key details provided in preliminary form.

**"Final Construction Documents"** means those final plans and specifications required by any Governmental Authority for the issuance of all building permits necessary for the construction of the improvements to be located on a particular Phase (excluding interior leasehold improvements for subtenants), and containing

details as would be reasonably necessary to allow LACMTA to assess all impacts of such improvements in accordance with LACMTA's rights under the applicable Ground Lease.

**"LACMTA Transit Equipment"** means all of the equipment, cable, conduit, fixtures, furnishings, and vehicles located or operating in or on the LACMTA Property and used or installed by LACMTA for transit purposes, including ticket vending machines, ticket validation systems and other equipment serving a comparable function, lighting, CCTV cameras, rail cars, vehicles, tracks, signaling devices, maintenance equipment, fire protection equipment, communication antennas, public address systems and all other LACMTA owned equipment and vehicles.

**"LACMTA Transit Property"** means all LACMTA Property not included in the Site.

**"Material Public Transit Facilities"** means the following Public Transit Facilities: any subway portals, ticket machines owned and operated by LACMTA, bicycle hubs owned and operated by LACMTA, subway vents and gates, and doors and gates to subway portals.

**"Plans and Specifications"** means, individually and collectively, depending on the context, the 50% Schematic Design Drawings, the Design Development Drawings, the Final Construction Documents, the Revised Construction Documents (as defined in the Ground Lease) and the Approved Construction Documents for all Project Improvements.

**"Public Transit Facilities"** means all public transit related improvements, structures, equipment, fixtures and furnishings now existing or hereafter located in, on under and/or adjacent to, or passing through the LACMTA Property, whether constructed by LACMTA, Developer, or a third party, including, without limitation, the LACMTA Transit Equipment, and all transit-related water lines, sanitary sewer lines, storm sewer improvements, electrical lines, antennas, elevators, shafts, vents and exits, existing or located from time to time in, on, under and/or adjacent to the LACMTA Property.

## **JDA/GROUND LEASE**

### **CLOSINGS:**

The JDA will contemplate that Developer or, at Developer's option, a Qualified Ground Lessee will have the right to exercise an option to enter into a Ground Lease with respect to each Phase and when such option has been exercised and the conditions precedent for "Closing" with respect to such Phase have been satisfied, LACMTA will ground lease the portion of the Site pertaining to such Phase to Developer or such Qualified Ground Lessee for the development, construction and operation of such Phase pursuant to the applicable Ground Lease, subject to the Retained Rights, in exchange for the payment of all amounts required to be paid by the



applicable Ground Lessee under the applicable Ground Lease. Documents related to each such Closing, including, without limitation, each Ground Lease and a memorandum of each such Ground Lease, will be executed by the applicable parties as is necessary to properly effectuate each such Closing.

**TRANSFERS, ASSIGNMENT  
AND SUBLETTING:**

Rights to Assign JDA to Ground Lessees:

The JDA shall permit Developer to assign its option to ground lease under the JDA with respect to one or more individual Phases to separate entities (each, a **“Ground Lessee”**), which Ground Lessees shall have the right to exercise such option to ground lease with respect to such Phase or Phases in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions of the JDA and, upon satisfaction of the conditions precedent for “Closing” with respect to such Phase or Phases, enter into the Ground Lease with respect to such Phase or Phases and, pursuant to such Ground Lease, construct such Phase or Phases. So long as such Ground Lessee (a) Controls, is Controlled by, or is under common Control with Developer, or (b) is a Qualified Transferee (as defined herein) (any of the foregoing, a **“Qualified Ground Lessee”**), LACMTA shall not have the right to consent or approve of such assignment, but Developer shall provide LACMTA with sufficient information as to the identity of such Qualified Ground Lessee, including financial and other information on the Qualified Ground Lessee in form reasonably required by LACMTA, in order for LACMTA to confirm that the Qualified Ground Lessee satisfies the financial and experience requirements set forth in the following provisions of this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions.

The following terms shall have the following meanings:

(a) “Qualified Transferee” shall mean a Qualified Residential Transferee, a Qualified Affordable Residential Transferee, or a Qualified Commercial/Retail Transferee, as applicable.

(b) “Qualified Affordable Residential Transferee” shall mean either (x) the Caesar Chavez Foundation, or another entity which Controls, is Controlled by, or is under common Control with Caesar Chavez Foundation, (y) National Community Renaissance, or another entity which Controls, is Controlled by, or is under common Control with National Community Renaissance, or (z) another reputable affordable-housing developer that has, or is Controlled by an entity that has, developed at least 1,000 units of affordable housing nationally in the prior five-year period, at least 250 units of which are in Los Angeles County, and with a type of

construction and quality comparable to the affordable units contemplated for the Project using tax credits and other traditional sources of funding for affordable housing; provided that such reputable affordable-housing developer satisfies both of the following criteria: (a) is not directly or indirectly owned or Controlled by, or employs in management level capacity a person who is, any person or entity who has been or is currently an adverse party in any litigation, arbitration or administrative action with LACMTA; and (b) is not, and is not owned or Controlled by, directly or indirectly by, any person or entity listed on, included within or associated with any of the persons or entities referred to in Executive Order 13324 – Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions with Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism, as the same may amended by the United States Department of the Treasury, Office of Foreign Assets Control, or any successor or replacement agency and (c) complies with the requirements set forth in Attachment G attached hereto.

(D) “Qualified Commercial/Retail Transferee” shall mean an entity that satisfies each of the following criteria:

(a) has, or is Controlled by an entity that has, at least 5 years of experience developing, owning and operating commercial (office and/or retail, as applicable) or mixed-use properties in the United States, has completed at least 500,000 square feet of commercial/retail projects and has at least 250,000 square feet under current management, which projects have been constructed and are maintained at a standard comparable to the Comparable Commercial Projects (as defined herein) or will engage a development manager with the comparable experience in developing and managing commercial (office and/or retail, as applicable) or mixed-use properties in the United States to manage the development of the project to be developed on such Phase pursuant to the applicable ground lease through the completion thereof;

(b) is (i) a real estate investment trust, bank, saving and loan association, investment bank, insurance company, trust company, commercial credit corporation, pension plan, pension fund or pension advisory firm, mutual fund, government entity or plan, provided that any such Person referred to in this clause (i) satisfies the Eligibility Requirements; (ii) an investment company or qualified institutional buyer within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or an institutional accredited investor within the meaning of Regulation D under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, provided that any such Person referred in this clause (ii) satisfies the Eligibility Requirements; (iii) an institution substantially similar to any of the foregoing entities described in the immediately preceding clauses (i) and (ii) that satisfies the Eligibility Requirements; (iv) any entity majority owned and Controlled by any of the entities described in the immediately foregoing clauses (i) through (iii); or (v) an investment fund, limited liability company, limited partnership or general partnership, in which any of the entities described in the immediately foregoing clauses (i) through (iv) has committed capital of at least two hundred fifty million (\$250,000,000), acts as the general partner, managing member or fund manager, and more than

fifty percent (50%) of the equity interests in such investment fund, limited liability company, limited partnership or general partnership are owned, directly or indirectly, by one or more of the following: (x) an entity meeting the requirements of any of the immediately foregoing clauses (i) through (iv), (y) an institutional “accredited investor” within the meaning of Regulation D under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and/or (z) a “qualified institutional buyer” within the meaning of Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended;

(c) is not directly or indirectly owned or Controlled by, or employs in management level capacity a person who is, any person or entity who has been or is currently an adverse party in any litigation, arbitration or administrative action with LACMTA;

(d) is not, and is not owned or Controlled by, directly or indirectly by, any person or entity listed on, included within or associated with any of the persons or entities referred to in Executive Order 13324 – Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions with Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism, as the same may amended by the United States Department of the Treasury, Office of Foreign Assets Control, or any successor or replacement agency; and

(e) complies with the requirements set forth in Attachment G attached hereto.

(E) “Qualified Residential Transferee” shall mean an entity that satisfies each of the following criteria:

(a) has more, or is Controlled by an entity that has more, than 5 years of experience developing, owning and operating market rate multi-family or mixed-use properties in the United States, has completed at least 1,500 for-rent residential units nationally, at least 500 of which are in Los Angeles County, with such completed projects constructed and operated at a standard comparable to the Comparable Residential Projects (as defined herein) or will engage a development manager with comparable experience developing market-rate multi-family or mixed-use properties in the United States to manage the development of the project to be developed on such Phase pursuant to the applicable ground lease through the completion thereof;

(b) is (i) a real estate investment trust, bank, saving and loan association, investment bank, insurance company, trust company, commercial credit corporation, pension plan, pension fund or pension advisory firm, mutual fund, government entity or plan, provided that any such Person referred to in this clause (i) satisfies the Eligibility Requirements; (ii) an investment company or qualified institutional buyer within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or an institutional accredited investor within the meaning of Regulation D under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, provided that any such Person referred in this clause (ii) satisfies the Eligibility Requirements; (iii) an institution substantially similar to any of the foregoing

entities described in the immediately preceding clauses (i) and (ii) that satisfies the Eligibility Requirements; (iv) any entity majority owned and Controlled by any of the entities described in the immediately foregoing clauses (i) through (iii); or (v) an investment fund, limited liability company, limited partnership or general partnership, in which any of the entities described in the immediately foregoing clauses (i) through (iv) has committed capital of at least two hundred fifty million (\$250,000,000), acts as the general partner, managing member or fund manager, and more than fifty percent (50%) of the equity interests in such investment fund, limited liability company, limited partnership or general partnership are owned, directly or indirectly, by one or more of the following: (x) an entity meeting the requirements of any of the immediately foregoing clauses (i) through (iv), (y) an institutional “accredited investor” within the meaning of Regulation D under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and/or (z) a “qualified institutional buyer” within the meaning of Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended;

(c) is not directly or indirectly owned or Controlled by, or employs in management level capacity a person who is, any person or entity who has been or is currently an adverse party in any litigation, arbitration or administrative action with LACMTA;

(d) is not, and is not owned or Controlled by, directly or indirectly by, any person or entity listed on, included within or associated with any of the persons or entities referred to in Executive Order 13324 – Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions with Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism, as the same may be amended by the United States Department of the Treasury, Office of Foreign Assets Control, or any successor or replacement agency; and

(e) complies with the requirements set forth in Attachment G attached hereto.

(F) “Eligibility Requirements” means, with respect to any person or entity, that such person or entity has total assets in excess of two hundred and fifty million dollars (\$250,000,000) and (except with respect to a pension advisory firm or similar fiduciary) capital/statutory surplus or shareholder’s equity in excess of one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000).

(G) “Comparable Commercial Projects” means (1) The Tower Burbank, 3900 W Alameda, Burbank, CA 91505, (2) Vine Street Tower, 1601 Vine St, Hollywood, CA, and (3) Columbia Square, 1575 N Gower Street, Los Angeles, CA; provided, however, from time to time during the term of the JDA, the Developer shall have the right to propose new or alternate projects for LACMTA’s reasonable approval as “Comparable Commercial Projects”.

(H) “Comparable Residential Projects” means (1) the Eastown, at 6201 Hollywood Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90028 (535 units), (2) The Huxley, at 1234 N La Brea Ave, West Hollywood, CA 90038 (187 units), (3) 1600 Vine

Street, Hollywood, CA 90028 (375 units), and (4) The Vermont, 3150 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90010 (464 units); provided, however, from time to time during the terms of the JDA, the Developer shall have the right to propose new or alternate projects for LACMTA's reasonable approval as "Comparable Residential Projects".

(l) For purposes of this section, "Control" means the possession of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of an entity, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, subject only to reasonable and customary major decision rights in favor of the non-controlling members or partners, as applicable, of such entity.

Rights to Assign Ground Lessees: Following a Ground Lessee entering into a Ground Lease, a Ground Lessee shall be permitted to assign such Ground Lease to:

(a) a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ground Lessee for which Ground Lessee retains management responsibility and oversight of the development of the Phase;

(b) an entity composed of Ground Lessee and a financial partner for purposes of financing the Phase for which Ground Lessee retains management responsibility and oversight of the development of the Phase; and

(c) a Qualified Transferee.

Permitted Transfers of Interests in Ground Lessees: Following a Ground Lessee entering into a Ground Lease, the following transfers of direct and indirect interests in such Ground Lessee shall be permitted:

(a) transfers to or among Ground Lessee's constituent partner(s) or member(s) or their or Ground Lessee's parents, affiliates or subsidiaries, including in each case to or from a trust for the benefit of the immediate family of any direct or indirect partner, shareholder or member of a Ground Lessee who is an individual;

(b) a transfer to a spouse (or to a domestic partner if domestic partners are afforded property rights under then-existing applicable laws) in connection with a property settlement agreement or decree of dissolution of marriage or legal separation, as long as such transfer does not result in a change of Control of Ground Lessee or a change in the managing member or general partner of Ground Lessee;

(c) a transfer of ownership interests in Ground Lessee or in constituent entities of Ground Lessee (i) to a member of the immediate family of the transferor, (ii) to a trust for the benefit of a member of the immediate family of the transferor, (iii) from such a trust or any trust that is an owner in a constituent entity of Ground Lessee, to the settlor or beneficiaries of such trust or to one or more other trusts created by or for the benefit of any of

the foregoing persons, whether any such transfer is the result of gift, devise, intestate succession or operation of law, or (iv) in connection with a pledge by any partners of a constituent entity of Ground Lessee to an affiliate of such partner or to an Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) charitable institution for no consideration;

(d) a transfer of a beneficial interest resulting from public trading in the stock or securities of an entity, where such entity is a corporation or other entity whose stock (or securities) is (are) traded publicly on a national stock exchange or traded in the over-the-counter market and whose price is regularly quoted in recognized national quotation services;

(e) a mere change in the form, method or status of ownership, as long as there is no change in the actual beneficial ownership of the Ground Lease or Ground Lessee, and such transfer does not involve an intent to avoid Ground Lessee's obligations under this Lease; and

(f) a transfer to a third-party so long as the following conditions are satisfied: (i) such transfer does not result in a change in Control of Ground Lessee; (ii) if such transfer results in an entity that initially owns less than fifty percent (50%) of the ownership interests in such Ground Lessee, directly or indirectly, owning fifty percent (50%) or more of the ownership interests in such Ground Lessee, directly or indirectly (such entity, the "**Majority Owner**"), such Majority Owner shall satisfy the requirements of clauses (b), (c), (d) and (e) of the above-definition of Qualified Commercial/Retail Transferee; and (iii) the Majority Owner shall have no authority to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of the Ground Lessee, except for the right to consent to reasonable and customary major decisions relating to such Ground Lessee. Such Ground Lessee shall provide LACMTA with written notice at least thirty (30) days prior to the occurrence of any such transfer described in this clause (f), which notice shall identify the proposed Majority Owner and shall include reasonable verifying documentation that the proposed Majority Owner satisfies the requirements of clauses (b), (c), (d) and (e) of the above-definition of Qualified Commercial/Retail Transferee.

Subletting: a Ground Lessee shall be permitted to enter into the following without LACMTA's consent:

- (a) space leases to residential or commercial tenants of such Phase; and
- (b) license agreements or concession agreements for the operation of a business located on such Phase.

## **KEY GROUND LEASE TERMS:**

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**GROUND LESSEES:** Each ground lessee shall be a Qualified Ground Lessee.

**GROUND LEASES –  
GENERALLY:** At each Closing, LACMTA, as Ground Lessor, and the applicable

Ground Lessee will enter into a ground lease (each a “**Ground Lease**”), which will provide for the construction and operation of the applicable Phase. The initial form of Ground Lease shall serve as a template for the subsequent Ground Leases, with appropriate modifications to be made as applicable with respect to each Phase and such other modifications thereto as may be requested by the Ground Lessee or the Ground Lessee’s leasehold mortgagee, which shall exclude any changes to the ground rent, lease term or other material terms, such other modifications to be approved by LACMTA in accordance with the JDA. Without limiting the foregoing, each Ground Lease will contain terms and conditions that are substantially consistent with the applicable terms and conditions set forth in this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions, subject to any modifications as are required by the LACMTA Board as a condition to LACMTA Board approval of the JDA and agreed to by Developer and the applicable Ground Lessee, as well as any modifications as are required by such Ground Lessee and/or its construction lender.

**UNSUBORDINATED  
GROUND LEASES:**

LACMTA’s interests under the Ground Leases will be unsubordinated to any interest that the Ground Lessees or their lenders or investors will have in the applicable Phase; provided, however, each Ground Lease, and any amendment, substitution, or renewal thereof, shall be prior to any mortgage, deed of trust, or other lien, charge or encumbrance on the fee interest in the applicable Phase. Without limiting the foregoing, the Ground Leases shall contain other customary leasehold mortgagee protections.

Developer acknowledges that the Site is subject to all applicable FTA requirements set forth in that certain Circular FTA-C-7050.1C titled “Federal Transit Administration Guidance on Joint Development,” dated November 18, 2022. LACMTA’s Retained Rights (as defined herein) when set forth in each Ground Lease will constitute “satisfactory continuing control” of each Phase, as required by the FTA Circular, in order to preserve the original public transportation purpose of such Phase.

**GROUND LEASE  
PREMISES:**

The premises under each Ground Lease will consist of one or more Phases, less the area of any dedications that may be required by a governmental authority as part of the Project. Each Ground Lease shall further provide that the applicable Ground Lessee’s rights in any such Phase pursuant to such Ground Lease shall be subject to LACMTA’s Retained Rights (as defined herein).

**GROUND LEASE TERM:**

Each Ground Lease will commence upon the Closing for the applicable Ground Lease, pursuant to the terms of the JDA (each such date being the “**Commencement Date**”). The term of each

Ground Lease will be for 99 years commencing on such Commencement Date (the “**Ground Lease Term**”).

## **GROUND LEASE RENT**

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See Attachment D attached hereto for the Ground Lease Rent

## **OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

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**CONSTRUCTION REVIEW:** During each Construction Period, LACMTA will have the right to review, inspect and approve any changes to the design of building exterior solely to the extent in accordance with the Design Review Guidelines set forth hereinabove. LACMTA rights to approve any substantive building improvements later sought to be added at any time during each Ground Lease Term shall be consistent with LACMTA’s Design Review Guidelines set forth hereinabove.

### **CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS:**

Any construction contract that a Ground Lessee executes with contractors for its Phase shall include the following:

- (1) Subject to the provisions of Civil Code Section 2782, obligations of the contractor to indemnify, reimburse, defend and hold harmless Developer and LACMTA against actions, proceedings, suits, demands, claims, liabilities, losses, damages, penalties, obligations, costs and expenses (including attorneys’ and expert witness’ fees and costs) arising from the acts and omissions of such contractor on the Phase or in connection with performance of its obligations under the construction contract;
- (2) Obligations of the contractor to complete services on a lien-free basis and in accordance with the terms of its contract, and to post a completion bond or an alternative form of security reasonably acceptable to LACMTA in its reasonable discretion related to the same, which might include, without limitation, a completion guaranty or set aside from a construction lender;
- (3) With respect to each General Contract, if any mechanic’s lien, materialman’s lien or other lien is filed against the Project, or any stop notices are served, for work or labor performed or claimed to have been performed, or goods, materials, or services furnished or claimed to have been furnished upon or with respect to the Project, to discharge or cause the discharge or such lien or stop notice within thirty (30) days thereafter, whether by payment, release or posting of a bond or other similar assurance;



- (4) Obligations of the contractor to comply with all applicable laws and code restrictions, licenses, policies, permits and certificates required in connection with performance of its services;
- (5) LACMTA being named as an additional benefitted party to any warranties provided in such contracts, other than those related to design liability, and also being named as an additional insured under any applicable insurance policies carried by such contractor, other than worker's compensation or errors and omissions insurance policies;
- (6) Rights of LACMTA as a third-party beneficiary under such contract; and
- (7) Certain insurance requirements as shall be set forth in the Ground Lease.

**SUSTAINABILITY STANDARDS:** The Project shall be built in a manner at least equivalent to the standards of the United States Green Building Council's (USGBC) Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver construction standards.

**SIGNAGE:** The Design Development Drawings that Developer and each Ground Lessee are required to submit to LACMTA for approval with respect to each applicable Phase of the Project will include a signage plan, including transit improvement way-finding signs, digital signage and static signage.

**MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS:**

Each Ground Lessee shall maintain and operate all portions of each respective Phase at its sole cost and expense. Maintenance and operations standards to be mutually agreed between the parties and set forth in the Ground Leases. The Ground Leases will also address allocation of responsibility for maintenance and operation of transit-related facilities that may be located inside of the improvements on each Phase. LACMTA will maintain and operate the Replacement Transit Center facilities if it elects to construct the Replacement Transit Center.

**PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT:**

Each Phase of the Project shall comply with LACMTA's adopted requirements with respect to Project Labor Agreements for construction jobs and payment of Prevailing Wages for construction

jobs, and the applicable policies related thereto. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Developer may negotiate an alternate form or forms of Project Labor Agreement(s) directly with the applicable unions and upon finalizing such form(s), shall provide such form(s) to LACMTA for its review and approval. Upon such approval, the Project or each Phase thereof, as applicable, shall comply with the requirements in such approved form(s) of Project Labor Agreement(s).

**EXPIRATION OF GROUND  
LEASES:**

At the expiration or earlier termination of the Ground Leases (each an “**Expiration Date**”), at LACMTA’s option, the applicable Ground Lessees will be responsible for the demolition and removal of the Project and any improvements, exclusive of any LACMTA improvements and/or transportation-related amenities and facilities then located on the Phase, and for returning the Phase to LACMTA in good, usable and buildable condition, consisting of a level, graded buildable pad. LACMTA will provide advance notice to Ground Lessee of the required demolition and removal of the Project and any improvements at least 6 years, but not more than 11 years prior to the expiration date of the Ground Lease. Within 12 months following LACMTA’s election to have such improvements demolished and removed, the applicable Ground Lessee shall provide LACMTA with a written plan setting forth such Ground Lessee’s proposed method of securing the discharge of such Ground Lessee’s removal and restoration obligations, which shall detail the form of security proposed by such Ground Lessee. The demolition plan must be fully funded by 3 years before ground lease expiration.

Ground Lessee shall have no right to demolish or remove any improvements that LACMTA does not instruct Ground Lessee to demolish or remove. The Ground Leases shall set forth further details regarding the specifics and procedures related to the demolition and removal work, if any.

**FINANCING AND  
ENCUMBRANCES:**

A Ground Lessee may encumber its leasehold estate with mortgages, deeds of trust or other financing instruments; provided, however, in no event shall LACMTA’s fee title interest be encumbered by such Ground Lessee’s financing or other claims or liens (except as set forth below in connection with affordable housing financing sources) and in no event shall rent payable to LACMTA under the Ground Lease be subordinated to such Ground

Lessee's financing. Such encumbrances and financings shall be subject to LACMTA's approval, not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, except with respect to certain "permitted financing events" meeting specific criteria to be set forth in the Ground Lease (including, without limitation, encumbrances of the leasehold estate in such Ground Lease in favor of an institutional lender, which shall not require LACMTA's approval). No Ground Lessee shall have to pay any fee to LACMTA in consideration of or otherwise in connection with LACMTA's approval of any such financing (if such financing is not a "permitted financing event" and such approval is required); provided, however, the foregoing is not intended to prohibit LACMTA from requiring Ground Lessee to reimburse LACMTA for its out of pocket cost and expenses in reviewing and approving any such financing in accordance with the cost and expense reimbursement provisions to be set forth in each such Ground Lease.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING  
COVENANTS:**

A Ground Lessee may encumber its leasehold estate with affordable housing and other covenants reasonably required by Ground Lessee's affordable housing funding sources or the City as a condition to granting entitlements and building permits for such Phase, which covenants shall be subject to LACMTA's review and approval, not to be unreasonably withheld, condition or delayed. LACMTA will reasonably consider the encumbrance of its fee title interest with certain restrictive covenants, if required by Ground Lessee's affordable housing funding sources or the City of Los Angeles as a condition to granting entitlements and building permits for such Phase; provided that such Ground Lessee agrees to perform all obligations under said covenants during the Ground Lease Term and indemnify LACMTA for all actual claims and losses incurred by LACMTA resulting from Lessee's failure to do the same.

**FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS  
COVENANTS:**

Lessee shall comply with all applicable Federal nondiscrimination requirements, including applicable sections of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

**TRANSFERS, ASSIGNMENT  
AND SUBLETTING:**

See above in "General Conditions" section of this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions.

**RETAINED RIGHTS:**

LACMTA shall reserve and retain certain rights with respect to each Phase, which shall include the requirements set forth in Attachment G attached hereto, and the following rights, and any additional

rights which shall be mutually agreed upon by LACMTA and Developer and described in detail in the template form of Ground Lease to be attached as an exhibit to the JDA (collectively, the **“Retained Rights”**): (1) the right to install, construct, inspect, operate, maintain, repair, expand and replace Material Public Transit Facilities in, on, under, over, and adjacent to the Site, including the right to construct a new subway transit portal in a portion of Block 8, and any other Public Transit Facilities in and on the LACMTA Common Areas, in each case as LACMTA may deem those rights necessary in order to ensure that the Site does not materially interfere with transit operations and the right to prohibit, and to take reasonable actions to remedy at the Ground Lessee’s cost, any actual interference by the Ground Lessee with the maintenance or the safe and efficient operation of LACMTA’s transit activities and operations; provided, however, (a) in no event shall the exercise of any such right require the removal, alteration, relocation, or other modification (structural or otherwise) of any of the vertical or horizontal improvements (excluding landscaping/hardscaping), infrastructure, or any of the equipment, in each case whether above-ground or sub-surface, constructed and/or installed, as applicable, on the Site by Developer or any Ground Lessee, in accordance with the terms of the JDA and the applicable Ground Lease (and the Plans and Specifications therefor approved by LACMTA (to the extent such approval is required) in accordance with the applicable Ground Lease) and which is outside the Protected Areas (defined below) and (b) in no event shall the exercise of any such right with respect to areas outside the Protected Areas cause the Site or any portion thereof or improvements, infrastructure or equipment thereon (whether above-ground or sub-surface) to violate any applicable legal requirements or restrictive covenants (to the extent entered into in accordance with the terms of each Ground Lease with respect to any such restrictive covenants that will become effective from and after the commencement of the term of such Ground Lease) governing the Site, or Developer or the applicable Ground Lessee; (2) the right to install, use, repair, maintain, and replace in and on the LACMTA Common Areas (as defined herein), and along the perimeter of a Phase abutting public streets, sidewalks, rights of way, and any Public Transit Facilities, directional and way-finding signs for the purpose of directing patrons to, from and between the Public Transit Facilities and such Phase, public streets, sidewalks and rights-of-way; (3) the right to use sidewalk areas and any LACMTA Common Areas within the applicable Phase for pedestrian ingress and egress to, and activities related to the

operation of, any Public Transit Facilities for the benefit of LACMTA and the public; (4) the right to enter upon and inspect the Site and the applicable Phase(s), with reasonable advance notice to the Ground Lessee(s) and the opportunity for the applicable Ground Lessee to have a representative present at any such inspection, anytime during normal business hours, for purposes of conducting normal and periodic inspections of the Site and such Phase and the Project and to confirm such Ground Lessee's compliance with the terms and conditions of the applicable Ground Lease, subject, however, to the rights of tenants and other occupants of such Phase; (5) the right to place LACMTA-related informational signage and LACMTA Transit Equipment within the LACMTA Common Areas; and (6) the right to install, construct, inspect, operate, maintain, repair, use, add, expand, increase and replace rail, bus, bicycle and pedestrian facilities and/or other transit-related facilities within the Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW located approximately between the current Orange Line alignment at Tujunga Avenue and the intersection of Vineland Avenue and Fair Avenue as generally described and depicted on Attachment H (the **"Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW"**).

LACMTA and Developer acknowledge and agree that there is a possibility that the Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW may not be included in the portions of the Site ground leased to Ground Lessees pursuant to individual Ground Leases but instead each Ground Lessee may be granted an exclusive (subject to the Retained Rights) easement over such portion of the Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW immediately adjacent to the portion of the Site ground leased to such Ground Lessee for use as parking areas, open space, pedestrian plazas, sidewalks, landscaping, "pop up" retail establishments, retail kiosks, and other temporary retail structures (and not for any permanent structures or buildings) which easement may be revoked by LACMTA solely in order for LACMTA to utilize the Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW for transportation purposes and no other purpose, in which case any use of such Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor by the Ground Lessee would thereupon terminate and any improvements located on such area would be required to be removed by such Ground Lessee and the Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW area would be restored by such Ground Lessee to a graded buildable condition, at its sole cost and expense. In order to minimize any impact on the Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW, no foundations or subterranean structures may be constructed on the Burbank-Chandler

Transportation Corridor ROW to a depth greater than five (5) feet below the surface thereof.

Alternatively, and without limiting any other arrangement for the use and occupancy of the Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW that LACMTA and Developer may mutually agree to in writing in the JDA or otherwise, the parties may determine that the Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW be included in the portions of the Site ground leased to Ground Lessees pursuant to individual Ground Leases but that each Ground Lease include a provision requiring the termination of each such Ground Lease with respect to such portions of the ground leased premises that lie within the Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW solely in order for LACMTA to utilize the Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor ROW for transportation purposes and no other purpose, in which case any use of such Burbank-Chandler Transportation Corridor by the applicable Ground Lessee would thereupon terminate and any improvements located on such area would be required to be removed by such Ground Lessee.

As used herein, “**LACMTA Common Areas**” shall mean the following portions of the Site identified as LACMTA Common Areas shown on a site map to be prepared and attached to the JDA: (a) any portions of the Site that are located within a ten foot (10’) radius of the LACMTA Transit Property, (b) any portions of the Site that are improved with Material Public Transit Facilities and any portions of the Site within a ten foot (10’) radius of such Material Public Transit Facilities, and (c) the Protected Areas, each of which areas are to be improved as walkways, access ways and plaza areas pursuant to the Final Construction Drawings for use by customers or users of the Public Transit Facilities, LACMTA, its Board members, employees, agents, consultants, or contractors, together with the Ground Lessee, its subtenants and their respective officers, members, employees, agents, consultants, contractors, customers, invitees, and guests, for access to, from or among (i) any Public Transit Facilities; (ii) the LACMTA Transit Property; and/or (iii) public streets, sidewalks or rights-of-ways. LACMTA will retain certain additional rights in the LACMTA Common Areas for itself, customers or users of the Public Transit Facilities and its Board members, employees, agents, consultants, or contractors pursuant to the Retained Rights as may be reasonably necessary.

As used herein, “**Protected Areas**” shall mean those areas of the Site identified on the drawing attached to this Summary of Key

Terms and Conditions as Attachment C, which shall be refined (as mutually approved by Developer and LACMTA) and attached to the JDA.

If LACMTA requires the removal, alteration, relocation or other modification (structural or otherwise) of any of the vertical or horizontal improvements (excluding landscaping), infrastructure, or any of the equipment located within the Protected Areas which was constructed or installed in accordance with the applicable Ground Lease (and the Plans therefor approved by LACMTA pursuant to the Ground Lease), then LACMTA shall (a) reimburse Developer or the applicable Ground Lessee for the actual out-of-pocket costs incurred by Developer or such Ground Lessee in performing such work, upon the completion thereof, or, at LACMTA's option, LACMTA may elect to undertake such removal, alteration or relocation work using its own contractors and at LACMTA's sole cost and expense, and (b) pay Developer or such Ground Lessee an amount equal to any reduction in the fair market value of the remaining improvements on the applicable portion of the Site, taken as a whole, which results from the required demolition, removal or modification of Developer's improvements or equipment within the Protected Areas. Such reduction in fair market value shall be determined by an M.A.I. appraisal of the applicable portion of the Site before the required demolition and modification and after such work. The foregoing provisions shall be more particularly set forth in each Ground Lease.

LACMTA and Developer each acknowledge and agree that the purpose of defining the Retained Rights and reserving them for LACMTA is to ensure that the premises under each Ground Lease remain available for the transit project purposes originally authorized by FTA ("**LACMTA's Satisfactory Continuing Control Requirement**").

The JDA and each Ground Lease shall provide, with respect to any exercise by LACMTA of its Retained Rights that:

1. LACMTA will indemnify and defend (with counsel acceptable to Developer or such Ground Lessee, as applicable) and hold harmless Developer or such Ground Lessee and their respective subsidiaries, officers, agents, employees, directors, consultants and contractors (collectively "Indemnified Parties") from and against any actual liability, claims, losses, costs, expenses or damages (including, without limitation, reasonable fees of

attorneys, consultants, and experts related) (collectively "Claims") arising or resulting from (a) damage to property or bodily injury or death of any person caused by LACMTA or any agent, employee, contractor or consultant thereof; (b) any entry upon and use of the Site by LACMTA or any agent, employee, contractor or consultant thereof; (c) any negligence or willful misconduct of LACMTA or any agent, employee, contractor or consultant thereof in, on, under or adjacent to the Site; (d) any release of Hazardous Substances (other than pre-existing Hazardous Substances) upon or from the Site, or contamination of the Site which occurs due to the exercise of the Retained Rights by LACMTA or any agent, employee, contractor or consultant thereof; or (e) any release of pre-existing Hazardous Substances but solely to the extent such release is made worse due to the acts, negligence or willful misconduct of LACMTA or any agent, employee, contractor or consultant thereof in the course of the exercise of any of the Retained Rights by LACMTA or such agent, employee, contractor or consultant thereof. LACMTA shall not be liable to Developer or any Ground Lessee, nor shall LACMTA have any obligation to hold harmless, defend or indemnify Developer or any Ground Lessee for any Claims under this indemnification provision if and to the extent the same arises or results from the negligence or willful misconduct of Developer, the applicable Ground Lessee, their respective agents, employees, or contractors.

2. LACMTA will give Developer or each Ground Lessee, as applicable, reasonable prior notice of exercise of any Retained Rights, and parties will meet and confer and reasonably cooperate to develop a plan to permit LACMTA to exercise such Retained Rights with as minimal impact to the development or operation of the Site as reasonably possible, and any work required to be performed in connection with the exercise of such Retained Rights shall be performed by or on behalf of LACMTA as expeditiously as practical, all as will be more particularly set forth in each Ground Lease. Developer and each Ground Lessee will have the right to provide comments to and reasonably approve any plans and specifications for any construction, expansion, or replacement of Public Transit Facilities in, on, under or adjacent to the Site solely in order to prevent interference with the development or operation of the Site and preserve such minimal impact; and

3. LACMTA will reimburse Developer or each Ground Lessee, as applicable, for such parties' out of pocket third party costs and expenses in so cooperating with LACMTA in connection with



LACMTA's exercise of its retained rights, provided, however, LACMTA shall not be obligated to reimburse Developer or any Ground Lessee, individually, more than \$20,000 on account of such out of pocket third party costs and expenses.

**SUPERSEDEURE:**

This Summary of Key Terms and Conditions supersedes and replaces any and all term sheets or summaries of key terms and conditions relating to the Site, the Project or any joint development agreement or ground lease dated prior to February 2, 2024; provided, however, this Summary of Key Terms and Conditions does not supersede or replace the ENA or any provisions thereof.

**REPRESENTATIONS  
AND WARRANTIES:**

The parties shall make customary representations and warranties in the JDA for a transaction of this size and type including (1) organization and good standing, (2) authority and enforceability, (3) non-contravention, (4) compliance with law, (5) status as a non-foreign person, (6) absence of litigation, and (7) brokers.

**OTHER:**

Subject to Developer's and/or the applicable Ground Lessee's approval, other customary provisions contained in recent LACMTA ground leases will be included in the Ground Leases, including, without limitation, provisions relating to (a) Lessee's assumption of risk related to the Project's proximity to rail and other transit operations, (b) insurance, and (c) indemnity.

**LACMTA TRANSACTION COSTS DURING JDA TERM:**

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**DURING JDA TERM:**

Prior to and as a condition precedent to the execution of the JDA by LACMTA, Developer shall submit to LACMTA an initial deposit in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) ("**Initial Amount**") via wire transfer or Automated Clearing House electronic funds transfer as directed by LACMTA in writing (the Initial Amount, and any additional sums deposited in accordance with this section, shall hereinafter be referred to collectively as the "**Transaction Costs Deposit**"), which Deposit shall cover the out-of-pocket costs incurred by LACMTA related to the design, development and planning (including planning related to construction methods and logistics) of the Project improvements and negotiation of the terms and conditions of the transactions contemplated during the term of the JDA, including without limitation, the actual cost of in-house staff time (including LACMTA overhead and administrative costs but excluding in-house legal counsel costs and LACMTA joint development staff costs) and third party consultants and

contractors (including, but not limited to, lawyers, consultants, engineers, architects, and advisors) for the performance of financial analyses, design review, negotiations, document preparation, appraisals, and other reasonable services related to the Project improvements and LACMTA's performance of its obligations under the JDA (including, without limitation, reviewing the Plans and Specifications for the Project improvements and engineering and other reports related to the Project improvements). These costs will be known collectively as "**LACMTA Transaction Costs**". The Transaction Costs Deposit shall be deposited into a separate account (the "**Deposit Account**").

Any unspent funds provided by Developer under the ENA shall be carried over and credited towards the Initial Amount.

The JDA shall provide that if LACMTA reasonably determines that the balance of the Deposit Account is insufficient to cover the anticipated remaining LACMTA Transaction Costs, LACMTA shall have the right to request, and Developer shall pay within thirty (30) days of such request, additional monies, which may exceed the Initial Amount, as may be reasonably necessary to cover such anticipated remaining LACMTA Transaction Costs; provided, however, Developer shall have no obligation to make any additional payments or deposits if the aggregate of such additional payments or deposits exceeds \$50,000 (the "**Additional Deposit Cap**"), and Developer's failure to so pay such additional payments or deposits in excess of the Additional Deposit Cap shall not result in a breach or default by Developer of its obligations under the JDA nor permit LACMTA to cease performing its obligations under the JDA. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Additional Deposit Cap does not apply to the actual out of pocket costs incurred by LACMTA that are associated with Developer or Developer's lender requests for approvals, estoppels, changes or transfers, or to respond to requests from Developer's lenders or investors, and other similar ongoing costs during the incurred by LACMTA to respond to Developer requests (in each case excluding any such requests for approvals, estoppels, changes, transfers or such other requests that are expressly contemplated by or set forth in this Agreement) which amounts shall be paid by Developer to LACMTA within thirty (30) days of written demand, which written demand shall include invoices or other evidence of such costs incurred.

LACMTA shall provide to Developer a quarterly accounting of the Deposit Account, within thirty (30) days of the end of each calendar

quarter during the term of the JDA. Such quarterly accounting shall consist of (a) documentation of the LACMTA Transaction Costs incurred in the prior quarter, provided that the form of documentation will be such that is available to LACMTA and in its possession, in LACMTA's sole good faith determination, (b) the amounts held in the Deposit Account at the beginning and end of each applicable calendar quarter, along with deposits made (if any), (c) line items reflecting each of the LACMTA Transaction Costs charged to the Deposit Account over such calendar quarter and (d) the cumulative amount of LACMTA Transaction Costs charged to the Deposit Account over such calendar quarter.

In the event that the JDA terminates or is terminated in accordance with its terms, the Transaction Costs Deposit will become non-refundable to the extent necessary to pay LACMTA Transaction Costs for (a) those costs or services actually performed by or on behalf of LACMTA through the date of such termination, and (b) those costs and services actually incurred by LACMTA or which LACMTA is contractually committed to pay, provided, LACMTA shall only retain from the Transaction Costs Deposit the lesser of (i) amounts required to be paid as of the date of termination for such costs and services, or (ii) any termination or cancellation fee or penalty that LACMTA is required to pay any third party consultant and contractor under any contract for services related to LACMTA's performance of its obligations under the JDA upon the cancellation of such contract by LACMTA in connection with the termination of the JDA, and LACMTA shall return to Developer any portion of the Transaction Costs Deposit that is not needed to pay such LACMTA Transaction Costs, without interest.

The Parties agree that LACMTA (i) has no obligation to pay interest on the Deposit to Developer, and (ii) is not required to deposit the Deposit in an interest bearing account. Interest, if any, earned on the Deposit may remain in the Deposit account and may be added to the amount of the Deposit.

## Attachment A

### LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF LACMTA PROPERTY

Per Chicago Title Company Order No. 00073130-994-LT2-DB

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

PARCEL 1: (APN 2350-012-925)

LOTS 1 AND 2 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS](#), IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 2: (APN 2350-012-927)

LOT 4 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS](#), IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 3: (APN 2350-012-928)

LOT 5, IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS](#), IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 4: (APN 2350-012-929)

LOT 6 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS](#), IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 5: (APN 2350-012-930)

LOT 7 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS](#), IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 6: (APN 2350-012-931)

LOT 8 IN BLOCK 9, OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS](#), IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 7A: (APN 2350-012-923)

THE NORTH 50 FEET OF LOTS 16 AND 18, IN BLOCK 9, TOWN OF TOLUCA, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON RECORDER'S FILED MAP NO. 515, ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, TOGETHER WITH THE WEST 30 FEET OF LOT 19 IN SAID BLOCK 9.  
EXCEPT THE SOUTH 100 FEET OF SAID LOT 19.

PARCEL 7B: (APN 2350-012-924)

LOTS 16, 17 AND 18 IN BLOCK 9, TOWN OF TOLUCA, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP OF THE TOWN OF TOLUCA FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY ON JANUARY 31, 1895.

EXCEPT THE NORTH 50 FEET OF LOTS 16 AND 18, MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 16 AND THE WEST 30 FEET OF THE SOUTH 100 FEET OF SAID LOT 19.

PARCEL 8: (APNS 2350-012-932, 933, 934, 935,936, 937)

LOTS 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 AND 15 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS](#), IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 9: (APN 2350-012-926)

LOT 3 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS](#), IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 10: (APN 2350-012-938)

ALL OF LOTS 19 TO 29, INCLUSIVE, EXCEPT THE WEST 30 FEET OF SAID LOT 19, ALL IN BLOCK 9 OF TOLUCA, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS DESIGNATED ON MAP FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY ON JANUARY 31, 1895, TOGETHER WITH THAT PORTION OF THE VACATED STREETS AND ALLEY ADJOINING SAID LOTS ON THE NORTH, SOUTH AND EAST AS VACATED BY RESOLUTION TO VACATE NO. 02-1400494, RECORDED AUGUST 6, 2003 AS [INSTRUMENT NO. 03-2267607](#) AND BY RESOLUTION TO VACATE NO. 04-1400494-R, RECORDED JULY 8, 2004 AS [INSTRUMENT NO. 04-1743825, BOTH OF OFFICIAL RECORDS](#).

PARCEL 11: (APN 2350-012-922)

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE OF PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE RANCHO EX-MISSION DE SAN FERNANDO, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, BEING A PORTION OF THE 100 FOOT STRIP OF LAND CONVEYED TO SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, BY PACIFIC IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, BY DEED DATED DECEMBER 30, 1893, RECORDED IN [BOOK 946 PAGE 317 OF DEEDS](#), RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY, BLOCK 160 OF THE LANKERSHIM RANCHO LAND AND WATER COMPANY, SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 12,000 ACRES OF THE RANCHO EX-MISSION OF SAN FERNANDO, ACCORDING TO THE MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 31 PAGE 39 TO 44 INCLUSIVE OF MAPS](#), RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD, 80 FEET WIDE (FORMERLY FERNANDO AVENUE) , AS SHOWN IN SAID BLOCK 160 ON SAID MAP OF SAID LANKERSHIM RANCHO LAND AND WATER COMPANY, SUBDIVISION WITH THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID STRIP OF LAND 100 FEET IN WIDTH; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE SAID SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID 100 FOOT STRIP OF LAND, A DISTANCE OF 300 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE FROM SAID TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING NORTHERLY AT RIGHT ANGLES 100 FEET TO A POINT IN THE NORTHERLY LINE OF SAID 100 FOOT STRIP OF LAND, SAID NORTHERLY LINE BEING PARALLEL WITH AND 30 FEET SOUTHERLY AT RIGHT ANGLES FROM THE CENTER LINE OF THE MAIN TRACK OF THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID NORTHERLY LINE, 60 FEET; THENCE SOUTHERLY AT RIGHT ANGLES 100 FEET TO A POINT IN SAID SOUTHERLY LINE; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY LINE 60 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 12: (APN 2350-012-921)

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE OF PARCEL LAND SITUATED IN RANCHO EX-MISSION DE SAN FERNANDO, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, BEING A PORTION OF THE 100-FOOT STRIP OF LAND CONVEYED TO SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY BY PACIFIC IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, BY DEED DATED DECEMBER 30, 1893, RECORDED IN [BOOK 946 PAGE 317 OF DEEDS](#), RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY, IN BLOCK 160 OF THE LANKERSHIM RANCH LAND AND WATER COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 12,000 ACRES OF THE RANCHO EX-MISSION OF SAN FERNANDO, ACCORDING TO THE MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 31 PAGES 39 TO 44 INCLUSIVE OF MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS](#), IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD, 80 FEET WIDE (FORMERLY SAN FERNANDO AVENUE), AS SHOWN IN SAID BLOCK 160 ON SAID MAP OF SAID LANKERSHIM RANCH LAND AND WATER COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, WITH THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID STRIP OF LAND, 100 FEET IN WIDTH; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE SAID SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID 100-FOOT STRIP OF LAND, DISTANCE OF 300 FEET; THENCE NORTHERLY AT RIGHT ANGLES, 100 FEET TO A POINT IN THE NORTHERLY LINE OF SAID 100-FOOT STRIP OF LAND; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID NORTHERLY LINE 350.32 FEET TO A POINT IN THE SAID NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD, 111.94 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 13: (APN 2350-012-906)

THE WEST 150 FEET OF LOT 1, BLOCK 12 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115](#) OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 14: (APN 2350-012-907)

THE WESTERLY 150 FEET OF THAT PORTION OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 2 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115](#) OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT, 206.88 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTH 262 FEET OF SAID LOT; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE 242.54 FEET; THENCE SOUTHERLY IN A DIRECT LINE TO A POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT, DISTANT EASTERLY 241.60 FEET FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE 241.60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 15: (APN 2350-012-908)

THE WEST 150.00 OF THE NORTH 262.00 FEET OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 2 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN [BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115](#) OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 16: (PTNS 2350-012-920)

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PARCEL 17:

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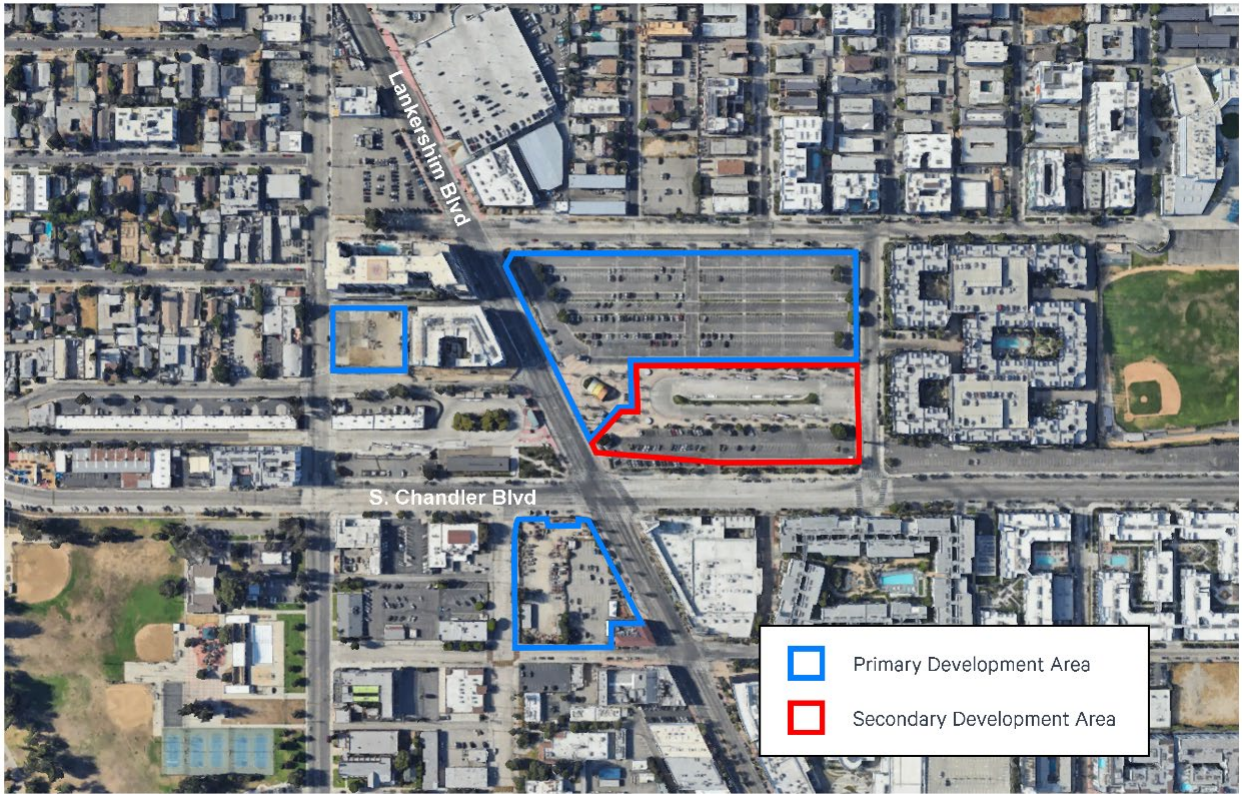
THE SOUTHERLY 30 FEET OF LOT 146 AND THE NORTHERLY 30 FEET OF LOT 161, OF THE LANKERSHIM RANCH LAND AND WATER CO'S SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 12,000 ACRES, OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE RANCHO EX-MISSION OF SAN FERNANDO, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 31 PAGES 39 ET SEQ. OF MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS.

EXCEPT THEREFROM THAT PORTION OF SAID LOTS 146 AND 161 LYING WESTERLY OF THE SOUTHERLY PROLONGATION OF THE WEST LINE OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 2 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS.

ALSO EXCEPT THEREFROM THAT PORTION OF SAID LOTS 146 AND 161 LYING EASTERLY OF THE WESTERLY LINE OF PARCEL A OF PARCEL MAP NO. 2002-6229, AND ITS SOUTHERLY PROLONGATION, AS PER MAP FILED IN BOOK 345 PAGES 80-81 OF PARCEL MAPS.

**Attachment B**

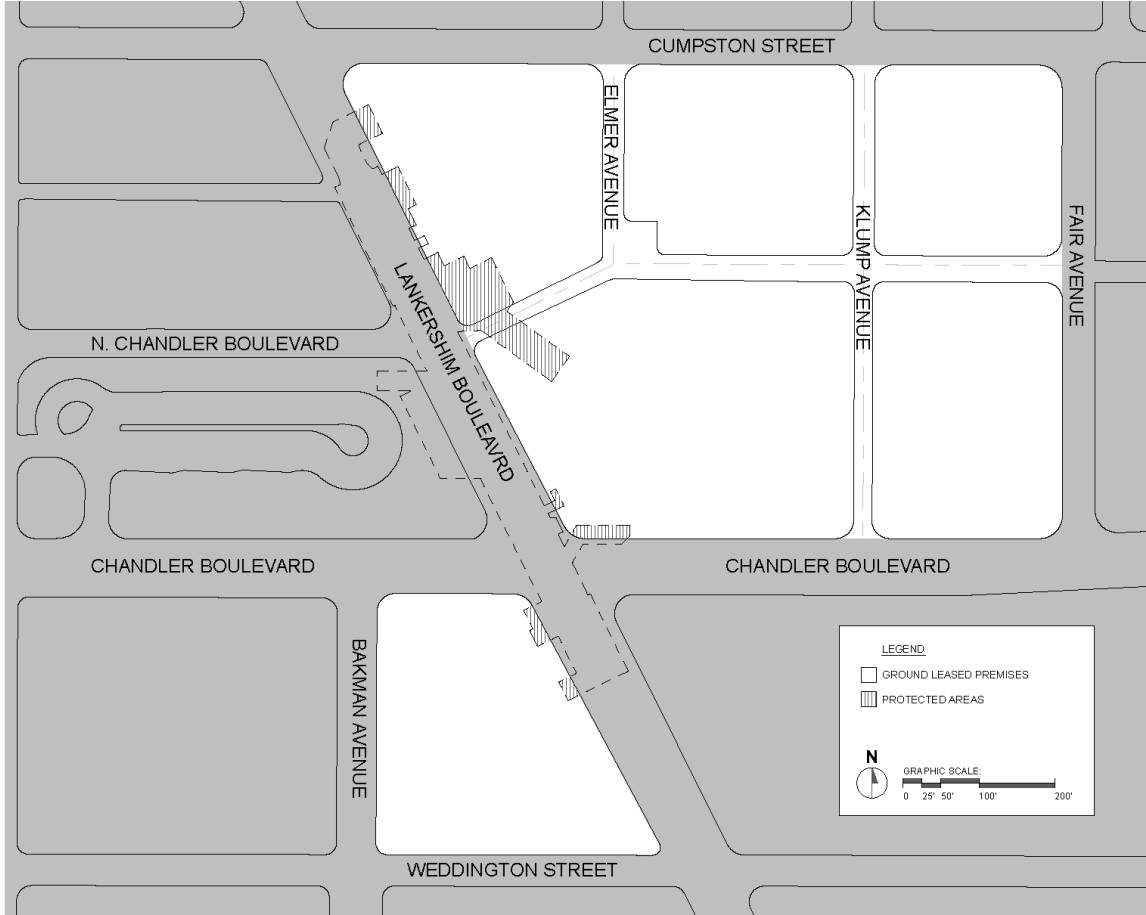
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# Attachment C

## PROTECTED AREAS



## Attachment D

### JDA CONSIDERATION AND GROUND RENT

	Anticipated Closing Date	Initial JDA Consideration	Allocation of \$2M Deposit	JDA Consideration Allocated Payment	Ground Lease Rent <sup>2</sup> (% of Gross Receipts)	Signage Revenue (% of Gross Revenue Received by Ground Lessee)
Block 1	8/1/2025	\$6,642,327	(\$642,327)	\$6,000,000	1.00%	15.00%
Block 2	8/1/2025	\$236,432	(\$236,432)	\$0	1.25%	n/a
Block 3	8/1/2026	\$4,409,378	(\$294,764)	\$4,114,614	1.00%	n/a
Block 456 <sup>1</sup>	1/1/2029	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.75%	15.00%
Block 7	8/1/2025	\$4,033,219	(\$155,583)	\$3,877,636	1.00%	n/a
Block 8 <sup>3</sup>	8/1/2025	\$670,894	(\$670,894)	\$0	1.25%	10.00%
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$15,992,250</b>	<b>(\$2,000,000)</b>	<b>\$13,992,250</b>		

<sup>1</sup> Following the First Ground Lease Transfer of Block 456, if the aggregate transfer tax rate then in effect in the City and County of Los Angeles is less than or equal to 3.5%, Block 456 Ground Lease Rent will increase to 1.00%.

<sup>2</sup> Commencing in year 65 of the applicable Ground Lease term, Ground Lease Rent for all sites shall increase by 100bps.

<sup>3</sup> If Block 8 is developed as a residential mixed-income building, the ground rent and signage revenue payable under the ground lease shall be the same amounts as those for Block 456.

#### Sales Participation:

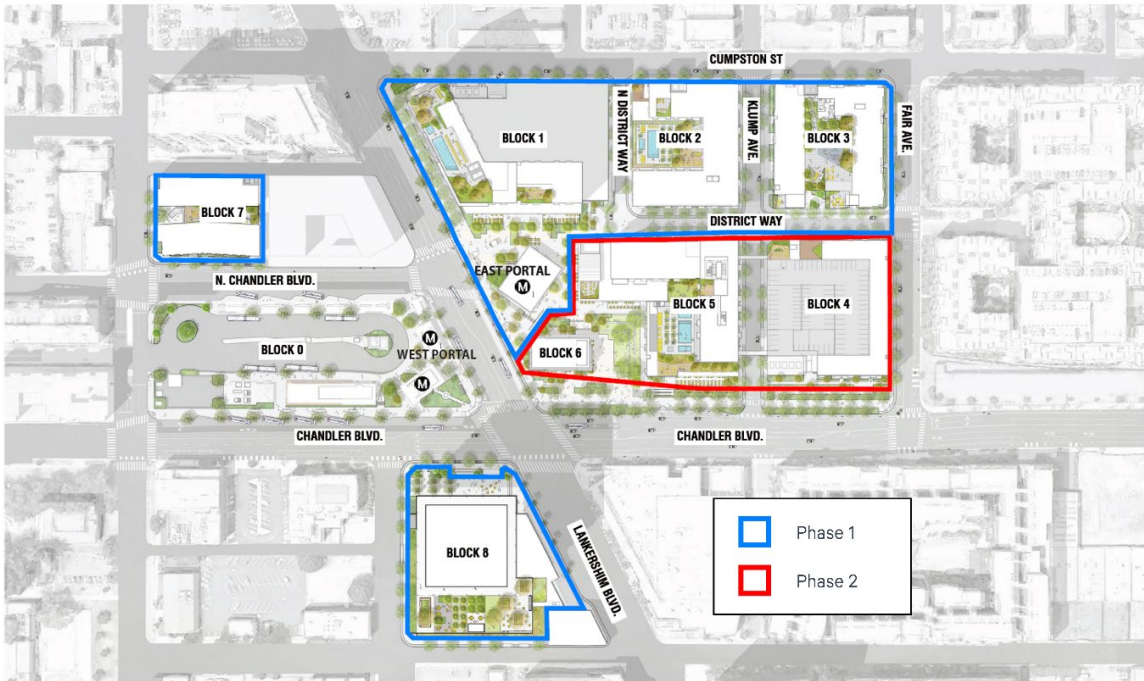
- 0.5% of Gross Sales Proceeds with respect to the second Transfer of Ground Lease (following the first Transfer, which is by-right)
- 0.75% of Gross Sales Proceeds with respect to the third Transfer of Ground Lease
- 1.00% of Gross Sales Proceeds with respect to any and all Transfers thereafter

**Attachment E**

**RESERVED**

# Attachment F

## SITE PLAN AND RENDERING



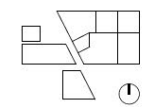
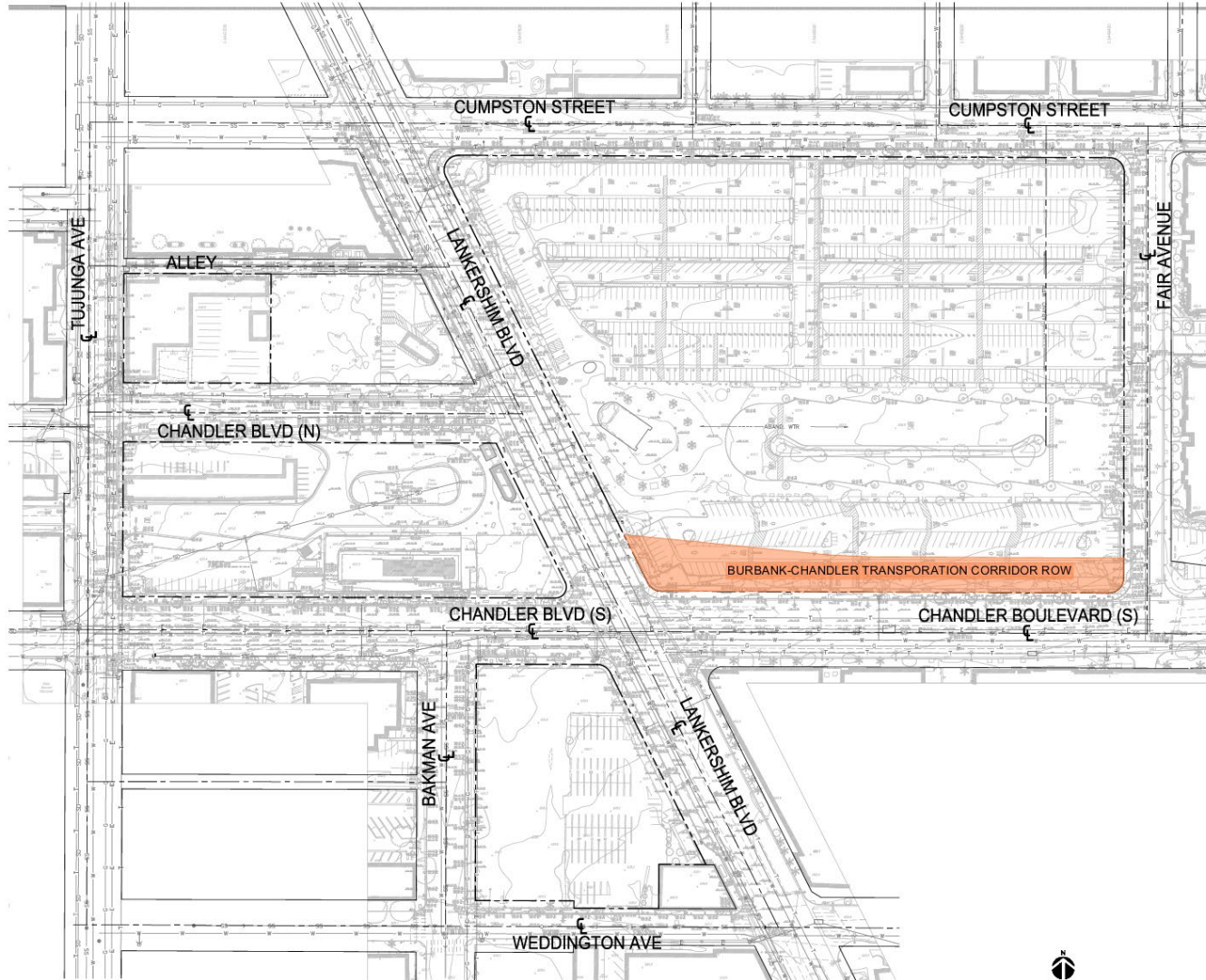
## Attachment G

### QUALIFIED TRANSFEREE REQUIREMENTS

1. Each Qualified Transferee must comply with each of the terms and conditions of each Ground Lease, including (i) the provisions requiring each ground lessee to comply with non-discrimination rules and regulations at the state, local and federal level and (ii) provisions requiring each ground lessee to avoid interference with or impairment of LACMTA's maintenance or safe and efficient operation of LACMTA's transit facilities and activities. Each Ground Lease shall provide (i) the ground lessee and its agents, contractors, managers and sub-tenants shall not threaten, endanger, interrupt, impair or unreasonably inconvenience in any way the safe and efficient operation of LACMTA's transit activities or facilities, (ii) should any construction or other activity on the leased premises performed by, or on behalf of, ground lessee or its sub-tenants interrupt operations of LACMTA's transit activities or facilities, LACMTA will have the right to enter the leased premises to undertake remedial activity to the extent reasonably necessary to allow safe and efficient operation of LACMTA's transit activities or facilities, at ground lessee's cost. If such interference is non-critical in LACMTA's sole discretion, then LACMTA may notify the ground lessee and provide a reasonable opportunity to remediate the disturbance. The ground lease will provide that LACMTA will be reimbursed by ground lessee for all costs it incurs in remediating any such interference within 30 days of written demand.
2. Each Qualified Transferee must meet the requirements of the Ground Lease that there be no organizational conflict of interest, including a certification that such transferee has not been debarred or suspended (except as authorized by certain U.S. DOT regulations and U.S. OMB "Guidelines to Agencies on Government Wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)" and Executive Orders Nos 12549 and 12689 "Debarment and Suspension").
3. Each Qualified Transferee shall not, within the 3 year period preceding the transfer, have been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for (i) commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining a contract ("Public Transaction") with the federal government or any state or local government, (ii) violation of any antitrust statutes, (iii) committing any illegal payment of a commission or gratuity, embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, (iv) making a false statement, or (v) receiving stolen property. Each Qualified Transferee shall not be presently indicted or criminally charged by a government entity with commission of any of the foregoing offenses and shall not, within such 3 year period, have had one or more Public Transactions terminated for cause or default.
4. Each Qualified Transferee shall provide the Certification of Prospective Tenant in the form that is to be attached to the Ground Lease.

# Attachment H

## BURBANK-CHANDLER TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR ROW



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**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) FINDINGS**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

This Environmental Impact Report (EIR), consisting of the Draft EIR and the Final EIR, is intended to serve as an informational document for public agency decision-makers and the general public regarding the objectives and components of the District NoHo Project (Project), a new mixed-use multi-phased development on a 15.9 acre site located in the North Hollywood–Valley Village Community Plan Area of the City (Project Site). The Project proposes up to 1,523,528 square feet of residential uses comprised of 1,216 market rate and 311 affordable units (representing 20 percent of the total proposed residential units), along with up to 685,499 square feet of retail, restaurant, and office uses. The Project would also include three public plazas totaling approximately two acres, and approximately 211,280 square feet of open space serving the Project, which would be privately operated and maintained with amenities located throughout the Project Site. The Project would also include improvements to transit facilities at the Metro (LA County Metropolitan Transportation Authority) North Hollywood Station. The proposed uses would be supported by vehicle and bicycle parking spaces distributed throughout the Project Site. In addition, up to 274 vehicle parking spaces for Metro uses in both on- and off-site locations and up to 128 Metro Bike Hub bicycle parking spaces would be provided. The Project includes Specific Plan to regulate land use and development at the site, including certain street improvements. In addition, the Project includes a Sign District to regulate new signage throughout the site, including both on- and off-site advertising, static wall-mounted signs and murals, ground-mounted signage, and digital displays.

The City of Los Angeles (the City), as Lead Agency, has evaluated the environmental impacts of implementation of the Project by preparing an EIR (Case Number ENV-2019-7241-EIR/State Clearinghouse No. 2020060573). The EIR was prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 21000 et seq. (CEQA) and the California Code of Regulations Title 15, Chapter 6 (the CEQA Guidelines). The findings discussed in this document are made relative to the conclusions of the EIR.

CEQA Section 21002 provides that “public agencies should not approve projects as proposed if there are feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures available which would substantially lessen the significant environmental effects of such projects[.]” The procedures required by CEQA “are intended to assist public agencies in systematically identifying both the significant effects of proposed projects and the feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures which will avoid or substantially lessen such significant effects.” CEQA Section 21002 goes on to state that “in the event [that] specific economic, social, or other conditions make infeasible such project alternatives or such mitigation measures, individual projects may be approved in spite of one or more significant effects thereof.”

The mandate and principles announced in CEQA Section 21002 are implemented, in part, through the requirement that agencies must adopt findings before approving projects for which EIRs are required. (See CEQA § 21081[a]; CEQA Guidelines § 15091[a].) For each significant environmental impact identified in an EIR for a proposed project, the approving agency must issue a written finding, based on substantial evidence, in light of the whole record, reaching one or more of the three possible findings, as follows:

- 1) Changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the project that avoid or substantially lessen the significant impacts as identified in the EIR.
- 2) Such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been, or can or should be, adopted by that other agency.
- 3) Specific economic, legal, social, technological, other considerations, including considerations for the provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or alternatives identified in the EIR.

The findings reported in the following pages incorporate the facts and discussions of the environmental impacts that are found to be significant in the Final EIR for the Project as fully set forth therein. Although Section 15091 of the CEQA Guidelines does not require findings to address environmental impacts that an EIR identifies as merely “potentially significant,” these findings nevertheless fully account for all such effects identified in the Final EIR for the purpose of better understanding the full environmental scope of the Project. For each environmental issue analyzed in the EIR, the following information is provided:



- Description of Significant Effects – A description of the environmental effects identified in the EIR.
- Project Design Features – A list of the project design features or actions that are included as part of the Project.
- Mitigation Measures – A list of the mitigation measures that are required as part of the Project to reduce identified significant impacts.
- Finding – One or more of the three possible findings set forth above for each of the significant impacts.
- Rationale for Finding – A summary of the rationale for the finding(s).
- Reference – A reference of the specific section of the EIR, which includes the evidence and discussion of the identified impact.

With respect to a project for which significant impacts are not avoided or substantially lessened either through the adoption of feasible mitigation measures or feasible environmentally superior alternatives, a public agency, after adopting proper findings based on substantial evidence, may nevertheless approve the project, if the agency first adopts a statement of overriding considerations setting forth the specific reasons why the agency found that the project's benefits rendered acceptable its unavoidable adverse environmental effects. (CEQA Guidelines §15093, 15043[b]; see also CEQA § 21081[b].)

## II. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS

For purposes of CEQA and these Findings, the Record of Proceedings for the Project includes, but is not limited to, the following documents:

**Initial Study.** The Project was reviewed by the City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning (serving as Lead Agency) in accordance with the requirements of CEQA (PRC § 21000, et seq.). The City prepared an Initial Study in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15063(a).

**Notice of Preparation.** Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15082, the City then circulated a Notice of Preparation (NOP) to state, regional and local agencies, and members of the public for a 30-day comment period commencing on July 7, 2020. The purpose of the NOP was to formally inform the public that the City was preparing a Draft EIR for the Project, and to solicit input regarding the scope and content of the environmental information to be included in the Draft EIR. In addition, a public scoping meeting was held regarding the Project on July 15, 2020, as well as an additional public scoping meeting for Spanish speakers on July 16, 2020. Written comment letters responding to the NOP were submitted to the City by various public agencies and interested organizations. The NOP, Initial Study, and comment letters are included in Appendix A of the Draft EIR.

**Draft EIR.** The Draft EIR evaluated in detail the potential effects of the Project. It also analyzed the effects of a reasonable range of four alternatives to the Project, including a "No Project" alternative. The Draft EIR for the Project (State Clearinghouse No. 2020060573), incorporated herein by reference in full, was prepared pursuant to CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines. The Draft EIR was circulated for a 46-day public comment period beginning on April 7, 2022, and ending on May 23, 2022. Copies of the written comments received are provided in the Final

EIR. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15088, the City, as Lead Agency, reviewed all comments received during the review period for the Draft EIR and responded to each comment in Section II of the Final EIR.

**Notice of Completion.** A Notice of Completion was sent with the Draft EIR to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse for distribution to State Agencies on April 7, 2022, and notice was provided in newspapers of general and/or regional circulation.

**Final EIR.** The City published a Final EIR for the Project on June 30, 2023, which is hereby incorporated by reference in full. The Final EIR is intended to serve as an informational document for public agency decision-makers and the general public regarding objectives and components of the Project. The Final EIR addresses the environmental effects associated with implementation of the Project, identifies feasible mitigation measures and alternatives that may be adopted to reduce or eliminate these impacts, and includes written responses to all comments received on the Draft EIR during the public review period. Responses were sent to all public agencies that made comments on the Draft EIR at least 10 days prior to certification of the Final EIR pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15088(b). In addition, all individuals that commented on the Draft EIR also received a copy of the Final EIR. The Final EIR was also made available for review on the City's website. Notices regarding availability of the Final EIR were sent to owners and occupants of property within a 500-foot radius of the Project Site, Agencies which commented on the Draft EIR, as well as individuals who commented on the Draft EIR, provided comments during the NOP comment period, or requested notice.

**Public Hearing.** A duly noticed public hearing for the Project was held by the Deputy Advisory Agency and a Hearing Officer on behalf of the City Planning Commission on July 26, 2023.

### III. RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

For purposes of CEQA and these Findings, the Record of Proceedings for the Project includes, but is not limited to, the following documents and other materials that constitute the administrative record upon which the City approved the Project. The following information is incorporated by reference and made part of the record supporting these Findings of Fact:

- All Project plans and application materials, including supportive technical reports;
- The Draft EIR and Appendices, Final EIR and Appendices, and all documents relied upon or incorporated therein by reference;
- The Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP) prepared for the Project;
- The City of Los Angeles General Plan and related EIR;
- The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)'s 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and related EIR (SCH No. 2019011061));
- City of Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), including, but not limited, to the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance;
- All records of decision, resolutions, staff reports, memoranda, maps, exhibits, letters, minutes of meetings, summaries, and other documents approved, reviewed, relied upon,

or prepared by any City commissions, boards, officials, consultants, or staff relating to the Project;

- Any documents expressly cited in these Findings of Fact, in addition to those cited above; and
- Any and all other materials required for the record of proceedings by PRC Section 21167.6(e).

Pursuant to CEQA Section 21081.6(a)(2) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15091(e), the documents and other materials that constitute the Record of Proceedings upon which the City has based its decision are located in and may be obtained from the Department of City Planning, as the custodian of such documents and other materials that constitute the record of proceedings, located at the City of Los Angeles, Figueroa Plaza, 221 North Figueroa Street, Room 1350, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

In addition, copies of the Initial Study, Draft EIR and Final EIR are available on the Department of City Planning's website at <https://planning.lacity.org/development-services/eir> (to locate the documents, search for either the environmental case number or project title in the Search Box). The Draft and Final EIR are also available at the following four Library Branches:

- Los Angeles Central Library—630 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, CA 90071
- North Hollywood Regional Library, 5211 Tujunga Avenue, North Hollywood, CA 91601
- Valley Plaza Branch Library, 12311 Vanowen Street, North Hollywood, CA 91605

#### **IV. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT**

The Project proposes a mixed-use, and multi-phased development on approximately 15.9 acres of land owned by Metro at and including the terminus of Metro's B (Red) Line and G (Orange) Line (Project Site) as part of a joint development effort with Metro. The development would include market rate and affordable multi-family residential units, retail/ restaurant uses, office space, transportation facility improvements, bicycle and vehicle parking facilities, and two off-site parking structures for transit patrons.

The Project would, through Metro self-permitting authority, improve transit facilities at Metro's North Hollywood Station, including the Metro B (Red) Line portal entry and bus terminal for the Metro G (Orange) Line, with integration of public plazas and incorporation of retail uses within the historic Lankershim Depot. Additionally, Metro would construct two parking structures located on the "East Lot" and "West Lot." The Project would relocate multiple municipal and Metro Bus lines to the public right of way around the Metro G Line terminus. The Project also proposes the development of up to 2,209,027 square feet of new commercial and residential uses, including up to 1,523,528 square feet of residential uses comprised of 1,216 market rate and 311 affordable units (representing 20 percent of the total proposed residential units), along with up to 685,499 square feet of retail, restaurant, and office uses.

The Project would also include three public transit and event plazas (i.e., the Promenade, Transit Square, and NoHo Square) totaling approximately two acres with adjacent retail and restaurant uses. Overall, the Project would include 211,280 square feet of open space, which would be privately operated and maintained with amenities located throughout the Project Site. The proposed uses would be supported by vehicle and bicycle parking spaces for

Project uses, located throughout the site. Up to 274 vehicle parking spaces for Metro uses in both on- and off-site locations and up to 128 Metro Bike Hub bicycle parking spaces would be provided. Vehicle parking would be provided in both subterranean and above-grade structures, as well as within surface lots. The maximum depth of excavation would be up to approximately 60 feet below ground surface.

Overall, at buildout, the Project would remove 49,111 square feet of existing floor area, retain and relocate on-site the 1,725-square-foot historic Lankershim Depot, and construct 2,207,302 square feet of new floor area, resulting in a net increase of 2,158,191 square feet, and a total of 2,209,027 square feet of floor area within the Project Site on a 15.9 acre site. The Project is anticipated to be constructed in multiple, potentially overlapping phases over a period of approximately 15 years, with full buildout anticipated in 2038. A Specific Plan and Sign District would provide regulations for the development of the Project and an associated signage program.

## **V. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FOUND NOT TO BE SIGNIFICANT OR LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT WITHOUT MITIGATION IN THE INITIAL STUDY**

The Department of City Planning prepared an Initial Study dated June 30, 2020, which is located in Appendix A of the Draft EIR. The Initial Study found the following environmental impacts not to be significant or less than significant without mitigation:

- I. Aesthetics**
  - a. Scenic Vista
  - b. Scenic Resources
  - c. Visual Character
  - d. Light & Glare
- II. Agricultural and Forest Resources**
  - a. Farmland
  - b. Existing Zoning for Agricultural Use
  - c. Forest Land or Timberland Zoning
  - d. Loss or Conversion of Forest Land
  - e. Other Changes in the Existing Environment
- III. Air Quality**
  - d. Objectionable Odors
- IV. Biological Resources**
  - a. Special Status Species
  - b. Riparian Habitat and Wetlands
  - c. Wetlands
  - d. Wildlife Movement
  - e. Local Preservation Policies
  - f. Habitat Conservation Plans
- V. Cultural Resources**
  - c. Human Remains
- VII. Geological and Soils**
  - a.iv. Landslides
  - b. Soil Erosion

- e. Septic Tanks

**IX. Hazards and Hazardous Materials**

- e. Airport Land Use Plans
- g. Wildland Fires

**X. Hydrology and Water Quality**

- a. Water Quality Standards
- b. Groundwater Supplies
- c. Drainage
- d. Flood Hazard
- e. Degrade Water Quality

**XI. Land Use and Planning**

- a. Divide an Established Community

**XII. Mineral Resources**

- a. Loss of Known Mineral Resources
- b. Loss of Mineral Resources Recovery Site

**XIII. Noise**

- c. Airport Land Use Plans; Private Airstrips

**XIII. Population and Housing**

- b. Displacement of Existing Housing or Existing Residents

**XVII. Transportation/Traffic**

- c. Geometric Design

**XIX. Utilities**

- d. Landfill capacity
- e. Solid Waste Regulations

The City has reviewed the record and agrees with the conclusion that the above environmental issues would not be significantly affected by the Project and, therefore, no additional findings are needed. The City ratifies, adopts, and incorporates the analysis, explanation, findings, responses to comments, and conclusions of the Initial Study.

**VI. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FOUND NOT TO BE SIGNIFICANT OR LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT PRIOR TO MITIGATION**

Impacts of the Project that were determined to have no impact or be less than significant in the EIR (including having a less than significant impact, as a result of implementation of project design features and regulatory compliance measures) and that require no mitigation are identified below. The City has reviewed the record and agrees with the conclusion that the following environmental issues would not be significantly affected by the Project and, therefore, no additional findings are needed. The following information does not repeat the full discussions of environmental impacts contained in the EIR. The City ratifies, adopts, and incorporates the analysis, explanation, findings, responses to comments, and conclusions of the EIR.

## 1. Air Quality

### (A) Consistency with Applicable Air Quality Management Plan

As detailed in Section IV.A, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, on pages IV.A-47-58, the Project is consistent with the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP), as well as the applicable City plans and policies. Thus, the Project would not conflict with or obstruct implementation of the AQMP or applicable City policies pertaining to air quality.

### (B) Construction Emissions

#### (i) Construction – Localized Emissions

As discussed in Section IV.A, Air Quality, on pages IV.A-69-71 and Table IV.A-12 of the Draft EIR, the Project would not produce emissions exceeding SCAQMD's recommended localized standards of significance, as shown by Table IV.A-12 of the Draft EIR. As a result, construction of the Project impacts would be less than significant.

#### (ii) Toxic Air Contaminants (TACs)

As discussed in Section IV.A, Air Quality, on pages IV.A-71 of the Draft EIR, construction of the Project would not emit TACs exceeding SCAQMD standards, and therefore, would result in less than significant impacts.

### (C) Operational Emissions

#### (i) Operation – Localized Emissions

As discussed in Section IV.A, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR pages IV.A-71-73 and Table IV.A-13, operation of the Project would not result in an exceedance of SCAQMD localized emissions standards, and therefore, would result in less than significant impacts.

#### (ii) Toxic Air Contaminants

As discussed in Section IV.A, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, on pages IV.A-73-74, operation of the Project would not result in emission of TACs exceeding SCAQMD standards, and therefore, would result in less than significant impacts.

### (D) Concurrent Construction and Operational Local Emissions

Portions of the Project Site would be completed and occupied while construction of the later Project components would be ongoing. Therefore, concurrent construction and operational impacts were evaluated. Based on a review of the Project, the reasonably anticipated maximum concurrent emissions are expected to occur during operation of East and West Lots and Blocks 0, 7, and 8 and construction of Blocks 5/6. This development scenario results in the maximum amount of operational activity in terms of square footage developed on the Project Site, as well as maximum daily activity, while construction is ongoing. As summarized in Table IV.A 14, localized emissions during concurrent operations and construction would not exceed the SCAQMD localized thresholds. Therefore, localized concurrent construction and operational emissions resulting from the Project would result in a less-than-significant air quality impact.

(E) Project Design Features

Project Design Feature AIR-PDF-1, which identifies that electricity from power poles and/or solar generators would be used rather than gas-powered equipment, where feasible, is incorporated into the Project and is incorporated into these Findings as though fully set forth herein. This Project Design Feature would support and promote environmental sustainability and was primarily considered in the analysis of potential greenhouse gas impacts but would also serve to reduce criteria air pollutants.

**2. Energy Use**

As demonstrated in the Energy Section of the Draft EIR, Section IV.C, the Project would not cause wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy during construction or operation. Based on the analysis in Draft EIR Section IV.C, the Project's impacts would not be cumulatively considerable and cumulative energy use impacts are concluded to be less than significant.

**3. Geology and Soils**

(A) Geologic Hazards

As demonstrated in the Geology and Soils Section of the Draft EIR, Section IV.D, with adherence to applicable regulations and any site-specific recommendations set forth in a site-specific geotechnical evaluation, the Project would not result in significant direct or cumulative impacts related to geological and soil conditions. As such, the Project's impacts would be less than significant.

(B) Paleontological Resources

As demonstrated in the Geology and Soils Section of the Draft EIR, Section IV.D, the Project would be subject to the City's standard condition of approval to address the potential for uncovering of paleontological resources. Therefore, the Project would not result in significant direct or cumulative impacts to paleontological resources. As such, the Project's impacts would be less than significant.

**4. Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions**

The significance of the Project's GHG emissions is evaluated consistent with CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.4(b) by considering whether the Project complies with applicable plans, policies, regulations, and requirements adopted to implement a statewide, regional, or local plan for the reduction or mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions. For this Project, as a land use development project, the most directly applicable adopted regulatory plan to reduce GHG emissions is the 2020–2045 RTP/SCS, which is designed to achieve regional GHG reductions from the land use and transportation sectors as required by Senate Bill (SB) 375 and the state's long-term climate goals. The analysis also considers consistency with regulations or requirements adopted by the Assembly Bill (AB) 32 2008 Climate Change Scoping Plan and subsequent updates, and the Sustainable City pLAn/L.A.'s Green New Deal.

As provided in Table IV.E-7 of the Draft EIR, the Project would not conflict with the Climate Change Scoping Plan, which is intended to reduce GHG emissions. In addition, the Project would not conflict with the 2022 GHG Scoping Plan as set forth in Appendix FEIR-4 of

the Final EIR: 2022 GHG Scoping Plan Consistency Analysis. Additionally, as discussed in the Draft EIR, the Project would not conflict with the SCAG 2020-2045 RTP/SCS.

Table IV.E-8 of the Draft EIR provides a discussion of the Project's consistency with applicable GHG-reducing actions from L.A.'s Green New Deal. As discussed therein, the Project would be consistent with the applicable goals and actions of L.A.'s Green New Deal.

For the reasons discussed in Draft EIR Section IV.E, the Project's post-2030 emissions trajectory is expected to follow a declining trend, consistent with the 2030 and 2050 targets and Executive Orders S-3-05 and B-30-15.

Additionally, as shown in Table IV.E-11 of the Draft EIR, when taking into consideration implementation of relevant project design features, as well as the requirements set forth in the City of Los Angeles Green Building Code and full implementation of current state mandates, the Project's GHG emissions in 2035 would be 32,344 MTCO<sub>2e</sub> per year (amortized over 30 years) during construction and 17,521 MTCO<sub>2e</sub> per year during operation, resulting in a combined total of 18,599 MTCO<sub>2e</sub> per year.

As determined in Draft EIR Section IV.E, given the Project's consistency with statewide, regional, and local plans adopted for the purpose of reducing GHG emissions, it is concluded that the Project's incremental contribution to GHG emissions and their effects on climate change would not be cumulatively considerable. For these reasons, the Project's cumulative contribution to global climate change is less than significant.

(A) Project Design Features

Project Design Features GHG-PDF-1 and GHG-PDF-2, which state that the Project would be built to LEED Silver level or equivalent sustainability standards and which limit the number of natural gas fireplaces as residential amenities, are incorporated into the Project and are incorporated into these Findings as though fully set forth herein. These Project Design Features were considered in the analysis of potential impacts.

**5. Hazards and Hazardous Materials - Operations**

As demonstrated in the Hazards and Hazardous Materials Section of the Draft EIR, Section IV.F, Project-level and cumulative impacts related to the release of hazardous materials from Project operations into the environment were determined to be less than significant.

**6. Land Use and Planning**

(A) Conflict with Applicable Goals, Objectives, and Policies Adopted for the Purpose of Avoiding or Mitigating an Environmental Effect

As set forth in detail in Table 1 of Appendix K of the Draft EIR and summarized in Draft EIR Section IV.G, Land Use, the Project would not conflict with applicable goals, objectives, and policies adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect and therefore, impacts are less than significant.

(B) Cumulative Impacts

(i) Physically Divide a Community



As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.G, Land Use, page IV.G-31, there are 34 related projects in the vicinity of the Project Site. As such, and similar to the Project, the proposed construction associated with the related projects would be confined to the related project sites and would not physically divide a community. Cumulative impacts related to the physical division of a community would be less than significant.

(ii) Conflict with Applicable Goals, Objectives, and Policies Adopted for the Purpose of Avoiding or Mitigating an Environmental Effect

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.G, Land Use, page IV.G-31, as with the Project, the related projects would be required to comply with relevant land use policies and regulations. Therefore, as with the Project, the related projects would not conflict with applicable land use plans. Overall, cumulative impacts related to conflict with land use plans would be less than significant.

## 7. Noise

### (A) Operations

#### (i) Operational Noise

As set forth in detail in Draft EIR Section H, Noise, pages IV.H-59 – IV.H-76, and Tables IV.H-17 through IV.H-26, revised in the Final EIR on pages III-50-57, Project operations would not result in the exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the City's General Plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies. Therefore, the Project's operational noise impacts from on- and off-site sources would be less than significant.

#### (ii) Concurrent Construction and Operation

As set forth in detail in Draft EIR Section H, Noise, pages IV.H-76 – IV.H-79, and Tables IV.H-27 through IV.H-28, revised in the Final EIR on pages III-50-57, temporary noise impacts associated with on-site concurrent construction and operation would be less than significant.

#### (iii) Operational Vibration

As set forth in Draft EIR Section H, Noise, page IV.H-102, operation of the Project would not increase the existing vibration levels in the immediate vicinity of the Project Site. As such, vibration impacts associated with operation of the Project would be less than significant.

#### (iv) Cumulative Operational Noise

As detailed in Draft EIR Section H, Noise, pages IV.H-110 – IV.H-111, and the Table H-33, revised in the Final EIR on pages III-50-57, the Project and related projects would not result in the exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of the significance criteria established by the City or in a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the Project Site above levels existing without the Project and the related projects. Therefore, cumulative operational noise impacts from on-site and off-site sources would be less than significant.

(v) Cumulative Operational Vibration

As detailed in Draft EIR Section H, Noise, page IV.H-116, based on the distance of the related projects from the Project Site and the operational vibration levels associated with the Project, cumulative vibration impacts associated with operation of the Project and related projects would be less than significant.

(B) Project-Level & Cumulative Off-Site Construction Vibration (Building Damage)

As detailed in Draft EIR Section H, Noise, pages IV.H-99 – IV.H-101, IV.H-114 – IV.H-115, and Table H-31, construction delivery/haul trucks would travel between the Project Site and the Hollywood Freeway (SR-170) and the Ventura Freeway (SR-134) via Burbank Boulevard (Option A), Lankershim Boulevard (Options A & B), Cumpston Street (Options A & B), Chandler Boulevard (Options A & B), Fair Avenue (Options A and B), Vineland Avenue (Option B), Tujunga Avenue (Option B), Colfax Avenue (Option A), Magnolia Boulevard (Option B), and Riverside Drive (Option B). Heavy-duty construction trucks would generate ground-borne vibration as they travel along the Project's anticipated truck route(s). There are existing buildings along the Project's anticipated truck route, including Burbank Boulevard, Lankershim Boulevard, Cumpston Street, Chandler Boulevard, Fair Avenue, Vineland Avenue, Tujunga Avenue, Colfax Avenue, Magnolia Boulevard, and Riverside Drive, that are situated approximately 20 feet from the right-of-way and would be exposed to ground-borne vibration levels. The estimated vibration generated by construction trucks traveling along the anticipated truck route(s) would be below the most stringent building damage criterion of 0.12 peak particle velocity (PPV) for buildings extremely susceptible to vibration. Therefore, vibration impacts (pursuant to the significance criteria for building damage) from Project level and cumulative off-site construction activities (i.e., construction trucks traveling on public roadways) would be less than significant.

(C) Project Design Features

Project Design Features NOI-PDF-1 through NOI-PDF-6, outline disclosures to the City for construction noise equipment, no use of pile drive systems, shielding of mechanical equipment and loading docks, and standards for outdoor amplified sound, are incorporated into the Project and are incorporated into these Findings as though fully set forth herein. These Project Design Features were considered in the analysis of potential impacts.

## **9. Population and Housing**

(A) Substantial Unplanned Population Growth, Direct and Indirect

As discussed in Chapter IV.I, population and housing impacts related to unplanned population growth would be less than significant.

## **10. Public Services**

(A) Public Services – Fire Protection

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.J.1, Public Services – Fire Protection, pages IV.J.1-20 – IV.J.1-32, Project construction, operation, and cumulative impacts would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities. Therefore,

impacts to fire protection services during Project construction, operation, and in the cumulative condition would be less than significant.

(B) Public Services – Police Protection

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.J.2, Public Services – Police Protection, pages IV.J.2-13 – IV.J.2-24, Project construction, operation, and cumulative impacts would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts. Therefore, impacts to police protection services during Project construction, operation, and in the cumulative condition would be less than significant.

(i) Police Protection – Project Design Features

Project Design Features POL-PDF-1 through POL-PDF-4, regarding temporary fencing during construction, lighting of pedestrian walkways and entrances, and submittal of security plans to the City and Metro, are incorporated into the Project. The Project Design Features were considered in the analysis of potential impacts.

(C) Public Services – Schools

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.J.3, Public Services – Schools, pages IV.J.3-13 through IV.J.3-26, Project construction, operation, and cumulative impacts would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts. Therefore, impacts to schools during Project construction, operation, and in the cumulative condition would be less than significant.

(D) Public Services – Parks and Recreation

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.J.4, Public Services – Parks and Recreation, pages IV.J.4-15 – IV.J.4-25, Project construction, operation, and cumulative impacts would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts. Therefore, impacts to park and recreation facilities during Project construction, operation, and in the cumulative condition would be less than significant.

(E) Public Services – Libraries

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.J.5, Public Services –Libraries, pages IV.J.5-8 – IV.J.5-17, Project construction, operation, and cumulative impacts would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, or the need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts. Therefore, impacts to library facilities during Project construction, operation, and in the cumulative condition would be less than significant.

## **11. Transportation**

### **(A) Program, Plans, Ordinance or Policy**

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.K, Transportation, pages IV.K-31 – IV.K-39, the Project would not conflict with a program, plan, ordinance, or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadway, bicycle, and pedestrian facilities, and therefore impacts were determined to be less than significant.

### **(B) CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.3, subdivision (b)**

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.K, Transportation, pages IV.K-39 – IV.K-43 and Appendix R.1, Transportation Study, Project-level impacts related to VMT were determined to be less than significant.

### **(C) Hazardous Design**

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.K, Transportation, pages IV.K-43 – IV.K-51, the Project would not include any hazardous geometric design features, and therefore impacts were determined to be less than significant.

### **(D) Emergency Access**

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.K, Transportation, pages IV.K-51 – IV.K-53, the Project would not result in inadequate emergency access, and therefore impacts were determined to be less than significant.

### **(E) Cumulative Impacts**

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.K, Transportation, pages IV.K-53 – IV.K-55, the Project's contribution to impacts related to programs, plans, ordinances, or policies; or vehicle miles traveled; or hazardous design; or emergency access would not be cumulatively considerable and cumulative impacts would be less than significant.

### **(F) Project Design Features**

Project Design Feature TR-PDF-1 and TR-PDF-2, for Construction Management Plan and a Transportation Demand Management program, are incorporated into the Project and incorporated into these findings as fully set forth herein. These Project Design Features were considered in the analysis of potential impacts.

## **12. Utilities and Service Systems – Water Supply and Infrastructure**

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.M.1, Utilities and Service Systems – Water Supply and Infrastructure, pages IV.M.1-37 through IV.M.1-52, Appendix T, and Final EIR III, Revisions, Clarifications, and Corrections to the Draft EIR, pages III-55 through III-59, the Project, either during construction, operation, or cumulative condition, would not require or result in the construction of new water facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects. In addition, sufficient water supply is available to serve the Project construction, Project operation, and in the cumulative condition. As such, impacts related to water infrastructure and to water supply would be less than significant.

(A) Project Design Features

Project Design Feature WAT-PDF-1, which identifies the Water Conservation Commitment Letter features, which is incorporated into the Project and incorporated into these findings as fully set forth herein. This Project Design Feature was considered in the analysis of potential impacts.

**14. Utilities and Service Systems - Wastewater**

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.M.2, Utilities and Service Systems – Wastewater, pages IV.M.2-13 – IV.M.2-24, the Project, either during construction, operation, or cumulative condition, would not require or result in the construction of new wastewater facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects. In addition, sufficient wastewater capacity is available to serve the Project construction wastewater demand, Project operation wastewater demand, and in the cumulative condition. As such, impacts related to wastewater infrastructure and to wastewater treatment capacity would be less than significant.

**15. Utilities and Service Systems - Energy Infrastructure**

As set forth in Draft EIR Section IV.M.3, Utilities and Service Systems – Energy Infrastructure, pages IV.M.3-7 – IV.M.3-13, Project construction and operation, including in the cumulative condition, would not require or result in an increase in demand for electricity or natural gas that exceeds available supply or distribution infrastructure capabilities that could result in the construction of new energy facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant effects. Therefore, Project impacts would be less than significant during construction and operation.

**VII. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FOUND TO BE LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT AFTER MITIGATION**

The following impact areas were concluded by the Draft EIR to be less than significant with the implementation of mitigation measures described in the Final EIR. Based on that analysis and other evidence in the administrative record relating to the Project, the City finds and determines that mitigation measures described in the Final EIR reduce potentially significant impacts identified for the following environmental impact categories to below the level of significance. Pursuant to PRC Section 21081, the City finds that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project, which mitigate or avoid each of the following significant effects on the environment.

**1. Air Quality – Construction Emissions (Regional)**

(A) Impact Summary

Project construction has the potential to generate air emissions through the use of heavy-duty construction equipment and vehicle trips by construction workers traveling to and from the Project Site. In addition, fugitive dust emissions would result from demolition and construction activities. Mobile source emissions, primarily nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), would result from the use of construction equipment, such as dozers, loaders, and cranes. During the building finishing phase, paving, and the application of architectural coatings (e.g., paints) would potentially release volatile organic compounds (VOCs). The assessment of construction air quality impacts considers each of these potential sources. Construction emissions can vary

substantially from day to day, depending on the level of activity, the specific type of operation, and, for dust, the prevailing weather conditions.

The emissions levels in Table IV.A-7 of the Draft EIR represent the highest daily emissions projected to occur during each year of construction and take into account overlapping construction phases. As presented in Table IV.A-7, construction-related daily maximum regional construction emissions would exceed SCAQMD daily significance thresholds for VOC and NOx. The regional construction impact would primarily occur from 2023 through 2025 during large concrete pour days with concurrent grading/excavation operations. Therefore, regional construction emissions resulting from the Project would result in a significant short-term impact.

(B) Project Design Features

**Project Design Feature AIR-PDF-1:** Where power poles are available, electricity from power poles and/or solar-powered generators, rather than temporary diesel or gasoline generators, will be used during construction.

(C) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure AIR-MM-1:** Prior to demolition, the Project representative shall submit to the City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety and the South Coast Air Quality Management District a comprehensive inventory of all off road construction equipment, equal to or greater than 50 horsepower, that, with the exception of demolition activities, will be used during any portion of construction. The inventory shall include the horsepower rating, engine production year, and certification of the specified Tier standard. A copy of each unit's certified tier specification, Best Available Control Technology documentation, and California Air Resources Board or South Coast Air Quality Management District operating permit shall be available onsite at the time of mobilization of each applicable unit of equipment to allow the Construction Monitor to compare the on-site equipment with the inventory and certified Tier specification and operating permit. Off road diesel-powered equipment within the construction inventory list described above shall meet the USEPA Tier 4 Final standards.

**Mitigation Measure AIR-MM-2:** The Project representative shall require operator(s)/construction contractor(s) to commit to using 2010 model year or newer engines that meet CARB's 2010 engine emission standards of 0.01 g/brake horsepower (bhp)-hr for particulate matter (PM) and 0.20 g/bhp-hr of NOX emissions or newer, cleaner trucks for haul trucks associated with grading/excavation activities and concrete delivery trucks during concrete mat foundation pours. To monitor and ensure 2010 model year or newer trucks are used at the Project, the Lead Agency shall require that truck operator(s)/construction contractor(s) maintain records of trucks during the applicable construction activities associated with the Project and make these records available during the construction process and to the Lead Agency upon request.

(D) Finding

Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(1), the City finds that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project which mitigate or avoid the significant effects on the environment and pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(2) that such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been, or can or should be, adopted by that other agency.

(E) Rationale for Finding

Implementation of the mitigation measures described above would reduce construction emissions below SCAQMD threshold levels. Table IV.A-10 on page IV.A-66 provides the peak daily mitigated regional emissions by construction year. As presented in Table IV.A-10, with full implementation of Mitigation Measures AIR-MM-1 and AIR-MM-2, peak daily regional NOx emissions would be reduced below the SCAQMD regional threshold of 100 pounds per day. As such, Project construction would result in a less-than-significant Project-level and cumulative regional impacts with incorporation of feasible mitigation measures. The City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

(F) Reference

Section IV.A, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, as well as Appendix C (Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions).

## **2. Cultural Resources – Archaeological Resources**

(A) Impact Summary

As discussed in the Draft EIR, Section IV.B, Cultural Resources, a limited site survey was conducted, in addition to a search of the Native American Heritage Commission's (NAHC's) Sacred Lands File (SLF) and South Central Coastal Information Center (SCCIC) records. Results of the survey and records searches yielded no Native American resources, but did result in records of archaeological resources on the Project Site or directly adjacent to it. The Project would require excavations to depths of up to 60 feet below grade for construction of the subterranean parking levels, and therefore, the Project could potentially disturb previously unidentified archaeological resources, if present. As such, construction activities associated with the Project could result in substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5, which is a potentially significant impact.

(B) Project Design Features

No project design features are applicable.

(C) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-4:** All construction personnel and monitors who are not trained archaeologists or Tribal Cultural experts shall be briefed regarding unanticipated archaeological or Tribal Cultural discoveries prior to the start of any excavation and grading activities. A basic PowerPoint presentation or handout shall be prepared to inform all personnel working on the Project about the archaeological and Tribal Cultural sensitivity of the area. The purpose of this Workers Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) training is to provide specific details on the kinds of archaeological and Tribal Cultural materials that may be identified during excavation and grading activities for the Project and explain the importance of and legal basis for the protection of significant archaeological resources and all Tribal Cultural Resources. Each worker shall also learn the proper procedures to follow in the event that cultural resources, Tribal Cultural Resources, or human remains are uncovered during ground-disturbing activities. These procedures include work curtailment or redirection, and the immediate contact of the site supervisor and archaeological monitor.

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-5:** Prior to any excavation activities, an individual qualified in archaeology and Tribal Cultural Resources (Qualified Archaeologist) shall be retained to monitor initial excavation and grading activities within the Project Site. Initial excavation and grading are defined as initial construction-related earth moving of sediments from their place of deposition. As it pertains to archaeological monitoring, this definition excludes movement of sediments after they have been initially disturbed or displaced by project-related construction. Due to the complex history of development and disturbance in the area, the terminal depth of potential deposits cannot be determined prior to the start of excavation activities. Monitoring will be continued based on the continued potential for cultural deposits based on the characteristics of subsurface sediments encountered. The Qualified Archeologist, meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards, shall oversee and adjust monitoring efforts as needed (increase, decrease, or discontinue monitoring frequency) based on the observed potential for construction activities to encounter cultural deposits or material. The Qualified Archeologist shall be responsible for maintaining daily monitoring logs. Within 60 days following completion of ground disturbance, an archaeological monitoring report shall be prepared and submitted to the City for review. This report shall document compliance with approved mitigation, document the monitoring efforts, and include an appendix with daily monitoring logs. The final report shall be submitted to the SCCIC. In the event that a potential archaeological resource is encountered, the Applicant shall follow the procedures set forth in Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-6. In the event that a potential Tribal Cultural Resource is encountered, the applicant shall instead follow the procedures set forth in Mitigation Measure TCR-MM-1.

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-6:** In the event that historic or prehistoric archaeological resources are unearthed, ground disturbing activities



shall be halted or diverted away from the vicinity of the find so that the find can be evaluated. An appropriate buffer area shall be established by the Qualified Archaeologist in accordance with industry standards, reasonable assumptions regarding the potential for additional discoveries in the vicinity, and safety considerations for those making an evaluation and potential recovery of the discovery. This buffer area shall be established around the find where construction activities shall not be allowed to continue. Work shall be allowed to continue outside of the buffer area. All resources unearthed by Project construction activities shall be evaluated by the Qualified Archaeologist. If a resource is determined by the Qualified Archaeologist to constitute a "historical resource" pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5(a) or a "unique archaeological resource" pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21083.2(g), the Qualified Archaeologist shall coordinate with the Applicant and the City to develop a formal treatment plan that would serve to reduce impacts to the resource. The treatment plan established for the resource shall be in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5(f) for historical resources and Public Resources Code Sections 21083.2(b) for unique archaeological resources. Preservation in place (i.e., avoidance) is the preferred manner of treatment. If, in coordination with the City, it is determined that preservation in place is not feasible, appropriate treatment of the resource shall be developed by the Qualified Archaeologist in coordination with the City and may include implementation of archaeological data recovery excavations to remove the resource along with subsequent laboratory processing and analysis. Any archaeological material collected shall be curated at a public, non-profit institution with a research interest in the materials, if such an institution agrees to accept the material. If no institution accepts the archaeological material, they shall be donated to a local school or historical society in the area for educational purposes.

#### (D) Finding

Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(1), the City finds that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project which mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment, and pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(2) that such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been, or can or should be, adopted by that other agency. .

#### (E) Rationale for Finding

The City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

As set forth in Mitigation Measures CUL-MM-4 through CUL-MM-6, a Qualified Archaeologist shall be retained to perform periodic inspections of excavation and grading activities of the

Project Site. In the event archaeological resources are encountered, the archaeologist shall be allowed to temporarily divert or redirect grading and excavation activities in the area of the exposed material to facilitate evaluation and, if necessary, salvage. Therefore, implementation of Mitigation Measures CUL-MM-4 through CUL-MM-6 would ensure that any potential impacts related to archaeological resources would be less than significant.

With regard to potential cumulative impacts related to archaeological resources, the Project and the related projects are located within an urbanized area that has been disturbed and developed over time. In the event that archaeological resources are uncovered, each related project would be required to comply with applicable regulatory requirements. In addition, as part of the environmental review processes for the related projects, it is expected that mitigation measures would be established as necessary to address the potential for uncovering archaeological resources. Therefore, cumulative impacts to archaeological resources would be less than significant and would not be cumulatively considerable.

(F) Reference

Section IV.B, Cultural Resources, of the Draft EIR, as well as Cultural Resources Survey and Extended Phase I Report for the District NoHo Project (Archaeological Report) prepared by Dudek in November 2021, and included in Appendix E of the Draft EIR.

**3. Hazards and Hazardous Materials – Construction**

(A) Impact Summary

Based on the Recognized Environmental Conditions (RECs) primarily associated with previous uses within the Project Site, a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment was performed to confirm the presence of these RECs (see Appendix J.3 of the Draft EIR). As discussed therein, arsenic was detected at elevated levels at one boring location; lead and zinc were detected at elevated levels at one boring location; and although significant VOC concentrations were not detected in soil samples, results of the soil gas survey indicate that PCE-impacted soil is likely present on the Project Site. Soil gas samples also exceeded Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) screening levels for residential uses and increased at depth. No RECs were identified on the East Lot, but one REC was identified on the West Lot consisting of two signs indicating the presence of contaminated soil. While construction activities would occur in accordance with regulatory requirements, and ground disturbance associated with site clearance, excavation, and grading activities during construction would be required to comply with relevant and applicable federal, state, and local regulations and requirements; the presence of contaminated soil and soil gas beneath the Project Site could exacerbate risk of upset and accident conditions associated with the release of hazardous materials into the environment. In addition, because the potential for residual contamination exists and previously unknown or unidentified underground storage tanks (USTs) may be located on-site, the Project could exacerbate risk of upset and accident conditions associated with the release of hazardous materials into the environment.

(B) Project Design Features

No project design features are applicable.

(C) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure HAZ-MM-1: Soil Management Plan**—The Applicant shall retain a qualified environmental consultant to prepare a Soil Management Plan for Contaminated Soils (SMP) which shall be prepared with input from Los Angeles County Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA), County of Los Angeles Fire Department Health and Hazardous Materials Division (HHMD) Site Mitigation Unit (SMU). The SMP shall be submitted to the City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety for review and approval prior to the commencement of soil disturbance activities. Potential subsurface contamination likely to be encountered during excavation activities includes metals, PCE (a volatile organic compound [VOC]) or other VOCs. The SMP shall be written such that it can be implemented sitewide or by block. The SMP shall be implemented during soil disturbance activities on each block to ensure that contaminated soils are properly identified, excavated, managed and transported and disposed of off-site.

Elements of the SMP shall include:

- A qualified environmental consultant shall be present on the Project Site at the start of soil disturbance activities (e.g., clearing, grubbing, pavement/asphalt removal, building foundation and other below ground structure removal, excavation, grading, etc.) in the known or suspected locations of contaminated soils and shall be on call at other times as necessary, to monitor compliance with the SMP and to actively monitor the soils and excavations for evidence of contamination (primarily VOCs, which includes PCE, and metals).
- Soil monitoring during soil disturbance, including visual observation (soil staining), representative sampling via a photo ionization detector, and/or VOC monitoring.
- The SMP shall require the timely testing and sampling of soils so that VOC-contaminated soils can be separated from inert soils for proper disposal. The SMP shall specify the testing parameters and sampling frequency. Routine testing includes VOCs and metals. The qualified environmental consultant shall have authority to request additional testing including, but not limited to, total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) based on visual observation, the presence of odors, or other factors.
- During excavation, if soil is stockpiled prior to disposal, it shall be managed in accordance with the Project's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), prior to transportation for treatment and/or disposal.
- To ensure appropriate containment of excavated soil or demolition debris/materials that exceed state or federal hazardous waste criteria, such materials shall be placed in containers with closures that are properly secured and lined, as appropriate, or wrapped and enclosed by tarps and transported by licensed hazardous waste haulers and disposed of at a licensed hazardous waste management facility approved for the specific disposed hazardous materials.

- During excavation, soils identified as VOC-contaminated shall be sprayed with water or another approved vapor suppressant or covered with sheeting and securely anchored during periods of inactivity of greater than an hour to prevent contaminated soils from becoming airborne.
- Dust suppression shall be used for any active or inactive stockpile known or suspected to contain contaminants, including metals, above state or federal hazardous waste limits. Active and inactive excavations and stockpiles of soil shall be kept visibly moist by water spray, treated with a vapor suppressant, or covered with a continuous heavy-duty plastic sheeting (4 mm or greater) or other covering. The covering shall be overlapped at the seams and securely anchored.
- The qualified environmental consultant shall perform weekly inspections of all waste (drums and bulk) to document that waste is being managed in accordance with the SMP. Inspection records shall be maintained on-site and shall be made available upon request.

**Mitigation Measure HAZ-MM-2:** Prior to construction, a limited soil investigation of the soil bordering the West Lot to the south shall be performed. Any identified contamination shall be remediated in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations and, if necessary, in accordance with Mitigation Measure HAZ-MM-1.

**Mitigation Measure HAZ-MM-3:** The West Lot shall be developed in accordance with the City of Los Angeles' Methane Ordinance (LAMC Chapter IX, Article 1, Division 71, Section 91.7103), which Metro shall implement and enforce through its standard permitting procedures.

(D) Finding

Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(1), the City finds that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project which mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment and pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(2) that such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been, or can or should be, adopted by that other agency.

(E) Rationale for Finding

Mitigation Measures HAZ-MM-1-HAZ-MM-3 would ensure that impacts related to hazardous materials would be precluded, and that activities that are outside the scope of the City's police powers, such as Metro self-permitting authorities, would be conducted in accordance with the analysis and Mitigation Measures in the District NoHo DEIR. By requiring a Soil Management Plan as part of HAZ-MM-1, Project activities would comply with expert recommendations for hazards, detected or encountered, on site. Mitigation Measures HAZ-MM-2 and HAZ-MM-3 related to possible Metro activity on sites identified to contain possible hazards in soil samples. With the implementation of Mitigation Measures HAZ-MM-1-HAZ-MM-3, impacts related to the release of hazardous materials into the environment would be reduced to a less than significant level.

The City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction

takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

(F) Reference

Section IV.F, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, of the Draft EIR, as well as NoHo Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, March 2020 (Appendix J.1 of the Draft EIR), Metro Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, May 2022 (Revised Appendix J.2 of the Final EIR), Phase II Environmental Site Assessment, May 2020 (Appendix J.3 of the Draft EIR) and Mitigation Memo, January 2022 (Appendix J.4 of the Draft EIR).

**4. Noise - Project-Level On-Site Construction Vibration (Building Damage)**

(A) Impact Summary

With regard to potential building damage, the Project would generate ground-borne construction vibration during building demolition and site excavation/grading activities when heavy construction equipment, such as large bulldozers, drill rigs, and loaded trucks, would be used. There is one historic structure (Lankershim Depot) located on the Project Site and six historic structures located in the Project vicinity (i.e., Security Trust and Savings Bank, Angelino Valley Mortuary, United States Post Office, Fire Station #60, Air Raid Siren #210, and El Portal Theater). The Lankershim Depot would be relocated on the site during the initial Block 0 construction (e.g., demolition and grading phase). Once the Lankershim Depot is relocated, it would be exposed to vibration associated with construction activities within Block 0 West. As indicated in Table IV.H-31 on page IV.H-97 of the Draft EIR, the estimated vibration levels from the construction equipment would be below the 0.3-PPV building damage significance criterion for the existing commercial and residential buildings on the north side of Cumpston Street and the commercial buildings along Tujunga Avenue and Chandler Boulevard (west of Tujunga Avenue) and the 0.5-PPV building damage significance criterion for the four-story residential buildings along Fair Avenue, Cumpston Street, Chandler Boulevard, and Lankershim Boulevard. The estimated vibration levels would exceed the 0.12-PPV significance criterion for the Lankershim Depot (within Block 0 West), and the Security Trust and Savings Bank building located at 5301 Lankershim Boulevard (adjacent to the Project Block 8). Therefore, the on-site vibration impacts during construction of the Project, pursuant to the significance criteria for building damage at the Lankershim Depot and Security Trust and Savings Bank, would be significant without mitigation measures.

(B) Project Design Features

**Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-1:** During plan check for each phase of the Project, the contractor will provide a statement to the City indicating their power construction equipment (including combustion engines), fixed or mobile, will be equipped with state-of-the-art noise shielding and muffling devices (consistent with manufacturers' standards). The statement will further indicate that the equipment will be properly maintained to assure that no additional noise, due to worn or improperly maintained parts, would be generated.

**Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-2:** Project construction will not include the use of driven (impact) pile systems.

(C) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure NOI-MM-2:** Prior to any construction activities involving vibration on Block 0 West or Block 8, the Applicant shall retain the services of a qualified structural engineer or qualified professional building engineer to visit the Lankershim Depot (after it is relocated to the future location) and the Security Trust and Savings Bank building adjacent to the Project Site (Block 8) to inspect and document the apparent physical condition of the building's readily-visible features (i.e., any cracks or damage). In addition, the structural engineer shall survey the existing foundations and other structural aspects of the Security Trust and Savings Bank and provide a shoring design to protect the building from potential damage. Pot holing, ground penetrating radar, or other similar methods of determining the below grade conditions on the Project Site and the Security Trust and Savings Bank may be necessary to establish baseline conditions and prepare the shoring design. The shoring design shall specify threshold limits for vibration causing activities.

The qualified structural engineer shall hold a valid license to practice structural engineering in the State of California and have extensive demonstrated experience specific to rehabilitating historic buildings and applying the Secretary of the Interior's Standards to such projects. The City shall determine qualification prior to any work being performed. The qualified structural engineer shall submit to the lead agency a pre-construction survey that establishes baseline conditions to be monitored during construction, prior to issuance of any permit for the Project on Block 0 West or Block 8.

Prior to construction activities, the Applicant shall retain the services of a qualified acoustical engineer to review proposed construction equipment and develop and implement a vibration monitoring program capable of documenting the construction-related ground vibration levels at the Lankershim Depot and the Security Trust and Savings Bank building during demolition and grading/excavation phases.

The vibration monitoring system shall continuously measure and store the PPV in inch/second. The system shall also be programmed for two preset velocity levels: a warning level of 0.10-PPV and a regulatory level of 0.12-PPV. The system shall also provide real-time alert when the vibration levels exceed the warning level.

In the event the warning level (0.10-PPV) is triggered, the contractor shall identify the source of vibration generation, halt construction in the immediate vicinity, and provide technologically feasible steps to reduce the vibration level, including, but not limited to, staggering concurrent activities, utilizing lower vibratory techniques, and limiting high vibration generating equipment (i.e., large bulldozer, drill rig and loaded truck) operating within 20 feet of the building.

In the event the regulatory level (0.12-PPV) is triggered, the contractor shall halt construction activities in the vicinity of the building and visually inspect the building for any damage (by a qualified structural engineer). Results of the inspection must be logged. The contractor shall identify the source of vibration generation and provide technologically feasible steps to reduce the vibration level. Construction activities may then restart.

At the conclusion of vibration-causing construction, the qualified structural engineer shall issue a follow-up letter describing damage, if any, to immediately adjacent historic buildings and recommendations for repair, as may be necessary, in conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. Repairs to immediately adjacent historic buildings shall be undertaken and completed in conformance with all applicable codes, including the California Historical Building Code (Part 8 of Title 24).

(D) Finding

Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(1), the City finds that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project which mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment and pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(2) such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been, or can or should be, adopted by that other agency.

(E) Rationale for Finding

Implementation of Mitigation Measure NOI-MM-2 would ensure the vibration levels at the exterior of the Security Trust and Savings Bank building adjacent to the Project Site (Block 8) would not exceed the significance criterion of 0.12-PPV. Therefore, vibration impacts associated with the on-site construction activities would be reduced to a less-than-significant level.

The City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

(F) Reference

Section IV.H, Noise, of the Draft EIR, as well as Appendix L, Noise and Vibration Calculation Worksheets, of the Draft EIR.

## 5. Tribal Cultural Resources

(A) Impact Summary

The Project would include excavations to a maximum depth of approximately 60 feet below ground surface (bgs), which would extend below the existing fill at the Project Site, and these excavations could potentially encounter and affect any potential unknown subsurface Tribal Cultural Resources (TCRs) that may be present at the Project Site. Despite the low likelihood of resources on Project Site, out of an abundance of caution, mitigation measures related to TCRs are included in the event that such a resource is discovered.

(B) Project Design Features

No project design features are applicable.

(C) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure TCR-MM-1:** In the event that objects or artifacts that may be tribal cultural resources are encountered during the course of any ground disturbance activities (i.e., excavating, digging, trenching, plowing, drilling, tunneling, quarrying, grading, leveling, removing peat, clearing, driving posts, augering, backfilling, blasting, stripping topsoil, or a similar activity), all such activities shall temporarily cease in the immediate vicinity of the potential resource until the potential tribal cultural resources are properly assessed and addressed pursuant to the process set forth below:

- Upon a discovery of a potential tribal cultural resource, the Applicant shall immediately stop all ground disturbance activities in the immediate vicinity of the potential resource and contact the following:
  1. all California Native American tribes that have informed the City they are traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of the proposed project (including but not limited to the Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians and Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians);
  2. and the Department of City Planning at (213) 473-9723.
- If the City determines, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21074 (a)(2), that the object or artifact appears to be tribal cultural resource, the City shall provide any affected tribe a reasonable period of time, not less than 14 days, to conduct a site visit and make recommendations to the Applicant and the City regarding the monitoring of future ground disturbance activities, as well as the treatment and disposition of any discovered tribal cultural resources.
- If any tribe recommends monitoring of future ground disturbances, and such monitoring is determined to be reasonable and feasible, a culturally affiliated tribal monitor shall be retained by the City at the Applicant's expense, in addition to the archaeological cultural monitoring that is separately required pursuant to Mitigation Measure CUL MM 5.

The qualified archaeologist identified in Mitigation Measure CUL MM 5 and the culturally affiliated tribal monitor shall determine if the tribal recommendations are reasonable and feasible, at which point the Applicant shall implement the recommendations, in addition to the measures below.

The Applicant shall submit a tribal cultural resource monitoring plan to the City that includes all recommendations from the City and any affected tribes that have been reviewed and determined by the qualified archaeologist and by a culturally affiliated tribal monitor to be reasonable and feasible. The Applicant shall not be allowed to recommence ground disturbance activities in the immediate vicinity of the potential resource and any radius identified in the tribal or City recommendations until this plan is approved by the City.

If the Applicant does not accept a particular recommendation determined to be reasonable and feasible by the qualified archaeologist or by a culturally



affiliated tribal monitor, the Applicant may request mediation by a mediator agreed to by the Applicant and the City who has the requisite professional qualifications and experience to mediate such a dispute. The Applicant shall pay any costs associated with the mediation.

The Applicant may recommence ground disturbance activities outside of a specified radius of the discovery site, so long as this radius has been reviewed by the qualified archaeologist and by a culturally affiliated tribal monitor and determined to be reasonable and appropriate.

Copies of any subsequent prehistoric archaeological study, tribal cultural resources study or report, detailing the nature of any significant tribal cultural resources, remedial actions taken, and disposition of any significant tribal cultural resources shall be submitted to the South Central Coastal Information Center (SCCIC) at California State University, Fullerton.

Notwithstanding the above, any information determined to be confidential in nature, by the City Attorney's office, shall be excluded from submission to the SCCIC or the general public under the applicable provisions of the California Public Records Act, California Public Resources Code, and shall comply with the City's AB 52 Confidentiality Protocols

(D) Finding

Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(1), the City finds that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project which mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment and pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(2) such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been, or can or should be, adopted by that other agency.

(E) Rationale for Finding

As a result of Project excavations to a maximum depth of approximately 60 feet below ground surface, which would extend below the existing fill at the Project Site and potentially encounter and affect any potential unknown subsurface TCRs that may be present at the Project Site, out of an abundance of caution, mitigation measures related to TCRs are included in the event that such a resource is discovered. Mitigation Measures identified in Section IV.B, Cultural Resources, of the Draft EIR, include language which also considers potential TCR impacts. Specifically, CUL-MM-4 includes a worker training program that covers tribal cultural resources, in addition to cultural resources, as part of the training program. CUL-MM-5 implements monitoring for Cultural Resources and requires the monitor to be a qualified tribal cultural expert capable of monitoring the site and identifying any potential resources. Finally, in the event that a resource is uncovered and is identified as a potential tribal cultural resource, CUL-MM-6 requires that the procedures set forth below under Tribal Cultural Resources Mitigation Measure TCR-MM-1 be followed. TCR-MM-1 sets forth standard procedures were a resource to be discovered on-site as part of construction activities. Should a potential TCR be inadvertently encountered during Project excavation and grading activities, TCR-MM-1 requires for temporarily halting of construction activities near the encounter and notifying the City and the Native American tribes that have informed the City they are traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of the proposed Project. If the City determines that a potential resource appears to be a TCR (as defined by PRC Section 21074), the City would provide any affected tribe a reasonable period of time to conduct a site visit and make recommendations

regarding the monitoring of future ground disturbance activities, as well as the treatment and disposition of any discovered tribal cultural resources. The Applicant would then implement the tribe's recommendations if a Qualified Archaeologist reasonably concludes that the tribe's recommendations are reasonable and feasible. The recommendations would then be incorporated into a TCR monitoring plan and once the plan is approved by the City, ground disturbance activities could re-commence. Additionally, as part of the consultation process, the Fernandefio Tataviam Band of Mission Indians requested to be consulted in the event TCRs are encountered during construction. The City has included a provision in TCR-MM-1 to consult further with both the Fernandefio Tataviam Band of Mission Indians and Kizh Nation in the event TCRs are encountered. Through TCR-MM-1, all activities would be conducted in accordance with regulatory requirements.

The City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

(F) Reference

Section IV.L, Tribal Cultural Resources, of the Draft EIR, as well as the Tribal Cultural Resources Report, March 2022 (Appendix S of the Draft EIR).

## **VIII. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FOUND TO BE SIGNIFICANT EVEN AFTER MITIGATION**

The following impact areas were concluded by the Final EIR to remain significant and unavoidable following implementation of all feasible mitigation measures described in the Final EIR. Consequently, in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15093, a Statement of Overriding Considerations has been prepared (see Section XI of these Findings). No additional environmental impacts other than those identified below will have a significant effect or result in a substantial or potentially substantial adverse effect on the environment as a result of the construction or operation of the project. The City finds and determines that:

- a) All significant environmental impacts that can be feasibly avoided have been eliminated, or substantially lessened through implementation of the project design features and/or mitigation measures; and
- b) Based on the Final EIR, the Statement of Overriding Considerations set forth below, and other documents and information in the record with respect to the construction and operation of the project, all remaining unavoidable significant impacts, as set forth in these findings, are overridden by the benefits of the project as described in the Statement of Overriding Considerations for the construction and operation of the project and implementing actions.

### **1. Air Quality**

(A) Impact Summary

(i) Operations – Regional Emissions

Table IV.A-8 on page IV.A-63 of the Draft EIR provides Project operational emissions with incorporation of project design features. As shown in Table IV.A-8, regional emissions resulting from operation of the Project would exceed SCAQMD's daily regional operational threshold for NOx. The NOx regional operational impact is primarily from vehicular trips to and from the Project Site. Therefore, regional operational emissions resulting from the Project would result in a significant impact. Further, mitigation measures would not reduce impacts to less than significant. Therefore, impacts would remain significant and unavoidable after implementation of feasible mitigation.

(ii) Concurrent Construction and Operational Regional Emissions

Portions of the Project Site would be completed and occupied while construction of the later Project components would be ongoing. Therefore, concurrent construction and operational impacts were evaluated. Based on a review of the Project, the reasonably anticipated maximum concurrent emissions are expected to occur in Year 2025 during operation of East and West Lots and Blocks 0, 7, and 8, and construction of Blocks 5/6. This development scenario results in the maximum amount of operational activity in terms of square footage developed on the Project Site and resultant daily vehicle trips. It also assumes maximum daily activity (i.e., peak on-site heavy-duty construction equipment usage and haul truck trips) occurring during construction of Blocks 5/6. As summarized in Table IV.A-9 on page IV.A-64 of the Draft EIR, regional emissions of NOx during concurrent construction and operation would exceed the SCAQMD regional operational threshold. Therefore, regional concurrent construction and operational emissions of NOx resulting from the Project would result in a significant impact. Further, mitigation measures would not reduce impacts to less than significant. Therefore, impacts would remain significant and unavoidable after implementation of feasible mitigation.

(B) Project Design Features

**Project Design Feature AIR-PDF-1:** Where power poles are available, electricity from power poles and/or solar powered generators rather than temporary diesel or gasoline generators will be used during construction.

(C) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure AIR-MM-1:** Prior to demolition, the Project representative shall submit to the City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety and the South Coast Air Quality Management District a comprehensive inventory of all off road construction equipment, equal to or greater than 50 horsepower, that with the exception of demolition activities will be used during any portion of construction. The inventory shall include the horsepower rating, engine production year, and certification of the specified Tier standard. A copy of each unit's certified tier specification, Best Available Control Technology documentation, and California Air Resources Board or South Coast Air Quality Management District operating permit shall be available onsite at the time of mobilization of each applicable unit of equipment to allow the Construction Monitor to compare the on-site equipment with the inventory and certified Tier specification and operating permit. Off road diesel-powered equipment within the construction inventory list described above shall meet the USEPA Tier 4 Final standards.

**Mitigation Measure AIR-MM-2:** The Project representative shall require operator(s)/construction contractor(s) to commit to using 2010 model year or newer engines that meet CARB's 2010 engine emission standards of 0.01 g/brake horsepower (bhp)-hr for particulate matter (PM) and 0.20 g/bhp-hr of NOX emissions or newer, cleaner trucks for haul trucks associated with grading/excavation activities and concrete delivery trucks during concrete mat foundation pours. To monitor and ensure 2010 model year or newer trucks are used at the Project, the Lead Agency shall require that truck operator(s)/construction contractor(s) maintain records of trucks during the applicable construction activities associated with the Project and make these records available during the construction process and to the Lead Agency upon request.

(D) Finding

(i) Operations – Regional Emissions

Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(1), the City finds that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project which mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment. Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(2), the City also finds that such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been, or can or should be, adopted by that other agency. Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(3), the City also finds that specific economic, legal, social, technological, other considerations, including considerations for the provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or alternatives identified in the EIR.

(ii) Concurrent Construction and Operational Regional Emissions

Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(1), the City finds that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project which mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment. Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(2), the City also finds that such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been, or can or should be, adopted by that other agency. Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(3), the City also finds that specific economic, legal, social, technological, other considerations, including considerations for the provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or alternatives identified in the EIR.

(E) Rationale for Finding

(i) Operations – Regional Emissions

As shown in Table IV.A-8 on page IV.A-63 of the Draft EIR, the NOx regional operational impact is primarily from vehicular trips to and from the Project Site (VMT) or approximately 83 percent of operational emissions. The Project is a Transit Oriented Development (TOD) located within a TPA. It is located adjacent to a major public transit hub, including a stop for the Metro B (Red) Line and G (Orange) Line stations, and would develop uses, including housing, office, retail, and open space, in one location which would reduce daily trips and VMT. In addition, the Project also would incorporate project design features, such as Project Design Feature AIR-PDF-1, to support and promote environmental sustainability, as well as those discussed in Section IV.E, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, of the Draft EIR. While these features are designed

primarily to reduce GHG emissions, they would also serve to reduce the criteria air pollutants. Furthermore, the estimated emissions also include implementation of a Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program that would include providing carpool/vanpool loading areas, reduced parking supply, secure bicycle parking, and pedestrian network improvements. As shown in Appendix C-3.2, these measures would reduce operational VOC emissions by 17 percent, NO<sub>x</sub> emissions by 46 percent, CO emissions by 29 percent, PM<sub>10</sub> by approximately 42 percent, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> by approximately 42 percent.

As shown in Table IV.A-11 on page IV.A-68 of the Draft EIR, with the incorporation of all feasible mitigation measures, the operational NO<sub>x</sub> emissions still would exceed SCAQMD thresholds. Feasible measures were included to reduce Project-related VMT, which would result in a 41-percent reduction in VMT. As the maximum TDM reductions possible were taken, there are no other feasible measures to reduce NO<sub>x</sub> emissions.

The City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

The City further finds above that specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations make infeasible additional mitigation measures that would reduce impacts further, as technological limitations preclude the City from implementing such measures.

Therefore, Project operations would result in significant and unavoidable Project-level and cumulative impacts with respect to regional NO<sub>x</sub> air quality even with incorporation of all feasible mitigation measures. As such, the Project would result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of a criteria pollutant (NO<sub>2</sub> as NO<sub>x</sub>) for which the Project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard.

(ii) Concurrent Construction and Operational Regional Emissions

Implementation of Mitigation Measures AIR-MM-1 and AIR-MM-2 would reduce construction emissions for all pollutants. Table IV.A-11 provides the mitigated regional emissions during concurrent operations and construction. As presented in Table IV.A-11, with full implementation of Mitigation Measures AIR-MM-1 and AIR-MM-2, peak daily regional emissions of NO<sub>x</sub> would exceed the SCAQMD regional threshold.

The City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

The City further finds above that specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations make infeasible additional mitigation measures that would reduce impacts further, as technological limitations preclude the City from implementing such measures.

As such, concurrent Project construction and operations would result in significant and unavoidable Project-level and cumulative regional impacts even with incorporation of all feasible mitigation measures.

(F) Reference

Section IV.A, Air Quality, of the Draft EIR, as well as the Appendix C, Technical Appendix for Air Quality and Greenhouse Emission, of the Draft EIR.

## 2. Cultural Resources – Historic Resources

(A) Impact Summary

The only historic resource within the Project Site is the Lankershim Depot. However, the Project could also potentially impact the Security Trust and Savings Bank, which is adjacent to the Project Site. Additional historic resources in the vicinity are located at a greater distance from the Project Site and would not be impacted by the Project. Relocation of the Lankershim Depot within the Project Site approximately 44-feet to the west and 2.5-feet to the south to accommodate expansion and consolidation of transit services would have a direct impact on its location, setting, and association, resulting in a significant impact. The Project would implement Mitigation Measures CUL-MM-1 through CUL-MM-3 and NOI-MM-2 to mitigate direct impacts to the Lankershim Depot to the extent possible. Mitigation Measure NOI-MM-2 discussed in Section IV.H, Noise, of the Draft EIR, would fully mitigate direct impacts to the Security Trust and Savings Bank. However, direct impacts to the Lankershim Depot would remain significant and unavoidable because the relationship to the intersection of Lankershim and Chandler Boulevards would be lost. Indirect impacts to historic resources would be less than significant without mitigation.

(B) Project Design Features

No project design features are applicable.

(C) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-1:** Conformance with the Secretary's Standards—Prior to commencement of construction on Block 0, as approved by Metro, the developer shall engage an architectural historian or historic architect meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards (Architectural Historian) to ensure the Lankershim Depot is relocated in conformance with the Secretary's Standards and guidance provided in *Moving Historic Buildings* by John Obed Curtis (National Park Service, 1979). The Architectural Historian shall review all aspects associated with the relocation, including building preparation and stabilization, the proposed method of moving the building, receiver site preparation, and rehabilitation at the receiver site. The Architectural Historian shall also consider plans for the historic landscaped plaza to ensure they conform with the Secretary's Standards, specifically Standard 9 that states that "new work will be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials and features." Once details of the relocation, rehabilitation, and landscaped plaza have been finalized, the architectural historian shall prepare a report reviewing the relocation and rehabilitation of the Depot and

landscaped plaza for conformance with the Secretary's Standards, submitted to the City of Los Angeles Office of Historic Resources for concurrence. After work is complete, the Architectural Historian shall document, through photographs, that work was completed in conformance with the approved report. Photographic documentation shall be submitted to the City of Los Angeles Office of Historic Resources.

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-2:** Documentation—Prior to commencement of construction on Block 0, as approved by Metro, the Applicant shall engage a professional architectural photographer and an architectural historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards (Architectural Historian) to implement Historic American Building Survey (HABS) Level II documentation of the current status of the Lankershim Depot and its setting consisting of both photographs and a written narrative. The Architectural Historian shall direct the photographer to take images and no fewer than 15 photographs shall be used to document the current status of the Depot and its setting. The photographs shall be large format, 4 inch by 5 inch, black-and-white negatives (two sets), contact prints (one set), and 8 inch by 10 inch prints (two sets). All shall be archivally processed, and prints shall be made on fiber-based paper. Two original negatives shall be made at the time the photographs are taken. One set of negatives shall travel with a set of contact prints to the National Park Service for entry into the HABS collection in the Library of Congress; the second set of negatives shall be transmitted to the Los Angeles Public Library, along with one set of 8 inch by 10 inch prints. The written narrative shall reformat the information contained in this report and be transmitted to the repositories named. The draft documentation shall be assembled by the Architectural Historian and submitted to the City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning or designee for review and approval prior to submittal to the repositories. The City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning or designee shall accept the final documentation prior to relocation of the Lankershim Depot.

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-3:** Interpretive Design—The Applicant shall prepare and implement a site-specific, art-in-public-places program on Block 0 that illustrates and interprets the important history of the Lankershim Depot to the development of North Hollywood. The public art program shall include feature(s) that are lasting and permanent and shall be integrated into the new architecture and/or new landscape features of the Project, to the maximum extent feasible, thus ensuring its longevity, and shall be accessible by all members of the public. While the public art program may incorporate a plaque or interpretative panel or display, the program overall shall include features that are of a size, scale, and design in relation to the architecture and/or landscape features that it can be immediately viewed, recognized, and appreciated at a distance, where the text or images on a plaque or interpretive panel or display may not be legible while maintaining a scale compatible with the Lankershim Depot. Content and design of the public art shall be created by an artist, in collaboration with the selected art consultant, a representative from Metro, and the architectural historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards to ensure that the art-in-public-places program on Block 0 accurately interprets the history of the site. Installation of art elements shall be completed no more than one year after relocation and rehabilitation of the Lankershim Depot. Prior to commencement of construction on Block 0, as approved by Metro, a budget will

be established for the public art that will be sufficient to cover design fees and fabrication.

(D) Finding

Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(1), the City finds that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project which mitigate or potential significant effects on the environment. Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(2), the City also finds that such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the agency making the finding. Such changes have been, or can or should be, adopted by that other agency. Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(3), the City also finds that specific economic, legal, social, technological, other considerations, including considerations for the provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or alternatives identified in the EIR.

(E) Rational for Finding

The City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and the activity that results in an impact takes place entirely under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

Mitigation Measures CUL-MM-1 through CUL-MM-3 would mitigate direct impacts to the Lankershim Depot to the extent possible. Mitigation Measure NOI-MM-2 discussed in Section IV.H, Noise, of the Draft EIR, would fully mitigate direct impacts to the Lankershim Depot and Security Trust and Savings Bank. As discussed in the Draft EIR, Section IV.B, Cultural Resources indirect impacts to historic resources would be less than significant without mitigation. However, direct impacts to the Lankershim Depot would remain significant and unavoidable because the relationship to the intersection of Lankershim and Chandler Boulevards would be lost. Accordingly, the City finds above that, despite incorporation of Mitigation Measures, that economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, make infeasible mitigation measures that would reduce impacts to less than significant.

(F) Reference

Section IV.B, Cultural Resources, of the Draft EIR, as well as the Appendix D, Cultural Resources Technical Appendix, December 2020, of the Draft EIR.

### 3. Noise

(A) Impact Summary

(i) Project-Level On-Site Construction Noise

As detailed in Draft EIR Section H, Noise, pages IV.H-35 through IV.I-46 and Tables IV.H-11-14, noise impacts from Project-related construction activities occurring within or adjacent to the Project Site and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas would be a function of the noise generated by construction equipment, the location of the equipment, the timing and duration of



the noise-generating construction activities, and the relative distance to noise-sensitive receptors.

As provided in Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-1, construction equipment would have proper noise muffling devices per the manufacturers' standards. Individual pieces of construction equipment anticipated to be used during construction of the Project could produce maximum noise levels (Lmax) of up to 90 dBA at a reference distance of 50 feet from the noise source, as shown in Table IV.H-11 on page IV.H-37 of the Draft EIR. As indicated in Table IV.H-12 on page IV.H-38, the estimated noise levels at all receptor locations, with the exception of receptor location R2, would exceed the significance criteria during multiple phases of construction throughout the Project Site.

In addition, the construction of the Project would have the potential to overlap for some phases. Construction noise impacts associated with the overlapping construction are provided in Table IV.H-14 on page on page IV.H-46. As indicated therein, the overlapping construction would exceed the significance threshold at all receptor locations, with the exception of receptor locations R4 and R12. The estimated overlapping construction noise would exceed the significance threshold from 7.1 dBA at receptor location R5 to 24.0 dBA at receptor location R9. Therefore, temporary noise impacts associated with the Project's on-site construction would be significant without mitigation measures.

(ii) Project-Level Off-Site Construction Noise

As detailed in Draft EIR Section H, Noise, pages IV.H-47 through IV.I-58 and the Tables therein, off-site construction noise levels, including from overlapping construction, could exceed the 5-dBA significance criterion along certain roadway segments. Therefore, noise impacts from off-site construction traffic would be significant without mitigation measures.

(iii) Project-Level On-Site Construction Vibration (Human Annoyance)

As detailed in Draft EIR Section H, Noise, page IV.H-99 and Table IV.H-32, the estimated ground-borne vibration levels from construction equipment would be below the significance criteria for human annoyance at off-site sensitive receptor locations R3, R4, R6, R8, R10, R11, and R12. The estimated ground-borne vibration levels at receptor locations R1, R2, R5, R7, R13, and R14 would exceed the 72-VdB significance criterion. In addition, the estimated ground-borne vibration levels at receptors location R9 would exceed the 65-VdB significance criterion. Therefore, on-site vibration impacts related to human annoyance during construction of the Project would be significant without mitigation measures.

(iv) Project-Level Off-Site Construction Vibration (Human Annoyance)

Per Federal Transit Authority (FTA) guidance, the significance criteria for human annoyance are 72 VdB for sensitive uses, including residential, hotel and theater uses, 75 VdB for school use, and 65 VdB for studio (recording). The vibration generated by a typical heavy-duty truck would be approximately 63 VdB at a distance of 50 feet from the truck. Vibration sensitive uses (e.g., residential and hotel) along Chandler Boulevard, Vineland Avenue, and Riverside Drive are located a minimum of 30 feet from the anticipated truck route(s). The temporary vibration levels from trucks passing by would be approximately 70 VdB, as provided in the Noise and Vibration Calculation Worksheets included in Appendix L of the Draft EIR, which would be below the 72-VdB significance criterion. However, the residential uses along

Burbank Boulevard, Lankershim Boulevard, Cumpston Street, Fair Avenue, Tujunga Avenue, Colfax Avenue, and Magnolia Boulevard are located approximately 24 feet from the anticipated truck route(s) and would be exposed to ground-borne vibration of approximately 72.6 VdB, which would exceed the 72-VdB significance criterion. In addition, there are studios (recording) located along Lankershim Boulevard, which would also be exposed to vibration level up to 74 VdB, exceeding the 65-VdB significance criterion. As such, vibration impacts with respect to human annoyance that would result from temporary and intermittent off-site vibration from construction trucks traveling along the anticipated truck route(s) would be significant without mitigation measures.

(v) Cumulative On-Site Construction Noise

Thirty four related projects have been identified in the vicinity of the Project Site and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas. Noise from construction of development projects is typically localized and has the potential to affect noise-sensitive uses within 500 feet from the construction-site, based on the L.A. CEQA Thresholds Guide screening criteria. Thus, noise from construction activities for two projects within 1,000 feet of each other can contribute to a cumulative noise impact for receptors located midway between the two construction-sites. Of the 34 related projects, 23 related projects are located more than 1,000 feet from the Project and with intervening building structures, which would not contribute to the cumulative on-site construction noise impacts. Construction-related noise levels from the related projects would be intermittent and temporary, and it is anticipated that, as with the Project, the related projects would comply with the construction hours and other relevant provisions set forth in the LAMC. Noise associated with cumulative construction activities would be reduced to the degree technologically feasible through proposed mitigation measures for each individual related project that is required to implement them and compliance with locally adopted and enforced noise ordinances. There would be potential cumulative noise impacts at the nearby sensitive uses (e.g., residential uses) located in proximity to the Project Site and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas, Related Project Nos. 1, 2, and 5, in the event of concurrent construction activities. The analysis conservatively assumes such exceedances would occur. Therefore, the Project's contribution would be cumulatively considerable, and cumulative noise impacts from on-site construction would be significant.

(vi) Cumulative Off-Site Construction Noise

The estimated off-site construction traffic noise levels along Colfax Avenue, Tujunga Avenue, and Riverside Drive (used for haul routes associated with Block 7 and West Lot) would be below the 5-dBA significance criterion. However, it is estimated that if the total number of trucks from the Project and the related projects were to add up to 54, 63, and 74 truck trips per hour along Colfax Avenue [Options A and B], Tujunga Avenue (Option B), and Riverside Drive [Option B], respectively, these trucks would result in a 5-dBA noise increase along these roadway segments. There are related projects in the vicinity of the Project Block 7 and West Lot and near Colfax Avenue, including Related Project Nos. 1, 12, and 24, which could contribute to the cumulative truck trips. Related Project Nos. 1, 7, 16, 17, 18, 22, 27, 28, and 29 are located in the vicinity of Tujunga Avenue and Riverside Drive, which could contribute to the cumulative truck trips with the Project. Since the Project generates up to 50 truck trips per hour, the cumulative truck trips, including the noted related projects, could add up to 54, 63, and 74 truck trips per hour along Colfax Avenue, Tujunga Avenue, and Riverside Drive, respectively, which has the potential to increase the ambient noise by 5dBA. Therefore, cumulative noise due to construction truck traffic from the Project and other related projects could increase the ambient noise levels at certain segments along the haul route by 5 dBA. As such, the Project's

contribution would be cumulatively considerable, and cumulative noise impacts from off-site construction would be significant.

(vii) Cumulative On-Site Construction Vibration (Human Annoyance)

Potential vibration impacts associated with Project-related on-site construction activities would be significant with respect to human annoyance at receptor location R5 (the closest sensitive receptor between the Project and Related Project No. 1). Related Project No. 1 is approximately 25 feet from the receptor location R5. Therefore, the ground-borne vibration from Related Project No. 1 to the receptor location R5 would be similar to the Project and would exceed the 72-VdB significance thresholds. The next closest related project, Related Project No. 2, is located on the south side of Chandler Boulevard, approximately 90 feet south of the East Lot. The nearest sensitive receptor to Related Project No. 2 is receptor location R3. The estimated vibration levels from the Project to the receptor location R3 would be 69 VdB, which is below the 72 VdB. In addition, construction activities at Related Project No. 2 would be more than 80 feet from the receptor location R3. Therefore, the Project construction would not contribute to the cumulative construction vibration impacts at receptor location R3. All other related projects would be located at a further distance and would not contribute to the cumulative vibration impacts. Therefore, because of the potential impact associated with Related Project No. 1, the Project's contribution to a potential construction vibration impact with respect to human annoyance associated with on-site construction would be cumulatively considerable, and cumulative impacts would be considered significant.

(viii) Cumulative Off-Site Construction Vibration (Human Annoyance)

Potential vibration impacts associated with temporary and intermittent vibration from project-related construction trucks traveling along the anticipated truck routes (i.e., Burbank Boulevard, Lankershim Boulevard, Cumpston Street, Fair Avenue, Tujunga Avenue, Colfax Avenue, and Magnolia Boulevard) would be significant with respect to human annoyance. As related projects would be anticipated to use similar truck routes as the Project (i.e., Burbank Boulevard, Lankershim Boulevard, Tujunga Avenue, Colfax Avenue, and Magnolia Boulevard), it is anticipated that construction trucks would generate similar vibration levels along the anticipated truck route(s). Therefore, to the extent that other related projects use the same truck route as the Project, the Project's contribution to potential cumulative vibration impacts with respect to human annoyance associated with temporary and intermittent vibration from haul trucks traveling along the designated truck route(s) would be cumulatively considerable, and cumulative impacts would be considered significant.

(A) Project Design Features

**Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-1:** During plan check for each phase of the Project, the contractor will provide a statement to the City indicating their power construction equipment (including combustion engines), fixed or mobile, will be equipped with state-of-the-art noise shielding and muffling devices (consistent with manufacturers' standards). The statement will further indicate that the equipment will be properly maintained to assure that no additional noise, due to worn or improperly maintained parts, would be generated.

**Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-2:** Project construction will not include the use of driven (impact) pile systems.

(B) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure NOI-MM-1:** A temporary and impermeable sound barrier shall be erected at the locations listed below and shown on Figure IV.H 5 on page IV.H-80. Prior to any demolition work conducted for each phase being permitted, building plans shall include documentation prepared by a noise consultant verifying compliance with this measure.

During Block 0 Construction (Metro is the monitoring and enforcement agency for these mitigation measures):

- Along the western property line of the Project Site (Block 0 West) between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Tujunga Avenue and Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R7) and the northern portion of the park on the south side of Chandler Boulevard and approximately 300 west of Tujunga Avenue (receptor location R8). The temporary sound barrier (minimum 15 feet high) shall be designed to provide a minimum 13-dBA noise reduction at the ground level of receptor location R7 and 8 dBA at receptor location R8.
- Along the southern property line of the Project Site (Block 0 West) between the construction areas and noise sensitive uses along Chandler Boulevard (receptor locations R9, R10, and R11). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 9-dBA noise reduction (minimum 12 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R9, R10, and R11.
- Along the northern property line of the Project Site (Block 0 West) between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Lankershim Boulevard and Cumpston Street (receptor location R5). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R5.
- Along the northern, southern, western, and eastern property lines of the Project Site (Block 0 East) between the construction areas and residential use along Cumpston Street (receptor location R1), Fair Avenue (receptor location R2), Chandler Boulevard (receptor R3), and Lankershim Boulevard (receptor location R5). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R1, R2, R3, and R5.

During Block 1 Construction:

- Along the western edge of the Project Site (Block 1) between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Lankershim Boulevard and Cumpston Street (receptor location R5). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 9-dBA noise reduction (minimum 11 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R5.

- Along the northeastern and eastern edges of the Project Site (Block 1) between the construction areas and residential use along Cumpston Street (receptor location R1) and Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 8-dBA (minimum 11 feet high) and 5-dBA (minimum 8 feet high) noise reduction at the ground level of receptor locations R1 and R2, respectively.
- Along the southern edge of the Project Site (Block 1) between the construction areas and the noise sensitive uses along Weddington Street (receptor locations R9 and R10). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R9 and R10. Note, this temporary sound barrier would not be required if Block 8 is substantially completed, prior to Block 1 construction.

During Block 2 Construction:

- Along the northern edge of the Project Site (Block 2) between the construction areas and the residential use along Cumpston Street (receptor location R1). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of the residential use (receptor location R1).
- Along the eastern edge of the Project Site (Block 2) between the construction areas and residential use along Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 7-dBA noise reduction (minimum 10 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R2. Note, this temporary sound barrier would not be required if Block 3 and Block 4 are substantially completed, prior to Block 2 construction.
- Along the southern edge of the Project Site (Block 2) between the construction areas and residential use along Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R3) and the school use south of Weddington Street (receptor location R10). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R3 and R10. Note, this temporary sound barrier would not be required if Block 4 and Block 5/6 are substantially completed, prior to Block 2 construction.

During Block 3 Construction:

- Along the northern edge of the Project Site (Block 3) between the construction areas and the residential use along the Cumpston Street (receptor location R1). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of the residential use (receptor location R1).
- Along the eastern edge of the Project Site (Block 3) between the construction areas and residential use along Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R2.

- Along the southern edge of the Project Site (Block 3 between the construction areas and residential use along Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R3). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R3. Note, this temporary sound barrier would not be required if Block 4 is substantially completed, prior to Block 3 construction.

During Block 4 Construction:

- Along the northern edge of the Project Site (Block 4) between the construction areas and the residential use along the Cumpston Street (receptor location R1). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 6-dBA noise reduction (minimum 10 feet high) at the ground level of the residential use (receptor location R1).
- Along the southern edge of the Project Site (Block 4) between the construction areas and residential use along Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R3). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 13-dBA noise reduction (minimum 15 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R3.
- Along the eastern edge of the Project Site (Block 4) between the construction areas and residential use along Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R2.

During Block 5/6 Construction:

- Along the northern edge of the Project Site (Block 5/6) between the construction areas and the residential use along the Cumpston Street (receptor location R1). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 8-dBA noise reduction (minimum 11 feet high) at the ground level of the residential use (receptor location R1).
- Along the southern edge of the Project Site (Block 5/6) between the construction areas and residential use along Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R3). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 12-dBA noise reduction (minimum 14 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R3.
- Along the eastern edge of the Project Site (Block 5/6) between the construction areas and residential use along Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 9-dBA noise reduction (minimum 12 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R2.
- Along the western edge of the Project Site (Block 5/6) between the construction areas and sensitive uses along Weddington Street (receptor locations R9, R10, and R11). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed

to provide a minimum 5 dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R9, R10, and R11.

During Block 7 Construction:

- Along the northern property line of the Project Site (Block 7) between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Lankershim Boulevard and Cumpston Street (receptor location R5). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 10-dBA noise reduction (minimum 12 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R5.
- Along the western property line of the Project Site (Block 7) between the construction areas and residential use on Cumpston Street, west of Tujunga Avenue (receptor location R6). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 9-dBA noise reduction (minimum 12 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R6.
- Along the southern property line of the Project Site (Block 7) between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Tujunga Avenue and Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R7) and at receptor location R9. The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R7 and R9.
- Along the eastern property line of the Project Site (Block 7) between the construction areas and future residential use at the corner of Lankershim Boulevard and Chandler Boulevard (Related Project No. 1). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level. Note, this temporary sound barrier would only be required if the construction for the Related Project No. 1 would be completed and occupied prior the Project construction.

During Block 8 Construction:

- Along the northern property line of the Project Site (Block 8) between the construction areas and the residential uses along Cumpston Street (receptor location R1) and Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R1 and R2.
- Along the southern property line of the Project Site (Block 8) between the construction areas and theater/ use (receptor location R9) and school use (receptor location R10). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R9 and R10.
- Along the western property line of the Project Site (Block 8) between the construction areas and the hotel use (receptor location R11). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 13-dBA noise reduction (minimum 16 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R11.

During West Lot Construction (Metro is the monitoring and enforcement agency for these mitigation measures):

- Along the northern property line of the West Lot between the construction areas and residential use on Cumpston Street (receptor location R6). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 13-dBA noise reduction (minimum 16 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R6.
- Along the southern property line of the West Lot between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Tujunga Avenue and Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R7) and the park use south of Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R8). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R7 and 11-dBA noise reduction (minimum 14 feet high) at receptor location R8.
- Along the western and portion of the southern property line of the West Lot between the construction areas and the residential use on the north side of Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R14). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at receptor location R14.

During East Lot Construction (Metro is the monitoring and enforcement agency for these mitigation measures):

- Along the northern property line of the East Lot between the construction areas and residential use along Fair Avenue (receptor location R13). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R13.
- Along the southern property line between the construction areas and the residential use along Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R3). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R3.

**Mitigation Measure NOI-MM-2:** Prior to any construction activities involving vibration on Block 0 West or Block 8, the Applicant shall retain the services of a qualified structural engineer or qualified professional building engineer to visit the Lankershim Depot (after it is relocated to the future location) and the Security Trust and Savings Bank building adjacent to the Project Site (Block 8) to inspect and document the apparent physical condition of the building's readily-visible features (i.e., any cracks or damage). In addition, the structural engineer shall survey the existing foundations and other structural aspects of the Security Trust and Savings Bank and provide a shoring design to protect the building from potential damage. Pot holing, ground penetrating radar, or other similar methods of determining the below grade conditions on the Project Site and the Security Trust and Savings Bank may be necessary to establish baseline conditions and prepare the shoring design. The shoring design shall specify threshold limits for vibration causing activities.



The qualified structural engineer shall hold a valid license to practice structural engineering in the State of California and have extensive demonstrated experience specific to rehabilitating historic buildings and applying the Secretary of the Interior's Standards to such projects. The City of Los Angeles shall determine qualification prior to any work being performed. The qualified structural engineer shall submit to the lead agency a pre-construction survey that establishes baseline conditions to be monitored during construction, prior to issuance of any permit for the Project on Block 0 West or Block 8.

Prior to construction activities, the Applicant shall retain the services of a qualified acoustical engineer to review proposed construction equipment and develop and implement a vibration monitoring program capable of documenting the construction-related ground vibration levels at the Lankershim Depot and the Security Trust and Savings Bank building during demolition and grading/excavation phases.

The vibration monitoring system shall continuously measure and store the peak particle velocity (PPV) in inch/second. The system shall also be programmed for two preset velocity levels: a warning level of 0.10-PPV and a regulatory level of 0.12-PPV. The system shall also provide real-time alert when the vibration levels exceed the warning level.

In the event the warning level (0.10-PPV) is triggered, the contractor shall identify the source of vibration generation, halt construction in the immediate vicinity, and provide technologically feasible steps to reduce the vibration level, including but not limited to staggering concurrent activities, utilizing lower vibratory techniques, and limiting high vibration generating equipment (i.e., large bulldozer, drill rig and loaded truck) operating within 20 feet of the building.

In the event the regulatory level (0.12-PPV) is triggered, the contractor shall halt construction activities in the vicinity of the building and visually inspect the building for any damage (by a qualified structural engineer). Results of the inspection must be logged. The contractor shall identify the source of vibration generation and provide technologically feasible steps to reduce the vibration level. Construction activities may then restart.

At the conclusion of vibration-causing construction, the qualified structural engineer shall issue a follow-up letter describing damage, if any, to immediately adjacent historic buildings and recommendations for repair, as may be necessary, in conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. Repairs to immediately adjacent historic buildings shall be undertaken and completed in conformance with all applicable codes, including the California Historical Building Code (Part 8 of Title 24).

(C) Finding

(i) Project-Level On-Site Construction Noise

Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(1), the City finds that changes or alterations have been required in, or incorporated into, the Project which mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment. Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(2), the City also finds that such changes or alterations are within the responsibility and jurisdiction of another public agency and not the

agency making the finding. Such changes have been, or can or should be, adopted by that other agency. Pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(3), the City also finds that specific economic, legal, social, technological, other considerations, including considerations for the provision of employment opportunities for highly trained workers, make infeasible the mitigation measures or alternatives identified in the EIR.

(ii) Project-Level Off-Site Construction Noise

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(iii) Project-Level On-Site Vibration (Human Annoyance)

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(v) Cumulative On-Site Construction Noise

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(D) Rationale for Finding

(i) Project-Level On-Site Construction Noise

Implementation of Mitigation Measure NOI-MM-1 would reduce the Project's construction noise levels to the extent technologically feasible. As indicated in Table IV.H-29 on page IV.H-87, implementation of Mitigation Measure NOI-MM-1 (installation of temporary sound barrier) would reduce the noise generated by on-site construction activities at the off-site sensitive uses, by up to 15 dBA at receptor locations R1, R2, R7, R9, R10, R13, and R14, by up to 13 dBA at receptor location R6 and R11, by up to 12 dBA at receptor location R3, by up to 11 dBA at receptor location R8, and by up to 9 dBA at receptor location R5, which would reduce the construction noise impacts at receptor locations R6 and R8 to a less-than-significant level. However, the temporary noise barrier would only be effective at the ground level of receptor

locations R1, R2, R3, R5, R7, R11, and R13 because the barriers block line-of-sight to these receptors, and thereby attenuates noise levels at grade level. The residential uses at these receptors are contained in multi-story high-rise buildings. The line-of-sight from the upper floors at these receptors to the Project Site would remain unobstructed because it is not technologically feasible to construct temporary noise barriers, including moveable barriers, that would extend to the height of the buildings at these receptor locations.

In addition, noise attenuation from temporary construction noise barriers is typically limited to a maximum 15-dBA noise reduction. Other mitigation measures to reduce noise include reducing the number of construction equipment and providing a buffer zone. Construction noise levels are dependent on the number of construction equipment in use. Reducing the construction equipment utilized by the Project by 50 percent would increase the number of days that sensitive receptors would be impacted by construction activities and, therefore, would prolong the duration of the impact without reducing it to less-than-significant levels. The noise impacts would still exceed the significance criteria with a 50 percent reduction in construction equipment, because the exceedances are greater than 3 dBA at receptor locations R9, R10, R13, and R14. Construction noise levels can also be reduced by providing an additional buffer zone between the receptor and the construction equipment. Noise levels from construction equipment would attenuate approximately 6 dBA per doubling of distance. However, it would not be technologically feasible to provide a greater buffer zone, as the construction activities (e.g., site demolition) would be up to the property line.

Therefore, there are no other technologically feasible mitigation measures that could be implemented to reduce the temporary noise impacts from on-site construction.

Additionally, the City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

Accordingly, the City finds above that, despite incorporation of Mitigation Measures, that economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, make infeasible mitigation measures that would reduce impacts to less than significant. Therefore, construction noise impacts associated with on-site noise sources would remain significant and unavoidable.

(ii) Project-Level Off-Site Construction Noise

As shown in Table IV.H-15 and Table IV.H-16 of the Draft EIR, the short-term noise impacts associated with off-site construction traffic would be significant along Burbank Boulevard, Lankershim Boulevard, Cumpston Street, Chandler Boulevard, and Fair Avenue, under Haul Route Option A and along Vineland Avenue, Lankershim Boulevard, Chandler Boulevard, Fair Avenue, Cumpston Street, and Magnolia Boulevards under Haul Route Option B. As discussed above, there are no technologically feasible mitigation measures that could be implemented to reduce this short-term impact. Additionally, the City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-

permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles. Accordingly, the City finds above that, despite incorporation of Mitigation Measures, that economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, make infeasible mitigation measures that would reduce impacts to less than significant. Therefore, construction noise impacts associated with off-site noise sources would remain significant and unavoidable.

(iii) Cumulative On-Site Construction Noise

Thirty four related projects have been identified in the vicinity of the Project Site and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas. Noise from construction of development projects is typically localized and has the potential to affect noise-sensitive uses within 500 feet from the construction-site, based on the L.A. CEQA Thresholds Guide screening criteria. Thus, noise from construction activities for two projects within 1,000 feet of each other can contribute to a cumulative noise impact for receptors located midway between the two construction-sites. Of the 34 related projects, 23 related projects are located more than 1,000 feet from the Project and with intervening building structures, which would not contribute to the cumulative on-site construction noise impacts. Construction-related noise levels from the related projects would be intermittent and temporary, and it is anticipated that, as with the Project, the related projects would comply with the construction hours and other relevant provisions set forth in the LAMC. Noise associated with cumulative construction activities would be reduced to the degree technologically feasible through proposed mitigation measures for each individual related project that is required to implement them and compliance with locally adopted and enforced noise ordinances. Based on the above, there would be potential cumulative noise impacts at the nearby sensitive uses (e.g., residential uses) located in proximity to the Project Site and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas, Related Project Nos. 1, 2, and 5, in the event of concurrent construction activities. It should be noted that the timing of the construction activities for these related projects are uncertain and are beyond the control of the City and the Applicant. Accordingly, it is uncertain if the concurrent construction activities identified above would result in the exceedances identified herein. Nevertheless, the analysis conservatively assumes such exceedances would occur. Additionally, the City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

Accordingly, the City finds above that, despite incorporation of Mitigation Measures, that economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, make infeasible mitigation measures that would reduce impacts to less than significant. Therefore, the Project's contribution would be cumulatively considerable, and cumulative noise impacts from on-site construction would be significant and unavoidable.

(ii) Cumulative Off-Site Construction Noise

Off-site construction haul trucks would have a potential to result in cumulative impacts if the trucks for the related projects and the Project were to utilize the same truck routes. As analyzed above in Subsection 3.d. under Threshold (a) (see Table IV.H-15 and Table IV.H-16 on pages IV.H-38 and IV.H-53, respectively of the Draft EIR), the estimated off-site construction noise levels from the Project would exceed the significance criteria along the anticipated truck

routes (along Burbank Boulevard [Option A], Lankershim Boulevard [Options A and B], Chandler Boulevard [Options A and B], Fair Avenue [Options A and B], Cumpston Street [Options A and B], Vineland Avenue [Option B], and Magnolia Boulevard [Option B]). Therefore, any additional truck trips along these roadways would have the potential to increase the traffic noise and contribute to the cumulative noise impacts. The estimated off-site construction traffic noise levels along Colfax Avenue, Tujunga Avenue, and Riverside Drive (used for Block 7 and West Lot) would be below the 5-dBA significance criterion. However, it is estimated that if the total number of trucks from the Project and the related projects were to add up to 54, 63, and 74 truck trips per hour along Colfax Avenue [Options A and B], Tujunga Avenue (Option B), and Riverside Drive [Option B], respectively, these trucks would result in a 5-dBA noise increase along these roadway segments. There are related projects in the vicinity of the Project Block 7 and West Lot and near Colfax Avenue, including Related Project Nos. 1, 12, and 24, which could contribute to the cumulative truck trips. Related Project Nos. 1, 7, 16, 17, 18, 22, 27, 28, and 29 are located in the vicinity of Tujunga Avenue and Riverside Drive, which could contribute to the cumulative truck trips with the Project. Since the Project generates up to 50 truck trips per hour, the cumulative truck trips, including the noted related projects, could add up to 54, 63, and 74 truck trips per hour along Colfax Avenue, Tujunga Avenue, and Riverside Drive, respectively, which has the potential to increase the ambient noise by 5 dBA.

Therefore, cumulative noise due to construction truck traffic from the Project and other related projects could increase the ambient noise levels at certain segments along the haul route by 5 dBA. Additionally, the City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

Accordingly, the City finds above that, despite incorporation of Mitigation Measures, that economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, make infeasible mitigation measures that would reduce impacts to less than significant. As such, the Project's contribution would be cumulatively considerable, and cumulative noise impacts from off-site construction would be significant and unavoidable.

(iii) Project-Level On-Site Vibration (Human Annoyance)

Project-level vibration impacts from on-site construction activities would still exceed the 72-VdB human annoyance significance criterion at the residential uses within 80 feet of the Project Site (receptor locations R1, R2, R5, R7, R13, and R14) and the studio use (receptor location R9) during certain phases of construction. It is concluded that there are no technologically feasible mitigation measures that could be implemented to reduce the temporary vibration impacts from on-site construction associated with human annoyance to a less-than-significant level. Additionally, the City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

Accordingly, the City finds above that, despite incorporation of Mitigation Measures, that economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, make infeasible mitigation measures that would reduce impacts to less than significant. Therefore, Project-level vibration impacts from on-site construction activities with respect to human annoyance would remain significant and unavoidable.

(iv) Project-Level Off-Site Vibration (Human Annoyance)

Project-level vibration impacts from on-site construction activities would still exceed the 72-VdB human annoyance significance criterion at the residential uses within 80 feet of the Project Site (receptor locations R1, R2, R5, R7, R13, and R14) and the studio use (receptor location R9) during certain phases of construction. It is concluded that there are no technologically feasible mitigation measures that could be implemented to reduce the temporary vibration impacts from off-site construction associated with human annoyance to a less-than-significant level. Additionally, the City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

Accordingly, the City finds above that, despite incorporation of Mitigation Measures, that economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, make infeasible mitigation measures that would reduce impacts to less than significant. Therefore, Project-level vibration impacts from off-site construction activities with respect to human annoyance would remain significant and unavoidable.

(v) Cumulative On-Site Vibration (Human Annoyance)

Potential vibration impacts associated with Project-related on-site construction activities would be significant with respect to human annoyance at receptor location R5 (the closest sensitive receptor between the Project and Related Project No. 1). Related Project No. 1 is approximately 25 feet from the receptor location R5. Therefore, the ground-borne vibration from Related Project No. 1 to the receptor location R5 would be similar to the Project and would exceed the 72-VdB significance thresholds. The next closest related project, Related Project No. 2, is located on the south side of Chandler Boulevard, approximately 90 feet south of the East Lot. The nearest sensitive receptor to Related Project No. 2 is receptor location R3. As analyzed above, the estimated vibration levels from the Project to the receptor location R3 would be 69 VdB, which is below the 72 VdB. In addition, construction activities at Related Project No. 2 would be more than 80 feet from the receptor location R3. Therefore, the Project construction would not contribute to the cumulative construction vibration impacts at receptor location R3. All other related projects would be located at a further distance and would not contribute to the cumulative vibration impacts. Additionally, the City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

Accordingly, the City finds above that, despite incorporation of Mitigation Measures, that economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, make infeasible mitigation measures that would reduce impacts to less than significant. Therefore, because of the potential impact associated with Related Project No. 1, the Project's contribution to a potential construction vibration impact with respect to human annoyance associated with on-site construction would be cumulatively considerable, and cumulative impacts would be considered significant and unavoidable.

(vi) Cumulative Off-Site Vibration (Human Annoyance)

Potential vibration impacts associated with temporary and intermittent vibration from project-related construction trucks traveling along the anticipated truck routes (i.e., Burbank Boulevard, Lankershim Boulevard, Cumpston Street, Fair Avenue, Tujunga Avenue, Colfax Avenue, and Magnolia Boulevard) would be significant with respect to human annoyance. As related projects would be anticipated to use similar trucks as the Project (i.e., Burbank Boulevard, Lankershim Boulevard, Tujunga Avenue, Colfax Avenue, and Magnolia Boulevard), it is anticipated that construction trucks would generate similar vibration levels along the anticipated truck route(s). Additionally, the City finds above that the Mitigation Measures identified are the responsibility of another agency as Metro is a Responsible Agency for the Project EIR and some construction takes place under Metro's self-permitting authority; where the implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of the Mitigation Measures outlined above are the responsibility of Metro when activity occurs under Metro self-permitting authority. Project activities outside the Metro self-permitting authority would implement the identified Mitigation Measures as conditions of approval required by the City of Los Angeles.

Accordingly, the City finds above that, despite incorporation of Mitigation Measures, that economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, make infeasible mitigation measures that would reduce impacts to less than significant. Therefore, to the extent that other related projects use the same truck route as the Project, the Project's contribution to potential cumulative vibration impacts with respect to human annoyance associated with temporary and intermittent vibration from haul trucks traveling along the designated truck route(s) would be cumulatively considerable, and cumulative impacts would be considered significant and unavoidable.

(E) Reference

Section IV.H, Noise, of the Draft EIR, as well as noise and vibration calculation worksheets contained in Revised Appendix L, of the Final EIR.

## **IX. ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROJECT**

CEQA requires that an EIR analyze a reasonable range of feasible alternatives that could substantially reduce or avoid the significant impacts of a project while also meeting the project's basic objectives. An EIR must identify ways to substantially reduce or avoid the significant effects that a project may have on the environment (PRC Section 21002.1). Accordingly, the discussion of alternatives shall focus on alternatives to a project or its location, which are capable of avoiding or substantially reducing any significant effects of the project, even if these alternatives would impede to some degree the attainment of the project objectives, or would be more costly. The Draft EIR evaluated a reasonable range of six alternatives to the



Project in detail, which include the No Project/No Build Alternative; No Project/Development Alternative; Development in Accordance with Existing Zoning Alternative; Reduced Density Alternative; Historic Preservation Alternative; and Alternative Land Use Mix Alternative. In accordance with CEQA requirements, the alternatives to the Project include a “No Project” alternative and alternatives capable of eliminating the significant adverse impacts of the project. These alternatives and their impacts, which are summarized below, are more fully described in Section V of the Draft EIR.

## **1. Summary of Findings**

Based upon the following analysis, the City finds, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15096(g)(2), that no feasible alternative or mitigation measure will substantially lessen any significant effect of the project, reduce the significant unavoidable impacts of the project to a level that is less than significant, or avoid any significant effect the project would have on the environment.

## **2. Project Objectives**

An important consideration in the analysis of alternatives to the Project is the degree to which such alternatives would achieve the objectives of the Project. As more thoroughly described in Section II, Project Description, of the Draft EIR, pages II-7 – II-8, both the City and Applicant have established specific objectives concerning the Project, which are incorporated by reference herein and discussed further below.

## **3. Project Alternatives Analyzed**

### **(A) Alternative 1 - No Project/No Build Alternative**

In accordance with the CEQA Guidelines, the No Project Alternative for a development project on an identifiable property consists of the circumstance under which the project does not proceed. CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6(3)(B) states in part that, “in certain instances, the No Project Alternative means ‘no build’ wherein the existing environmental setting is maintained.” Accordingly, for purposes of this analysis, Alternative 1, the No Project/No Build Alternative, assumes that the Project would not be approved and no new development would occur within the Project Site and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas. Thus, the physical conditions of the Project Site and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas would generally remain as they are today. The Project Site and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas would continue to be occupied by industrial/warehouse buildings, the historic Lankershim Depot, and Metro facilities. No new construction would occur.

### **(i) Impact Summary**

Alternative 1 would avoid the Project’s significant and unavoidable impacts associated with historic resources, NOx emissions during operation, on-site construction noise, off-site construction noise, on-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), and off-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance). Alternative 1 would also avoid the Project’s significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to NOx emissions during operation, on-site construction noise, off-site construction noise, on-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), and off-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), as well as concurrent construction and operational NOx emissions. All other environmental impacts would also be less than the Project.

(ii) Finding

The City finds, pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(3), that specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including considerations identified in Section XIII of these findings (Statement of Overriding Considerations), make infeasible the No Project Alternative, as described in the Draft EIR.

(iii) Rationale for Findings

No changes to existing land uses or operations on-site would occur under Alternative 1. Alternative 1 would avoid all of the Project's significant environmental impacts associated with historic resources, NOx emissions during operation, on-site construction noise, off-site construction noise, on-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), and off-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance). Alternative 1 would also avoid the Project's significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to NOx emissions during operation, on-site construction noise, off-site construction noise, on-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), and off-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), as well as concurrent construction and operational NOx emissions. Alternative 1 would not result in greater impacts for any environmental issue. Under Alternative 1, the existing uses would remain on the Project Site and no new development would occur. As such, Alternative 1 would not meet the Project's underlying purpose or any of its objectives. Specifically, Alternative 1 would not meet the underlying purpose of the Project to redevelop the area around the Metro North Hollywood Station with a high-density, mixed-use development, which is transit and pedestrian oriented and provides housing and jobs in the North Hollywood Valley Village Community Plan Area, nor would it meet any of the Project objectives.

(iv) Reference

Section V, Alternatives, of the Draft EIR.

(B) Alternative 2 – No Project/Development Alternative

In accordance with the CEQA Guidelines, the No Project/Development Alternative for a development project on an identifiable property consists of the circumstance under which a proposed project does not proceed. CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6(3)(B) states that "in certain instances, the No Project Alternative means 'no build' wherein the existing environmental setting is maintained." In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6(e)(3)(C) states that "the lead agency should proceed to analyze the impacts of the no project alternative by projecting what would reasonably be expected to occur in the foreseeable future if the project were not approved, based on current plans and consistent with available infrastructure and community services." Accordingly, for purposes of this analysis, Alternative 2, the No Project/Development Alternative, assumes that the Project would not be approved and no new development would occur within the Project Site or Off-site Metro Parking Areas, with the exception of the development of the Consolidated Transit Center (including the movement of the Lankershim Depot) on Block 0 West which was previously approved by Metro, and 709 square feet of office uses on the Project Site which would be used as a security office and employee breakroom. Thus, the physical conditions of the Project Site would generally remain as they are today. Under Alternative 2, the Project Site would continue to be developed with existing industrial/warehouse buildings and the Lankershim Depot, together totaling 25,145 square feet along with surface parking; the West Lot would continue to be developed with an existing industrial/warehouse building totaling 25,691 square feet and surface parking; and the East Lot

would continue to be developed with an existing surface parking. New construction would occur only on Block 0 West associated with construction of the previously approved Consolidated Transit Center, which would consist of additional discharge, boarding, and layover bays for the G (Orange) Line and future bus rapid transit services; new bays for local/regional buses; electric bus charging facilities; and an expanded portal to the subsurface B (Red) Line station. Local bus traffic would move from the east to west side of Lankershim Boulevard following completion. Similar to the Project, the Consolidated Transit Center would include one vehicular access point off Tujunga Boulevard. Also similar to the Project, this would include relocation of the Lankershim Depot within Block 0 West to accommodate the expanded station portal. No development beyond the previously approved Consolidated Transit Center would occur.

(i) Impact Summary

As shown in Table V-2 on page V-11 of the Draft EIR, Alternative 2 would avoid the Project's significant unavoidable concurrent construction/operational and operational air quality (NOx) impacts. However, similar to the Project, Alternative 2 would result in significant unavoidable impacts with respect to historic resources, on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Like the Project, Alternative 2 would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). The balance of the impacts would be similar under Alternative 2 or would be less, owing to a substantially reduced development under this alternative. Overall, Alternative 2 would be less impactful than the Project.

(ii) Finding

The City finds, pursuant to PRC Section 21081(a)(3), that specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including considerations identified in Section XIII of these findings (Statement of Overriding Considerations), make infeasible Alternative 2, as described in the Draft EIR.

(iii) Rationale for Finding

Alternative 2 would result in significant unavoidable impacts with respect to historic resources, on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Like the Project, Alternative 2 would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). The balance of the impacts would be similar under Alternative 2 or would be less owing to substantially reduced development under this alternative. Overall, Alternative 2 would be less impactful than the Project. Under Alternative 2, the existing uses would remain on the Project Site, but Metro would proceed with development of the Consolidated Transit Center on Block 0 West as approved by Metro on April 23, 2020. As such, Alternative 2 would not meet the underlying purpose of the Project to redevelop the area around the Metro North Hollywood Station with a high density, mixed-use development, which is transit and pedestrian oriented and provides housing and jobs in the North Hollywood Valley Village Community Plan Area or many of the Project objectives.

(iv) Reference

Section V, Alternatives, of the Draft EIR.

(C) Alternative 3 – Development in Accordance with Existing Zoning Alternative

Under this Alternative, the Project Site would be developed in accordance with the existing C4-2D (Commercial, Height District 2), C4-2D-CA (Commercial, Height District 2, Commercial and Artcraft District), C2 2D-CA (Commercial, Height District 2, Commercial and Artcraft District), CM-1VL (Commercial Manufacturing, Height District 1VL), and PF 1VL (Public Facilities, Height District 1VL) zoning of the Project Site. Specifically, Alternative 3 would develop the previously approved Consolidated Transit Center on Block 0 West, including 709 square feet of office uses which would be used as a security office and employee breakroom. Block 8, which is currently an empty lot, would be developed with 358 residential units, 90 of which would be Low Income units (25% of total density) and 36 of which would be live/work units in accordance with the Commercial and Artcraft District overlay (10% of total density), compared to 1,216 market rate units and 311 affordable units with the Project. Under this Alternative, the Lankershim Depot would also be retained as a restaurant use, but would be relocated within Block 0 West under the previously approved Consolidated Transit Center similar to the Project. Blocks 1 through 5/6 would remain as surface parking lots and Block 7 would continue with industrial/warehouse uses. Because Metro's existing parking would not be removed, the Off-Site Metro Parking Areas would not be redeveloped under this Alternative. The proposed residential uses would be located within a seven-story, 85-foot tall building within Block 8, compared to multiple buildings ranging from one-story and 36 feet to 28 stories and 325 feet under the Project. Overall, Alternative 3 would provide 288,044 net square feet of new development (including 358 residential units and 5,000 square feet of retail) versus 2,158,191 net square feet (including 1,527 residential units) under the Project.

Alternative 3 would provide: 38,950 square feet of open space, compared to 211,280 square feet of open space under the Project; 395 vehicle parking spaces within one subterranean level, compared to 3,313 vehicle parking spaces within subterranean and above ground parking areas under the Project; and a total of 215 bicycle parking spaces with 20 short-term spaces and 168 long-term spaces compared to 1,158 bicycle parking spaces consisting of 970 long-term and 188 short-term spaces under the Project.

Vehicular access to the subterranean parking on Block 8 would be provided from Weddington Street and Bakman Avenue, similar to the Project. Bus access to the Consolidated Transit Center on Block 0 West would be provided from Tujunga Avenue, similar to the Project. Pedestrian access to the residential uses on Block 8 would be provided from Lankershim Boulevard and Chandler Boulevard, and pedestrian access to the Consolidated Transit Center would be provided from Chandler Boulevard, Tujunga Avenue, and Lankershim Boulevard.

Alternative 3 would develop only one building compared to multiple buildings under the Project; however, the building design would be similar to the residential buildings proposed under the Project. Alternative 3 would also implement similar lighting, vehicular and pedestrian access, setbacks, and sustainability features in Blocks 0 West and 8 as those proposed for the Project. Proposed signage would conform to the LAMC. Alternative 3 would require fewer discretionary approvals than the Project because no zone change or general plan amendment would be required. Alternative 3 would, however, apply for Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) approval. The extent and duration of construction activities would be substantially less under Alternative 3 than under the Project, owing to lack of new development on multiple Blocks and substantially less overall development under this alternative.

(i) Impact Summary

As shown in Table V-2 on page V-11 of the Draft EIR, Alternative 3 would avoid the Project's significant unavoidable concurrent construction/operational and operational air quality (NOx) impacts. However, similar to the Project, Alternative 3 would result in significant unavoidable impacts with respect to historic resources, on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Like the Project, Alternative 3 would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). The balance of the impacts under Alternative 3 would be similar to the Project or less owing to less development under this alternative. Overall, impacts under Alternative 3 would be reduced when compared to the Project.

(ii) Finding

The City finds, pursuant to PRC Code Section 21081(a)(3), that specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including considerations identified in Section XIII of these findings (Statement of Overriding Considerations), make infeasible Alternative 3, as described in the Draft EIR.

(iii) Rationale for Findings

Alternative 3 would result in significant unavoidable impacts with respect to historic resources, on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Like the Project, Alternative 3 would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). The balance of the impacts under Alternative 3 would be similar to the Project or less owing to less development under this alternative. Overall, impacts under Alternative 3 would be reduced when compared to the Project. Under Alternative 3, the existing uses would remain on the Project Site and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas with the exception of the development of the Consolidated Transit Center on Block 0 West and development of 358 residential units and 5,000 square feet of retail uses in Block 8. As such, Alternative 3 would not meet the underlying purpose of the Project, which is to redevelop the area around the Metro North Hollywood Station with a high-density, mixed-use development which is transit and pedestrian oriented and provides housing and jobs in the North Hollywood Valley Village Community Plan Area.

With the development of residential and retail uses in Block 8, Alternative 3 would partially meet the below Project objectives or meet them to a lesser extent. Alternative 3 would not fully meet these objectives since the majority of the Project Site blocks and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas would not be redeveloped under this alternative, no public open space plazas would be provided, and the number of new residential units would be less than under the Project.

- The orderly development of residential uses, commercial uses, office uses, and transit uses, as a unified site in furtherance of Metro's commitment to creating transit-oriented communities that offer compact, bikeable, and walkable communities centered around public transit.
- Facilitate an urban in-fill development with a mix of residential, commercial, and office land uses at a density and scale to enable the Project Site to function as a regional center and support transit use.

- Provide housing in furtherance of the goals of the City's Housing Element, City's Regional Housing Needs Assessment, and which serves the surrounding area and citywide market, by providing housing in a range of unit types, affordability levels, and sizes adjacent to public transit.
- Provide community benefits such as new community-serving retail uses, enhanced streetscapes, and publicly accessible open space amenities for the community.
- Promote fiscal benefits, economic development, and job creation by generating jobs during the construction and operation of the project and generating tax revenue for the City and ground lease revenues to Metro to supports its mission to improve mobility in Los Angeles County.
- Promote local and regional mobility objectives and reduce VMT by providing a mix of higher density housing and commercial uses that are in close proximity to public transportation, including numerous bus lines as well as rail transit, which are supported by recreational amenities, commercial services, and enhancements to bicycle and pedestrian amenities.

With the development of the Consolidated Transit Center, Alternative 3 would meet the following Project objectives:

- Promote and enhance transit ridership by consolidating and revitalizing the Metro transit center to accommodate current local and municipal buses as well as the G (Orange) Line terminus and to provide enhancements to the North Hollywood Metro Station, including an improved terminal and security office, Metro employee break room, other support structures, new Metro portal structures on the West and East sides of Lankershim, and the retention of the historic Lankershim Depot.
- Support Metro's regional planning efforts such as the Metro Vision 2028 Strategic Plan by improving pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities in North Hollywood.
- Improve Metro infrastructure in furtherance of Metro's commitment to convert to an all-electric fleet by 2040.

Alternative 3 would also meet the following Project objective related to sustainable building design:

- Promote resource and energy conservation through incorporating sustainable and green building design and construction above Title 24 (CALGreen) code requirements.

(iv) Reference

Section V, Alternatives, of the Draft EIR.

(D) Alternative 4 – Reduced Density Alternative

Alternative 4 would develop the same mix of uses as the Project on the same blocks, but all development would be reduced by 42 percent, which is the percentage reduction required to avoid the Project's significant unavoidable operational air quality (e.g., regional NOx) impact. Specifically, under Alternative 4, 61,787 square feet of retail/restaurant uses (44,000 square feet

of which would be restaurant uses), 885 residential units (including 708 market rate and 177 affordable units or 20 percent of total density), 336,617 square feet of office uses, and the Consolidated Transit Center, would be developed. All development would occur within the same footprint as the Project, and the heights of the proposed buildings would be reduced by 42 percent compared to those under the Project (e.g., ranging from one-story and 36 feet to 16 stories and 155 feet under Alternative 4, compared to one-story and 36 feet to 28 stories and 325 feet under the Project). In all, 1,282,050 square feet of net new floor area (including 885 residential units) would be developed under Alternative 4, as compared to 2,158,191 square feet (including 1,527 residential units) under the Project. Alternative 4 also would include Off-Site Metro Parking Areas located at the southwest corner of N. Chandler Boulevard and Tujunga Avenue and on the north side of Chandler Boulevard between Fair Avenue and Vineland Avenue.

Based on a 42 percent reduction of the requirements of the Specific Plan proposed as part of the Project, Alternative 4 would provide: 2,124 vehicle parking spaces, compared to 3,313 vehicle parking spaces under the Project; and a total of 837 bicycle parking spaces with 126 short-term spaces and 712 long-term spaces, compared to 1,158 bicycle parking spaces consisting of 188 short-term and 970 long-term spaces under the Project. Like the Project, up to 274 Metro parking spaces would also be provided on the Project Site. Fewer subterranean and above-grade parking levels would be provided under Alternative 4 than under the proposed Project, as a result of the reduced development under this alternative. With the overall reduction in development, the central open space areas would not be provided. A total of 96,191 square feet of open space would be provided in accordance with the LAMC compared to 211,280 square feet under the Project.

Vehicular, bus, and pedestrian access under Alternative 4 would be similar to that under the Project. The design of the buildings under Alternative 4 would be similar to that of the Project, as would the signage, lighting, vehicular and pedestrian access, setbacks, sustainability features, and discretionary approvals. Construction activities would also generally be similar to those of the Project, but would require less excavation due to the reduced number of subterranean parking levels and would be shorter in overall duration due to the reduced amount of development, under this alternative.

(i) Impact Summary

As shown in Table V-2 on page V-11, Alternative 4 would avoid the Project's significant unavoidable operational air quality (NOx) impacts. However, similar to the Project, Alternative 4 would result in significant unavoidable impacts with respect to concurrent construction/operational air quality (NOx), historic resources, on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Like the Project, Alternative 4 would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). The balance of the impacts under this alternative would be similar to the Project or less, owing to the overall reduction in development. The exception is transportation (specifically, VMT) for which the impact would be greater, but still less than significant under Alternative 4. Overall, Alternative 4 would be less impactful than the Project.

(ii) Finding

The City finds, pursuant to PRC Code Section 21081(a)(3), that specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including considerations identified in Section XIII

of these findings (Statement of Overriding Considerations), make infeasible Alternative 4, as described in the Draft EIR.

(iii) Rationale for Findings

Alternative 4 would result in significant unavoidable impacts with respect to concurrent construction/operational air quality (NO<sub>x</sub>), historic resources, on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Like the Project, Alternative 4 would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). The balance of the impacts under this alternative would be similar to the Project or less, owing to the overall reduction in development. The exception is transportation (specifically, VMT) for which the impact would be greater, but still less than significant under Alternative 4. Overall, Alternative 4 would be less impactful than the Project.

Alternative 4 would develop the same mix of uses as the Project, but all development would be reduced by 42 percent. As such, Alternative 4 would meet the underlying purpose of the Project, which is to redevelop the area around the Metro North Hollywood Station with a high-density, mixed-use development, which is transit and pedestrian oriented and provides housing and jobs in the North Hollywood Valley Village Community Plan Area. Because the same mix of uses would be provided, Alternative 4 would also meet the following Project objectives set forth below to the same extent as the Project:

- The orderly development of residential uses, commercial uses, office uses, and transit uses, as a unified site in furtherance of Metro's commitment to creating transit-oriented communities that offer compact, bikeable, and walkable communities centered around public transit.
- Facilitate an urban in-fill development with a mix of residential, commercial, and office land uses at a density and scale to enable the Project Site to function as a regional center and support transit use.
- Promote resource and energy conservation through incorporating sustainable and green building design and construction above code requirements.
- Promote fiscal benefits, economic development, and job creation by generating jobs during the construction and operation of the project and generating tax revenue for the City and ground lease revenues to Metro to support its mission to improve mobility in Los Angeles County.
- Promote and enhance transit ridership by consolidating and revitalizing the Metro transit center to accommodate current local and municipal buses, as well as the G (Orange) Line terminus and to provide enhancements to the North Hollywood Metro Station, including an improved terminal and security office, Metro employee break room, other support structures, new Metro portal structures on the West and East sides of Lankershim, and the retention of the historic Lankershim Depot.
- Support Metro's regional planning efforts such as the Metro Vision 2028 Strategic Plan by improving pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities in North Hollywood.
- Improve Metro infrastructure in furtherance of Metro's commitment to convert to an all-electric fleet by 2040.



Alternative 4 would meet the Project objectives as set forth below to a lesser extent than the Project due to the 42 percent reduction in development and due to the fact the publicly accessible plaza areas would not be provided:

- Provide housing in furtherance of the goals of the City's Housing Element, City's Regional Housing Needs Assessment, and which serves the surrounding area and citywide market, by providing housing in a range of unit types, affordability levels, and sizes adjacent to public transit.
- Provide community benefits such as new community-serving retail uses, enhanced streetscapes, and publicly accessible open space amenities for the community.
- Promote local and regional mobility objectives and reduce VMT by providing a mix of higher density housing and commercial uses that are in close proximity to public transportation, including numerous bus lines as well as rail transit, which are supported by recreational amenities, commercial services, and enhancements to bicycle and pedestrian amenities.

(iv) Reference

Section V, Alternatives, of the Draft EIR.

(E) Alternative 5 – Historic Preservation Alternative

Alternative 5 would not include development of the previously approved Consolidated Transit Center (including the relocation of the Lankershim Depot) on Block 0 West, thereby avoiding the significant unavoidable historical resources impact of the Project. Because the Consolidated Transit Center would not be built, local buses would remain on the east side of Lankershim Boulevard, and Blocks 4, 5, and 6 would not be developed to maintain existing Metro parking and the local bus plaza. Specifically, Alternative 5 would: (1) retain the existing transit and transit parking uses on Blocks 0 West, 4, and 5/6 instead of developing the Consolidated Transit Center and residential, office, retail/restaurant and parking uses on these blocks as proposed under the Project; and (2) develop 751 residential units, including 600 market rate and 151 affordable units (20 percent of the total), 488,320 square feet of office uses, 45,792 square feet of retail/restaurant uses (32,600 square feet of which would be restaurant uses), and parking uses in the balance of the Project Site blocks (e.g., Blocks 0 East, 1, 2, 3, 7, and 8) similar to the Project. Within these blocks, building footprints, heights, and design; vehicular, bus, and pedestrian access; signage; lighting; setbacks; and sustainability features would all be similar to the Project. In all, 1,234,296 square feet of net new floor area (including 751 residential units) would be developed under Alternative 5, as compared to 2,158,191 square feet (including 1,527 residential units) under the Project. Because only a portion of Metro's existing parking would be removed, the Off-Site Metro Parking Areas would not be redeveloped under this Alternative.

Alternative 5 would provide: 82,314 square feet of open space, compared to 211,280 square feet of open space under the Project; 2,512 vehicle parking spaces within subterranean levels and above ground parking areas, compared to 3,313 vehicle parking spaces within subterranean and above ground parking areas under the Project; and a total of 693 bicycle parking spaces with 117 short-term spaces and 576 long-term spaces compared to 1,158 bicycle parking spaces consisting of 970 long-term and 188 short-term spaces under the Project. Like the Project, up to 274 parking spaces for Metro uses would be provided within the Project Site.

The discretionary entitlements and approvals required under Alternative 5 would be similar to the Project, except that they would cover fewer blocks. The extent and duration of construction activities would also be less under Alternative 5, owing to the lack of development on Blocks 0 West, 4, and 5/6 under this alternative.

(i) Impact Summary

As shown in Table V-2 on page V-11, Alternative 5 would avoid the Project's significant unavoidable historical resources impact and significant unavoidable operational air quality (NOx) impacts. However, similar to the Project, Alternative 5 would result in significant unavoidable impacts with respect to concurrent construction/operational air quality (NOx), on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Like the Project, Alternative 5 would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot feasibly mitigated with regard to on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Alternative 5 would result in similar impacts to the Project for the balance of the environmental issues, or less impacts ,owing to let development under this alternative. The exception would be for transportation (VMT) where the impact would be greater than the Project, but still less than significant. Overall, Alternative 5 would be less impactful than the Project.

(ii) Finding

The City finds, pursuant to PRC Code Section 21081(a)(3), that specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including considerations identified in Section XIII of these findings (Statement of Overriding Considerations), make infeasible Alternative 5, as described in the Draft EIR.

(iii) Rationale for Findings

Alternative 5 would result in significant unavoidable impacts with respect to concurrent construction/operational air quality (NOx), on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Like the Project, Alternative 5 would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot feasibly mitigated with regard to on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Alternative 5 would result in similar impacts to the Project for the balance of the environmental issues, or less impacts owing to let development under this alternative. The exception would be for transportation (VMT) where the impact would be greater than the Project, but still less than significant. Overall, Alternative 5 would be less impactful than the Project.

Under Alternative 5, the same residential, office, and retail/restaurant uses as proposed by the Project would be developed, but within Blocks 0 East, 1, 2, 3, 7, and 8 only. As such, Alternative 5 would only partially meet the underlying purpose of the Project, which is to redevelop the area around the Metro North Hollywood Station with a high-density, mixed-use development which is transit and pedestrian oriented and provides housing and jobs in the North Hollywood Valley Village Community Plan Area. Furthermore, Alternative 5 would not meet the following Project objectives because the proposed transit improvements are not included:

- Promote and enhance transit ridership by consolidating and revitalizing the Metro transit center and providing enhancements to the G (Orange) Line terminus property, including an improved terminal and security office, Metro employee break room,

other support structures, new Metro portal structures on the West and East sides of Lankershim, and the retention of the historic Lankershim Depot.

- Improve Metro infrastructure in furtherance of Metro's commitment to convert to an all-electric fleet by 2040.
- Support Metro's regional planning efforts such as the Metro Vision 2028 Strategic Plan by improving pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities in North Hollywood.

Alternative 5 would meet the following Project objectives to a lesser extent, due to the fact that Blocks 0 West, 4, and 5/6 would not be developed and the central open space areas would not be provided:

- The orderly development of residential uses, commercial uses, office uses, and transit uses, as a unified site in furtherance of Metro's commitment to creating transit-oriented communities that offer compact, bikeable, and walkable communities centered around public transit.
- Facilitate an urban in-fill development with a mix of residential, commercial, and office land uses at a density and scale to enable the Project Site to function as a regional center and support transit use.
- Provide housing in furtherance of the goals of the City's Housing Element, City's Regional Housing Needs Assessment, and which serves the surrounding area and citywide market, by providing housing in a range of unit types, affordability levels, and sizes adjacent to public transit. Promote local and regional mobility objectives and reduce VMT by providing a mix of higher density housing and commercial uses that are in close proximity to public transportation, including numerous bus lines, as well as rail transit, which are supported by recreational amenities, commercial services, and enhancements to bicycle and pedestrian amenities.
- Promote fiscal benefits, economic development, and job creation by generating jobs during the construction and operation of the project and generating tax revenue for the City and ground lease revenues to Metro to supports its mission to improve mobility in Los Angeles County.
- Provide community benefits such as new community-serving retail uses, enhanced streetscapes, and publicly accessible open space amenities for the community.

Alternative 5 would, however, meet the following objective to the same extent as the Project:

- Promote resource and energy conservation through incorporating sustainable and green building design and construction above Title 24 (CALGreen) code requirements.

(iv) Reference

Section V, Alternatives, of the Draft EIR.

(F) Alternative 6 - Alternative Land Use Mix Alternative

As permitted by current zoning, indoor studio space would be developed on Blocks 2 and 3 under Alternative 6, instead of the residential uses proposed on these blocks under the Project. Specifically, Alternative 6 would: (1) develop the Consolidated Transit Center in Block 0 West similar to the Project; (2) develop 485,484 square feet of indoor visual media studio space in Blocks 2 and 3 in place of the residential uses proposed on these blocks under the Project; and (3) develop the balance of the blocks (e.g., Blocks 0 East, 1, and 4-8) similar to the Project. The breakdown of new net floor area under this alternative would be: 755 residential units, including 604 market rate units and 151 affordable units (20 percent of the total units); 580,373 square feet of office; 485,484 square feet of studio; and 102,150 square feet of retail/restaurant (72,750 square feet of which would be restaurant). In all 1,872,183 square feet of net new floor area (including 755 residential units) would be developed under Alternative 6, as compared to 2,158,191 square feet (including 1,527 residential units) under the Project. Alternative 6 includes the Off-Site Metro Parking Areas located at the southwest corner of N. Chandler Boulevard and Tujunga Avenue and on the north side of Chandler Boulevard between Fair Avenue and Vineland Avenue.

Regarding the configuration of the studio development in Blocks 2 and 3 under Alternative 6, it would consist of two standalone buildings, up to 235 feet and 85 feet respectively, on either side of Klump Avenue (which would be extended into the Project Site, similar to the Project), housing sound stages, production offices, loading, storage, parking, support, and post-production facilities. To accommodate the studio use, no aboveground parking would be provided on Blocks 2 and 3. Because development in Blocks 0 East and West and Blocks 1 and 4-8 under Alternative 6 would be similar to that under the Project, so too would be the following on these blocks: the new buildings, including the building footprints and building heights (e.g., ranging from one-story and 36 feet to 28 stories and 325 feet); vehicular, bus and pedestrian access; building design; signage; lighting; setbacks; and sustainability features. See Section II, Project Description, of the Draft EIR for descriptions of these project elements on these blocks.

Alternative 6 would provide: 167,794 square feet of open space, compared to 211,280 square feet of open space under the Project; 3,737 vehicle parking spaces within subterranean and above ground levels, compared to 3,313 vehicle parking spaces within subterranean and above ground parking areas under the Project; and a total of 925 bicycle parking spaces with 203 short-term spaces and 722 long-term spaces compared to 1,158 bicycle parking spaces consisting of 970 long-term and 188 short-term spaces under the Project. Like the Project, up to 274 parking spaces for Metro uses would also be provided within the Project Site. This alternative would require two additional subterranean parking levels on Blocks 2 and 3 because no above ground parking would be provided with the proposed studio use.

The discretionary entitlements and approvals required under Alternative 6 would be similar to the Project, except that the General Plan Amendment and Zone Change required under the Project would not be required for Blocks 2 and 3 under this alternative, as indoor studio space is permitted by the existing Commercial Manufacturing zoning for these blocks. The extent and duration of construction activities would be less under Alternative 6, as a result of approximately 13 percent less total development under this alternative.

(i) Impact Summary

As shown in Table V-2 on page V-11, Alternative 6 would not avoid any of the significant unavoidable impacts of the Project (e.g., concurrent construction/operational and operational

regional air quality [NOx] impacts, cumulative operational regional/localized air quality [NOx] impacts, historic resources impacts, on- and off-site construction noise and vibration impacts, and cumulative construction noise and vibration impacts). Operational NOx impacts would, in fact, be greater than the Project. However, Alternative 6 would reduce some of these impacts (e.g., construction noise/vibration impacts) owing to the less development under this alternative, although these impacts would remain significant and unavoidable. Alternative 6 would result in greater impacts with respect to archeological resources, paleontological resources, hazards and hazardous materials during construction, and tribal cultural resources because of the additional subterranean parking levels, though these impacts would remain less than significant (paleontological resources) or less than significant with mitigation (archeological resources, hazards and hazardous materials, and tribal cultural resources). Alternative 6 would also result in greater impacts associated with operational hazardous materials owing to the anticipated greater use of hazardous materials associated with the interior studio use under this alternative. Alternative 6 would result in similar impacts to the Project for the balance of the environmental issues, or less impacts owing to less development under this alternative. Overall, Alternative 6 would be more impactful than the Project.

(ii) Finding

The City finds, pursuant to PRC Code Section 21081(a)(3), that specific economic, legal, social, technological, or other considerations, including considerations identified in Section XIII of these findings (Statement of Overriding Considerations), make infeasible Alternative 6, as described in the Draft EIR.

(iii) Rationale for Findings

Alternative 6 would not avoid any of the significant unavoidable impacts of the Project (e.g., concurrent construction/operational and operational regional air quality [NOx] impacts, cumulative operational regional/localized air quality [NOx] impacts, historic resources impacts, on- and off-site construction noise and vibration impacts, and cumulative construction noise and vibration impacts). Operational NOx impacts would, in fact, be greater than the Project. However, Alternative 6 would reduce some of these impacts (e.g., construction noise/vibration impacts) owing to the less development under this alternative, although these impacts would remain significant and unavoidable. Alternative 6 would result in greater impacts with respect to archeological resources, paleontological resources, hazards and hazardous materials during construction, and tribal cultural resources because of the additional subterranean parking levels, though these impacts would remain less than significant (paleontological resources) or less than significant with mitigation (archeological resources, hazards and hazardous materials, and tribal cultural resources). Alternative 6 would also result in greater impacts associated with operational hazardous materials owing to the anticipated greater use of hazardous materials associated with the interior studio use under this alternative. Alternative 6 would result in similar impacts to the Project for the balance of the environmental issues, or less impacts owing to less development under this alternative. Overall, Alternative 6 would be more impactful than the Project.

Alternative 6 would develop the same uses on the same Project Site blocks and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas as the Project, except that Blocks 2 and 3 would be developed with interior studio instead of residential uses resulting in 286,008 square feet less development (but still over 1.8 million square feet of new mixed uses). As such, Alternative 6 would meet the underlying purpose of the Project, which is to redevelop the area around the Metro North Hollywood Station with a high-density, mixed-use development, which is transit and pedestrian

oriented and provides housing and jobs in the North Hollywood Valley Village Community Plan Area. Furthermore, Alternative 6 would meet most of the Project objectives as set forth below:

- The orderly development of residential uses, commercial uses, office uses, and transit uses, as a unified site in furtherance of Metro's commitment to creating transit-oriented communities that offer compact, bikeable, and walkable communities centered around public transit.
- Facilitate an urban in-fill development with a mix of residential, commercial, and office land uses at a density and scale to enable the Project Site to function as a regional center and support transit use.
- Provide community benefits such as new community-serving retail uses, enhanced streetscapes, and publicly accessible open space amenities for the community.
- Promote local and regional mobility objectives and reduce VMT by providing a mix of higher density housing and commercial uses that are in close proximity to public transportation, including numerous bus lines as well as rail transit, which are supported by recreational amenities, commercial services, and enhancements to bicycle and pedestrian amenities.
- Promote fiscal benefits, economic development, and job creation by generating jobs during the construction and operation of the project and generating tax revenue for the City and ground lease revenues to Metro to support its mission to improve mobility in Los Angeles County.
- Promote resource and energy conservation through incorporating sustainable and green building design and construction above Title 24 (CALGreen) code requirements.
- Promote and enhance transit ridership by consolidating and revitalizing the Metro transit center to accommodate current local and municipal buses, as well as the G (Orange) Line terminus and to provide enhancements to the North Hollywood Metro Station, including an improved terminal and security office, Metro employee break room, other support structures, new Metro portal structures on the West and East sides of Lankershim, and the retention of the historic Lankershim Depot.
- Support Metro's regional planning efforts such as the Metro Vision 2028 Strategic Plan by improving pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities in North Hollywood.
- Improve Metro infrastructure in furtherance of Metro's commitment to convert to an all-electric fleet by 2040.

While Alternative 6 would meet all of the project objectives, it would meet the following objective to a lesser extent than the Project because 772 fewer residential units are provided:

- Provide housing in furtherance of the goals of the City's Housing Element, City's Regional Housing Needs Assessment, and which serves the surrounding area and citywide market, by providing housing in a range of unit types, affordability levels, and sizes adjacent to public transit.

(iv) Reference

Section V, Alternatives, of the Draft EIR.

**4. Project Alternatives Considered and Rejected**

As set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.6(c), an EIR should identify any alternatives that were considered for analysis, but rejected as infeasible, and briefly explain the reasons for their rejection. According to the CEQA Guidelines, among the factors that may be used to eliminate an alternative from detailed consideration are the alternative's failure to meet most of the basic project objectives, the alternative's infeasibility, or the alternative's inability to avoid significant environmental impacts. Alternatives to the Project that were considered and rejected as infeasible include the following:

(A) Alternative Project Site

Metro already owns the Project Site and has authorized the Applicant to act on its behalf regarding development of the Project Site. The Project Site is located in the heart of North Hollywood, which is characterized by a mix of uses, including residential, commercial, office, and industrial uses. These uses make the Project Site particularly suitable for development of a mixed-use development that provides new residential units, office space, and retail/restaurant uses that serve the community and promote walkability. The Project Site is also well-served by transit, including the on-site Metro North Hollywood Station. Furthermore, Metro cannot reasonably acquire, control, or access an alternative site in a timely fashion that would result in implementation of a project with similar uses and square footage, nor would Metro acquire a property solely for the purpose of a real estate development. Given its urban location, if an alternative site in North Hollywood that could accommodate the Project could be found, it would be expected to result in significant and unavoidable impacts associated with construction noise and vibration, similar to the proposed Project on the Project Site. Additionally, considering the mix of uses in North Hollywood, which include sensitive uses, it is possible that development of the Project at an alternative site could potentially be closer to sensitive uses and, thus, may produce other environmental impacts that would otherwise not occur at the current Project Site or result in greater environmental impacts when compared with the Project. An alternative site also has the potential to displace existing people or housing, given the makeup of North Hollywood, which would not occur under the Project. Therefore, an alternative site is not considered feasible, as Metro does not own another suitable site that would achieve the underlying purpose and objectives of the Project, and an alternative site would not likely avoid many of the Project's significant impacts. Thus, this alternative was rejected from further consideration.

(B) Alternative To Eliminate Significant Noise and Vibration Impacts During Construction

Various alternatives (Approaches a-d) were considered with the goal of avoiding the Project's short-term significant unavoidable on-site construction noise (Project-level and cumulative), off-site construction noise (Project-level and cumulative), and on- and off-site construction vibration pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance (Project-level and cumulative). However, none of the approaches would substantially reduce or avoid the significant construction-related noise and vibration (human annoyance) impacts of the Project. Furthermore, Approaches (a) through (d) would not achieve the Project's underlying purpose and objectives to the same extent as the Project; Approach (b) would extend the construction period, meaning impacts would affect sensitive receptors for a longer period of time, making this

approach infeasible; Approaches (a) and (d) would provide less housing and fewer jobs near transit, which would be inconsistent with City land use objectives and requirements for the Project Site; and, in addition to meeting the Project's underlying objective to a lesser extent than the Project, Approach (c) would not allow for the development of the public plazas, which would serve as open space for the community. Therefore, an alternative that includes one or more of these approaches has been rejected from further consideration in the Draft EIR. Therefore, an alternative that includes one or more of the considered approaches would not substantially reduce or eliminate the significant noise and vibration impacts of the Project.

## **5. Environmentally Superior Alternative**

Section 15126.6(e)(2) of the CEQA Guidelines indicates that an analysis of alternatives to a project shall identify an Environmentally Superior Alternative among the alternatives evaluated in an EIR. The CEQA Guidelines also state that should it be determined that the No Project Alternative is the Environmentally Superior Alternative, the EIR shall identify another Environmentally Superior Alternative among the remaining alternatives. Pursuant to Section 15126.6(c) of the CEQA Guidelines, the analysis below addresses the ability of the alternatives to "avoid or substantially lessen one or more of the significant effects" of the Project.

Of the alternatives analyzed in the Draft EIR, the No Project/No Build Alternative, would be the Environmentally Superior Alternative. This alternative would avoid all of the Project's significant environmental impacts associated with historic resources, NOx emissions during operation, on-site construction noise, off-site construction noise, on-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), and off-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance). Alternative 1 would also avoid the Project's significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to NOx emissions during operation, on-site construction noise, off-site construction noise, on site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), and off-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), as well as concurrent construction and operational NOx emissions. Alternative 1 would not result in greater impacts for any environmental issue.

Alternative 2, the No Project/Development Alternative, would avoid the Project's significant unavoidable concurrent construction/operational and operational air quality (NOx) impacts. However, similar to the Project, Alternative 2 would result in significant unavoidable impacts with respect to historic resources, on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Like the Project, Alternative 2 would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Alternative 2 would not result in greater impacts for any environmental issue.

However, neither Alternative 1 nor Alternative 2 would meet the underlying purpose of the Project to redevelop the area around the Metro North Hollywood Station with a high density, mixed-use development, which is transit and pedestrian oriented and provides housing and jobs in the North Hollywood Valley Village Community Plan Area. Alternative 1 would also not meet any of the Project's other objectives. Furthermore, except for the three Project objectives associated with the Metro's Consolidated Transit Center, Alternative 2 would not meet the Project objectives (for example, Alternative 2 would not: facilitate mixed-use infill development that would enable the Project Site to function as a regional center and support transit use; provide new housing and employment opportunities in the immediate vicinity of an abundance of public transit opportunities; provide needed housing at a range of unit types and affordability levels near transit; provide community benefits, such as new community-serving retail; or



promote local and regional mobility objectives and reducing VMT by intensifying urban uses in close proximity to transit).

The CEQA Guidelines require the identification of an Environmentally Superior Alternative other than a No Project Alternative. As such, in accordance with the CEQA Guidelines, a comparative evaluation of the remaining alternatives indicates that Alternative 3, Development in Accordance with Existing Zoning Alternative, would be the Environmental Superior Alternative. Under this Alternative, the Project Site would be developed in accordance with the existing zoning of the Project Site. Specifically, Alternative 3 would develop the previously approved Consolidated Transit Center on Block 0 West (including relocating the Lankershim Depot), and would develop 358 residential units in Block 8, with the balance of the Project Site blocks and the Off-Site Metro Parking Areas retained with their existing uses.

Alternative 3 would avoid the Project's significant unavoidable operational impacts and concurrent construction and operational air quality (NOx) impacts. However, similar to the Project, Alternative 3 would result in significant unavoidable impacts with respect to historic resources, on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). Like the Project, Alternative 3 would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to on- and off-site construction noise, and on- and off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). These and the balance of the impacts would be less under Alternative 3 owing to less development both in terms of square footage and development area. Lastly, for no environmental issues would Alternative 3 result in greater impacts than the Project.

However, Alternative 3 would not meet the underlying purpose of the Project, which is to redevelop the area around the Metro North Hollywood Station with a high-density, mixed-use development, which is transit and pedestrian oriented and provides housing and jobs in the North Hollywood Valley Village Community Plan Area.

With the development of residential and retail uses in Block 8, Alternative 3 would partially meet the following Project objectives (not fully meet since the majority of the Project Site blocks and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas would not be redeveloped under this alternative, no public open space plazas would be provided, and the number of new residential units would be less than under the Project) or meet them to a lesser extent:

- The orderly development of residential uses, commercial uses, office uses, and transit uses, as a unified site in furtherance of Metro guidelines and goals of a mixed-use transit village at the North Hollywood station.
- Facilitate an urban in-fill development with a mix of residential, commercial, and office land uses at a density and scale to enable the Project Site to function as a regional center and support transit use.
- Provide housing in furtherance of the goals of the City's Housing Element, City's Regional Housing Needs Assessment, and which serves the surrounding area and citywide market, by providing housing in a range of unit types, affordability levels, and sizes adjacent to public transit.
- Provide community benefits, such as new community-serving retail uses, enhanced streetscapes, and publicly accessible open space amenities for the community.

- Promote fiscal benefits, economic development, and job creation by generating jobs during the construction and operation of the project and generating tax revenue for the City and ground lease revenues to Metro to support its mission to improve mobility in Los Angeles County.
- Promote local and regional mobility objectives and reduce VMT by providing a mix of higher density housing and commercial uses that are in close proximity to public transportation, including numerous bus lines, as well as rail transit, which are supported by recreational amenities, commercial services, and enhancements to bicycle and pedestrian amenities.
- Promote resource and energy conservation through incorporating sustainable and green building design and construction above code requirements.

With the development of the Consolidated Transit Center, Alternative 3 would meet the following Project objectives:

- Promote and enhance transit ridership by consolidating and revitalizing the Metro transit center to accommodate current local and municipal buses, as well as the G (Orange) Line terminus and to provide enhancements to the North Hollywood Metro Station, including an improved terminal and security office, Metro employee break room, other support structures, new Metro portal structures on the West and East sides of Lankershim, and the retention of the historic Lankershim Depot.
- Support Metro's regional planning efforts such as the Metro Vision 2028 Strategic Plan by improving pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities in North Hollywood.
- Improve Metro infrastructure in furtherance of Metro's commitment to convert to an all-electric fleet by 2040.

## **XI. Significant Irreversible Environmental Changes**

Section 15126.2(c) of the CEQA Guidelines indicates that an EIR should evaluate any significant irreversible environmental changes that would occur should the proposed project be implemented. The types and level of development associated with the Project would consume limited, slowly renewable, and non-renewable resources. This consumption would occur during construction of the Project and would continue throughout its operational lifetime. The development of the Project would require a commitment of resources that would include: (1) building materials and associated solid waste disposal effects on landfills; (2) water; and (3) energy resources (e.g., fossil fuels) for electricity, natural gas, and transportation. The Project Site contains no energy resources that would be precluded from future use through Project implementation. For the reasons set forth in Section VI, Other CEQA Considerations, of the Draft EIR, the Project's irreversible changes to the environment related to the consumption of nonrenewable resources would not be significant, and the limited use of nonrenewable resources is justified.

### **(1) Building Materials and Solid Waste**

Construction of the Project would require consumption of resources that do not replenish themselves or which may renew so slowly as to be considered non-renewable. These resources would include certain types of lumber and other forest products, aggregate materials

used in concrete and asphalt (e.g., sand, gravel and stone), metals (e.g., steel, copper and lead), and petrochemical construction materials (e.g., plastics).

The Project's potential impacts related to solid waste are addressed in the Initial Study prepared for the Project, which is included as Appendix A of the Draft EIR. As discussed therein, during construction of the Project, a minimum of 75 percent of construction and demolition debris would be diverted from landfills. In addition, during operation, the Project would provide on-site recycling containers within a designated recycling area for Project residents to facilitate recycling in accordance with the City of Los Angeles Space Allocation Ordinance (Ordinance No. 171,687) and the Los Angeles Green Building Code. In accordance with AB 1826, the Project would also provide for the recycling of organic waste. The Project would adhere to state and local solid waste policies and objectives that further goals to divert waste. Thus, the consumption of non-renewable building materials, such as aggregate materials and plastics, would be reduced and would not result in significant irreversible environmental changes.

## (2) Water

Consumption of water during construction and operation of the Project is addressed in Section IV.M.1, Utilities and Service Systems—Water Supply and Infrastructure, of the Draft EIR. As evaluated therein, given the temporary nature of construction activities, the short-term and intermittent water use during construction of the Project would be less than the net new water consumption estimated for the Project at buildout. During operation, the estimated water demand for the Project would not exceed the available supplies projected by the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), as confirmed by the Water Supply Assessment and Utility Report prepared for the Project and included as Appendices T and G of the Draft EIR, respectively. Thus, LADWP would be able to meet the water demand of the Project, as well as the existing and planned future water demands of its service area. In addition, the Project would implement a variety of sustainability features related to water conservation to reduce indoor water use, as set forth in Section II, Project Description, and Section IV.M.1, Utilities and Service Systems—Water Supply and Infrastructure, of the Draft EIR. Furthermore, the Project would be required to reduce indoor water use by at least 20 percent, in accordance with the City of Los Angeles Green Building Code. The Project would also implement Project Design Feature WAT-PDF-1, which includes block-by-block water conservation measures in excess of code requirements. Thus, as evaluated in Section IV.M.1, Utilities and Service Systems—Water Supply and Infrastructure, of the Draft EIR, while Project construction and operation would result in some irreversible consumption of water, such would not result in significant irreversible environmental changes related to water supply.

## (3) Energy Consumption

During ongoing operation of the Project, non-renewable fossil fuels would represent the primary energy source, and thus the existing finite supplies of these resources would be incrementally reduced. Fossil fuels, such as diesel, gasoline, and oil, would also be consumed in the use of construction vehicles and equipment. Project consumption of non-renewable fossil fuels for energy use during construction and operation of the Project is addressed in Section IV.C, Energy, of the Draft EIR. As discussed therein, construction activities for the Project would not require the consumption of natural gas, but would require the use of fossil fuels and electricity. On- and off-road vehicles would consume an estimated 482,116 gallons of gasoline and approximately 1,361,915 gallons of diesel fuel throughout the Project's construction. For comparison purposes, the fuel usage during Project construction would represent approximately 0.01 percent of the 2038 annual on-road gasoline-related energy consumption and 0.2 percent

of the 2038 annual diesel fuel-related energy consumption in Los Angeles County. Furthermore, as detailed in Section IV.C, Energy, of the Draft EIR, a total of approximately 177,558 kWh of electricity is anticipated to be consumed during Project construction. The electricity demand at any given time would vary throughout the construction period based on the construction activities being performed and would cease upon completion of construction. When not in use, electric equipment would be powered off so as to avoid unnecessary energy consumption. In addition, trucks and equipment used during construction activities would comply with CARB's anti-idling regulations as well as the In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets regulation. Further, on-road vehicles (i.e., haul trucks, worker vehicles) would be subject to federal fuel efficiency requirements. Therefore, the Project would not result in the wasteful, inefficient, and unnecessary consumption of energy resources. Thus, impacts related to the consumption of fossil fuels during construction of the Project would be less than significant.

During operation, the Project's increase in electricity and natural gas demand would be within the anticipated service capabilities of LADWP and the Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas), respectively. Specifically, the Project's electricity demand would represent less than 0.07 percent of LADWP projected sales in the 2037-2038 fiscal year. Furthermore, the Project's natural gas demand would represent approximately 0.005 percent of SoCalGas' forecasted consumption in 2035 (2035 is the latest projected year in the 2020 Gas Report). In addition, as discussed in Section IV.C, Energy, of the Draft EIR, the Project would comply with 2019 Title 24 standards and applicable 2019 CALGreen Code requirements. Gasoline and diesel fuel consumption during operation are estimated to be 955,733 gallons and 211,206 gallons, respectively, which would account for 0.03 percent of gasoline and diesel fuel consumption in Los Angeles County in 2038. In addition, as noted above, the Project is located in an HQTAs and includes a number of features that would reduce the number of VMT, such as increase density, a mixed-use development, and increased destination and transit accessibility.

Therefore, based on the above, the Project would not cause a significant and irreversible environmental change related to the wasteful, inefficient, and unnecessary consumption of energy and would be consistent with the intent of Appendix F of the CEQA Guidelines. In addition, Project operations would not conflict with adopted energy conservation plans. Refer to Section IV.C, Energy, of the Draft EIR, for further analysis regarding the Project's consumption of energy resources.

#### (4) Environmental Hazards

The Project's potential use of hazardous materials is addressed in Section IV.F, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, of the Draft EIR. As evaluated therein, the types and amounts of hazardous materials that would be used in connection with the Project would be typical of those used in commercial, office, and residential uses. Specifically, operation of the Project would be expected to involve the use and storage of small quantities of potentially hazardous materials in the form of cleaning solvents, painting supplies, pesticides for landscaping, and petroleum products. Construction of the Project would also involve the temporary use of potentially hazardous materials, including vehicle fuels, paints, oils, and transmission fluids. However, all potentially hazardous materials would be used and stored in accordance with manufacturers' instructions and handled in compliance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations. Any associated risk would be reduced to a less than significant level through compliance with these standards and regulations. As such, compliance with regulations and standards would serve to protect against significant and irreversible environmental change that could result from the accidental release of hazardous materials.

## **XII. Growth Inducing Impacts**

Section 15126.2(e) of the CEQA Guidelines requires a discussion of the ways in which a proposed project could induce growth. This includes ways in which a project would foster economic or population growth, or the construction of additional housing, either directly or indirectly, in the surrounding environment. Included in this are projects which would remove obstacles to population growth, or increases in the population which may tax existing community service facilities, requiring construction of new facilities that could cause significant environmental effects. Additionally, consideration must be given to characteristics of some projects, which may encourage and facilitate other activities that could significantly affect the environment, either individually or cumulatively. It must not be assumed that growth in any area is necessarily beneficial, detrimental, or of little significance to the environment.

### **(1) Population**

As discussed in Section II, Project Description, of the Draft EIR, the Project includes 1,527 residential units comprised of 1,216 market rate units and 311 affordable units. Based on persons per residential unit factors from the LADOT VMT Calculator, development of the proposed residential units would result in an increase of an estimated 3,717 new residents. According to SCAG's 2020–2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2020–2045 RTP/SCS), the estimated population of 3,717 persons generated by the Project would represent approximately 0.16 percent of the projected growth in the SCAG region between 2020 and 2038 (i.e., the Project's baseline and buildout years), and 0.72 percent of the projected growth in the City during the same period. As such, the 3,717 new residents generated by the Project would be within and, thus, consistent with SCAG growth forecasts, constituting a small percentage of projected City and regional growth. Therefore, the Project's residents would be well within SCAG's population projections in the 2020–2045 RTP/SCS for the Subregion and would not result in a significant direct growth-inducing impact.

### **(2) Employment**

The Project would have the potential to generate indirect population growth in the vicinity of the Project Site, as a result of the employment opportunities generated by the Project. During construction, the Project would create temporary construction-related jobs. However, the work requirements of most construction projects are highly specialized, such that construction workers remain at a job site only for the time in which their specific skills are needed to complete a particular phase of the construction process. Thus, construction workers would not be expected to relocate to the Project vicinity, as a direct consequence of working on the Project. Therefore, given the availability of construction workers, the Project would not be considered growth-inducing from a short-term employment perspective. Rather, the Project would provide a public benefit by providing new employment opportunities during the construction period.

Based on employee generation factors from LADOT's VMT calculator, conservatively assuming 100 percent of the restaurant uses would be fast food (identified by the LADOT as a higher employee generation rate), the proposed commercial and office uses would result in approximately 2,882 employees. When accounting for the industrial/warehouse uses to be removed from the Project Site and Off-Site Metro Parking Areas, the Project would result in a net increase of 2,821 jobs. Based on a linear interpretation of employment data from the 2020–2045 RTP/SCS, the Project's net increase of 2,821 jobs would represent approximately 0.27 percent of the projected employment growth in the SCAG Region between 2020 and 2038, and 1.58 percent of the projected employment growth in the City during the same period. Therefore,

the Project would not cause an exceedance of SCAG's employment projections contained in the 2020–2045 RTP/SCS.

In addition, the proposed office, restaurant, and retail uses would include a range of full-time and part-time positions that are typically filled by persons already residing in the vicinity of the workplace, and who generally do not relocate their households due to such employment opportunities. Therefore, given that some of the employment opportunities generated by the Project would be filled by people already residing in the vicinity of the Project Site, the potential growth associated with Project employees who may relocate their place of residence would not be substantial. Although it is possible that some of the employment opportunities offered by the Project would be filled by persons moving into the surrounding area, which could increase demand for housing, it is anticipated that most of this demand would be filled by then-existing vacancies in the housing market and others by any new residential developments that may occur in the vicinity of the Project Site. As such, the Project's office, restaurant, and retail uses would be unlikely to create an indirect demand for additional housing or households in the area.

### **XIII. Energy Conservation**

The Project would be designed and constructed to incorporate features to support and promote environmental sustainability. This Transit Oriented Development would be located adjacent to a major public transit hub, including a stop for the Metro's B (Red) Line and G (Orange) Line stations, and would develop uses, including housing, office, retail, and open space, in one location.

"Green" principles would be incorporated throughout the Project to comply with the City of Los Angeles Green Building Code and the sustainability intent of the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) program to meet the standards of LEED Silver® or equivalent green building standards. These include energy conservation, water conservation, and waste reduction features to support and promote environmental sustainability, including, but not limited to: Energy Star appliances; plumbing fixtures (water closets and urinals) and fittings (faucets and showerheads) that comply with the performance requirements specified in the City of Los Angeles Green Building Code; weather-based irrigation system; and water-efficient landscaping. In addition, the Project would also set aside an area as required by Title 24 for potential installation of solar panels on high-rise multi-family buildings and non-residential buildings at a later date. Furthermore, the Project would provide parking facilities capable of supporting future electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE), as well as parking spaces equipped with electric vehicle (EV) charging stations and/or outlets for plugin. The consolidated transit center would incorporate electric bus charging infrastructure and charging masts for the Metro G (Orange) Line and allow for future electric bus infrastructure improvements in furtherance of Metro's commitment to convert to an all-electric fleet by 2040, with 100 percent of annual new bus purchases at zero emissions by 2029.

The Project would also include a variety of other measures to reduce energy usage, including passive solar building design, daylight harvesting, natural ventilation, and building orientation; and covering building roofs with either vegetation or cool roof systems to help reduce energy use. Stormwater treatment would occur through a variety of means based on the adjacent building requirements.

#### **XIV. STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS**

The EIR identifies unavoidable significant impacts that would result from implementation of the project. PRC Section 21081 and Section 15093(b) of the CEQA Guidelines provide that when a decision of a public agency allows the occurrence of significant impacts that are identified in the EIR, but are not at least substantially mitigated to an insignificant level or eliminated, the lead agency must state in writing the reasons to support its action based on the EIR and/or other information in the record. The State CEQA Guidelines require, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15093(b), that the decision-maker adopt a Statement of Overriding Considerations at the time of approval of a project, if it finds that significant adverse environmental effects have been identified in the EIR that cannot be substantially mitigated to an insignificant level or be eliminated. These findings and the Statement of Overriding Considerations are based on the documents and materials that constitute the record of proceedings, including, but not limited to, the Final EIR and all technical appendices attached thereto.

Based on the analysis provided in Section IV, Environmental Impact Analysis, of the Draft EIR, implementation of the Project would result in significant impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with respect to: historic resources, NOx emissions during operation, on site construction noise, off site construction noise, on site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), and off site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance). Implementation of the Project would also result in significant cumulative impacts that cannot be feasibly mitigated with regard to NOx emissions during operation, on-site construction noise, off-site construction noise, on-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance), and off-site construction vibration (pursuant to the threshold for human annoyance). The Project would also result in a significant and unavoidable impact related to concurrent construction and operational NOx emissions.

Accordingly, the City adopts the following Statement of Overriding Considerations. The City recognizes that significant and unavoidable impacts would result from implementation of the project. Having (i) adopted all feasible mitigation measures, (ii) rejected as infeasible the alternatives to the project discussed above, (iii) recognized all significant, unavoidable impacts, and (iv) balanced the benefits of the project against the project's significant and unavoidable impacts, the City hereby finds that each of the project's benefits, as listed below, outweigh and override the significant unavoidable impacts listed above.

The below stated reasons summarize the benefits, goals, and objectives of the Project, and provide the detailed rationale for the benefits of the Project. These overriding considerations of economic, social, aesthetic, and environmental benefits for the Project justify adoption of the Project and certification of the completed EIR. Each of the listed Project benefits set forth in this Statement of Overriding Considerations provides a separate and independent ground for the City's decision to approve the Project despite the Project's identified significant and unavoidable environmental impacts. Each of the following overriding considerations separately and independently (i) outweighs the adverse environmental impacts of the Project, and (ii) justifies adoption of the Project and certification of the completed EIR. In particular, achieving the underlying purpose for the Project would be sufficient to override the significant environmental impacts of the Project.

- **Supports City's Housing Goals.** The Project will support the City's critical housing needs, as well as General Plan goals and objectives, General Plan Framework Element goals and objectives, and Housing Element goals and objectives to provide housing available to varied income levels and household sizes by constructing 1,216

market rate and 311 Lower Income affordable units, consisting of a variety of housing types, including studio, one-, two-, and three-bedroom units. The various unit types allow rents to be offered at different price points, thereby providing options to meet the needs of potential residents and enhancing the stock of housing units in the area.

- **Site Redevelopment and Smart Growth.** The Project will substantially improve the area around the Metro North Hollywood Station with a high-density, mixed-use development, incorporating pedestrian-oriented building design, providing ground-level outdoor plazas and improved streetscape, increasing onsite landscaping, improving security and building lighting, The Project would also be providing housing and jobs on the same site as multiple transit lines in the North Hollywood Valley Village Community Plan Area, and creating a mix of uses to support pedestrian activity and transit ridership with access to the greater region.
- **Transit Infrastructure Improvements.** The Project will revitalize and expand transit facilities at Metro's North Hollywood Station, including improving the existing Metro B (Red) Line portal entry, a new B Line portal entry to the west of Lankershim Boulevard, bus terminal for the Metro G (Orange) Line, the LADOT Commuter Express, and local/regional buses with integration of public plazas and incorporation of retail uses within the historic Lankershim Depot. These improvements will help to improve efficiency, connection, and access.
- **Employment and Tax Revenue.** The Project will generate employment opportunities for the local community and surrounding area. Development and construction of the Project will generate approximately 10,098 full- and part-time construction jobs, and 2,528<sup>1</sup> long-term operational jobs at full buildout. These jobs will be generated both on-site and elsewhere in the City of Los Angeles, as the Project's construction and operation stimulate and support businesses in the local economy. In addition, the Project would introduce new residents into the neighborhood to patronize local retail, services, and restaurants. Moreover, the Project would provide economic benefits for the City, as it will generate approximately \$1.0 billion in total economic output from construction-related activity, \$1.1 billion in total economic output annually from Project operations, as well as \$5.3 million in one-time revenues during construction and \$9 million annually in net new revenues to the City's General Fund. (All dollar values are in constant 2021 dollars.)
- **Sustainability.** The Project will be consistent with the State's SB 375 plans and greenhouse gas emission (GHG) targets, the City's Green Building Code, and the City's Green New Deal. The Project will also be designed to achieve the standards of the Silver Rating under the USGBC's Leadership in Energy Efficiency and Design ("LEED") green building program, or equivalent green building standards, and include numerous sustainability measures to promote resource conservation.

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<sup>1</sup> The EIR addressed the impacts from the generation of 2,821 permanent jobs. This figure was based on employee generation factors by use type from the Los Angeles Department of Transportation and Los Angeles Department of City Planning, City of Los Angeles VMT Calculator Documentation Version 1.3, May 2020, Table 1 which is based on employees per 1,000 square feet. 2,528 employees was estimated in the Fiscal and Economic Impact Report which used the IMPLAN model to estimate jobs, an economic model which is more realistic for determining employee generation for fiscal impact purposes.



- **Pedestrian and Bicycle Amenities.** The Project will provide two acres of publicly accessible plaza areas and open space, which would provide amenities and programming for the benefit of the public. Public open space could be programmed for a variety of functions, including open-air concerts, farmers markets, civic events, and passive and organized recreation. In addition, the Project will improve pedestrian and bicycle safety in the area through improvements to the public right of way, as well as expanded bicycle infrastructure in the form of a planned Metro Bikeshare Hub on site.

## **XV. GENERAL FINDINGS.**

1. The City, acting through the Department of City Planning, is the “Lead Agency” for the Project that is evaluated in the EIR. The City finds that the EIR was prepared in compliance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines. The City finds that it has independently reviewed and analyzed the EIR for the Project, that the Draft EIR, which was circulated for public review, reflected its independent judgment, and that the Final EIR reflects the independent judgment of the City.

2. The EIR evaluated the following potential project and cumulative environmental impacts: Air Quality; Cultural Resources; Energy; Geology and Soils, Greenhouse Gas Emissions; Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Land Use; Noise; Population and Housing, Public Services; Transportation; Tribal Cultural Resources; and Utilities. Additionally, the EIR considered Growth Inducing Impacts and Significant Irreversible Environmental Changes. The significant environmental impacts of the Project and the alternatives were identified in the EIR.

3. The City finds that the EIR provides objective information to assist the decision-makers and the public at large in their consideration of the environmental consequences of the Project. The public review period provided all interested jurisdictions, agencies, private organizations, and individuals the opportunity to submit comments regarding the Draft EIR. The Final EIR was prepared after the review period and responds to comments made during the public review period.

4. Textual refinements were compiled and presented to the decision-makers for review and consideration. Staff has made every effort to notify the decision-makers and the interested public/agencies of each textual change in the various documents associated with Project review. These textual refinements arose for a variety of reasons. First, it is inevitable that draft documents would contain errors and would require clarifications and corrections. Second, textual clarifications were necessitated to describe refinements suggested as part of the public participation process.

5. The Department of City Planning evaluated comments on environmental issues received from persons who reviewed the Draft EIR. In accordance with CEQA, the Department of City Planning prepared written responses describing the disposition of significant environmental issues raised. The Final EIR provides adequate, good faith, and reasoned response to the comments. The Department of City Planning reviewed the comments received and responses thereto and has determined that neither the comments received nor the responses to such comments add significant new information regarding environmental impacts to the Draft EIR. The Lead Agency has based its actions on full appraisal of all viewpoints, including all comments received up to the date of adoption of these findings, concerning the environmental impacts identified and analyzed in the EIR.

6. The Final EIR documents changes to the Draft EIR. Having reviewed the information contained in the Draft EIR, the Final EIR, and the administrative record, as well as the requirements of CEQA, and the CEQA Guidelines regarding recirculation of Draft EIRs, the City finds that there is no new significant impact, substantial increase in the severity of a previously disclosed impact, significant new information in the record of proceedings or other criteria under CEQA that would require additional recirculation of the Draft EIR, or that would require preparation of a supplemental or subsequent EIR. Specifically, the City finds that:

- The Responses to Comments contained in the Final EIR fully considered and responded to comments claiming that the Project would have significant impacts or more severe impacts not disclosed in the Draft EIR and include substantial evidence that none of these comments provided substantial evidence that the Project would result in changed circumstances, significant new information, considerably different mitigation measures, or new or more severe significant impacts than were discussed in the Draft EIR.
- The City has thoroughly reviewed the public comments received regarding the project and the Final EIR as it relates to the project to determine whether under the requirements of CEQA, any of the public comments provide substantial evidence that would require recirculation of the EIR prior to its adoption and has determined that recirculation of the EIR is not required.
- None of the information submitted after publication of the Final EIR, including testimony at the public hearings on the Project, constitutes significant new information or otherwise requires preparation of a supplemental or subsequent EIR. The City does not find this information and testimony to be credible evidence of a significant impact, a substantial increase in the severity of an impact disclosed in the Final EIR, or a feasible mitigation measure or alternative not included in the Final EIR.
- The mitigation measures identified for the project were included in the Draft EIR and Final EIR. The final mitigation measures for the project are described in the Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP). Each of the mitigation measures identified in the MMP is incorporated into the project. The City finds that the impacts of the project have been mitigated to the extent feasible by the mitigation measures identified in the MMP.

7. CEQA requires the Lead Agency approving a project to adopt an MMP or the changes to the project which it has adopted or made a condition of project approval to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during project implementation. The mitigation measures included in the EIR as certified by the City serve that function. The MMP includes all the mitigation measures and project design features adopted by the City in connection with the approval of the Project and has been designed to ensure compliance with such measures during implementation of the Project. In accordance with CEQA, the MMP provides the means to ensure that the mitigation measures are fully enforceable. In accordance with the requirements of PRC Section 21081.6, the City hereby adopts the MMP.

8. In accordance with the requirements of PRC Section 21081.6, the City hereby adopts each of the mitigation measures expressly set forth herein as conditions of approval for the Project.

9. The custodian of the documents or other material which constitute the record of proceedings upon which the City's decision is based is the Department of City Planning, Environmental Review Section, 221 North Figueroa Street, Room 1350, Los Angeles, California 90012.

10. The City finds and declares that substantial evidence for each and every finding made herein is contained in the EIR, which is incorporated herein by this reference, or is in the record of proceedings in the matter.

11. The City is certifying an EIR for, and is approving and adopting findings for, the entirety of the actions described in these Findings and in the EIR as comprising the Project.

12. The EIR is a project EIR for purposes of environmental analysis of the Project. A project EIR examines the environmental effects of a specific project. The EIR serves as the primary environmental compliance document for entitlement decisions regarding the Project by the City and other regulatory jurisdictions.

### **FINDINGS OF FACT (SUBDIVISION MAP ACT)**

In connection with the approval of Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 82868, the Advisory Agency of the City of Los Angeles, pursuant to Sections 66473.1, 66474.60, .61 and .63 of the State of California Government Code (the Subdivision Map Act), makes the prescribed findings as follows. All references to the Project Site below are referring to the Tract Map Project Site.

(a) **THE PROPOSED MAP IS CONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PLANS.**

Section 66411 of the Subdivision Map Act (Map Act) establishes that local agencies regulate and control the design of subdivisions. Chapter 2, Article I, of the Map Act establishes the general provisions for tentative, final, and parcel maps. The subdivision and merger of land is regulated pursuant to Article 7 of the LAMC. The LAMC implements the goals, objectives, and policies of the General Plan through zoning regulations, including Specific Plans. The zoning regulations contained within the LAMC regulate, but are not limited to, the maximum permitted density, height, parking, and the subdivision of land. Specifically, LAMC Section 17.05 C requires that a vesting tentative tract map be designed in compliance with the zoning applicable to the project site.

The Project Site contains approximately 12.5-acre (544,887 square-foot) site and 50 ground lots, currently occupied by industrial uses/warehouses, the Metro B Line Portal, a bus facility, and associated surface parking. The Vesting Tentative Tract Map (VTTM) proposes to merge these lots into 11 ground lots and 33 airspace lots, including merging portions of public rights-of-way along Cumpston Street, Weddington Street, and Bakman Avenue; and a Haul Route for the export of up to 587,300 cubic yards of soil.

The Project Site is located within the North Hollywood - Valley Village Community Plan, which designates the Project Site for Community Commercial, Commercial Manufacturing, and Public Facilities land uses, and has corresponding zones of C2-2D-CA, C4-2D, C4-2D-CA, CM-1VL, and PF-1VL, respectively. Under concurrent Case No. CPC-2019-7239-GPAJ-ZVCJ-HD-SP-SN-BL, the applicant is requesting a General Plan Amendment to redesignate the Project Site as Regional Center Commercial, the establishment of the new District NoHo Specific Plan, and a Zone Change and Height

District Change to rezone the Project Site to the District NoHo Specific Plan (DNSP) Zone with a corresponding Sign District, in order to allow the development of a multi-phased, mixed-use development, to include up to 1,527 residential units (including 1,216 market-rate units and 311 affordable units), 105,125 sf of retail/restaurant uses, and 580,374 sf of office space, for an overall, total of 2,209,027 sf, resulting in a FAR of 3.16:1. The Specific Plan would govern zoning for the Project Site, including residential unit limits, height, FAR, use, yards, open space, parking, parking, public ROW improvements, streetscape regulations, dedications and mergers of land, and design standards. The Project is a Joint Development and Option Agreement by and between the Developer and LA Metro and would include transit improvements conducted by Metro as part of the Project. These are not included in the entitlement requests, but Metro approval to develop the Site is contingent upon their completion. The improvements include but are not limited to, G Line terminus improvements, a remodeled B Line portal, and a new B Line portal.

LAMC Section 17.06 B requires that the tract map be prepared by or under the direction of a licensed surveyor or registered civil engineer. The VTTM was prepared by a Registered Professional Engineer and contains the required components, dimensions, areas, notes, legal description, ownership, applicant, and site address information as required by the LAMC.

Additionally, LAMC Section 17.15 B requires that vesting tentative tract maps provide the proposed building envelope, height, size, and number of units, as well as the approximate location of buildings, driveways, and proposed exterior garden walls. The VTTM provides the building envelope, height, number of units, and approximate location of the building and driveways among other required map elements.

Therefore, in conjunction with the approval of the related entitlements and, as conditioned, the Project will be consistent with the zoning regulations of the site and the North Hollywood – Valley Village Community Plan.

(b) **THE DESIGN AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION ARE CONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PLANS.**

For purposes of a subdivision, design and improvement is defined by Section 66418 of the Subdivision Map Act and LAMC Section 17.02. Section 66418 of the Subdivision Map Act defines the term “design” as follows: “Design” means: (1) street alignments, grades and widths; (2) drainage and sanitary facilities and utilities, including alignments and grades thereof; (3) location and size of all required easements and rights-of-way; (4) fire roads and firebreaks; (5) lot size and configuration; (6) traffic access; (7) grading; (8) land to be dedicated for park or recreational purposes; and (9) such other specific physical requirement in the plan and configuration of the entire subdivision as may be necessary to ensure consistency with, or implementation of, the General Plan or any applicable Specific Plan.

LAMC Section 17.05 C enumerates design standards for Subdivisions and requires that each tentative map be designed in conformance with the Street Design Standards and in conformance to the General Plan. LAMC Section 17.05 C, third paragraph, further establishes that density calculations include the areas for residential use and areas designated for public uses, except for land set aside for street purposes (“net area”).

LAMC Section 17.06 B and 17.15 list the map requirements for a tentative tract map and vesting tentative tract map.

The VTTM proposes to merge these lots into 11 ground lots and 33 airspace lots, including merging portions of public rights-of-way along Cumpston Street, Weddington Street, and Bakman Avenue; and a Haul Route for the export of up to 587,300 cubic yards of soil.

The VTTM reflects individual ground lots that are to function as private driveways, but which would serve as a continuation of the street grid, with through street access along Klump Avenue. While these are private driveways and not public or private streets, they will in effect serve largely as extensions of the existing public streets to which they connect. These private driveways would be privately maintained and not be subject to City regulations related to standard requirements for streets.

As described above in within Finding (a), LAMC Section 17.05 C requires that a vesting tentative tract map be designed in compliance with the zoning applicable to the project site. The Project Site is located within the North Hollywood - Valley Village Community Plan, which designated the Project Site for Community Commercial, Commercial Manufacturing, and Public Facilities land uses, and zones of C2-2D-CA, C4-2D, C4-2D-CA, CM-1VL, and PF-1VL. Under concurrent Case No. CPC-2019-7239-GPAJ-ZVCJ-HD-SP-SN-BL, the applicant is requesting a General Plan Amendment to redesignate the Project Site as Regional Center Commercial, the establishment of the new District NoHo Specific Plan, and a Zone Change and Height District Change to rezone the Project Site to the Specific Plan Zone with a corresponding Sign District, in order to allow the development of a multi-phased, mixed-use development, to include up to 1,527 residential units (including 1,216 market-rate units and 311 affordable units), 105,125 sf of retail/restaurant uses, and 580,374 sf of office space, for an overall total of 2,209,027 sf, resulting in an FAR of 3.16:1. The Specific Plan would govern zoning for the Project Site, including residential unit limits, height, FAR, use, yards, open space, parking, parking, public ROW improvements, streetscape regulations, dedications and mergers of land, and design standards. In conjunction with this request and, as conditioned, the Project will be consistent with the zoning regulations of the site and the North Hollywood – Valley Village Community Plan.

The design and layout of the map is consistent with the design standards established by the Subdivision Map Act and Division of Land Regulations of the LAMC, as the VTTM was distributed to and reviewed by the various City agencies of the Subdivision Committee that have the authority to make dedication, and/or improvement recommendations, including, but not limited to, BOE, LADBS - Grading Division and Zoning Divisions, Bureau of Street Lighting, RAP. Several public agencies found the subdivision design satisfactory, with imposed improvement requirements and/or conditions of approval. Specifically, BOE reviewed the VTTM for compliance with the Street Design Standards and has recommended improvements to the public rights-of-ways in accordance with the proposed Specific Plan, or in the event it is not approved, with Mobility Plan 2035. All necessary street improvements will be made to comply with the American Disabilities Act (ADA). In addition, BOE reviewed the sewer/storm drain lines serving the subject VTTM and found no potential problems to structures or maintenance. As noted in the Conditions of Approval, the LADBS - Grading Division has reviewed the geology/soils reports prepared for the Project and issued a Soils Approval Letter dated July 13, 2022. The Soils Approval Letter includes specific design and

engineering conditions that will ensure the Project can be built safely and that the site will be suitable for the proposed development.

Therefore, in conjunction with the approval of the related entitlements and, as conditioned, the design and improvement of the proposed subdivision is consistent with the intent and purpose of the applicable General Plan.

(c) THE SITE IS PHYSICALLY SUITABLE FOR THE PROPOSED TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT.

The Project Site is located in a developed urban area within the North Hollywood – Valley Village Community Plan, and is comprised of two non-contiguous generally rectangular groups of parcels, where Ground Lots 1-6 are bounded by Cumpston Street to the north, Fair Avenue to the east, Chandler Boulevard to the south, and Lankershim Boulevard to the west, while Ground Lot 7 is bounded by Chandler Boulevard to the north, Lankershim Boulevard to the east, Weddington Street and an adjacent existing building to the south, and Bakman Avenue to the west. Surrounding properties are within the C2-2D, C2-2D-CA, C4-2D, C4-2D-CA, CM-1VL, R4P-1L, R4-1L, and PF-1XL Zones. Surrounding uses near the Project Site include medium- to high-density, low- and high-rise commercial and multi-family buildings, and public facilities.

The Project Site is currently improved with the Metro B Line Portal, a transit facility, and associated surface parking. Under concurrent Case No. CPC-2019-7239-GPAJ-ZVCJ-HD-SP-SN-BL, the applicant is requesting a General Plan Amendment to redesignate the Project Site as Regional Center Commercial, the establishment of the new District NoHo Specific Plan, and a Zone Change and Height District Change to rezone the Project Site to the Specific Plan Zone with a corresponding Sign District. All improvements and the surface parking would be demolished to allow the development of a multi-phased, mixed-use development, to include up to 1,527 residential units (including 1,216 market-rate units and 311 affordable units), 105,125 sf of retail/restaurant uses, and 580,374 sf of office space, for an overall total of 2,209,027 sf, resulting in an FAR of 3.16:1. The site would be physically suitable to allow for the proposed development.

Regarding biological resources on-site, there are currently 126 trees onsite and 46 street trees. A total of 114 on-site trees and 33 street trees would be removed as part of the VTTM. There are no protected trees on the Project Site. The Specific Plan includes tree replacement standards, as well as a Streetscape Plan. The LAMC would require the planting of 68 replacement trees, whereas the Specific Plan would require the planting of 373 new trees, including 91 new street trees. These replacement trees would be able to be physically accommodated on the site.

In terms of soil stability and grading activities, the Project Site is on a minor grade generally from the highest elevation at the southeast corner of Lankershim Boulevard and Cumpston Street sloping downward gradually to the to the southeast across both sides of Lankershim Boulevard, with both parts of the non-contiguous Project Site remaining level. The Project would include excavation up to 60 feet below grade but maintain the prevailing grade after construction. The depth of excavation and improvements from the Project would not conflict with, be precluded by, or physically compromise the transit station below the Project Site.

Other hazards and existing conditions have been considered in review of the physical suitability of the site. The Project Site is not located within a Methane Zone and would not be subject to the requirements of the City Methane Requirements. The Site is not located in a hillside area, or Alquist-Priolo Fault Zone, landslide area, or preliminary fault rupture study area. The Project Site is located outside of a hillside area, earthquake induced landslide, or fault-rupture hazard zone. The Project Site is located in a Liquefaction Zone, but as discussed in the EIR, regulatory compliance measures and a required final geotechnical report, subject to LADBS review, would ensure no risks from liquefaction would occur onsite. LADBS - Grading Division has reviewed the geology/soils reports prepared for the Project and issued a Soils Approval Letter dated July 13, 2022. The Soils Approval Letter includes specific design and engineering conditions that will ensure the Project can be built safely and that the site will be suitable for the proposed development. The recommendations from the Soils Approval Letter have been imposed as Conditions of Approval of the VTTM. Finally, prior to the issuance of any permits, the Project would be required to be reviewed and approved by the LADBS and LAFD to ensure compliance with building, fire, and safety codes. The Project Site is also listed in databases compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. The Draft EIR concluded these listings, Phase I, and Phase II findings collectively constitute a Recognized Environmental Concern (REC). The analysis, however, determined that with implementation of mitigation measures, the impacts related to hazardous materials would be less than significant. Mitigation measures related to hazardous materials are incorporated into the Mitigation Monitoring Program for the Project, discussed above in the CEQA Findings, and as part of standard City conditions, are also a condition of approval required for any construction.

Therefore, in conjunction with the approval of the related entitlements and, as conditioned, the Project Site would be physically suitable for the proposed type of development.

(d) THE SITE IS PHYSICALLY SUITABLE FOR THE PROPOSED DENSITY OF DEVELOPMENT.

The General Plan identifies, through its Community and Specific Plans, geographic locations where planned and anticipated densities are permitted. Zoning applied to subject sites throughout the City are allocated based on the type of land use, physical suitability, and population growth that is expected to occur.

The Project Site is located in a developed urban area within the North Hollywood – Valley Village Community Plan, and is comprised of two non-contiguous generally rectangular groups of parcels, where Ground Lots 1-6 are bounded by Cumpston Street to the north, Fair Avenue to the east, Chandler Boulevard to the south, and Lankershim Boulevard to the west, while ground Lot 7 is bounded by Chandler Boulevard to the north, Lankershim Boulevard to the east, Weddington Street and an adjacent existing building to the south, and Bakman Avenue to the west. Surrounding properties are within the C2-2D, C2-2D-CA, C4-2D, C4-2D-CA, CM-1VL, R4P-1L, R4-1L, and PF-1XL Zones. Surrounding uses near the Project Site include medium- to high-density, low- and high-rise commercial and multi-family buildings, and public facilities.

The Project Site is designated for Community Commercial, Commercial Manufacturing, and Public Facilities land uses, and includes the following zones: C2-2D-CA, C4-2D, C4-2D-CA, CM-1VL, and PF-1VL. Under concurrent Case No. CPC-2019-7239-GPAJ-

ZVCJ-HD-SP-SN-BL, the applicant is requesting a General Plan Amendment to redesignate the Project Site as Regional Center Commercial, the establishment of the new District NoHo Specific Plan, and a Zone Change and Height District Change to rezone the Project Site to a Specific Plan Zone with a corresponding Sign District, in order to allow the development of a multi-phased, mixed-use development, to include up to 1,527 residential units (including 1,216 market-rate units and 311 affordable units), 105,125 sf of retail/restaurant uses, and 580,374 sf of office space, for an overall total of 2,209,027 sf, resulting in an FAR of 3.16:1. The Specific Plan would govern zoning for the Project Site, including residential unit limits, height, FAR, use, yards, open space, bicycle parking, vehicle parking, alcohol sales, public right-of-way improvements, streetscape regulations, dedications, and design standards. The Specific Plan would regulate density on site, guide development through the planned phases of the Project, and require various improvements be implemented as part of each phase of the Project. The depth of excavation and improvements from the Project would not conflict with, be precluded by, or physically compromise the transit station below the Project Site.

The Project's floor area, density, and massing is appropriately scaled and situated given the uses in the surrounding area. The subject site is a relatively flat, infill lot in a developed urban area with adequate infrastructure. The area is easily accessible via improved streets, highways, and transit systems. The environmental review conducted by the Department of City Planning under Case No. ENV-2019-7241-EIR (SCH No. 2020060573), establishes that the physical characteristics of the site and the proposed density of development are generally consistent with existing development and urban character of the surrounding community. Therefore, in conjunction with the approval of the related entitlements and, as conditioned, the project site is physically suitable for the proposed density of development.

- (e) THE DESIGN OF THE SUBDIVISION AND THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS ARE NOT LIKELY TO CAUSE SUBSTANTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE OR SUBSTANTIALLY AND AVOIDABLY INJURE FISH OR WILDLIFE OR THEIR HABITAT.

The Project proposes an infill development within the North Hollywood – Valley Village Community Plan area in the City of Los Angeles. The VTTM includes the merger of 50 existing ground lots into 11 ground lots and 33 airspace lots, including merging portions of public right-of-way along Cumpston Street, Weddington Street, and Bakman Avenue. Under concurrent case No. CPC-2019-7239-GPAJ-ZVCJ-HD-SP-SN-BL, the applicant is requesting a General Plan Amendment to redesignate the Project Site as Regional Center Commercial, the establishment of the new District NoHo Specific Plan, and a Zone Change and Height District Change to rezone the Project Site to a Specific Plan Zone with a corresponding Sign District, in order to allow the development of a multi-phased, mixed-use development, to include up to 1,527 residential units (including 1,216 market-rate units and 311 affordable units), 105,125 sf of retail/restaurant uses, and 580,374 sf of office space, for an overall total of 2,209,027 sf, resulting in an FAR of 3.16:1.

The Project Site is currently improved with industrial uses/warehouses, the Metro B Line Portal, a bus facility and associated surface parking and does not provide a natural habitat for either fish or wildlife. The EIR prepared for the Project identifies no potential adverse impacts on fish or wildlife resources. The Project Site does not contain any natural open spaces, act as a wildlife corridor, contain riparian habitat, wetland habitat,



migratory corridors, conflict with any protected tree ordinance, conflict with a Habitat Conservation Plan, nor possess any areas of significant biological resource value. Impacts related to conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources would be less than significant. Existing landscaping on the Project Site is limited and does not contain any natural open spaces, act as a wildlife corridor, contain riparian habitat, wetland habitat, migratory corridors, conflict with any protected tree ordinance, conflict with a Habitat Conservation Plan, nor possess any areas of significant biological resource value. There are currently 126 trees onsite and 46 street trees. A total of 114 on-site trees and 33 street trees would be removed as part of the VTTM. There are no protected trees on the Project Site.

Therefore, the design of the subdivision would not cause substantial environmental damage or substantially and avoidably injure fish, wildlife, or their habitat.

(f) THE DESIGN OF THE SUBDIVISION AND THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS ARE NOT LIKELY TO CAUSE SERIOUS PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEMS.

No adverse impacts to the public health or safety would occur because of the design and improvement of the site. The proposed subdivision and subsequent improvements are subject to the provisions of the LAMC (e.g., the Fire Code, Planning and Zoning Code, Health and Safety Code) and the Building Code. Other health and safety related requirements as mandated by law would apply where applicable to ensure the public health and welfare (e.g., asbestos abatement, seismic safety, flood hazard management). The Project Site is listed in databases compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. The Draft EIR concluded these listings, Phase I, and Phase II findings collectively constitute a REC. The analysis, however, determined that with implementation of mitigation measures, the impacts related to hazardous materials would be less than significant. Mitigation measures related to hazardous materials are incorporated into the Mitigation Monitoring Program for the Project, discussed above in the CEQA Findings, and as part of standard City conditions, are also a condition of approval required for any construction.

The Project Site is located in a Liquefaction Zone, but as discussed in the EIR, regulatory compliance measures and a required final geotechnical report, subject to LADBS review, would ensure no risks from liquefaction would occur onsite. LADBS - Grading Division has reviewed the geology/soils reports prepared for the Project and issued a Soils Approval Letter dated July 13, 2022. The Soils Approval Letter includes specific design and engineering conditions that will ensure the Project can be built safely and that the site will be suitable for the proposed development. The recommendations from the Soils Approval Letter have been imposed as Conditions of Approval of the VTTM.

The development of the Project does not propose substantial alteration to the existing topography. The Project is not located within a flood hazard area, a hillside area, earthquake induced landslide, or fault-rupture hazard zone; and does not require any grading or construction of an engineered retaining structure to remove potential geologic hazards. Further, the Project can be adequately served by existing utilities, and the Project Applicant has paid, or committed to pay, all applicable in lieu fees. The development is required to be connected to the City's sanitary sewer system, where the sewage will be directed to the Hyperion Treatment Plant, which has been upgraded to

meet statewide ocean discharge standards and has adequate capacity to serve the project. Moreover, as required by LAMC Section 64.15, further detailed gauging and evaluation will be conducted as part of the required building permit process for the project, including the requirement to obtain final approval of an updated Sewer Capacity Availability Report demonstrating adequate capacity. In addition, Project-related sanitary sewer connections and on-site water and wastewater infrastructure will be designed and constructed in accordance with applicable LASAN and California Plumbing Code standards.

No adverse impacts to the public health or safety would occur as a result of the design and improvement of the site. Therefore, the design of the subdivision and the proposed improvements are not likely to cause serious public health problems.

- (g) THE DESIGN OF THE SUBDIVISION AND THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS WILL NOT CONFLICT WITH EASEMENTS ACQUIRED BY THE PUBLIC AT LARGE FOR ACCESS THROUGH OR USE OF PROPERTY WITHIN THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION.

There are no recorded instruments identifying easements encumbering the Project Site for the purpose of providing public access. The site is surrounded by public streets and private properties that adjoin improved public streets designed and improved for the specific purpose of providing public access throughout the area. The Project Site does not adjoin or provide access to a public resource, natural habitat, public park, or any officially recognized public recreation area. No streams or rivers cross the Project Site. Needed public access for roads and utilities will be acquired by the City prior to recordation of the proposed tract. The Project is a Joint Development and Option Agreement by and between the Developer and LA Metro, and as a result, the land will not transfer to the Applicant, but remain Metro land for the duration of the agreement. The VTTM also divides the property such that the land around the subway portal is an individual lot. The Project and the proposed subdivision will, therefore, not preclude the public access to the existing public transit infrastructure.

Therefore, the design of the subdivision and the proposed improvements would not conflict with easements acquired by the public at large for access through or use of property within the proposed subdivision.

- (h) THE DESIGN OF THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION WILL PROVIDE, TO THE EXTENT FEASIBLE, FOR FUTURE PASSIVE OR NATURAL HEATING OR COOLING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE SUBDIVISION. (REF. SECTION 66473.1)

In assessing the feasibility of passive or natural heating or cooling opportunities in the proposed subdivision design, the Project Applicant has prepared and submitted materials which consider the local climate, contours, configuration of the parcel(s) to be subdivided and other design and improvement requirements.

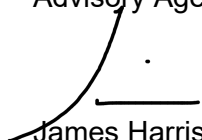
Providing for passive or natural heating or cooling opportunities will not result in reducing allowable densities or the percentage of a lot which may be occupied by a building or structure under applicable planning and zoning in effect at the time the tentative map was filed.

The topography of the Site has been considered in the maximization of passive or

natural heating and cooling opportunities. In addition, prior to obtaining a building permit, the subdivider shall consider building construction techniques, such as overhanging eaves, location of windows, insulation, exhaust fans; planting of trees for shade purposes and the height of the buildings on the site in relation to adjacent development.

These findings shall apply to both the tentative and final maps for VTTM No. 82868.

VINCENT P. BERTONI, AICP  
Advisory Agency



James Harris  
Deputy Advisory Agency  
MZ: JH: MN: JM

Note: This grant is not a permit or license and any permits and/or licenses required by law must be obtained from the proper public agency. If any Condition of this grant is violated or not complied with, then the applicant or their successor in interest may be prosecuted for violating these Conditions the same as for any violation of the requirements contained in the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC).

This determination will become effective after the end of appeal period date on the first page of this document, unless an appeal is filed with the Department of City Planning. An appeal application must be submitted and paid for before 4:30 PM (PST) on the final day to appeal the determination. Should the final day fall on a weekend or legal City holiday, the time for filing an appeal shall be extended to 4:30 PM (PST) on the next succeeding working day. Appeals should be filed early to ensure the Development Services Center (DSC) staff has adequate time to review and accept the documents, and to allow appellants time to submit payment.

An appeal may be filed utilizing the following options:

**Online Application System (OAS):** The OAS (<https://planning.lacity.org/oas>) allows entitlement appeals to be submitted entirely electronically by allowing an appellant to fill out and submit an appeal application online directly to City Planning's DSC, and submit fee payment by credit card or e-check.

**Drop off at DSC.** Appeals of this determination can be submitted in-person at the Metro or Van Nuys DSC locations, and payment can be made by credit card or check. City Planning has established drop-off areas at the DSCs with physical boxes where appellants can drop off appeal applications; alternatively, appeal applications can be filed with staff at DSC public counters. Appeal applications must be on the prescribed forms, and accompanied by the required fee and a copy of the determination letter. Appeal applications shall be received by the DSC public counter and paid for on or before the above date or the appeal will not be accepted.

Forms are available online at <http://planning.lacity.org/development-services/forms>.  
Public offices are located at:

Metro DSC  
 (213) 482-7077  
 201 N. Figueroa Street  
 Los Angeles, CA 90012  
[planning.figcounter@lacity.org](mailto:planning.figcounter@lacity.org)

Van Nuys DSC  
 (818) 374-5050  
 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard  
 Van Nuys, CA 91401  
[planning.mbc2@lacity.org](mailto:planning.mbc2@lacity.org)

West Los Angeles DSC  
 (CURRENTLY CLOSED)  
 (310) 231-2901  
 1828 Sawtelle Boulevard  
 West LA, CA 90025  
[planning.westla@lacity.org](mailto:planning.westla@lacity.org)

City Planning staff may follow up with the appellant via email and/or phone if there are any questions or missing materials in the appeal submission, to ensure that the appeal package is complete and meets the applicable LAMC provisions.

If you seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section must be filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision became final pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. There may be other time limits which also affect your ability to seek judicial review.

Verification of condition compliance with building plans and/or building permit applications are done at the City Planning Metro or Valley DSC locations. An in-person or virtual appointment for Condition Clearance can be made through the City's BuildLA portal ([appointments.lacity.org](http://appointments.lacity.org)). The applicant is further advised to notify any consultant representing you of this requirement as well.



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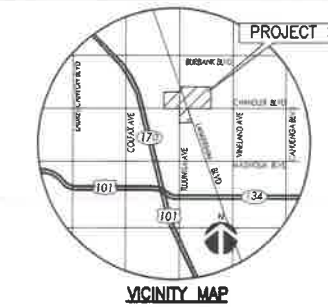
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## FOR SUBDIVISION, AIRSPACE AND MERGER PURPOSES



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PARCEL 1: (APN 2350-012-925)

LOTS 1 AND 2 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 2: (APN 2350-012-927)

LOT 4 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 3: (APN 2350-012-928)

LOT 5 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 4: (APN 2350-012-929)

LOT 6 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 5: (APN 2350-012-930)

LOT 7 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 6: (APN 2350-012-931)

LOT 8 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 7A: (APN 2350-012-932)

THE NORTH 50 FEET OF LOTS 16 AND 18, IN BLOCK 9, TOWN OF TOLUCA, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON RECORDER'S FILED MAP NO. 515, ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, TOGETHER WITH THE WEST 30 FEET OF LOT 19 IN SAID BLOCK 9.

EXCEPT THE SOUTH 100 FEET OF SAID LOT 18.

PARCEL 7B: (APN 2350-012-934)

LOTS 16, 17 AND 18 IN BLOCK 9, TOWN OF TOLUCA, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON RECORDER'S FILED MAP NO. 515, ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, TOGETHER WITH THE WEST 30 FEET OF LOT 19 IN SAID BLOCK 9.

EXCEPT THE NORTH 50 FEET OF LOTS 16 AND 18, MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 16 AND THE WEST 30 FEET OF THE SOUTH 100 FEET OF SAID LOT 19.

PARCEL 8: (APN 2350-012-932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937)

LOTS 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 AND 15 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 9: (APN 2350-012-926)

LOT 3 IN BLOCK 9 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 10: (APN 2350-012-938)

ALL OF LOTS 19 TO 29, INCLUDING EXCEPT THE WEST 30 FEET OF SAID LOT 19, ALL IN BLOCK 9 OF TOLUCA, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS DESIGNATED ON MAP FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY ON JANUARY 31, 1895, TOGETHER WITH THAT PORTION OF THE VACATED STREETS DESIGNATED AS "THE NORTH, SOUTH AND EAST AS VACATED BY RESOLUTION TO VACATE NO. 02-140494, RECORDED AUGUST 6, 2003 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 03-2267607 AND BY RESOLUTION TO VACATE NO. 04-140494-R, RECORDED JULY 8, 2004 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 04-1743825, BOTH OF OFFICIAL RECORDS.

PARCEL 11: (APN 2350-012-922)

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE OF PARCEL LAND SITUATED IN THE RANCHO EX-MISSION DE SAN FERNANDO, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, BEING A PORTION OF THE 100 FOOT STRIP OF LAND CONVEYED TO SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, BY PACIFIC IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, BY DEED DATED DECEMBER 30, 1893, RECORDED IN BOOK 946 PAGE 317 OF DEEDS, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY, IN BLOCK 180 OF THE LANKERSHIM RANCH LAND AND WATER COMPANY, SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 12,000 ACRES OF THE RANCHO EX-MISSION DE SAN FERNANDO, ACCORDING TO THE MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 31 PAGE 39 TO 44 INCLUSIVE OF MAPS, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD, 80 FEET WIDE (FORMERLY FERNANDO AVENUE), AS SHOWN IN SAID BLOCK 180 ON SAID MAP OF SAID LANKERSHIM RANCHO LAND AND WATER COMPANY, SUBDIVISION WITH THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID STRIP OF LAND 100 FEET IN WIDTH; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID 100 FOOT STRIP OF LAND, A DISTANCE OF 300 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE FROM SAID TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING NORTHERLY AT RIGHT ANGLES 100 FEET TO A POINT IN THE NORTHERLY LINE OF SAID 100 FOOT STRIP OF LAND, SAID NORTHERLY LINE BEING PARALLEL WITH AND 6 FEET SOUTHERLY AT RIGHT ANGLES FROM THE CENTER LINE OF THE MAIN TRACK OF THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID NORTHERLY LINE, 60 FEET; THENCE SOUTHERLY AT RIGHT ANGLES 100 FEET TO A POINT IN SAID SOUTHERLY LINE; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY LINE 80 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 12: (APN 2350-012-921)

ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE OF PARCEL LAND SITUATED IN RANCHO EX-MISSION DE SAN FERNANDO, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, BEING A PORTION OF THE 100-FOOT STRIP OF LAND CONVEYED TO SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY BY PACIFIC IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, BY DEED DATED DECEMBER 30, 1893, RECORDED IN BOOK 946 PAGE 317 OF DEEDS, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY, IN BLOCK 180 OF THE LANKERSHIM RANCH LAND AND WATER COMPANY, SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 12,000 ACRES OF THE RANCHO EX-MISSION DE SAN FERNANDO, ACCORDING TO THE MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 31 PAGES 39 TO 44 INCLUSIVE OF MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD, 80 FEET WIDE (FORMERLY SAN FERNANDO AVENUE), AS SHOWN IN SAID BLOCK 180 ON SAID MAP OF SAID LANKERSHIM RANCHO LAND AND WATER COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, WITH THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID STRIP OF LAND, 100 FEET IN WIDTH; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID 100-FOOT STRIP OF LAND, DISTANCE OF 300 FEET; THENCE NORTHERLY AT RIGHT ANGLES, 100 FEET TO A POINT IN THE NORTHERLY LINE OF SAID 100-FOOT STRIP OF LAND; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID NORTHERLY LINE 350.32 FEET TO A POINT IN THE SAID NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD, 111.94 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 13: (APN 2350-012-906)

THE WEST 150 FEET OF LOT 1, BLOCK 12 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 14: (APN 2350-012-907)

THE WESTERLY 150 FEET OF THAT PORTION OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 2 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT, 206.88 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTH 252 FEET OF SAID LOT; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE 242.54 FEET; THENCE SOUTHERLY IN A DIRECT LINE TO A POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT, DISTANT EASTERLY 241.80 FEET FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE 241.80 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 15: (APN 2350-012-906)

THE WEST 150.00 OF THE NORTH 262.00 FEET OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 2 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 16: (PTNS 2350-012-920)

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PARCEL 17: (2350-013-920)

THE SOUTHERLY 30 FEET OF LOT 146 AND THE NORTHERLY 30 FEET OF LOT 161, OF THE LANKERSHIM RANCH LAND AND WATER CO'S SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 12,000 ACRES OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE RANCHO EX-MISSION DE SAN FERNANDO, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 31 PAGES 39 ET SEQ. OF MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS.

EXCEPT THEREFROM THAT PORTION OF SAID LOTS 146 AND 161 LYING WESTERLY OF THE SOUTHERLY PROLONGATION OF THE WEST LINE OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 2 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS.

ALSO EXCEPT THEREFROM THAT PORTION OF SAID LOTS 146 AND 161 LYING EASTERLY OF THE WESTERLY LINE OF PARCEL A OF PARCEL MAP NO. 2002-8229, AND ITS SOUTHERLY PROLONGATION, AS PER MAP FILED IN BOOK 345 PAGES 80-81 OF PARCEL MAPS.

### LEGAL DESCRIPTION: (PER CHICAGO TITLE COMPANY ORDER NO. 00073130-994-LT-DB DATED JUNE 3, 2019)

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PARCEL 1:

LOTS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 AND 8 IN BLOCK 13 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

PARCEL 2:

LOT 12 OF BLOCK 13 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.

EXCEPT THEREFROM THAT PORTION OF SAID LOT 12 INCLUDED WITHIN THE LAND AS DESCRIBED IN THE DEED TO SECURITY TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK RECORDED JUNE 22, 1923 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 523, IN BOOK 2707 PAGE 331 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE WESTERLY LINE OF LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD DISTANT NORTHERLY 25 FEET MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES FROM THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 12, WHICH POINT IS 230.01 FEET MORE OR LESS NORTHERLY FROM THE SOUTHEASTERLY CORNER OF SAID LOT 12; THENCE ALONG SAID LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD NORTH 26° 32' 45" WEST 87.22 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT DISTANT NORTHERLY 85 FEET MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES FROM THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 12; THENCE WESTERLY PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 12, 75 FEET; THENCE SOUTHERLY AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE LAST MENTIONED LINE 60 FEET; THENCE EASTERLY PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 12, 105.30 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 3:

LOTS 9, 10 AND 11 OF BLOCK 13 OF LANKERSHIM, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 16 PAGES 114 AND 115 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, TOGETHER WITH THAT PORTION OF THE VACATED ALLEY ADJOINING SAID LOT 9 ON THE NORTH AS VACATED BY RESOLUTION TO VACATE NO. 02-1400785, RECORDED APRIL 14, 2006 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 2006-828646, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS.

APN: 2350-016-905, 2350-016-906, 2350-016-907

### EXCEPTIONS: (PER CHICAGO TITLE COMPANY ORDER NO. 00073130-994-LT-DB DATED JUNE 3, 2019)

1. COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS BUT OMITTING ANY COVENANTS OR RESTRICTIONS, IF ANY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THOSE BASED UPON RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, MARITAL STATUS, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, HANDICAP, HATRED, ORIGIN, CITIZENSHIP, ANCESTRY, PRIMARY LANGUAGE, ANCESTRY, SOURCE OF INCOME, GENDER, GENDER IDENTITY, GENDER EXPRESSION, MEDICAL CONDITION OR GENETIC INFORMATION, AS SET FORTH IN APPLICABLE STATE OR FEDERAL LAWS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT SAID COVENANT OR RESTRICTION IS PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, AS SET FORTH IN THE DOCUMENT.

RECORDING DATE: IN BOOK 4536 PAGE 28, OF DEEDS

AFFECTS: PARCEL 8

2. EASEMENT(S) FOR THE PURPOSE(S) SHOWN BELOW AND RIGHTS INCIDENTAL THERETO, AS GRANTED IN A DOCUMENT:

PURPOSE: CROSS-ARMS AND WIRES

RECORDING DATE: JANUARY 20, 1942

RECORDING NO.: IN BOOK 1907 PAGE 316, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

AFFECTS: A PORTION OF SAID LAND

AFFECTS: PARCEL 11

3. MATTERS CONTAINED IN THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT

ENTITLED: AGREEMENT

RECORDING DATE: JANUARY 27, 1968

RECORDING NO.: 3376, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE TO SAID DOCUMENT FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 7

4. MATTERS CONTAINED IN THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT

ENTITLED: NOTICE OF NON-CONFORMING BUILDING USE

RECORDING DATE: FEBRUARY 15, 1973

RECORDING NO.: 3390, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE TO SAID DOCUMENT FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 5

5. AN IRREVOCABLE OFFER TO DEDICATE AN EASEMENT OVER A PORTION OF SAID LAND FOR

PURPOSE(S): PUBLIC STREET

RECORDING DATE: SEPTEMBER 11, 1973

RECORDING NO.: 185, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

AFFECTS: A PORTION OF SAID LAND

SAID OFFER WAS ACCEPTED BY RESOLUTION, A CERTIFIED COPY OF WHICH WAS RECORDED FEBRUARY 22, 1974 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 3140, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 12

6. MATTERS CONTAINED IN THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT

ENTITLED: COVENANT AND AGREEMENT

RECORDING DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 1973

RECORDING NO.: 2083, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE TO SAID DOCUMENT FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 12, AND PORTIONS OF PARCELS 13 THROUGH 17

7. MATTERS CONTAINED IN THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT

ENTITLED: COVENANT AND AGREEMENT REGARDING MAINTENANCE OF BUILDING AND USES

RECORDING DATE: APRIL 4, 1974

RECORDING NO.: 2512, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE TO SAID DOCUMENT FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 5

8. MATTERS CONTAINED IN THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT

ENTITLED: AGREEMENT

RECORDING DATE: JUNE 3, 1982

RECORDING NO.: 82-568098, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE TO SAID DOCUMENT FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 2

9. MATTERS CONTAINED IN THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT

ENTITLED: AGREEMENT

RECORDING DATE: JULY 21, 1982

RECORDING NO.: 82-732728, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE TO SAID DOCUMENT FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 3

10. COVENANT AND AGREEMENT WHEREIN THE OWNERS AGREE TO HOLD SAID LAND AS ONE PARCEL AND NOT TO SELL ANY PORTION THEREOF SEPARATELY. SAID COVENANT IS EXPRESSED TO RUN WITH THE LAND AND BE BINDING UPON FUTURE OWNERS.

RECORDING DATE: MARCH 24, 1988

RECORDING NO.: 88-40471, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

REFERENCE IS MADE TO SAID DOCUMENT FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 7 LOTS 16 AND 17

11. MATTERS CONTAINED IN THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT

ENTITLED: COVENANT AND AGREEMENT

RECORDING DATE: APRIL 22, 1988

RECORDING NO.: 88-556485, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE TO SAID DOCUMENT FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 7 LOTS 16 AND 17

### EXCEPTIONS: (PER CHICAGO TITLE COMPANY ORDER NO. 00073130-994-LT-DB DATED JUNE 3, 2019)

12. COVENANT AND AGREEMENT WHEREIN THE OWNERS AGREE TO HOLD SAID LAND AS ONE PARCEL AND NOT TO SELL ANY PORTION THEREOF SEPARATELY. SAID COVENANT IS EXPRESSED TO RUN WITH THE LAND AND BE BINDING UPON FUTURE OWNERS.

RECORDING DATE: MARCH 7, 1988

RECORDING NO.: 89-354426, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

REFERENCE IS MADE TO SAID DOCUMENT FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

NOTE: THE ABOVE DOCUMENT WAS EXECUTED BY YOUNG PROPERTIES, WHICH DECEDED OUT ON JUNE 2, 1988 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 88-874601, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 1

13. AN IRREVOCABLE OFFER TO DEDICATE AN EASEMENT OVER A PORTION OF SAID LAND FOR

PURPOSE(S): PUBLIC STREET

RECORDING DATE: JULY 11, 1989

RECORDING NO.: 89-1100445, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

AFFECTS: A PORTION OF SAID LAND

SAID OFFER WAS ACCEPTED BY RESOLUTION, A CERTIFIED COPY OF WHICH WAS RECORDED MAY 30, 1990 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 90-984074, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 1

14. AN IRREVOCABLE OFFER TO DEDICATE AN EASEMENT OVER A PORTION OF SAID LAND FOR

PURPOSE(S): PUBLIC STREET

RECORDING DATE: AUGUST 18, 1990

RECORDING NO.: 90-1426167, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

AFFECTS: A PORTION OF SAID LAND

AFFECTS: PARCEL 1

15. MATTERS CONTAINED IN THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT

ENTITLED: NOTICE OF BUILDING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF DIVISION 88 EARTHQUAKE HAZARD REDUCTION IN EXISTING BUILDINGS

RECORDING DATE: JULY 30, 1995

RECORDING NO.: 92-1330687, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE TO SAID DOCUMENT FOR FULL PARTICULARS.

AFFECTS: PARCEL 8

16. WAIVER OF ANY CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES TO SAID LAND BY REASON OF THE LOCATION, CONSTRUCTION, LANDSCAPING OR MAINTENANCE OF THE STREET OR HIGHWAY ADJOINING SAID LAND, AS CONTAINED IN THE DEED TO

RECORDING DATE: JANUARY 19, 2001

RECORDING NO.: 01-103068, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

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17. A FINANCING STATEMENT AS FOLLOWS:

DEBTOR: L AND R AUTO PARTS, INC.

SECURED PARTY: MADIRA CAPITAL CORP.

RECORDING DATE: APRIL 12, 2011

RECORDING NO.: 2011-405895, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

A CHANGE TO THE ABOVE FINANCING STATEMENT WAS FILED

NATURE OF CHANGE: FULL ASSIGNMENT

RECORDING DATE: JUNE 7, 2017

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18. EASEMENT(S) FOR THE PURPOSE(S) SHOWN BELOW AND RIGHTS INCIDENTAL THERETO AS SET FORTH IN A DOCUMENT:

PURPOSE: DRIVEWAY

RECORDING NO.: IN BOOK 18897 PAGE 372, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS

AFFECTS: PORTIONS OF THE LAND, THE EXACT LOCATION OF WHICH CAN BE DETERMINED BY EXAMINATION OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED INSTRUMENT, WHICH CONTAINS A COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE AFFECTED PORTIONS OF SAID LAND.

19. COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS BUT OMITTING ANY COVENANTS OR RESTRICTIONS, IF ANY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THOSE BASED UPON RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, MARITAL STATUS, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, HANDICAP, HATRED, ORIGIN, CITIZENSHIP, ANCESTRY, PRIMARY LANGUAGE, ANCESTRY, SOURCE OF INCOME, GENDER, GENDER IDENTITY, GENDER EXPRESSION, MEDICAL CONDITION OR GENETIC INFORMATION, AS SET FORTH IN APPLICABLE STATE OR FEDERAL LAWS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT SAID COVENANT OR RESTRICTION IS PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, AS SET FORTH IN THE DOCUMENT.

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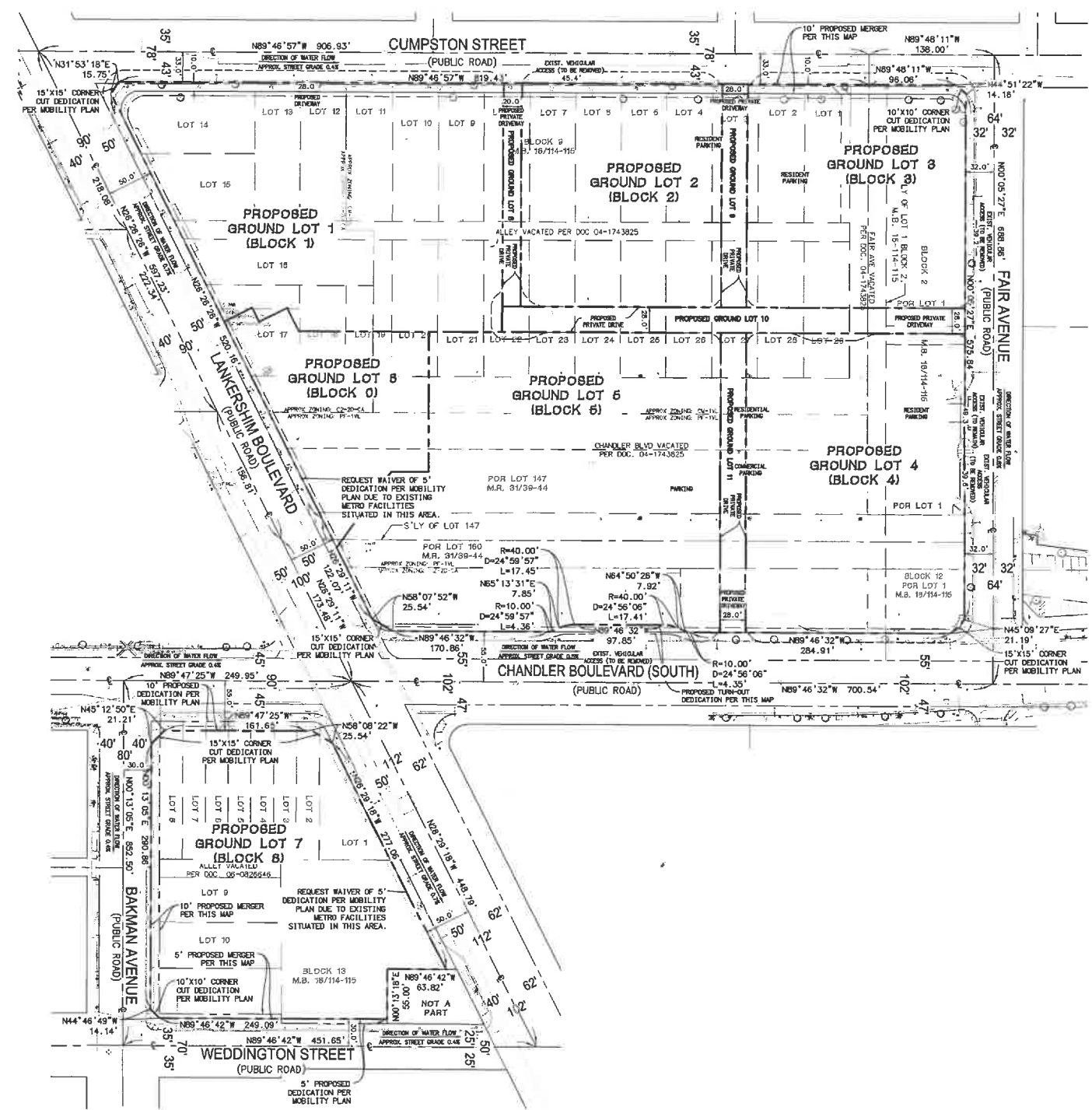
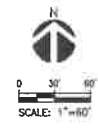
22. COVENANTS OF NON-DISCRIMINATION CONTAINED IN GRANT DEED FROM COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOL



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## PROPOSED CONDITIONS



### LEGEND

•	AREA DRAIN	AC	ASPHALT CONCRETE
○	AREA LIGHT	AD	AREA DRAIN
□	BOLLARD	ASPH	ASPHALT
○	CLEANOUT	BK	BIKE RACK
○	COMMUNICATIONS MANHOLE	BL	BOLLARD
○	CURB DRAIN	BOV	BLOW OFF VALVE
○	ELECTRIC MANHOLE	CL	CENTERLINE
○	ELECTRIC PULLBOX	CAB	CABINET
○	FIRE DEPARTMENT CONNECTION	CATV	CABLE/TV
○	FIRE HYDRANT	CB	CATCH BASIN
○	FLAG POLE	CD	CURB DRAIN
○	GAS METER	CC	CLEANOUT
○	GAS VALVE	COM	COMMUNICATIONS
○	GUY ANCHOR	CONC	CONCRETE
○	IRRIGATION CONTROL PULLBOX	CP	CP TEST PULLBOX
○	IRRIGATION CONTROL VALVE	DI	DRAIN INLET
○	PARKING METER	DR	DOOR
○	POWER POLE	DRY	DRIVEWAY
○	SANITARY SEWER MANHOLE	ECC	EDGE OF CUTTER
○	SIGN	ELEC	ELECTRIC
○	STORM DRAIN MANHOLE	ELEV	ELEVATION
○	STREET LIGHT	EP	EDGE OF PAVEMENT
○	STREET LIGHT PULLBOX	ESTAB	ESTABLISHED
○	TELEPHONE MANHOLE	EVT	ELECTRIC VAULT
○	TELEPHONE PULLBOX	FD	FOUND
○	TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHT	FF	FINISHED FLOOR
○	TRAFFIC SIGNAL PULLBOX	FL	FLOWLINE
○	UNKNOWN MANHOLE	GB	GRADE BREAK
○	UNKNOWN PULLBOX	GI	GREASE INTERCEPTOR
○	WATER METER	ICV	IRRIGATION CONTROL VALVE
○	WATER VALVE	INV	INVERT
○	PALM	LA	LANDSCAPE AREA
○	TREE	LP	LIGHT POLE
○		L/TAG	LEAD TAG AND TAG
○		MB	MAILBOX
○		MH	MANHOLE
○		NG	NATURAL GROUND
○		NRK	NEWSPAPER RACK
○		OH	OVERHANG
○		PL	PROPERTY LINE
○		PB	PULLBOX
○		PED	PEDESTRIAN WALK POLE
○		PM	PARKING METER
○		PP	POWERPOLE
○		R/W	RIGHT-OF-WAY
○		RSR	RISER
○		SCD	SEWER CLEANOUT
○		SD	STORM DRAIN
○		SL	STREET LIGHT
○		SN	SIGN
○		SNF	SEARCHED NOTHING FOUND
○		SS	SANITARY SEWER
○		SWK	SIDEWALK
○		TEL	TELEPHONE
○		TO	TOP OF GRATE
○		TP	TRANSFORMER PAD
○		TRANS	TRANSFORMER
○		TRM	TREE WELL
○		TS	TRAFFIC SIGNAL
○		TVT	TELEPHONE VAULT
○		TW	TOP OF WALL
○		TYP	TYPICAL
○		UNK	UNKNOWN
○		UP	UTILITY POLE
○		UTL	UTILITY
○		UVT	UNKNOWN VAULT
○		WDF	WOOD FENCE
○		WF	WROUGHT IRON FENCE
○		WV	WATER VALVE
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○		Sly	SOUTHERLY
○		Ely	EASTERLY
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### LINETYPES

---	BUILDING FOOTPRINT
---	BUILDING OVERHANG
---	CHAINLINK FENCE
---	CONCRETE CURB
---	FLOWLINE
---	WALL
---	SUBJECT PROPERTY (SHOWN AS PROPOSED IN THIS SHEET)
---	LOT LINE
---	RIGHT OF WAY LINE
---	POTENTIAL RIGHT OF WAY LINE
---	STREET CENTERLINE
---	EASEMENT LINE
---	COMM UNDERGROUND
---	ELECTRIC UNDERGROUND
---	NATURAL GAS
---	OVERHEAD UTILITIES
---	SANITARY SEWER
---	STORMDRAIN SEWER
---	WATER LINE

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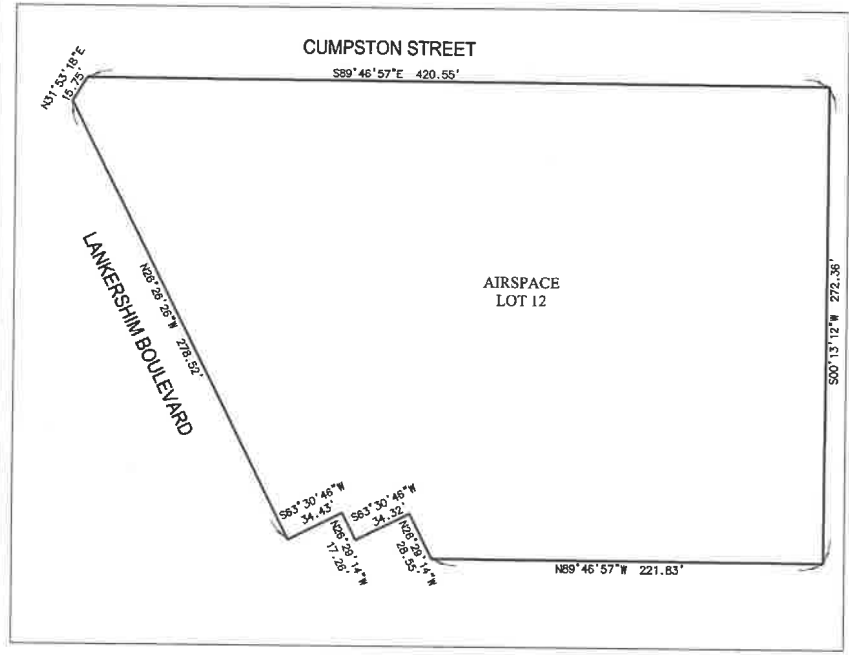
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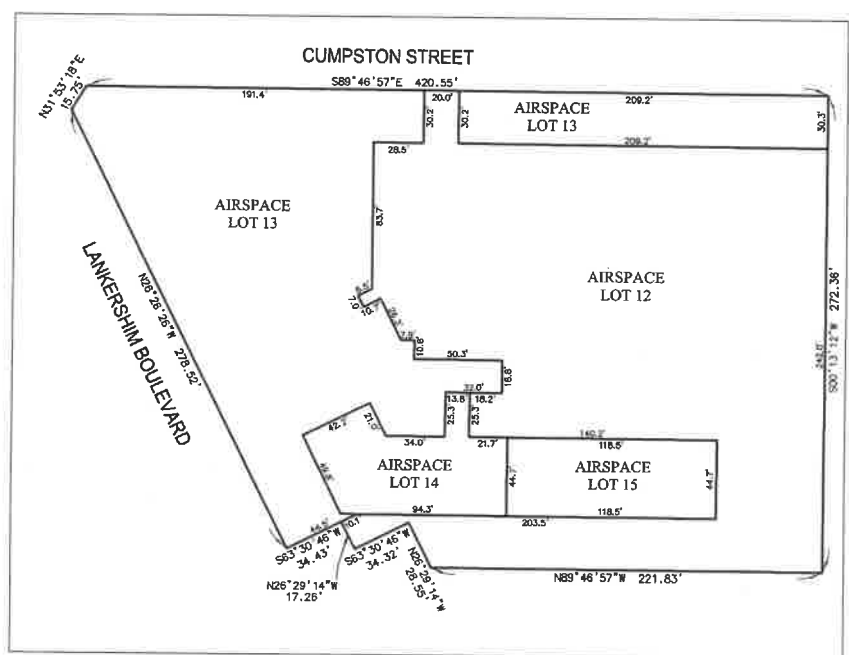
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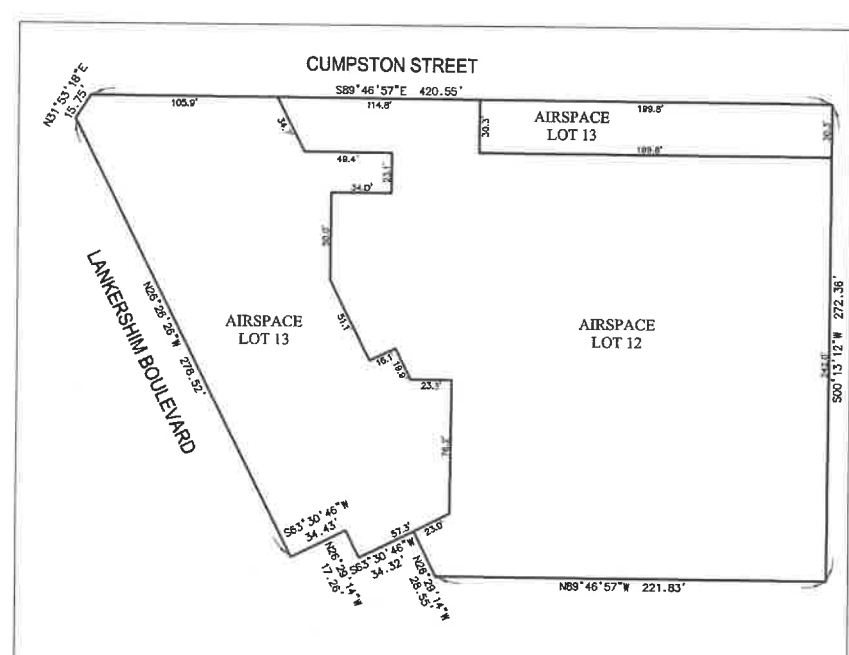
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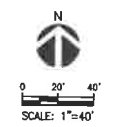


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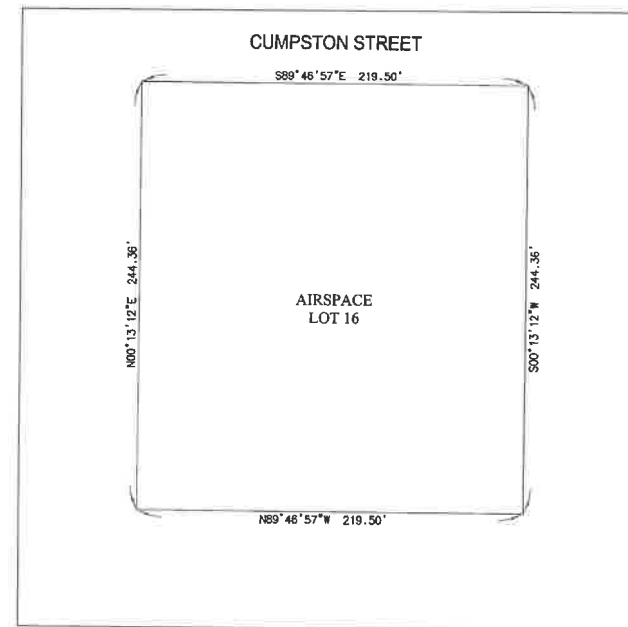




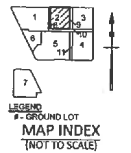
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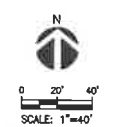
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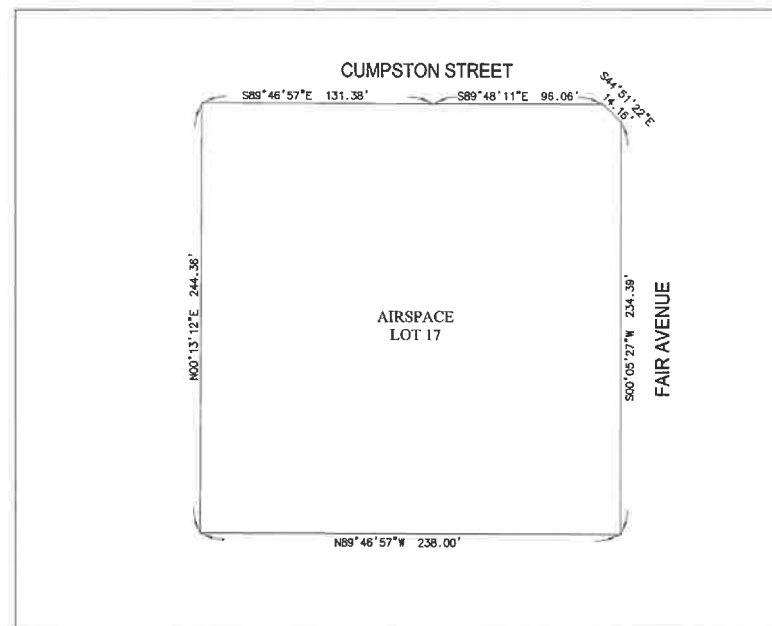
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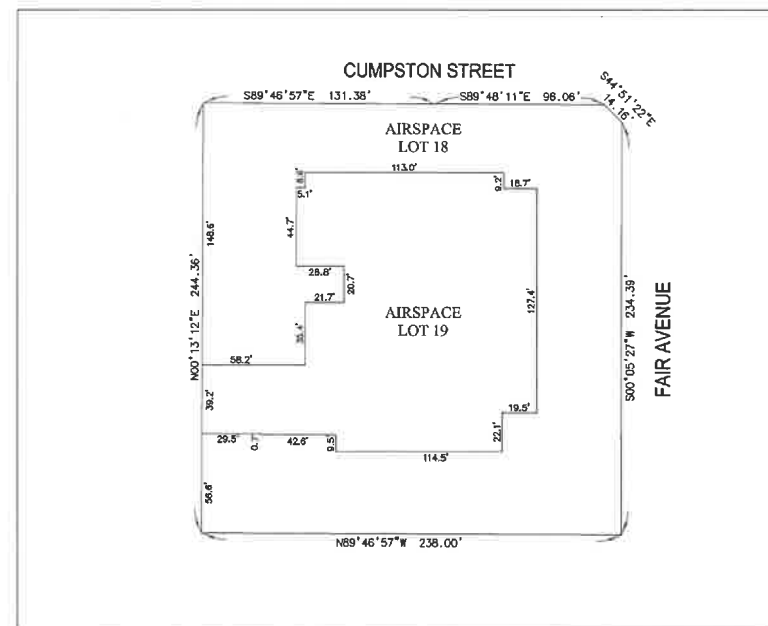
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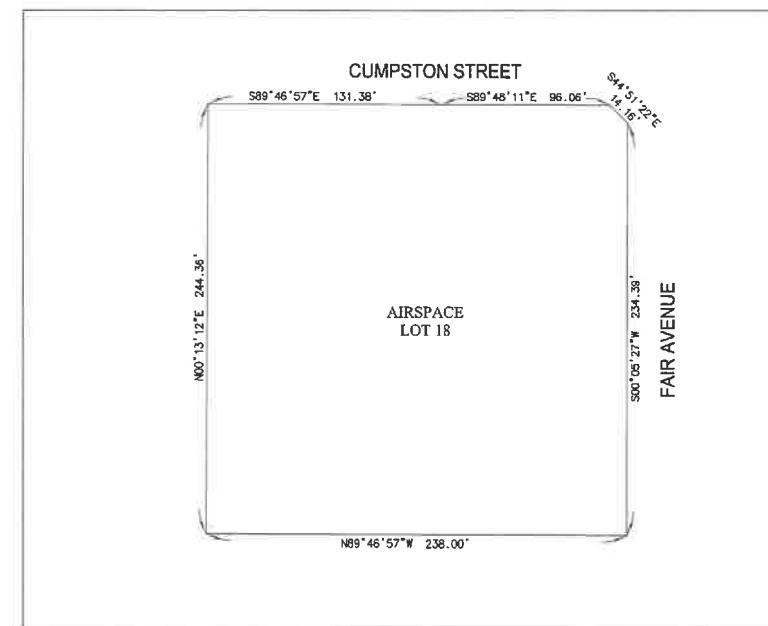
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L.E. = 550.00', U.E. = 632.00'



**BLOCK 3 : GROUND LEVEL**  
L.E. = 632.00', U.E. = 646.00'



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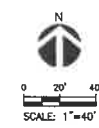


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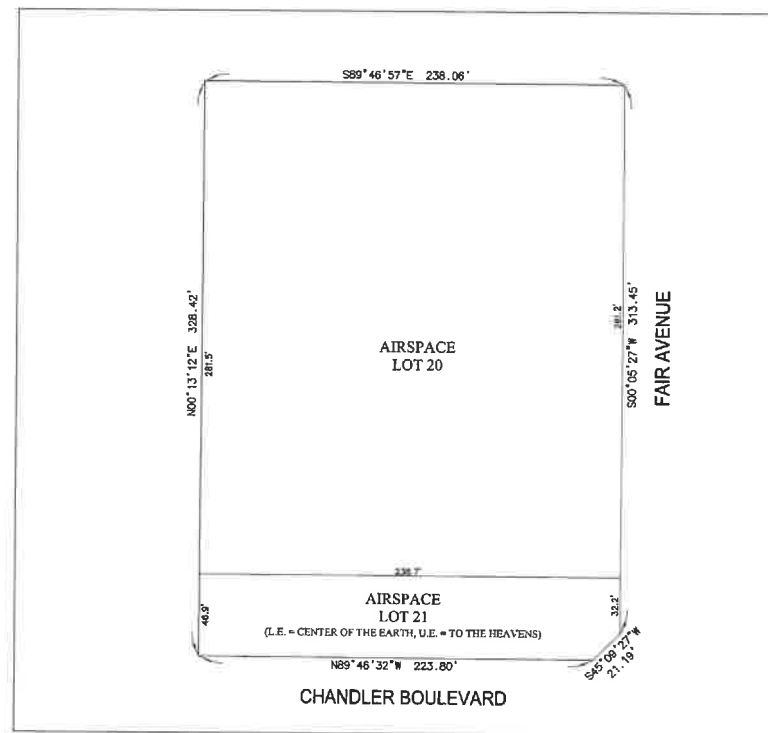
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**BLOCK 4**  
L.E. = 593.75', U.E. = 750.00'  
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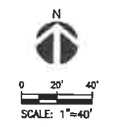
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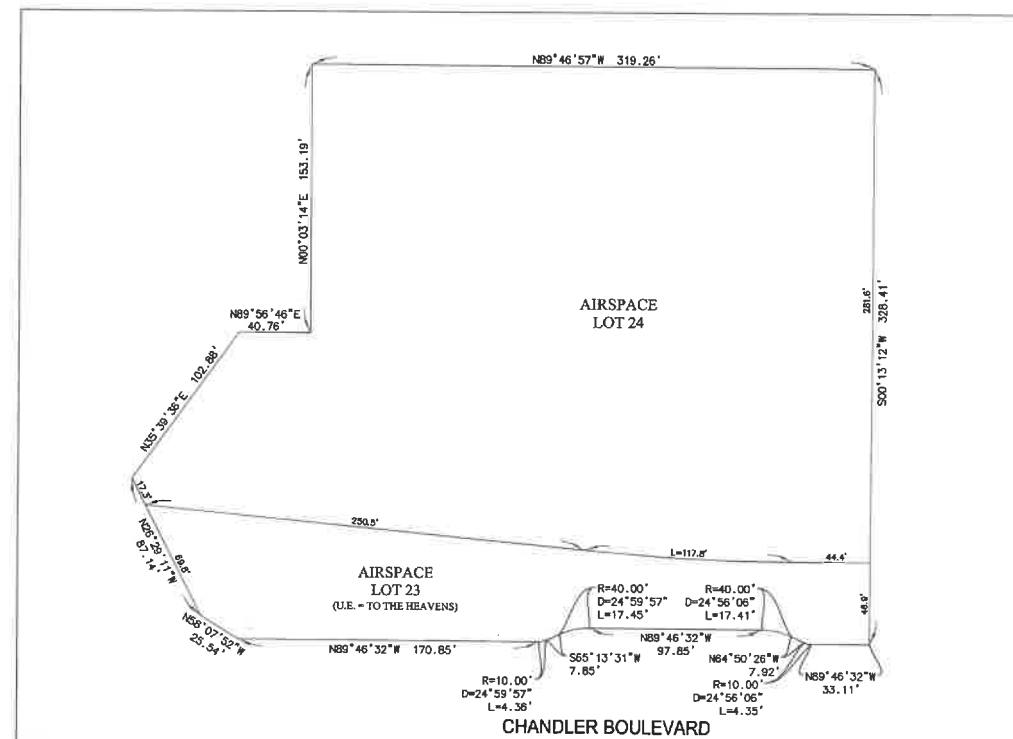
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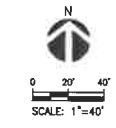


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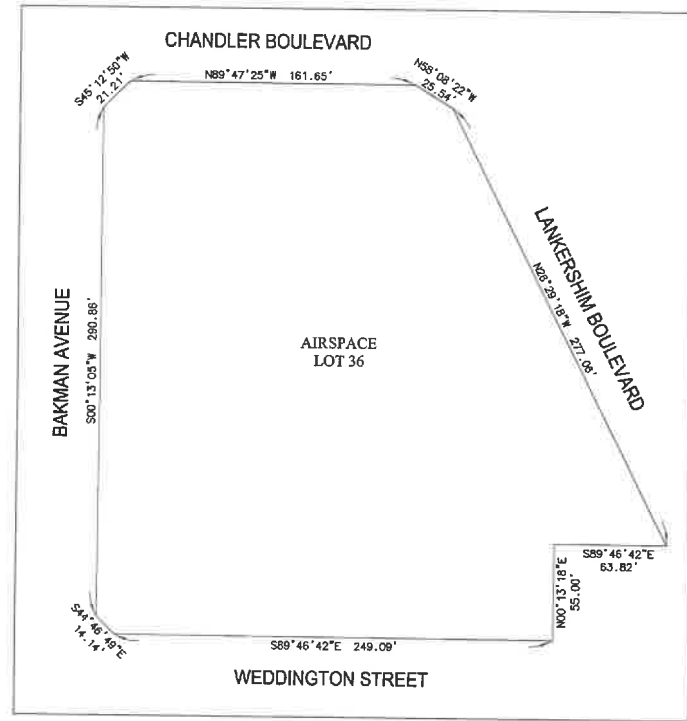
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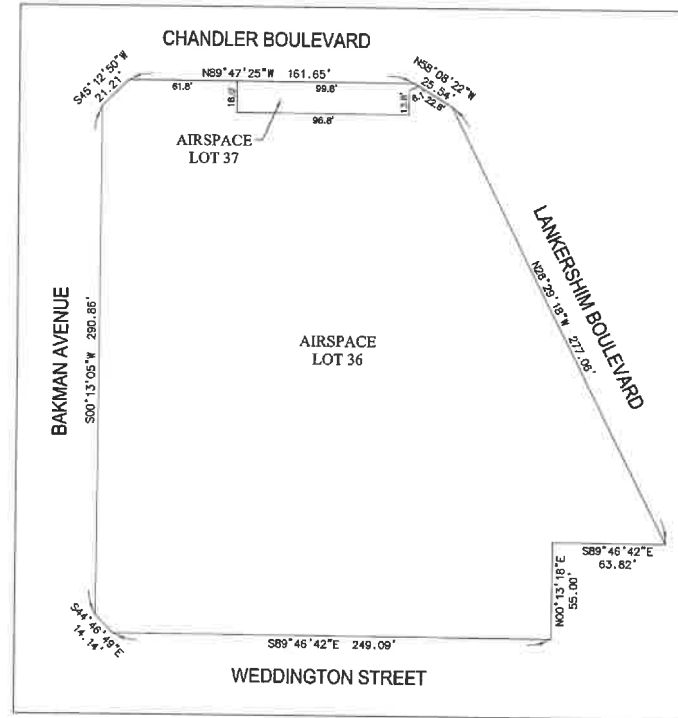
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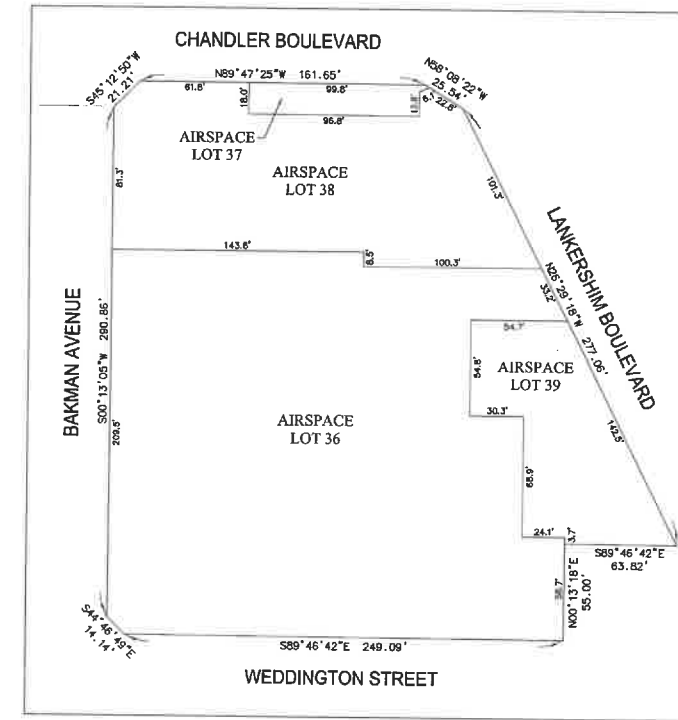
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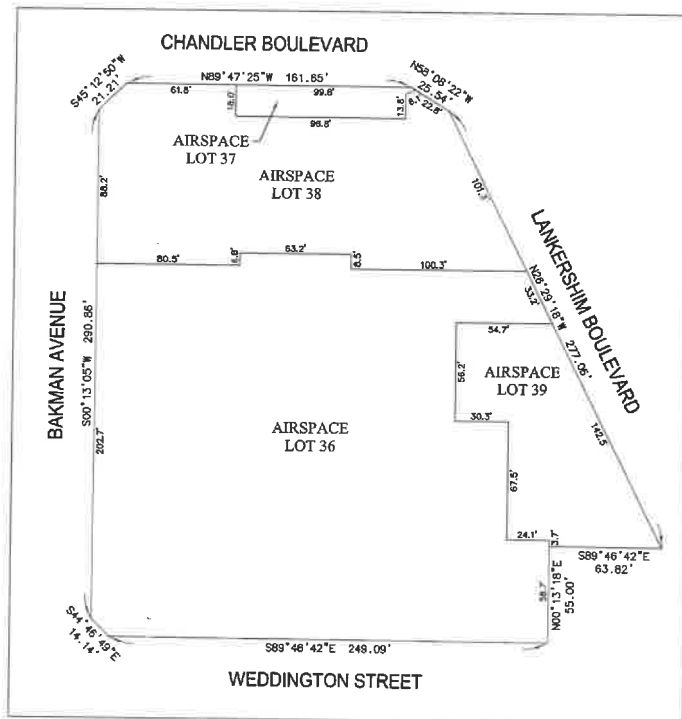
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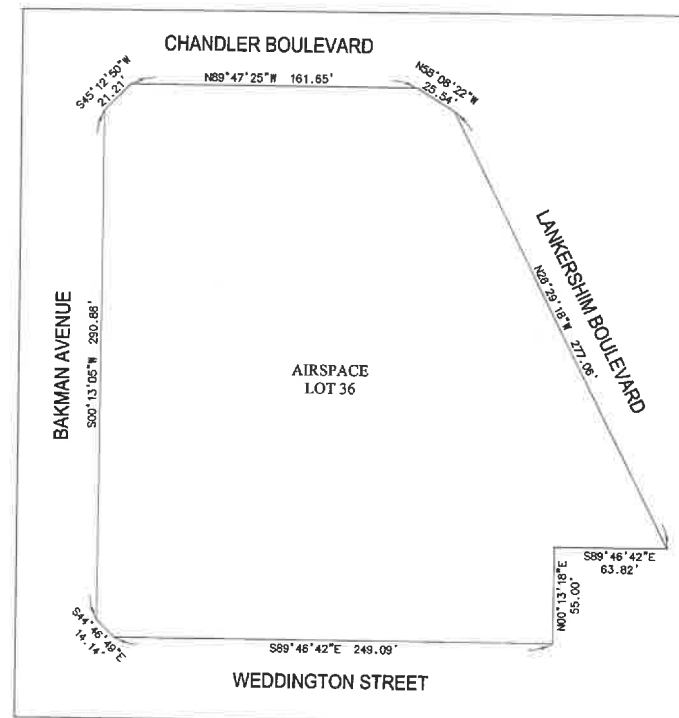
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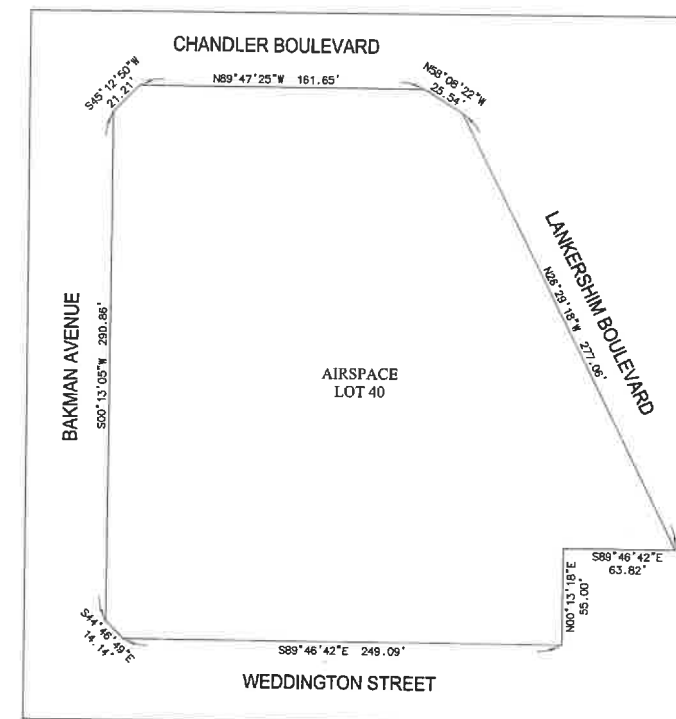
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**BLOCK 8 : LEVELS 3 - 6**  
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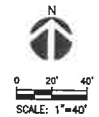


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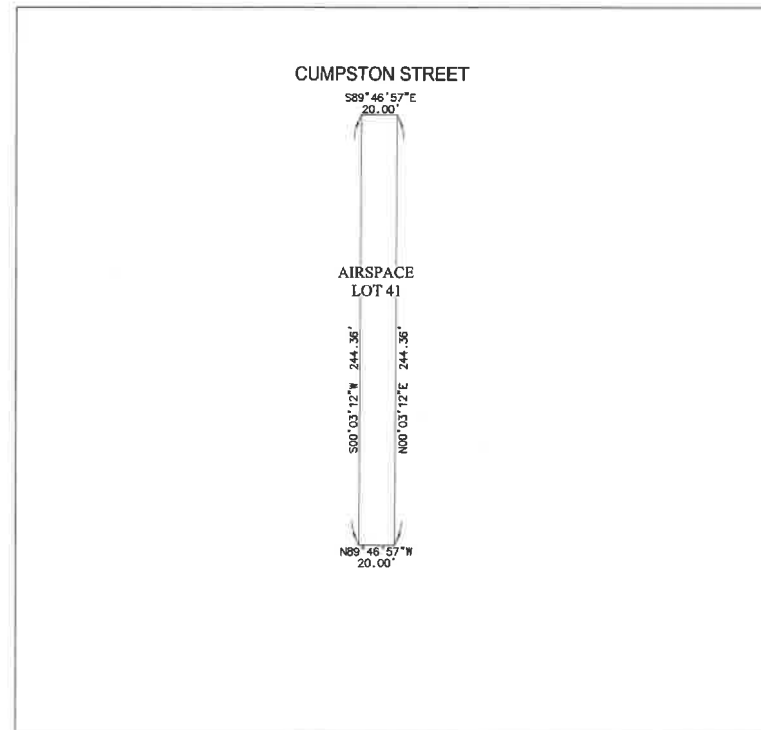
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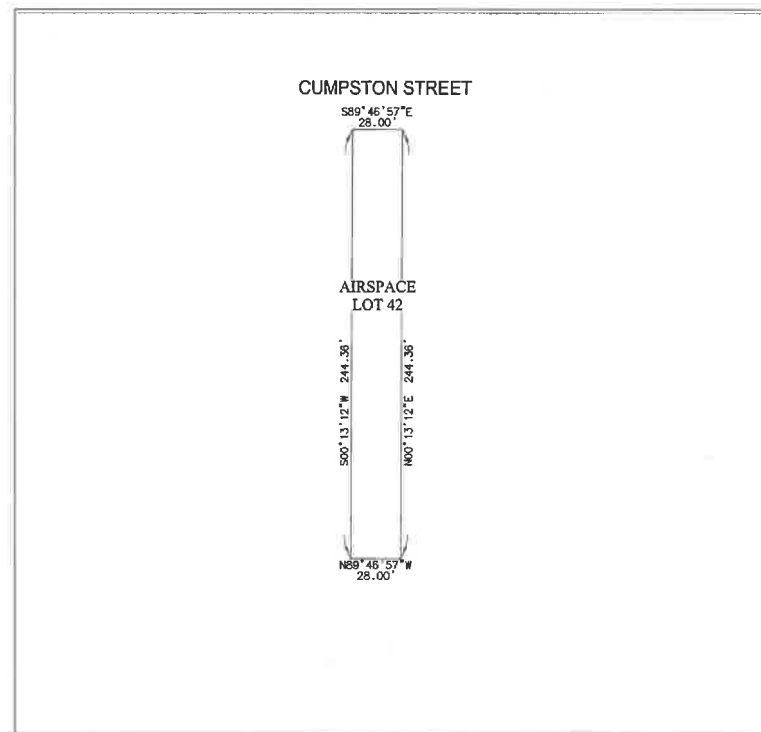
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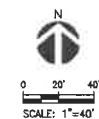


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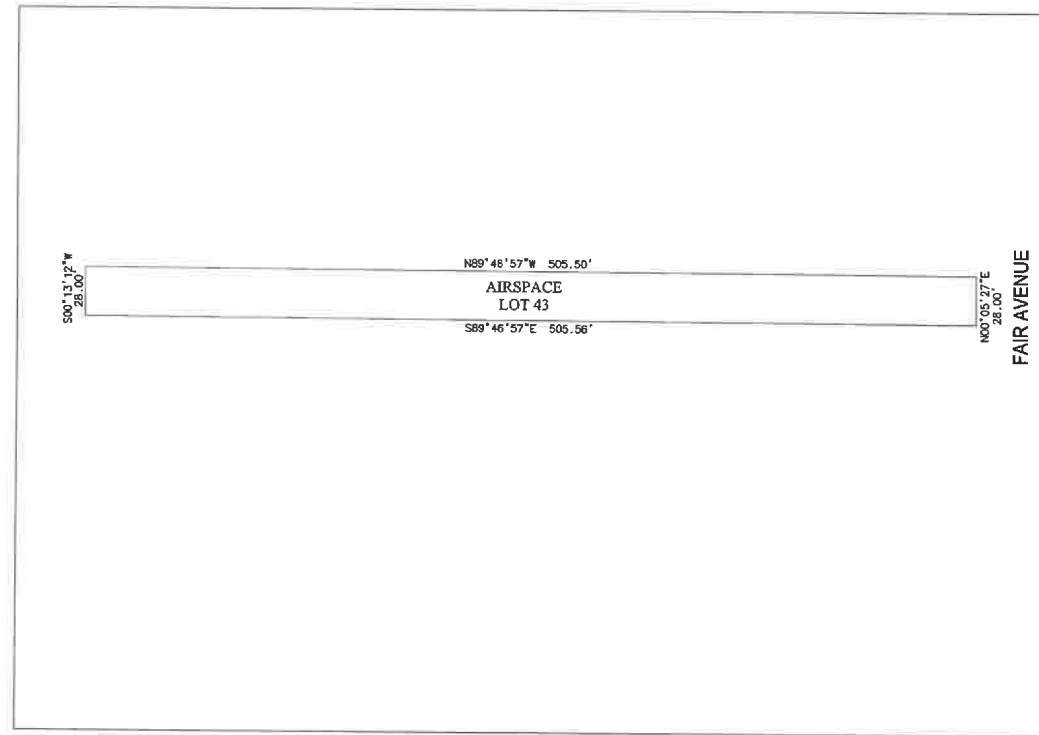
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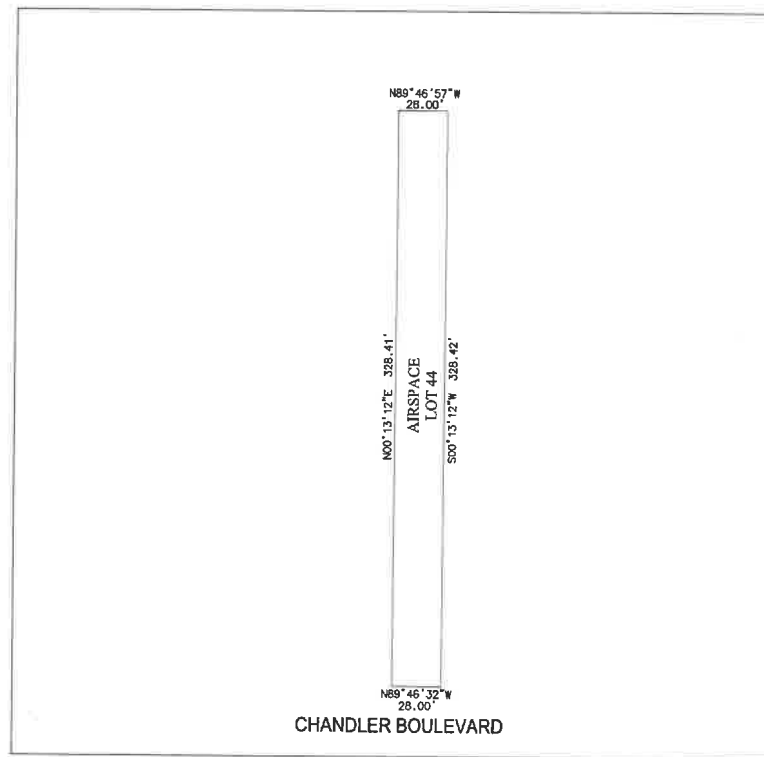
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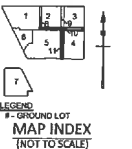
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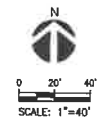


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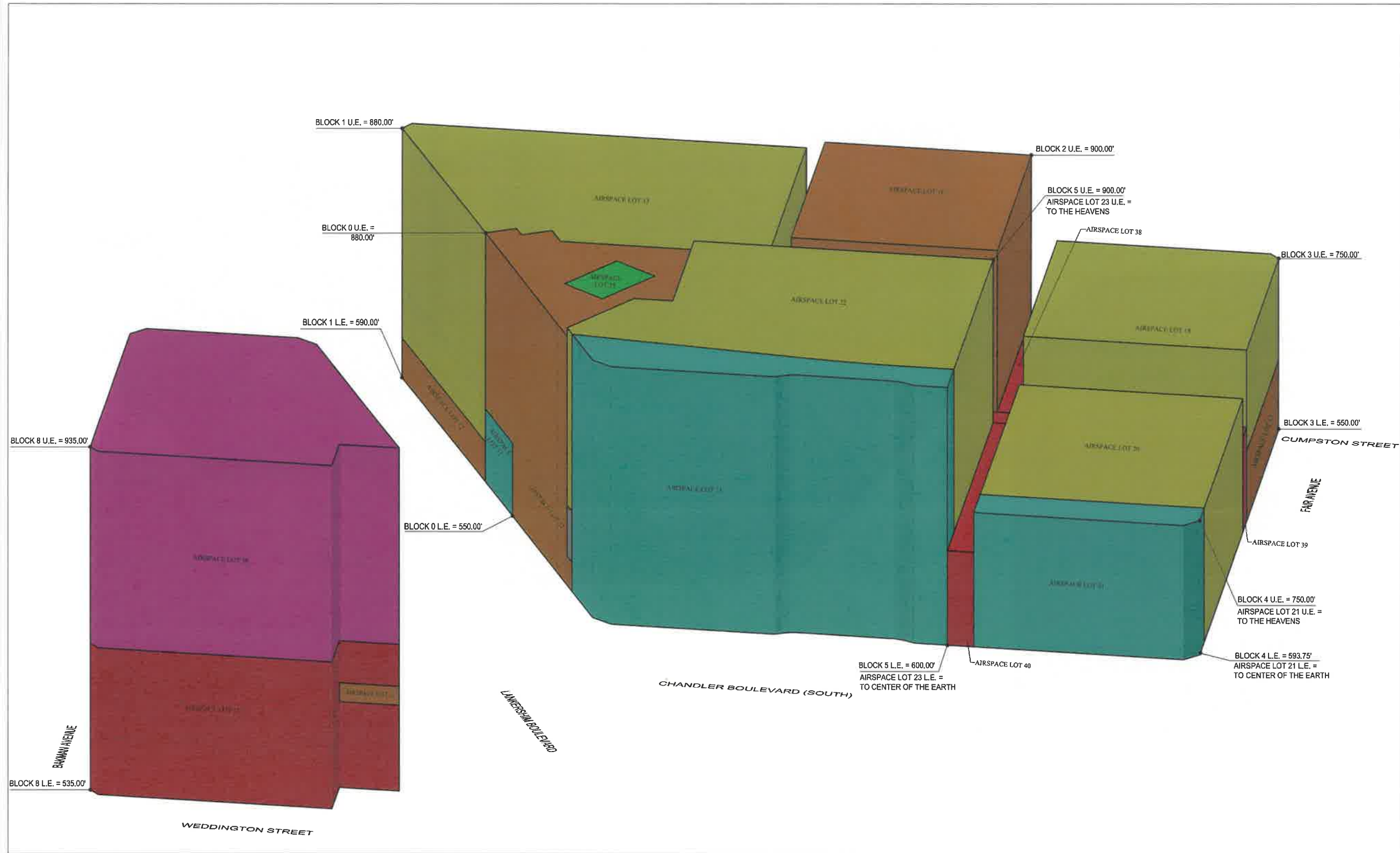
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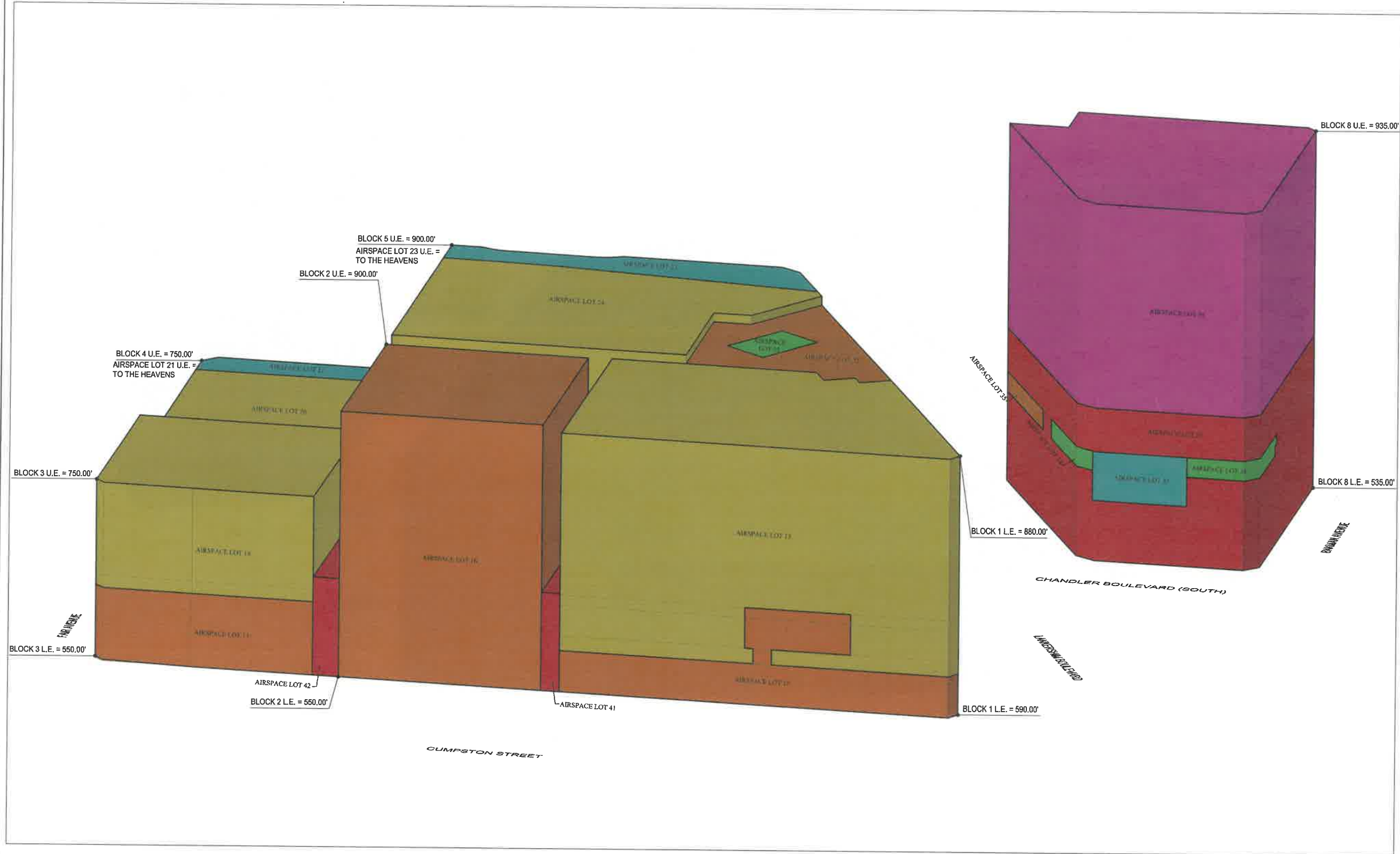
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## **IV. Mitigation Monitoring Program**

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## **1. Introduction**

This Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP) has been prepared pursuant to Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 21081.6, which requires a Lead Agency to adopt a “reporting or monitoring program for changes to the project or conditions of project approval, adopted in order to mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment.” In addition, CEQA Guidelines Section 15097(a) requires that a public agency adopt a program for monitoring or reporting mitigation measures and project revisions, which it has required to mitigate or avoid significant environmental effects. This MMP has been prepared in compliance with the requirements of CEQA, PRC Section 21081.6, and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097.

The City of Los Angeles is the Lead Agency for the Project and, therefore, is responsible for administering and implementing the MMP. A public agency may delegate reporting or monitoring responsibilities to another public agency or to a private entity that accepts the delegation; however, until mitigation measures have been completed, the Lead Agency remains responsible for ensuring that implementation of the mitigation measures occurs in accordance with the program.

An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared to address the potential environmental impacts of the Project. The evaluation of the Project’s impacts in the EIR takes into consideration the project design features (PDF) and applies mitigation measures (MM) needed to avoid or reduce potentially significant environmental impacts. This MMP is designed to monitor implementation of the PDFs and MMs identified for the Project.

## **2. Organization**

As shown on the following pages, each identified PDF and MM for the Project is listed and categorized by environmental impact area, with accompanying identification of the following:

- Enforcement Agency: The agency with the power to enforce the PDF or MM.

- **Monitoring Agency:** The agency to which reports involving feasibility, compliance, implementation, and development are made.
- **Monitoring Phase:** The phase of the Project during which the PDF or MM shall be monitored.
- **Monitoring Frequency:** The frequency at which the PDF or MM shall be monitored.
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** The action by which the Enforcement or Monitoring Agency indicates that compliance with the identified PDF or required MM has been implemented.

### **3. Administrative Procedures and Enforcement**

This MMP shall be enforced throughout all phases of the Project. The Applicant shall be responsible for implementing each PDF and MM and shall be obligated to provide certification, as identified below, to the appropriate monitoring and enforcement agencies that each PDF and MM has been implemented. The Applicant shall maintain records demonstrating compliance with each PDF and MM. Such records shall be made available to the City upon request.

During the construction phase and prior to the issuance of permits, the Applicant shall retain an independent Construction Monitor (either via the City or through a third-party consultant), approved by the Department of City Planning, who shall be responsible for monitoring implementation of PDFs and MMs during construction activities consistent with the monitoring phase and frequency set forth in this MMP.

The Construction Monitor shall also prepare documentation of the Applicant's compliance with the PDFs and MMs during construction every 90 days in a form satisfactory to the Department of City Planning. The documentation must be signed by the Applicant and Construction Monitor and be included as part of the Applicant's Compliance Report. The Construction Monitor shall be obligated to immediately report to the Enforcement Agency any non-compliance with the MMs and PDFs within two businesses days if the Applicant does not correct the non-compliance within a reasonable time of notification to the Applicant by the monitor or if the non-compliance is repeated. Such non-compliance shall be appropriately addressed by the Enforcement Agency.

### **4. Program Modification**

After review and approval of the final MMP by the Lead Agency, minor changes and modifications to the MMP are permitted but can only be made subject to City approval. The Lead Agency, in conjunction with any appropriate agencies or departments, will

determine the adequacy of any proposed change or modification. This flexibility is necessary in light of the nature of the MMP and the need to protect the environment. No changes will be permitted unless the MMP continues to satisfy the requirements of CEQA, as determined by the Lead Agency.

The Project shall be in substantial conformance with the PDFs and MMs contained in this MMP. The enforcing departments or agencies may determine substantial conformance with PDFs and MMs in the MMP in their reasonable discretion. If the department or agency cannot find substantial conformance, a PDF or MM may be modified or deleted as follows: the enforcing department or agency, or the decision maker for a subsequent discretionary project related approval, finds that the modification or deletion complies with CEQA, including CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15164, which could include the preparation of an addendum or subsequent environmental clearance, if necessary, to analyze the impacts from the modifications to or deletion of the PDFs or MMs. Any addendum or subsequent CEQA clearance shall explain why the PDF or MM is no longer needed, not feasible, or the other basis for modifying or deleting the PDF or MM, and that the modification will not result in a new significant impact consistent with the requirements of CEQA. Under this process, the modification or deletion of a PDF or MM shall not, in and of itself, require a modification to any Project discretionary approval unless the Director of Planning also finds that the change to the PDF or MM results in a substantial change to the Project or the non-environmental conditions of approval.

## 5. Mitigation Monitoring Program

### A. Air Quality

#### (1) Project Design Features

**Project Design Feature AIR-PDF-1:** Where power poles are available, electricity from power poles and/or solar powered generators rather than temporary diesel or gasoline generators will be used during construction.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Periodically during construction
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Field inspection sign-off



## (2) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure AIR-MM-1:** Prior to demolition, the Project representative shall submit to the City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety and the South Coast Air Quality Management District a comprehensive inventory of all off-road construction equipment, equal to or greater than 50 horsepower, that with the exception of demolition activities will be used during any portion of construction. The inventory shall include the horsepower rating, engine production year, and certification of the specified Tier standard. A copy of each unit's certified tier specification, Best Available Control Technology documentation, and California Air Resources Board or South Coast Air Quality Management District operating permit shall be available onsite at the time of mobilization of each applicable unit of equipment to allow the Construction Monitor to compare the on-site equipment with the inventory and certified Tier specification and operating permit. Off-road diesel-powered equipment within the construction inventory list described above shall meet the USEPA Tier 4 Final standards.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; South Coast Air Quality Management District
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-Construction; construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); periodically during field inspection

**Mitigation Measure AIR-MM-2:** The Project representative shall require operator(s)/ construction contractor(s) to commit to using 2010 model year or newer engines that meet CARB's 2010 engine emission standards of 0.01 g/brake horsepower (bhp)-hr for particulate matter (PM) and 0.20 g/bhp-hr of NO<sub>x</sub> emissions or newer, cleaner trucks for haul trucks associated with grading/excavation activities and concrete delivery trucks during concrete mat foundation pours. To monitor and ensure 2010 model year or newer trucks are used at the Project, the Lead Agency shall require that truck operator(s)/construction contractor(s) maintain records of trucks during the applicable construction activities associated with the Project and make these records available during the construction process and to the Lead Agency upon request.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; South Coast Air Quality Management District
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-Construction; construction

- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); periodically during field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit; field inspection sign-off

## B. Cultural Resources

### (1) Project Design Features

No project design features are identified in the Environmental Impact Report for this environmental issue.

### (2) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM 1:** Conformance with the Secretary's Standards— Prior to commencement of construction on Block 0, as approved by Metro, the developer shall engage an architectural historian or historic architect meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards (Architectural Historian) to ensure the Lankershim Depot is relocated in conformance with the Secretary's Standards and guidance provided in *Moving Historic Buildings* by John Obed Curtis (National Park Service, 1979). The Architectural Historian shall review all aspects associated with the relocation, including building preparation and stabilization, the proposed method of moving the building, receiver site preparation, and rehabilitation at the receiver site. The Architectural Historian shall also consider plans for the historic landscaped plaza to ensure they conform with the Secretary's Standards, specifically Standard 9 that states that "new work will be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials and features." Once details of the relocation, rehabilitation, and landscaped plaza have been finalized, the architectural historian shall prepare a report reviewing the relocation and rehabilitation of the Depot and landscaped plaza for conformance with the Secretary's Standards, submitted to the City of Los Angeles Office of Historic Resources for concurrence. After work is complete, the architectural historian shall document, through photographs, that work was completed in conformance with the approved report. Photographic documentation shall be submitted to the City of Los Angeles Office of Historic Resources.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning, Office of Historic Resources
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning, Office of Historic Resources; Metro

- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check; once during construction
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Submittal of compliance documentation to City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning/ Office of Historic Resources and subsequent issuance of applicable building permit

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-2:** Documentation—Prior to commencement of construction on Block 0, as approved by Metro, the Applicant shall engage a professional architectural photographer and an architectural historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior’s Professional Qualifications Standards (Architectural Historian) to implement Historic American Building Survey (HABS) Level II documentation of the current status of the Lankershim Depot and its setting consisting of both photographs and a written narrative. The Architectural Historian shall direct the photographer to take images and no fewer than 15 photographs shall be used to document the current status of the Depot and its setting. The photographs shall be large format, 4-inch by 5-inch, black-and-white negatives (two sets), contact prints (one set), and 8-inch by 10-inch prints (two sets). All shall be archivally processed and prints shall be made on fiber-based paper. Two original negatives shall be made at the time the photographs are taken. One set of negatives shall travel with a set of contact prints to the National Park Service for entry into the HABS collection in the Library of Congress; the second set of negatives shall be transmitted to the Los Angeles Public Library along with one set of 8-inch by 10-inch prints. The written narrative shall reformat the information contained in this report and be transmitted to the repositories named. The draft documentation shall be assembled by the Architectural Historian and submitted to the City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning or designee for review and approval prior to submittal to the repositories. The City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning or designee shall accept the final documentation prior to relocation of the Lankershim Depot.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning, Office of Historic Resources
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning, Office of Historic Resources; Metro
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Submittal of compliance documentation to City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning, Office of Historic Resources and subsequent approval by Metro

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-3:** Interpretive Design—The Applicant shall prepare and implement a site-specific, art-in-public-places program on Block 0 that illustrates and interprets the important history of the Lankershim Depot to the development of North Hollywood. The public art program shall include feature(s) that are lasting and permanent and shall be integrated into the new architecture and/or new landscape features of the Project, to the maximum extent feasible, thus ensuring its longevity, and shall be accessible by all members of the public. While the public art program may incorporate a plaque or interpretative panel or display the program overall shall include features that are of a size, scale, and design in relation to the architecture and/or landscape features that it can be immediately viewed, recognized, and appreciated at a distance where the text or images on a plaque or interpretive panel or display may not be legible while maintaining a scale compatible with the Lankershim Depot. Content and design of the public art shall be created by an artist, in collaboration with the selected art consultant, a representative from Metro, and the architectural historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards to ensure that the art-in-public-places program on Block 0 accurately interprets the history of the site. Installation of art elements shall be completed no more than one year after relocation and rehabilitation of the Lankershim Depot. Prior to commencement of construction on Block 0, as approved by Metro, a budget will be established for the public art that will be sufficient to cover design fees and fabrication.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning, Office of Historic Resources
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning, Office of Historic Resources; Metro
- **Monitoring Phase:** Prior to installation of the public art display
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once prior to installation of the public art display
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan approval and issuance of applicable approvals by Metro

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-4:** All construction personnel and monitors who are not trained archaeologists or Tribal Cultural experts shall be briefed regarding unanticipated archeological or Tribal Cultural discoveries prior to the start of any excavation and grading activities. A basic PowerPoint presentation or handout shall be prepared to inform all personnel working on the Project about the archaeological and Tribal Cultural sensitivity of the area. The purpose of this Workers Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) training is to provide specific details on the kinds of archaeological and Tribal Cultural materials that may be identified during excavation and grading

activities for the Project and explain the importance of and legal basis for the protection of significant archaeological resources, and all Tribal Cultural Resources. Each worker shall also learn the proper procedures to follow in the event that cultural resources, Tribal Cultural Resources, or human remains are uncovered during ground-disturbing activities. These procedures include work curtailment or redirection, and the immediate contact of the site supervisor and archaeological monitor.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Metro
- **Monitoring Phase:** Construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once prior to construction
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Issuance of applicable building permit

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-5:** Prior to any excavation activities, an individual qualified in archeology and Tribal Cultural Resources (Qualified Archeologist) shall be retained to monitor initial excavation and grading activities within the Project Site. Initial excavation and grading are defined as initial construction-related earth moving of sediments from their place of deposition. As it pertains to archaeological monitoring, this definition excludes movement of sediments after they have been initially disturbed or displaced by project-related construction. Due to the complex history of development and disturbance in the area, the terminal depth of potential deposits cannot be determined prior to the start of excavation activities. Monitoring will be continued based the continued potential for cultural deposits based on the characteristics of subsurface sediments encountered. The Qualified Archeologist, meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards, shall oversee and adjust monitoring efforts as needed (increase, decrease, or discontinue monitoring frequency) based on the observed potential for construction activities to encounter cultural deposits or material. The Qualified Archeologist shall be responsible for maintaining daily monitoring logs. Within 60 days following completion of ground disturbance, an archaeological monitoring report shall be prepared and submitted to the City for review. This report shall document compliance with approved mitigation, document the monitoring efforts, and include an appendix with daily monitoring logs. The final report shall be submitted to the SCCIC. In the event that a potential archaeological resource is encountered, the Applicant shall follow the procedures set forth in Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-6. In the event that a potential Tribal Cultural Resource is encountered, the

applicant shall instead follow the procedures set forth in Mitigation Measure TCR-MM-1.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Metro
- **Monitoring Phase:** Construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** To be determined by consultation with archaeologist if resource(s) are discovered
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** If unanticipated discoveries are found, submittal of compliance report by a qualified archaeologist; issuance of building permit(s)

**Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-6:** In the event that historic or prehistoric archaeological resources are unearthed, ground disturbing activities shall be halted or diverted away from the vicinity of the find so that the find can be evaluated. An appropriate buffer area shall be established by the Qualified Archaeologist in accordance with industry standards, reasonable assumptions regarding the potential for additional discoveries in the vicinity, and safety considerations for those making an evaluation and potential recovery of the discovery. This buffer area shall be established around the find where construction activities shall not be allowed to continue. Work shall be allowed to continue outside of the buffer area. All resources unearthed by Project construction activities shall be evaluated by the Qualified Archaeologist. If a resource is determined by the Qualified Archaeologist to constitute a “historical resource” pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5(a) or a “unique archaeological resource” pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21083.2(g), the Qualified Archaeologist shall coordinate with the Applicant and the City to develop a formal treatment plan that would serve to reduce impacts to the resource. The treatment plan established for the resource shall be in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5(f) for historical resources and Public Resources Code Sections 21083.2(b) for unique archaeological resources. Preservation in place (i.e., avoidance) is the preferred manner of treatment. If in coordination with the City, it is determined that preservation in place is not feasible, appropriate treatment of the resource shall be developed by the Qualified Archaeologist in coordination with the City and may include implementation of archaeological data recovery excavations to remove the resource along with subsequent laboratory processing and analysis. Any archaeological material collected shall be curated at a public, non-profit institution with a research interest in the materials, if such an institution agrees to accept the material. If no institution accepts the

archaeological material, they shall be donated to a local school or historical society in the area for educational purposes.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Metro
- **Monitoring Phase:** Construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** To be determined by consultation with archaeologist if resource(s) are discovered
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** If unanticipated discoveries are found, submittal of compliance report by a qualified archaeologist; issuance of building permit(s)

## C. Greenhouse Gas Emissions

### (1) Project Design Features

**Project Design Feature GHG-PDF-1:** The design of the new buildings shall incorporate features of the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) program to be capable of meeting the standards of LEED Silver® for commercial buildings and LEED for Homes or GreenPoint Rated for residential buildings, or equivalent green building standards. These include energy conservation, water conservation, and waste reduction features to support and promote environmental sustainability, including but not limited to: Energy Star appliances; plumbing fixtures (water closets and urinals) and fittings (faucets and showerheads) that comply with the performance requirements specified in the City of Los Angeles Green Building Code; weather-based irrigation system; and water-efficient landscaping.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; pre-operation
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check; once during field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit; issuance of Certificate of Occupancy

**Project Design Feature GHG-PDF-2:** The Project shall limit the installation of natural gas fireplaces/firepits to approximately five percent of the total dwelling units (70 natural gas fireplaces/firepits), which could include firepits for outdoor amenity areas and fireplaces within residential units and fireplaces/firepits for indoor amenity areas and three for office outdoor amenity areas.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; pre-operation
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check; once during field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit; issuance of Certificate of Occupancy

## (2) Mitigation Measures

No mitigation measures are identified in the Environmental Impact Report for this environmental issue.

## D. Hazards and Hazardous Materials

### (1) Project Design Features

No project design features are identified in the Environmental Impact Report for this environmental issue.

### (2) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure HAZ-MM-1:** Soil Management Plan—The Applicant shall retain a qualified environmental consultant to prepare a Soil Management Plan for Contaminated Soils (SMP) which shall be prepared with input from Los Angeles County Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA), County of Los Angeles Fire Department Health and Hazardous Materials Division (HHMD) Site Mitigation Unit (SMU). The SMP shall be submitted to the City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety for review and approval prior to the commencement of soil disturbance activities. Potential subsurface contamination likely to be encountered during excavation activities includes metals, PCE (a volatile organic compound [VOC]) or other VOCs. The SMP shall be written such that it can be implemented sitewide or by block. The SMP



shall be implemented during soil disturbance activities on each block to ensure that contaminated soils are properly identified, excavated, managed and transported and disposed of off-site.

Elements of the SMP shall include:

- A qualified environmental consultant shall be present on the Project Site at the start of soil disturbance activities (e.g., clearing, grubbing, pavement/asphalt removal, building foundation and other below ground structure removal, excavation, grading, etc.) in the known or suspected locations of contaminated soils and shall be on call at other times as necessary, to monitor compliance with the SMP and to actively monitor the soils and excavations for evidence of contamination (primarily VOCs, which includes PCE, and metals).
- Soil monitoring during soil disturbance including visual observation (soil staining), representative sampling via a photo ionization detector, and/or VOC monitoring.
- The SMP shall require the timely testing and sampling of soils so that VOC-contaminated soils can be separated from inert soils for proper disposal. The SMP shall specify the testing parameters and sampling frequency. Routine testing includes VOCs and metals. The qualified environmental consultant shall have authority to request additional testing including, but not limited to, total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) based on visual observation, the presence of odors, or other factors.
- During excavation, if soil is stockpiled prior to disposal, it shall be managed in accordance with the Project's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), prior to transportation for treatment and/or disposal.
- To ensure appropriate containment of excavated soil or demolition debris/materials that exceed state or federal hazardous waste criteria, such materials shall be placed in containers with closures that are properly secured and lined, as appropriate, or wrapped and enclosed by tarps and transported by licensed hazardous waste haulers and disposed of at a licensed hazardous waste management facility approved for the specific disposed hazardous materials.
- During excavation, soils identified as VOC-contaminated shall be sprayed with water or another approved vapor suppressant or covered with sheeting and securely anchored during periods of inactivity of greater than an hour to prevent contaminated soils from becoming airborne.

- Dust suppression shall be used for any active or inactive stockpile known or suspected to contain contaminants including metals, above State or Federal hazardous waste limits. Active and inactive excavations and stockpiles of soil shall be kept visibly moist by water spray, treated with a vapor suppressant, or covered with a continuous heavy-duty plastic sheeting (4 mm or greater) or other covering. The covering shall be overlapped at the seams and securely anchored.
- The qualified environmental consultant shall perform weekly inspections of all waste (drums and bulk) to document that waste is being managed in accordance with the SMP. Inspection records shall be maintained on-site and shall be made available upon request.
- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; California Department of Toxic Substances Control
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Metro
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check; once during field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of grading permit; field inspection sign-off

**Mitigation Measure HAZ-MM-2:** Prior to construction, a limited soil investigation of the soil bordering the West Lot to the south shall be performed. Any identified contamination shall be remediated in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations and, if necessary, in accordance with Mitigation Measure HAZ-MM-1.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Metro
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Metro
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check; once during field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of grading permit; field inspection sign-off

**Mitigation Measure HAZ-MM-3:** The West Lot shall be developed in accordance with the City of Los Angeles' Methane Ordinance (LAMC Chapter IX,

Article 1, Division 71, Section 91.7103), which Metro shall implement and enforce through its standard permitting procedures.

- **Enforcement Agency:** Metro; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** Metro; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check; once during field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of grading permit and building permit; field inspection sign-off

## E. Noise

### (1) Project Design Features

**Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-1:** During plan check for each phase of the Project, the contractor will provide a statement to the City indicating their power construction equipment (including combustion engines), fixed or mobile, will be equipped with state-of-the-art noise shielding and muffling devices (consistent with manufacturers' standards). The statement will further indicate that the equipment will be properly maintained to assure that no additional noise, due to worn or improperly maintained parts, would be generated.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-Construction, construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at plan check (provide proof of compliance)
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit; field inspection sign-off

**Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-2:** Project construction will not include the use of driven (impact) pile systems.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety

- **Monitoring Phase:** Construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); periodically during construction
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit; field inspection sign-off

**Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-3:** All outdoor mounted mechanical equipment will be screened from off-site noise-sensitive receptors. The equipment screen will be impermeable (i.e., solid material with minimum weight of 2 pounds per square feet) and break the line-of-sight from the equipment to the off-site noise-sensitive receptors.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction, construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); once at field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit

**Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-4:** All loading docks will be acoustically screened from off-site noise-sensitive receptors.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction, construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); once at field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit; issuance of Certificate of Occupancy

**Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-5:** Outdoor amplified sound systems, if any, will be designed so as not to exceed the maximum noise level of 75 dBA ( $L_{eq-1hr}$ ) at a distance of 25 feet from the amplified speaker sound systems at Block 1 (Level 4 Amenity), Block 2 (Level 4 Amenity), Block 3 (Level 5 and Level 6 Amenity), Block 4 (Level 3 Pool Deck and Courtyard and Level 6 Amenity), Block 5/6 (Level 6 Courtyard); and 80 dBA ( $L_{eq-1hr}$ ) at a distance of 25 feet at Block 1 (Roof Level Amenity), Block 3 (Level 2 Courtyard), Block 5/6 (Level 1

NoHo Square, Level 2 Common Deck), Block 7 (Level 2 Courtyard and Level 5 Amenity), and Block 8 (Level 7 Courtyard). A qualified noise consultant will provide written documentation, prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy, that the design of the system complies with this maximum noise level.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-operation
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Issuance of Certificate of Occupancy

**Project Design Feature NOI-PDF-6:** The temporary/touring amplified sound system for special events (such as movies or music performances) at the NoHo Square will be designed, using a line-array speaker system, so as not to exceed a maximum noise level of 90 dBA ( $L_{eq-1hr}$ ) at a distance of 50 feet from the amplified sound systems.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-operation
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Submittal of compliance report from noise consultant prior to Certificate of Occupancy for Block 5/6

## (2) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure NOI-MM-1:** A temporary and impermeable sound barrier shall be erected at the locations listed below and shown on Figure IV.H-5 on page IV.H-95. Prior to any demolition work conducted for each phase being permitted, building plans shall include documentation prepared by a noise consultant verifying compliance with this measure.

*During Block 0 Construction (Metro is the monitoring and enforcement agency for these mitigation measures.):*

- Along the western property line of the Project Site (Block 0 West) between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Tujunga Avenue and Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R7) and the northern portion of the park on the south side of Chandler

Boulevard and approximately 300 west of Tujunga Avenue (receptor location R8). The temporary sound barrier (minimum 15 feet high) shall be designed to provide a minimum 13-dBA noise reduction at the ground level of receptor location R7 and 8 dBA at receptor location R8.

- Along the southern property line of the Project Site (Block 0 West) between the construction areas and noise sensitive uses along Chandler Boulevard (receptor locations R9, R10, and R11). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 9-dBA noise reduction (minimum 12 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R9, R10, and R11.
- Along the northern property line of the Project Site (Block 0 West) between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Lankershim Boulevard and Cumpston Street (receptor location R5). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R5.
- Along the northern, southern, western, and eastern property lines of the Project Site (Block 0 East) between the construction areas and residential use along Cumpston Street (receptor location R1), Fair Avenue (receptor location R2), Chandler Boulevard (receptor R3), and Lankershim Boulevard (receptor location R5). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R1, R2, R3, and R5.

*During Block 1 Construction:*

- Along the western edge of the Project Site (Block 1) between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Lankershim Boulevard and Cumpston Street (receptor location R5). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 9-dBA noise reduction (minimum 11 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R5.
- Along the northeastern and eastern edges of the Project Site (Block 1) between the construction areas and residential use along Cumpston Street (receptor location R1) and Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 8-dBA (minimum 11 feet high) and 5-dBA (minimum 8 feet high) noise reduction at the ground level of receptor locations R1 and R2, respectively.
- Along the southern edge of the Project Site (Block 1) between the construction areas and the noise sensitive uses along Weddington Street (receptor locations R9 and R10). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise

reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R9 and R10. Note, this temporary sound barrier would not be required if Block 8 is substantially completed, prior to Block 1 construction.

*During Block 2 Construction:*

- Along the northern edge of the Project Site (Block 2) between the construction areas and the residential use along Cumpston Street (receptor location R1). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of the residential use (receptor location R1).
- Along the eastern edge of the Project Site (Block 2) between the construction areas and residential use along Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 7-dBA noise reduction (minimum 10 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R2. Note, this temporary sound barrier would not be required if Block 3 and Block 4 are substantially completed, prior to Block 2 construction.
- Along the southern edge of the Project Site (Block 2) between the construction areas and residential use along Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R3) and the school use south of Weddington Street (receptor location R10). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R3 and R10. Note, this temporary sound barrier would not be required if Block 4 and Block 5/6 are substantially completed, prior to Block 2 construction.

*During Block 3 Construction:*

- Along the northern edge of the Project Site (Block 3) between the construction areas and the residential use along the Cumpston Street (receptor location R1). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of the residential use (receptor location R1).
- Along the eastern edge of the Project Site (Block 3) between the construction areas and residential use along Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R2.
- Along the southern edge of the Project Site (Block 3) between the construction areas and residential use along Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R3). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum

8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R3. Note, this temporary sound barrier would not be required if Block 4 is substantially completed, prior to Block 3 construction.

*During Block 4 Construction:*

- Along the northern edge of the Project Site (Block 4) between the construction areas and the residential use along the Cumpston Street (receptor location R1). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 6-dBA noise reduction (minimum 10 feet high) at the ground level of the residential use (receptor location R1).
- Along the southern edge of the Project Site (Block 4) between the construction areas and residential use along Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R3). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 13-dBA noise reduction (minimum 15 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R3.
- Along the eastern edge of the Project Site (Block 4) between the construction areas and residential use along Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R2.

*During Block 5/6 Construction:*

- Along the northern edge of the Project Site (Block 5/6) between the construction areas and the residential use along the Cumpston Street (receptor location R1). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 8-dBA noise reduction (minimum 11 feet high) at the ground level of the residential use (receptor location R1).
- Along the southern edge of the Project Site (Block 5/6) between the construction areas and residential use along Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R3). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 12-dBA noise reduction (minimum 14 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R3.
- Along the eastern edge of the Project Site (Block 5/6) between the construction areas and residential use along Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 9-dBA noise reduction (minimum 12 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R2.
- Along the western edge of the Project Site (Block 5/6) between the construction areas and sensitive uses along Weddington Street (receptor locations R9, R10, and R11). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise



reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R9, R10, and R11.

*During Block 7 Construction:*

- Along the northern property line of the Project Site (Block 7) between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Lankershim Boulevard and Cumpston Street (receptor location R5). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 10-dBA noise reduction (minimum 12 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R5.
- Along the western property line of the Project Site (Block 7) between the construction areas and residential use on Cumpston Street, west of Tujunga Avenue (receptor location R6). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 9-dBA noise reduction (minimum 12 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R6.
- Along the southern property line of the Project Site (Block 7) between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Tujunga Avenue and Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R7) and at receptor location R9. The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R7 and R9.
- Along the eastern property line of the Project Site (Block 7) between the construction areas and future residential use at the corner of Lankershim Boulevard and Chandler Boulevard (Related Project No. 1). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level. Note, this temporary sound barrier would only be required if the construction for the Related Project No. 1 would be completed and occupied prior the Project construction.

*During Block 8 Construction:*

- Along the northern property line of the Project Site (Block 8) between the construction areas and the residential uses along Cumpston Street (receptor location R1) and Fair Avenue (receptor location R2). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R1 and R2.
- Along the southern property line of the Project Site (Block 8) between the construction areas and theater/ use (receptor location R9) and school use (receptor location R10). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of receptor locations R9 and R10.

- Along the western property line of the Project Site (Block 8) between the construction areas and the hotel use (receptor location R11). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 13-dBA noise reduction (minimum 16 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R11.

*During West Lot Construction (Metro is the monitoring and enforcement agency for these mitigation measures.):*

- Along the northern property line of the West Lot between the construction areas and residential use on Cumpston Street (receptor location R6). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 13-dBA noise reduction (minimum 16 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R6.
- Along the southern property line of the West Lot between the construction areas and residential use at the corner of Tujunga Avenue and Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R7) and the park use south of Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R8). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R7 and 11-dBA noise reduction (minimum 14 feet high) at receptor location R8.
- Along the western and portion of the southern property line of the West Lot between the construction areas and the residential use on the north side of Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R14). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at receptor location R14.

*During East Lot Construction (Metro is the monitoring and enforcement agency for these mitigation measures.):*

- Along the northern property line of the East Lot between the construction areas and residential use along Fair Avenue (receptor location R13). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 15-dBA noise reduction (minimum 18 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R13.
- Along the southern property line between the construction areas and the residential use along Chandler Boulevard (receptor location R3). The temporary sound barrier shall be designed to provide a minimum 5-dBA noise reduction (minimum 8 feet high) at the ground level of receptor location R3.
- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Metro

- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Metro
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); once during field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit; submittal of compliance report from qualified noise consultant.

**Mitigation Measure NOI-MM-2:** Prior to any construction activities involving vibration on Block 0 West or Block 8, the Applicant shall retain the services of a qualified structural engineer or qualified professional building engineer to visit the Lankershim Depot (after it is relocated to the future location) and the Security Trust and Savings Bank building adjacent to the Project Site (Block 8) to inspect and document the apparent physical condition of the building's readily-visible features (i.e., any cracks or damage). In addition, the structural engineer shall survey the existing foundations and other structural aspects of the Security Trust and Savings Bank and provide a shoring design to protect the building from potential damage. Pot holing, ground penetrating radar, or other similar methods of determining the below grade conditions on the Project Site and the Security Trust and Savings Bank may be necessary to establish baseline conditions and prepare the shoring design. The shoring design shall specify threshold limits for vibration causing activities.

The qualified structural engineer shall hold a valid license to practice structural engineering in the State of California and have extensive demonstrated experience specific to rehabilitating historic buildings and applying the Secretary of the Interior's Standards to such projects. The City of Los Angeles shall determine qualification prior to any work being performed. The qualified structural engineer shall submit to the lead agency a pre-construction survey that establishes baseline conditions to be monitored during construction, prior to issuance of any permit for the Project on Block 0 West or Block 8.

Prior to construction activities, the Applicant shall retain the services of a qualified acoustical engineer to review proposed construction equipment and develop and implement a vibration monitoring program capable of documenting the construction-related ground vibration levels at the Lankershim Depot and the Security Trust and Savings Bank building during demolition and grading/excavation phases.

The vibration monitoring system shall continuously measure and store the peak particle velocity (PPV) in inch/second. The system shall also be programmed for two preset velocity levels: a warning level of 0.10 PPV and a regulatory level of 0.12 PPV. The system shall also

provide real-time alert when the vibration levels exceed the warning level.

In the event the warning level (0.10 PPV) is triggered, the contractor shall identify the source of vibration generation, halt construction in the immediate vicinity, and provide technologically feasible steps to reduce the vibration level, including but not limited to staggering concurrent activities, utilizing lower vibratory techniques, and limiting high vibration generating equipment (i.e., large bulldozer, drill rig and loaded truck) operating within 20 feet of the building.

In the event the regulatory level (0.12 PPV) is triggered, the contractor shall halt construction activities in the vicinity of the building and visually inspect the building for any damage (by a qualified structural engineer). Results of the inspection must be logged. The contractor shall identify the source of vibration generation and provide technologically feasible steps to reduce the vibration level. Construction activities may then restart.

At the conclusion of vibration-causing construction, the qualified structural engineer shall issue a follow-up letter describing damage, if any, to immediately adjacent historic buildings and recommendations for repair, as may be necessary, in conformance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. Repairs to immediately adjacent historic buildings shall be undertaken and completed in conformance with all applicable codes, including the California Historical Building Code (Part 8 of Title 24).

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety-Block 8 ;Metro-Block 0
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); once during field inspection (as needed during vibration-causing construction)
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan approval and issuance of applicable building permit; submittal of compliance report from structural engineer.

## F. Public Services—Police Protection

### (1) Project Design Features

**Project Design Feature POL-PDF-1:** During construction, the Applicant will implement temporary security measures including security fencing, lighting, and locked entry.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Police Department; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning
- **Monitoring Agency** City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); once during field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit; Field inspection sign-off

**Project Design Feature POL-PDF-2:** The Project will include a standard range of security measures recommended in LAPD’s Design Out Crime Guidelines including, but not limited to, providing adequate lighting of parking structures, elevators, and lobbies to reduce areas of concealment; provide lighting of building entries, pedestrian walkways, and other public open spaces to provide pedestrian orientation and to clearly identify a secure route between parking areas and points of entry into buildings; design public spaces to be easily patrolled and accessed by safety personnel; design entrances to, and exits from buildings, open spaces around buildings, and pedestrian walkways to be open and in view of surrounding sites; and limit visually obstructed and infrequently accessed “dead zones.”

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Police Department; City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-Construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); prior to the issuance of applicable building permit
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit; issuance of Certificate of Occupancy

**Project Design Feature POL-PDF-3:** Upon completion of construction of the Project and prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy, the Applicant will submit a diagram of the Project Site to the LAPD's North Hollywood Division Commanding Officer that includes access routes and any additional information that might facilitate police response.

- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Police Department; City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); prior to the issuance of applicable building permit
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of applicable building permit; Issuance of Certificate of Occupancy

**Project Design Feature POL-PDF-4:** In accordance with Metro's Guide for Development at the North Hollywood Station, the Applicant will prepare a Safety and Security Plan for the Project prior to execution of the agreement between the Applicant and Metro governing the joint development of the Project Site and execution of the associated ground lease.

- **Enforcement Agency:** Metro
- **Monitoring Agency:** Metro
- **Monitoring Phase:** Construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once prior to the issuance of applicable building permit
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Issuance of applicable building permit

## (2) Mitigation Measures

No mitigation measures are identified in the Environmental Impact Report for this environmental issue.

## G. Transportation

### (1) Project Design Features

**Project Design Feature TR-PDF-1:** Prior to the start of demolition, a Construction Traffic Management Plan shall be prepared and submitted to LADOT for review and approval. The Construction Traffic Management Plan will include a Worksite Traffic Control Plan, which will facilitate traffic and pedestrian movement, and minimize the potential conflicts between construction activities, street traffic, bicyclists, and pedestrians. Furthermore, the Construction Traffic Management Plan and Worksite Traffic Control Plan will include, but not be limited to, the following measures:

- As parking lane and/or sidewalk closures are anticipated, worksite traffic control plan(s), approved by the City of Los Angeles, will be implemented to route vehicular traffic, bicyclists, and pedestrians around any such closures;
- Ensure that access will remain unobstructed for land uses in proximity to the Project Site during construction;
- Parking for construction workers will be provided either on-site or at off-site, off-street locations. Parking will be prohibited on streets in the vicinity of the Project Site;
- Coordinate with the City and emergency service providers to ensure adequate access is maintained to the Project Site and neighboring businesses and residences; and
- Ensure all soil loads are properly covered and secured.
- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation; City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation; City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check prior to issuance of grading, demolition, or building permit (provide proof of compliance); once during field inspection
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan check approval and issuance of grading, demolition, or building permit; field inspection sign-off

**Project Design Feature TR-PDF-2:** The Project will prepare and implement a Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Program consistent with City policies on sustainability and smart growth and with LADOT's trip reduction and multi-modal transportation program. The TDM Program shall include the following measures:

- Reduced Parking Supply—The Project would provide up to 3,313 parking spaces for Project uses along with up to 1,189 parking spaces for Metro users at full buildout. The basic parking requirements set forth by the LAMC would require a total of 4,291 parking spaces at full buildout (not including spaces for Metro users). A reduced parking supply makes parking less available and more expensive and, therefore, encourages the use of non-automobile modes to and from the Project Site and reduces VMT.
- Promotions and Marketing—A transportation management coordinator (TMC) would be designated to reach out to Project residents and companies leasing Project office space to promote the benefits of TDM. The TMC will provide information on public transit and any available incentives, the benefits of flexible work schedules and telecommuting programs, pedestrian and bicycle amenities provided at the Project Site, and parking incentives.
- Pedestrian Network Improvements—The Project would prioritize the pedestrian experience. The Project would create a network of sidewalks with a minimum width of 12 feet around the various Blocks along with creating various publicly accessible open spaces throughout the Project Site. It also provides activated ground-floor street frontages, street trees, pedestrian-scaled streetlights, and understory plantings to create a consistent, high-quality pedestrian experience. The enhanced pedestrian connectivity would encourage pedestrian trips to and from the Project Site as well as improving accessibility to the transit options at the Project Site and, therefore, reduces automobile trips and reduces VMT. The Project also proposes upgrades to crosswalks as discussed below under Traffic Calming Improvements.
- Traffic Calming Improvements—The Project would enhance crossings of Lankershim Boulevard with refreshed and/or new continental crosswalks at both intersections with Chandler Boulevard (North and South) and would install a new continental crosswalk across Tujunga Avenue at Chandler Boulevard (North) and across District Way at Fair Avenue. These improvements would help to slow vehicular traffic and improve safety and connectivity for pedestrians.
- On-Street Bicycle Facilities—The Project is designed to connect to the Chandler Bikeway Project through the East Site. Specifically, the Project will implement the shared street where all travel modes (i.e., pedestrians, bicycles, and vehicle) share the same roadway on District Way and a Class IV bicycle facility on Fair Avenue between District Way and the Chandler Bikeway.
- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation, City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning



- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation; Metro (Traffic Calming Improvements)
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check prior to issuance of the first building permit (provide proof of compliance); once prior to issuance of the first Certificate of Occupancy
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Approval of TDM program from LADOT; issuance of the first Certificate of Occupancy

## (2) Mitigation Measures

No mitigation measures are identified in the Environmental Impact Report for this environmental issue.

## H. Tribal Cultural Resources

### (1) Project Design Features

No project design features are identified in the Environmental Impact Report for this environmental issue.

### (2) Mitigation Measures

**Mitigation Measure TCR-MM-1:** In the event that objects or artifacts that may be tribal cultural resources are encountered during the course of any ground disturbance activities (i.e., excavating, digging, trenching, plowing, drilling, tunneling, quarrying, grading, leveling, removing peat, clearing, driving posts, augering, backfilling, blasting, stripping topsoil, or a similar activity), all such activities shall temporarily cease in the immediate vicinity of the potential resource until the potential tribal cultural resources are properly assessed and addressed pursuant to the process set forth below:

- Upon a discovery of a potential tribal cultural resource, the Applicant shall immediately stop all ground disturbance activities in the immediate vicinity of the potential resource and contact the following:
  1. all California Native American tribes that have informed the City they are traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of the proposed project (including but not limited to the Fernandeano Tataviam Band of Mission Indians and Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians);
  2. and the Department of City Planning at (213) 473-9723.

- If the City determines, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21074 (a)(2), that the object or artifact appears to be tribal cultural resource, the City shall provide any affected tribe a reasonable period of time, not less than 14 days, to conduct a site visit and make recommendations to the Applicant and the City regarding the monitoring of future ground disturbance activities, as well as the treatment and disposition of any discovered tribal cultural resources.
- If any tribe recommends monitoring of future ground disturbances, and such monitoring is determined to be reasonable and feasible, a culturally affiliated tribal monitor shall be retained by the City at the Applicant's expense, in addition to the archaeological cultural monitoring that is separately required pursuant to Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-5.
- The qualified archaeologist identified in Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-5 and the culturally affiliated tribal monitor shall determine if the tribal recommendations are reasonable and feasible, at which point the Applicant shall implement the recommendations, in addition to the measures below.
- The Applicant shall submit a tribal cultural resource monitoring plan to the City that includes all recommendations from the City and any affected tribes that have been reviewed and determined by the qualified archaeologist and by a culturally affiliated tribal monitor to be reasonable and feasible. The Applicant shall not be allowed to recommence ground disturbance activities in the immediate vicinity of the potential resource and any radius identified in the tribal or City recommendations until this plan is approved by the City.
- If the Applicant does not accept a particular recommendation determined to be reasonable and feasible by the qualified archaeologist or by a culturally affiliated tribal monitor, the Applicant may request mediation by a mediator agreed to by the Applicant and the City who has the requisite professional qualifications and experience to mediate such a dispute. The Applicant shall pay any costs associated with the mediation.
- The Applicant may recommence ground disturbance activities outside of a specified radius of the discovery site, so long as this radius has been reviewed by the qualified archaeologist and by a culturally affiliated tribal monitor and determined to be reasonable and appropriate.
- Copies of any subsequent prehistoric archaeological study, tribal cultural resources study or report, detailing the nature of any significant tribal cultural resources, remedial actions taken, and disposition of any significant tribal cultural resources shall be

submitted to the South Central Coastal Information Center (SCCIC) at California State University, Fullerton.

- Notwithstanding the above, any information determined to be confidential in nature, by the City Attorney's office, shall be excluded from submission to the SCCIC or the general public under the applicable provisions of the California Public Records Act, California Public Resources Code, and shall comply with the City's AB 52 Confidentiality Protocols.
- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Metro (Block 0, East Lot and West Lot)
- **Monitoring Phase:** Construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** To be determined by consultation with tribal monitor if resource(s) are discovered
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** If unanticipated discoveries are found, approval to proceed by the tribal monitor; issuance of building permit(s)

## I. Utilities and Service Systems—Water Supply and Infrastructure

### (1) Project Design Features

**Project Design Feature WAT-PDF-1:** In addition to regulatory requirements, the Project will incorporate the following block-by-block water conservation features as set for in the Water Conservation Commitment Letter for the Project included as Appendix B of the WSA:

#### Block 0

- Tankless and on-demand Water Heaters for pantry sink location.
- Individual metering and billing for water use for every retail space.
- Drip/Subsurface Irrigation (Micro-Irrigation) for 100 percent of the irrigation system.
- Point of use Domestic Water Heating System.
- Drip/Subsurface Irrigation (Micro-Irrigation) for 100 percent of the irrigation system.
- Proper Hydro-Zoning/Zoned Irrigation (groups plants with similar water requirements together).

- California Friendly® plants or native plants .

Block 1

- ENERGY STAR–Certified Residential Clothes Washers—Front-loading or Top-loading with Integrated Water Factor of 3.0 or less and capacity of 4.8 cubic feet.
- Domestic Water Heating System located in proximity to point(s) of use for retail tenant spaces.
- Individual metering and billing for water use for every residential dwelling unit and retail tenant space.
- Pool/Spa recirculating filtration equipment.
- Install a meter on the pool make-up line so water use can be monitored, and leaks can be identified and repaired.
- Leak Detection System for swimming pools and Jacuzzi.
- Drip/ Subsurface Irrigation (Micro-Irrigation).
- Proper Hydro-Zoning/Zoned Irrigation (groups plants with similar water requirements together).
- California Friendly® plants or native plants.

Block 2

- ENERGY STAR–Certified Residential Clothes Washers—Front-loading or Top-loading with Integrated Water Factor of 3.0 or less and capacity of 4.8 cubic feet.
- Domestic Water Heating System located in proximity to point(s) of use for retail tenant spaces.
- Individual metering and billing for water use for every residential dwelling unit and retail tenant space.
- Pool/Spa recirculating filtration equipment.
- Install a meter on the pool make-up line so water use can be monitored, and leaks can be identified and repaired.
- Leak Detection System for swimming pools and Jacuzzi.
- Drip/ Subsurface Irrigation (Micro-Irrigation).
- Proper Hydro-Zoning/Zoned Irrigation (groups plants with similar water requirements together).
- California Friendly® plants or native plants.

Block 3

- Individual metering and billing for water use for every residential dwelling unit.

- Drip/Subsurface Irrigation (Micro-Irrigation).
- Proper Hydro-Zoning/Zoned Irrigation (groups plants with similar water requirements together).
- California Friendly® plants or native plants.

Block 4

- ENERGY STAR–Certified Residential Clothes Washers—Front-loading or Top-loading with Integrated Water Factor of 3.0 or less and capacity of 4.8 cubic feet.
- Domestic Water Heating System located in proximity to point(s) of use for retail tenant spaces.
- Individual metering and billing for water use for every residential dwelling unit and retail tenant space.
- Pool/Spa recirculating filtration equipment.
- Install a meter on the pool make-up line so water use can be monitored, and leaks can be identified and repaired.
- Leak Detection System for swimming pools and Jacuzzi.
- Drip/ Subsurface Irrigation (Micro-Irrigation).
- Proper Hydro-Zoning/Zoned Irrigation (groups plants with similar water requirements together).
- California Friendly® plants or native plants.

Block 5/6

- ENERGY STAR–Certified Residential Clothes Washers—Front-loading or Top-loading with Integrated Water Factor of 3.0 or less and capacity of 4.8 cubic feet.
- Domestic Water Heating System located in proximity to point(s) of use at retail tenant spaces.
- Individual metering and billing for water use for every residential dwelling unit and retail tenant space, and separate metering provided for Office level use.
- Tankless and on-demand Water Heaters at pantry sink locations for office tenant spaces.
- Pool/Spa recirculating filtration equipment.
- Install a meter on the pool make-up line so water use can be monitored, and leaks can be identified and repaired.
- Leak Detection System for swimming pools and Jacuzzi.
- Drip/Subsurface Irrigation (Micro-Irrigation).

- Proper Hydro-Zoning/Zoned Irrigation (groups plants with similar water requirements together).
- California Friendly® plants or native plants.

Block 7

- Individual metering and billing for water use for every residential dwelling unit.
- Drip/ Subsurface Irrigation (Micro-Irrigation).
- Proper Hydro-Zoning/Zoned Irrigation (groups plants with similar water requirements together).
- California Friendly® plants or native plants.

Block 8

- High Efficiency Toilets with a flush volume of less than 1.28 gallons per flush.
- Domestic Water Heating System located in proximity to point(s) of use.
- Individual metering and billing for water use for every retail space and separate metering provided for the Office level use.
- Tankless and on-demand Water Heaters for pantry sink locations.
- Drip/Subsurface Irrigation (Micro-Irrigation) for 100 percent of the irrigation system.
- Proper Hydro-Zoning/Zoned Irrigation (groups plants with similar water requirements together).
- California Friendly® plants or native plants.
- **Enforcement Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
- **Monitoring Agency:** City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning; City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety; Metro (Block 0)
- **Monitoring Phase:** Pre-construction; construction
- **Monitoring Frequency:** Once at Project plan check (provide proof of compliance); once prior to issuance of Certificate of Occupancy
- **Action Indicating Compliance:** Plan approval and issuance of applicable building permit; issuance of Certificate of Occupancy

## (2) Mitigation Measures

No mitigation measures are identified in the Environmental Impact Report for this environmental issue.

## Attachment D - Notice of Determination

## Notice of Determination

## Appendix D

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***SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.***

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Location (include county): \_\_\_\_\_

Project Description:

This is to advise that the \_\_\_\_\_ has approved the above  
 ( Lead Agency or  Responsible Agency)

described project on \_\_\_\_\_ and has made the following determinations regarding the above  
 (date)  
 described project.

1. The project [ will  will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2.  An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
 A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [ were  were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [ was  was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [ was  was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [ were  were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

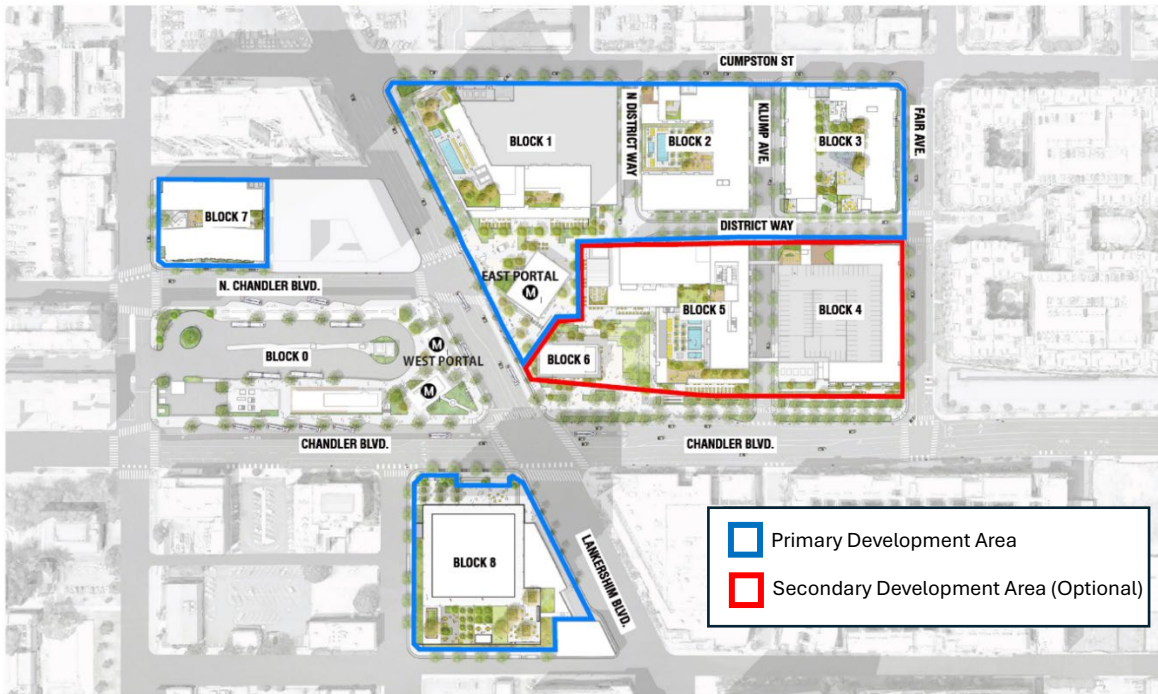
This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature (Public Agency): \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_



# Attachment E – Site Plan





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**North Hollywood Joint Development**

Planning & Programming Committee, September 2024



# Recommended Actions

## CONSIDER:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or designee to execute and enter into a Joint Development Agreement (JDA) with NOHO Development Associates, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (Developer), an affiliate of Trammell Crow Company, and associated Ground Leases (Ground Leases) and other related documents with Developer or its affiliates or qualified transferees, for the construction and operation of a mixed-use project on up to 11.8 acres of Metro-owned property located at the North Hollywood Metro Station (Project) in accordance with the Joint Development Summary of Key Terms and Conditions (Attachment A) upon receipt of concurrence by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the California Transportation Commission (CTC);
- B. DETERMINING that the Board, acting as the governing body of the responsible agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), after consideration of the whole of the administrative record, adopts the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations setting forth the reasons and benefits with full knowledge that significant impacts may remain (Attachment B), and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (Attachment C) of the City of Los Angeles Environmental Impact Report No. ENV-2019-7241-EIR which was certified on August 22, 2023; and
- C. AUTHORIZING the CEO or designee to file a Notice of Determination (Attachment D) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the State of California Clearinghouse.



# Background

**2015:** Development Guidelines approved by Metro Board

**2016:** Developer selected following competitive solicitation

**2016-2024:** Developer-led ongoing community outreach, holding nearly 100 individual meetings to solicit input and feedback on the Project

**2022:** Inflation and interest rates trigger design refinements and financial negotiations

**2023:** Measure ULA transfer tax takes effect

**2024:** City of LA Development entitlements granted



*Project Rendering*



# Primary Development Area (Blocks 1, 2, 3, 7 & 8)

## Housing on Vacant and Underutilized Property

### Development:

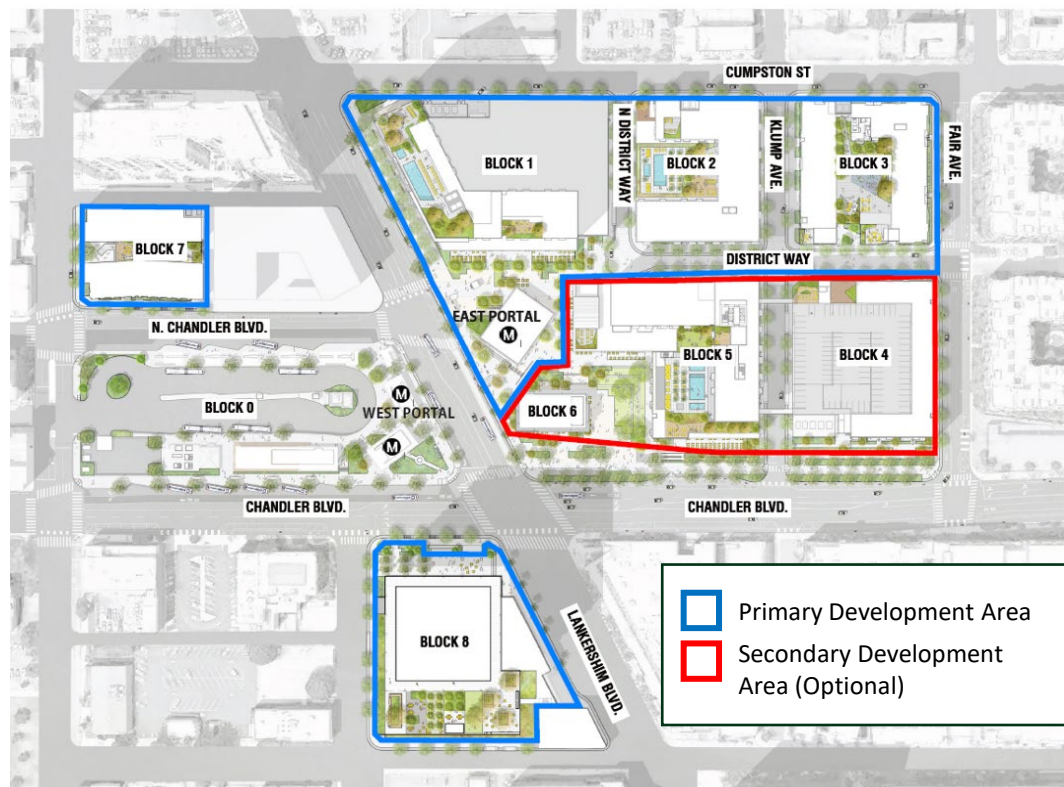
- Blocks 1 & 2: Approximately 570 apartments
  - 5% moderate-income apartments (@ 80%-120% AMI)
- Blocks 3 & 7: Approximately 311 apartments
  - 100% affordable (@ <60% AMI)
- 40,000 SF of retail space
- 400,000 SF of office space (Block 8)

### Key Terms:

- No impact on bus or rail operations
- Minimum 20% affordable at all times
- First phase must be started in two years, w/ potential four-year extension
- Second phase must start within eight years, w/ potential four-year extension
- 15-year term w/ 7-year extension for unavoidable delay
- Affordability covenants span full 99-year ground lease term

### Financial Consideration (est. Net Present Value):

• Non-refundable deposit	\$2,000,000
• Upfront capitalized payments	\$13,683,654
• Percentage rent	\$19,634,654
• <u>Signage revenue</u>	<u>\$2,497,918</u>
Total consideration:	\$37,816,298



# Optional Secondary Development Area (Blocks 4, 5, & 6)

## Transit Center Redevelopment

### Development:

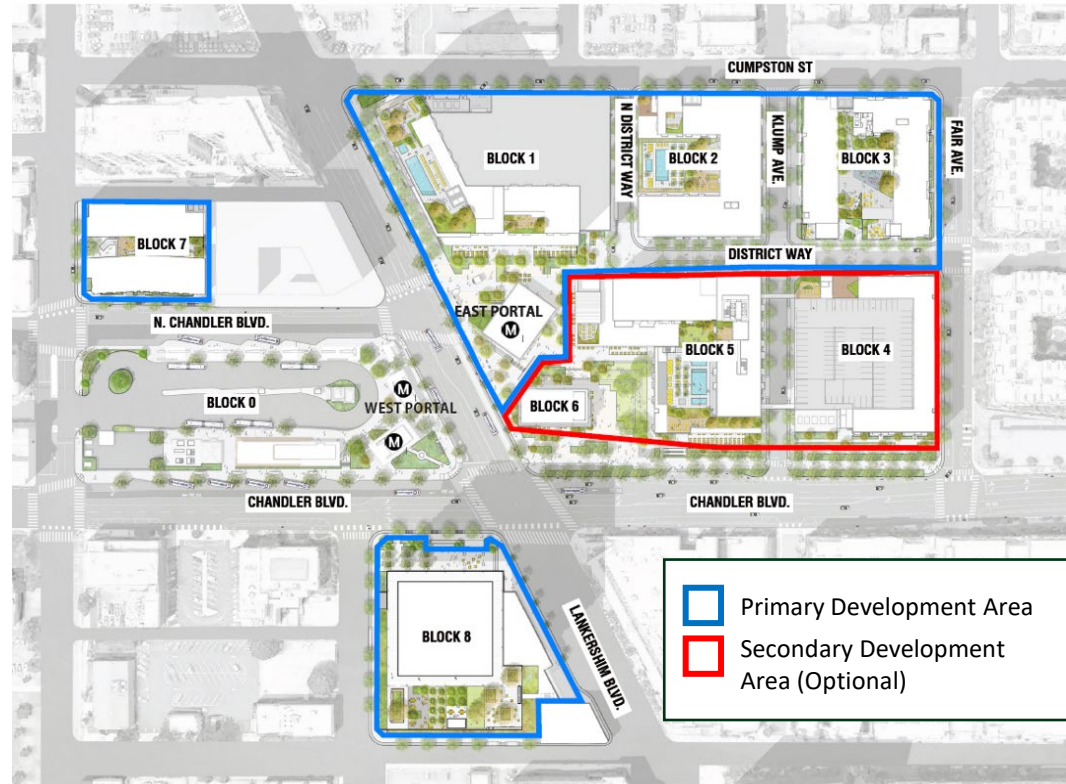
- Approximately 600 apartments
  - 5% moderate-income (@ 80% to 120% AMI)
- 20,000 SF of retail space
- Approximately 2 acres of public open space

### Key Terms:

- Metro may elect to advance the transit center and development of Blocks 4, 5, & 6 at its sole and absolute discretion
- Right-of-way reserved for Metro expansion
- 99-year ground lease term

### Development Revenue (est. Net Present Value):

• Participating rent:	\$6,937,725
• <u>Signage revenue:</u>	<u>\$634,523</u>
Total consideration:	\$7,572,248



# Next Steps

- Metro Review of Design Development and Construction Drawings
- Developer seeks funding for affordable and mixed-income developments
- Board consideration of policy updates to accommodate SLA exemption
- Upon satisfaction of closing conditions under the JDA, Metro and Developer execute ground leases for first affordable and first mixed-income blocks
- Metro staff continues transit center design work



*Project Rendering*



## Board Report

File #: 2024-0541, File Type: Budget

Agenda Number: 11.

### CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

**SUBJECT: METRO TRAINING & INNOVATION CENTER (MTIC)**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. INCREASING the Life of Project Budget for the Metro Training & Innovation Center (Project) by \$1,409,000, from \$19,900,000 to \$21,309,000; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to amend the FY25 Budget in the amount of \$1,091,000 to fund operational costs for the Metro Training & Innovation Center.

#### **ISSUE**

The Life of Project (LOP) budget for the Metro Training & Innovation Center Project requires an increase of \$1,409,000 for additional costs related to tenant improvements and furniture, fixtures, and equipment for the office space. The FY25 Budget will also need to be amended in the total amount of \$1,091,000 to pay for the Project's first year operations. The LOP budget increase and FY25 budget amendment will be funded by the FY2023 Transit Infrastructure Grant for \$2,500,000 which is eligible for use on both capital and operating costs associated with the Metro Training & Innovation Center.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Evermont mix-used development located at Vermont Avenue and Manchester Avenue consists of a six-story mixed-use affordable housing and community-serving retail, an open transit plaza, a job training center, a six-story SEED boarding school with faculty residential units, full-service grocery store, and 383 parking spaces located at the ground-level and within a 3.5-level parking structure.

The Project features 15,000 square feet of office space and includes five large rooms designed as flexible conference spaces that can be utilized as a computer lab, training room, and to host a number of professional development programs. The Project has 60 dedicated parking spaces, passenger elevator, Metro signage, and transit-related amenities throughout the Transit Plaza.



In October 2020, the Board approved a Life of Project budget of \$19,900,000 and authorized the Chief Executive Officer to finalize negotiations on ancillary terms, execute agreements, and to authorize construction and funding Metro's share of the mixed-use development. Since that time, Metro executed an Office Lease with the Developer, Primestor, and include the following:

- Metro to design and fund the construction of the tenant improvements in an amount not to exceed \$11,600,000.
- Owner to construct the shell and exterior of the space.
- Owner to construct the tenant improvements according to Metro's approved final design.
- Duration of a 15 year lease with four five year options.
- Annual base rent starting at \$630,000 and subject to CPI increases not to exceed 3%.
- Base rent includes janitorial service, trash removal, pest control, electricity, natural gas, water, and sewer (if applicable).
- Metro will have access to 60 reserved parking spaces throughout the term of the agreement.
- The location of the reserved parking spaces is subject to Metro's approval.
- The term of the Parking Rights Agreement is 35 years.

As of this report, the Project is approximately 55% complete and is on schedule for completion before December 2024.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **LOP Increase**

The approved LOP budget was based on the conceptual design prepared during final office lease negotiations with the Developer. Since then, Project staff have completed the design and authorized construction of the tenant improvements. The Developer and Project Staff have been working diligently to complete the project within the approved budget; approximately \$11,751,000 has been expended to date however, the LOP as established prior to the contract notice-to-proceed has been determined to be inadequate given the complexity of the Project.

During the construction, several unanticipated design issues and different site conditions resulted in impacts to the project budget. For example, the field condition of the ceiling height and structural beams of the core and shell conflicted with the design of the tenant improvements. This led to extensive redesign of mechanical, electrical, and plumbing (MEP) lines and elimination of interior walls. As a result, construction and design support during construction increased by \$636,000. In addition, the estimated cost to procure the furniture, fixtures, and equipment needed to open the center is \$773,000. The total forecast of costs for additional design services during construction, furniture, fixtures, and equipment necessary for project opening is \$1,409,000.

This LOP increase addresses all current and future direct and indirect cost impacts and will provide sufficient funding to cover the increased costs through completion of the project.

### **Budget Amendment**

Once complete, the Metro Training & Innovation Center will provide professional development resources and job training for existing Metro employees and residents from across the County

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seeking employment and professional advancement. Metro Staff are designing programming for the Metro Training & Innovation Center to build the future's infrastructure workforce.

An FY25 budget amendment of \$1,091,000 is needed for operational costs, including the lease, staffing needed to operate the MTIC five days a week, marketing, and community outreach, and administrative costs related to opening and the day-to-day operations.

### MTIC Programming

The Metro Training & Innovation Center will provide resources and job training for existing Metro employees and residents from across the County seeking employment and professional advancement.

- For existing Metro employees, staff have designed workforce development programming to include skills training (resume and interview workshops), a testing center, professional development programming (Metro Leadership Academy and EnoMAX), internship programs and youth initiatives. MTIC will provide computer lab access for employees to conduct mandatory and specialized trainings related to their job functions.

For residents across the County, Metro will host hiring and recruitment initiatives, including but not limited to Job Fairs, Room to Work Initiatives/Workforce Re-entry Trainings, and Veterans Career Transition Workshops. MTIC will offer access to Metro's job board and online application system for job seekers. Metro is exploring partnership opportunities with community and government stakeholders who have existing job readiness programs such as work centers focused on careers in various fields from construction, logistics and transportation.

### DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

Approval of these actions will have no impact on safety. The completion of this Mixed-Use Development and Transit Plaza will offer opportunities to improve safety for transit riders by installing new lighting and activating the area with new uses and transit related amenities.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

The LOP budget increase in project 405901 and FY25 budget amendment for the first year's operating costs will be funded by the FY2023 Transit Infrastructure Grant for \$2,500,000 which is eligible for use on both capital and operational costs associated with Metro Training & Innovation Center. An FY25 budget amendment is not required for the capital costs as an annual budget of \$4,297,617 has been included in the FY25 adopted budget in cost center 8510 and project 405901.

In an effort to keep future costs neutral, Metro will engage community partners and issue a Request for Proposals to workforce development agencies and community-based organizations, allowing the opportunity to compete for hosting programming at the MTIC. The first year of use will be at no cost to the community and will be funded through the FY2023 Transit Infrastructure Grant. In addition, Metro will pursue additional grant funding to contribute towards future MTIC costs.

This is a multi-year Project with substantial completion in the second quarter of Fiscal Year 25. Upon approval of the revised LOP budget, staff will manage the Project within the Board approved budget.

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It is the responsibility of the Project Manager to budget for the MTIC project in future fiscal years.

### Impact to Budget

The FY25 budget impact is \$1,091,000 which includes operational costs for the Metro Training & Innovation Center. Funding sources come from the FY2023 Transit Infrastructure Grant.

### EQUITY PLATFORM

The Evermont Mixed Use Project presents a unique opportunity for Metro to engage South Los Angeles community residents in the revitalization efforts aimed at transforming a site that has been vacant and undeveloped since the civil unrest of 1992 into a viable community asset. The project is located within a cluster of equity focus communities, in which, approximately 63% of residents are Latino, 36% are Black, and 39% of the households earning less than \$25K a year. Additionally, less than 4% of the residents in the area have a four-year degree. There are stark disparities in employment, education, housing, and food access.

This request to increase the LOP and amend the FY25 budget would ensure that Metro fulfills its commitment to expand access to workforce development opportunities for residents living nearby, as well as disadvantaged residents from across the county seeking opportunities for job training to prepare themselves for careers in the transportation infrastructure industry. Metro's continued investment in this historically disinvested community, and development of the MTIC will help address the community's pronounced need for affordable housing, fresh grocery stores, access to education, job training opportunities, and providing mobility options for a community with less access to transit. This decision will help address the economic inequities that continue to plague our region.

### IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

This action directly supports the Project, which is consistent with Metro's Strategic Plan Goals to enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity. By constructing the Metro Training & Innovation Center, the Project seeks to better connect residents to workforce development opportunities and a wider range of regional employment, travel, and cultural opportunities.

### ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board may choose not to adopt the proposed increase to the LOP. This would not be recommended because without the additional grant funds, Metro could not complete the tenant improvements and furniture, fixtures, and equipment for the project and meet our grant obligations. Moreover, the MTIC will not only be integral component of a larger development to help to revitalize the South Los Angeles area, but also serve as a resource for existing employees and disadvantaged community members seeking employment and professional development.

### NEXT STEPS

Upon approval, staff will revise the LOP budget and execute necessary modifications to the

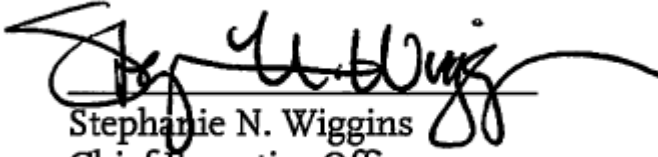
construction contract, and any necessary task orders in support of the Project. Additionally, staff will move forward with staffing and operational needs related to operating the day-to-day operations of this facility, including MTIC programming for Metro employers and LA County residents.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Funding and Expenditure Plan

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**FUNDING/EXPENDITURE PLAN  
VERMONT/MANCHESTER - METRO TRAINING AND INNOVATION CENTER**

Use of Funds	Through FY24	FY25	FY26+	Total Capital Costs
<b>Design Phase</b>				
Design Costs	1,587,000	-	-	1,587,000
Legal Assistance with Real Estate	52,000	-	-	52,000
Agency Costs	-	-	-	-
Design Phase Total	1,639,000	-	-	1,639,000
<b>Construction Phase</b>				
Construction - Parking	3,000,000	-	-	3,000,000
Construction - Transit Plaza	2,504,000	996,000	-	3,500,000
Construction - Tenant Improvements	5,314,000	3,852,000	-	9,166,000
Development Fee	480,000	218,000	-	698,000
FF&E (Furniture / Equipment)	-	1,409,000	-	1,409,000
Design Support During Construction	195,000	624,000	-	819,000
Agency Costs	258,000	67,000	-	325,000
Legal Fees	-	4,000	-	4,000
Project Contingency	-	-	749,000	749,000
Construction Phase Total	11,751,000	7,170,000	749,000	19,670,000
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>\$13,390,000</b>	<b>7,170,000</b>	<b>749,000</b>	<b>21,309,000</b>
<b>Source of Funds</b>	<b>Through FY24</b>	<b>FY25</b>	<b>FY26+</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Local Funds	13,390,000	5,761,000	749,000	19,900,000
FY23 Transit Infrastructure Grant	-	1,409,000	-	1,409,000
<b>Total Project Funding</b>	<b>13,390,000</b>	<b>7,170,000</b>	<b>749,000</b>	<b>21,309,000</b>



# METRO TRAINING & INNOVATION CENTER (MTIC)



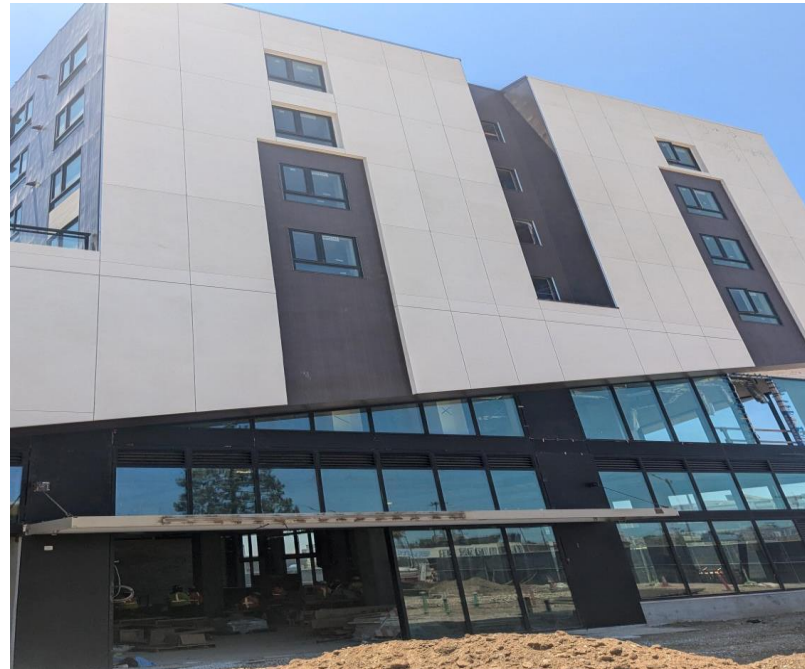
Construction Committee  
September 18, 2024

# MTIC Recommendation

- INCREASE the Life of Project Budget for the Metro Training & Innovation Center (Project) by \$1,409,000, from \$19,900,000 to \$21,309,000.
- AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to amend the FY25 Budget in the amount of \$1,091,000 to fund operational costs for the Metro Training & Innovation Center.

# Project Background & Update

- The Evermont mix-used development located at Vermont Avenue and Manchester Ave consists of a six-story mixed-use affordable housing and community-serving retail, an open transit plaza, a six-story SEED boarding school with faculty residential units, full-service grocery store, and a 3.5-level parking structure.
- Development includes 15,000 square feet of office space for the Metro Training & Innovation Center.
- In October 2020, the Board approved a Life of Project budget of \$19,900,000 necessary to finalize negotiations on ancillary terms, execute agreements, and to authorize construction and funding of Metro's share of the mixed-use development.
- Since that time, Metro executed a 15-year lease with the developer, Primestor, with 60 dedicated parking spaces for the center.
- The Project is currently under construction and scheduled for completion before December 2024.





# MTIC Life-of-Project & Operational Costs

- Metro received a \$2,500,000 FY2023 Transit Infrastructure Grant to fund the LOP budget increase and FY25 budget amendment.
- The LOP as established prior to contract notice-to-proceed has been determined to be inadequate given the complexity of the Project. The total forecasted cost for additional design services during construction, furniture, fixtures, and equipment necessary for project opening is \$1,409,000.
- Operational costs in the amount of \$1,091,000 are required to pay for lease costs, start-up, and administrative costs in support of opening and operating the MTIC.
- MTIC will provide resources and job training for existing Metro employees and residents across the County and programming will include:
  - Metro employees: skills training, a testing center, professional development programming, internship programs and youth initiatives, and a computer lab to conduct mandatory and specialized trainings.
  - Residents across the County: hiring and recruitment initiatives, Room to Work/Workforce Re-entry trainings, Veterans career transition workshops, and access to Metro's job board and online application system for job seekers.
- Metro is exploring partnership opportunities with community-based-organizations and government stakeholders who have existing job readiness programs to host programming at MTIC.

# Next Steps

- Upon receiving board approval, staff will revise the LOP budget, amend the FY25 budget, and execute necessary modifications to the construction contract, and any necessary task orders in support of the Project.
- Additionally, staff will move forward with start-up activities required to successfully open the MTIC and serve as a resource for existing Metro employees and community members seeking employment and professional advancement.



**Board Report**

**File #:** 2024-0512, **File Type:** Contract

**Agenda Number:** 13.

**CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2024**

**SUBJECT: G LINE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. ESTABLISHING a Life-of-Project (LOP) budget for the G Line Improvements Project in the amount of \$668,450,000; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute project-related agreements, including Early Works Packages (EWPs), the Phase 2 Supplement and contract modifications, up to the authorized Life-of-Project budget.

**ISSUE**

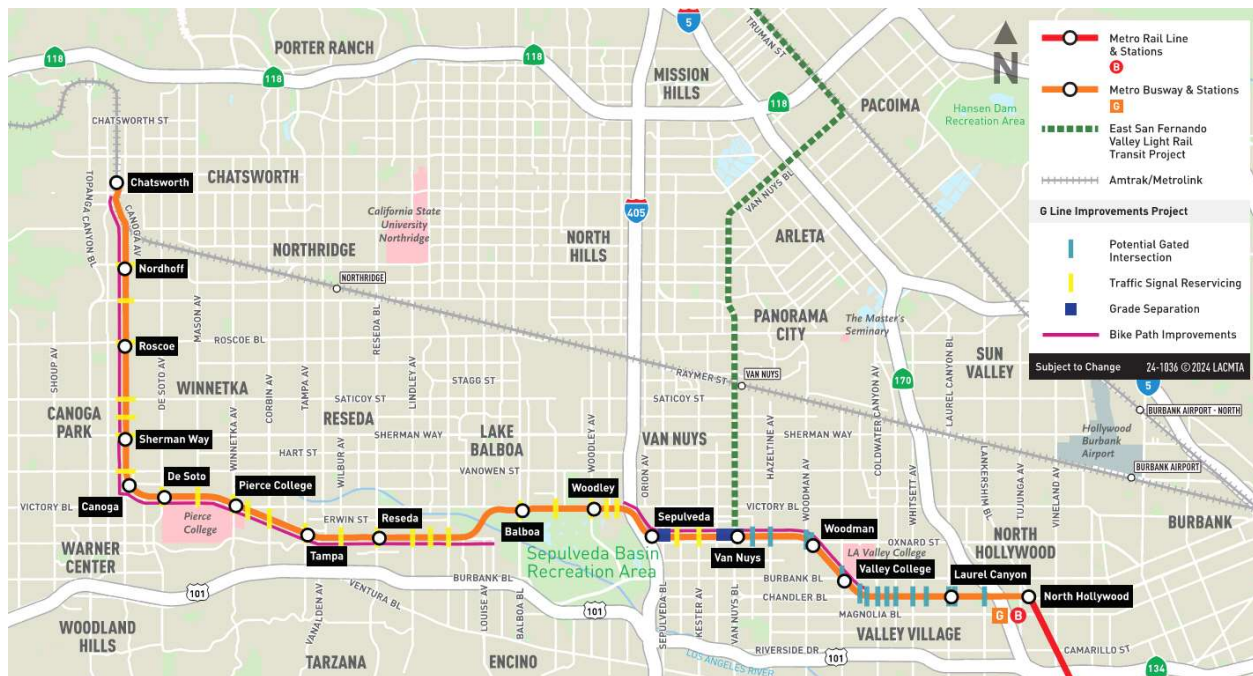
On August 25, 2022, the Board authorized a Preconstruction Budget for Phase 1 of the G Line Improvements Project, which included preconstruction services (design through 85%, value engineering, and estimating and price build-up). Since that time, Metro staff have worked with the Progressive Design Build (PDB) partner to collaboratively advance the design, complete field investigations, undergo constructability reviews and explore scope refinement and value engineering opportunities. A number of scope refinements were presented to the Board in November 2023 and align with the current project planning. The Project is nearing completion of Phase 1 of the PDB contract and is now ready to establish the LOP budget. Establishment of the LOP budget is a required next step to keep the Project on track for successful completion.

**BACKGROUND**

The Project seeks to improve transit ridership through safety enhancements and improvements designed to increase operating speeds, which will benefit customers and the surrounding communities of the San Fernando Valley.

The Project is using the PDB delivery method, which was selected to provide Metro with the opportunity to collaborate with the contractor on value engineering exercises, participate in constructability reviews and negotiate scopes of work to maintain affordability for the Project. Under

traditional delivery methods such as Design-Bid-Build, the scope is set at the time of bid with a contract price submitted to Metro, and the ability to collaborate with the contractor on scope and price is diminished, which can lead to late changes that ultimately impact the project cost and schedule. Using a two-phase PDB delivery method and appropriate allocation of risk and contingency early in the preconstruction process, Metro benefits by firming up pricing for elements of the project in collaboration with our construction partner, which supports greater cost certainty and value for money.



Throughout Phase 1, the Project underwent constructability reviews, and value engineering and cost estimating exercises to manage and reduce risk, identify cost drivers, and address affordability issues. The result is a refined project that meets the stated objectives of reduced travel time and increased safety with intentional improvements.

## DISCUSSION

To date, the Project has been funded under the approved Preconstruction Phase-of-Project Budget of \$149,683,000. The proposed \$668,450,000 LOP budget for this project is the total project cost. This proposed LOP budget includes all incurred and forecasted costs for the project, including Metro labor and non-labor costs, support services, environmental/planning, design, preconstruction services, utilities, ROW, construction, and required contingencies. A full breakdown can be found in Attachment A Funding and Expenditure Plan.

### PDB Phase 2 Cost Estimating and Negotiations

The LOP budget aligns with the refined scope presented at the November 2023 Board meeting. At this meeting staff presented value engineering and scope alternatives including the elimination of the aerial station at Sepulveda and reducing the number of gated intersections to 13, with traffic signal

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reservicing at the remaining crossings. Stormwater capture scope was also removed due to both cost exceeding funding and inability to meet infiltration rates per Measure W grant requirements.

As the scope was refined, negotiation with VTP included an extensive price build-up process that included three rounds of estimating, reconciliation, and negotiation between Contractor's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost (OPCC) and Metro's Independent Cost Estimate (ICE). The final round of estimating yielded a VTP estimate for Phase 2 scope of \$502M, and an ICE estimate for Phase 2 scope of \$452M, a 10.9% variance. Final negotiations resulted in a reduced estimated cost for Phase 2 scope of \$468,474,169 a 4% variance from the ICE.

Due to various scope elements being at different levels of design, the project is proceeding with three main design/construction packages:

1. Grade Separations, Station & Bike Path - these scope elements are furthest in design and will be ready to start construction this fall under a large EWP. This is the largest portion of the latest estimates at approximately \$300M.
2. Gated Intersections - Estimates for gated intersections scope are still preliminary and range between \$110M (ICE) and \$122M (VTP). The primary cause of the difference in estimates is due to gated intersections design pricing. As a result of not being able to come to an agreement on price, in collaboration with VTP, Metro staff have determined a partial off-ramp for the design services of the gated intersections is appropriate. As design advances, detailed estimates for construction will be generated by VTP and Metro ICE, value engineering, and project affordability will drive the design progression. Staff will start Gated Intersections Design this fall by contracting the design through an existing Supplemental Engineering Services (SES) contract.
3. B Line Fiber - During the Phase 1 preconstruction activities, it was determined that there is insufficient fiber availability from North Hollywood B Line station to both the Bus Operations Control Center (BOC) and Rail Operations Control Center (ROC) to bring online new systems being installed under the G Line project and the East San Fernando Valley Light Rail Project. Therefore, the LOP includes approximately \$35M for the cost associated with design and construction of new backbone fiber through B Line tunnels to Union Station. This fiber upgrade also will improve systemwide fiber availability and resiliency. Staff are coordinating closely with Metro Operations on their project to upgrade the Cable Transmission System (CTS) for the A, B, and D Lines. The scope of their project involves the construction of a new backbone CTS fiber optic cable network to replace the existing legacy network to support the additional bandwidth required for existing system upgrades and future rail expansion projects.

### Construction Support Service Contract (CSSC)

On July 22, 2021, Metro awarded a five-year cost plus fixed fee contract, Contract No. PS70129 with PMA Consultants LLC to provide Construction Support Services for the Project, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$17,273,075.56, with two (2) one-year options, \$3,498,933.58 for Option 1 and \$3,498,933.75 for Option 2 for a combined not-to-exceed amount of \$24,270,942.89. The recommended LOP accounts for an approximate \$6M increase to this contract to cover an increase

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in estimating resources, other support staff and other direct costs, including the establishment of the integrated project management office (IPMO) shared by Metro and VTP staff.

### Supplemental Engineering Services (SES) Contract

Gated Intersections design was anticipated to be progressed through AFC under the Progressive Design Build Contract. VTP submitted a cost and schedule proposal to perform the design for \$26M. The independent cost estimate for the same scope was \$14M. As a result of not being able to come to an agreement on price, in collaboration with VTP, Metro staff have determined a partial off-ramp for the design of this scope is appropriate. Staff will progress the design work under an existing SES contract with VTP performing the necessary coordination and construction work. No additional funding authorization is required for the proposed approach at this time and performing the scope under the SES will not impact the quality of the work or the project schedule.

### Project Schedule

Upon approval of the LOP budget, staff will proceed with executing an EWP that will include construction of Van Nuys and Sepulveda Grade Separations and Bike Path Improvements. Construction start is anticipated in October 2024. The EWP will increase the contract duration by 34 months. Construction Substantial Completion for this work Summer 2027. This date is approximately 6 months beyond the milestone previously presented to the Board, however, it is still consistent with Measure M and SB-1 funding milestones. Revenue Operations are scheduled for Winter 2027/28, prior to 2028 Olympic Games.

### Community Outreach

Metro has developed and continues to build valuable partnerships with local and regional jurisdictions and stakeholders including the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, Metro Service Council, local area Neighborhood Councils and chambers of commerce, local elected officials, and community and special interest groups. Staff is increasing outreach efforts as construction nears and will continue to engage stakeholders, through direct field visits, pop-up outreach at G Line stations, bike path and community events, presentations, collateral material distribution, and regular in-person and virtual community update meetings. Community presentations and informational materials will be provided in English and Spanish, and bilingual staff and professional language interpreters will be available at community meetings. Staff will continue to participate in outreach events to engage with community members in the project area, including Van Nuys, Reseda, Canoga Park, and the West Valley.

### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Approval of these recommendations will increase safety along the G Line through the installation of safety improvements including grade separations and railroad-style four-quadrant gates.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

This is a multi-year Project. Upon approval of the Life of Project (LOP) budget, staff will manage the

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Project within the Board approved fiscal year budgets. It is the responsibility of the Project Manager and Chief Program Management Officer to budget for this project in future fiscal years.

### Impact to Budget

Based on the negotiated value for Phase 2, staff recommends the establishment of a project LOP of \$668,450,000.

The Project is currently funded through a State SB1 Local Partnership Program grant (\$63,877,000), a Metro local funds match from tax measures Measure M - Highway (\$286,000,000), Measure W funding (\$3,043,000). The State SB1 Local Partnership Program grant value includes an \$11,123,000 reduction from the previously awarded Local Partnership Program grant to address the reduction in gated intersections and bike path improvements.

Staff have identified funding to close the funding gap through Proposition C funds (\$315,530,000), as shown in Attachment A Funding and Expenditure Plan.

Proposition C 25% funds are not eligible for Bus and Rail Operations. Staff will continue to seek state grants for the project to help offset the impacts of the LOP increase.

### Multiyear Impact

The proposed LOP is a cost increase in comparison to the prior cost estimate included in the Measure M Ordinance, and the Project is subject to the Metro Uniform Cost Management Policy (Policy). The Policy requires that funding shortfalls are addressed in the following order.

1. Scope reductions;
2. New local agency funding resources;
3. Value Engineering;
4. Other cost reductions within the same transit or highway corridor;
5. Other cost reductions within the same subregion; and finally,
6. Countywide transit or highway cost reductions or other funds will be sought using pre-established priorities.

The first and third steps in the Policy are to evaluate scope reductions and value engineering. The PDB process has already identified and incorporated scope reductions and value engineering. The second step of the Policy is to look at new funding resources, including discretionary grants and funding along the corridor. However, the project if LOP is approved, is about to enter into construction and this would make the Project ineligible for most state discretionary grants (The project does not have federal environmental clearance and is not eligible for federal funding). In addition, the large cost increase will make the project uncompetitive for state funding, as the state has provided Local Partnership Program funding and does not generally participate in cost increases. The fourth and fifth steps are to look at cost reductions for Metro projects along the corridor or subregion. There are no Metro projects along the corridor or in the subregion that are at a point in their development and have the flexibility to be downsized within their current phase. The final step of the Policy is to use countywide funding, including formula grant funding that is available for projects throughout Metro's

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service territory. The primary state formula funding for Metro (as discussed herein) are the Local Partnership Program and State Transportation Improvement Program. Metro will continue to work with the state to obtain funding from these programs for the Project. Metro must overcome the fact that the Project has already received state funding and has experienced a cost increase. In the absence of available state funding, the funding plan for the Project relies on countywide Proposition C 25% funding and this is currently identified as the main funding source to address the cost increase. The Proposition C 25% is currently programmed for several other Metro projects and programs and its use may result in the need to incur debt to fund the cost increase for the Project.

## **EQUITY PLATFORM**

The Project seeks to improve transit passenger experience and pedestrian safety through the construction of grade separations, vehicle and pedestrian crossing gates, first/last mile improvements, and ADA-accessible features along the entire G Line alignment.

Additional consideration will be given to the potential impacts created by bus and bike detours, and lessons learned will be drawn from the recent A Line and L Line bus detours, such as proper and timely notification provided in multiple languages, concise and prominently located signage, and having Metro Ambassadors to facilitate and minimize impacts related to the disruption. Staff is currently increasing outreach efforts as construction nears and will continue to engage stakeholders, including those in EFCs about the proposed scope changes and construction activities through direct field visits, pop-up outreach at G Line stations, bike path and community events, presentations to the Metro Service Council, local area Neighborhood Councils and chambers of commerce, briefings for local elected officials, collateral material distribution, and regular in-person and virtual community update meetings. Community presentations and informational materials will be provided in English and Spanish, and bilingual staff and professional language interpreters will be available at community meetings. Staff will continue to participate in outreach events to engage with community members in the project area, including Van Nuys, Reseda, Canoga Park, and the West Valley.

Valley Transit Partners made a 18.35% Small Business Enterprise (SBE) commitment and a 3.73% Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) commitment for the Phase 1 (Pre-Construction) Work. The current level of SBE participation is 20.81% and the DVBE participation is 4.28%, exceeding the commitments by 2.46% and 0.55%, respectively. Phase 2 of the PDB contract has an SBE goal of 24% and a DVBE goal of 3%.

## **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

Strategic plan goal # 1, Metro will expand transportation options, improve the quality of its transit network and assets, and take steps to manage demands on the entire network.

Strategic plan goal #5, Metro will provide responsive, accountable, and trustworthy governance within the Metro organization.

## **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**



The Board may not approve this LOP and request that Staff off-ramp the Progressive Design Contractor and competitively bid scopes of work in an attempt to obtain lower costs for this project. Staff does not recommend this alternative because an off-ramp would require additional time for procurement and would jeopardize the project's ability to deliver the project on time and within the funding milestones set in Measure M and in the SB-1 grant.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon approval of the LOP budget, staff will proceed by taking the actions described in this report. Construction start is anticipated for Fall of 2024.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Funding and Expenditure Plan

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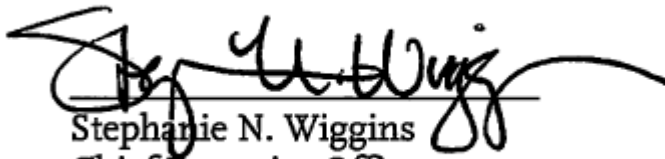
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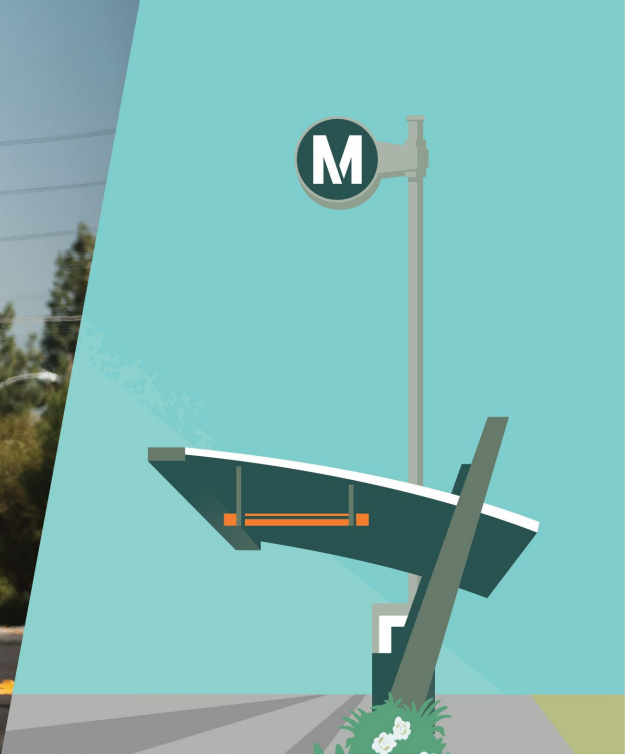
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**Expenditure and Funding Plan  
Metro G Line LOP Budget**

<b>Use of Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Inception Thru FY 24</b>	<b>FY25</b>	<b>FY26</b>	<b>FY27+</b>
Planning, Environmental and Preliminary Engineering Services	\$ 16.202	\$ 16.202	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Right of Way Activities	\$ 2.408	\$ 0.877	\$ 1.532	\$ -	\$ -
Design & Construction	\$ 597.818	\$ 79.131	\$ 132.930	\$ 201.739	\$ 184.018
PDB Phase 1 - Preconstruction Services (Design & other services)	\$ 48.804	\$ 45.354	\$ 3.450	\$ -	\$ -
Final Design + Construction	\$ 468.474	\$ -	\$ 117.119	\$ 187.390	\$ 163.966
Metro Art Budget	\$ 1.487	\$ -	\$ 0.297	\$ 0.595	\$ 0.595
Construction Support Services	\$ 30.831	\$ 9.286	\$ 5.284	\$ 6.974	\$ 9.287
Other Professional Services	\$ 14.646	\$ 6.330	\$ 2.376	\$ 2.376	\$ 3.564
Third Party (COLA AWP & Utility Relocations, etc)	\$ 12.288	\$ 8.924	\$ 0.961	\$ 0.961	\$ 1.442
Agency Costs	\$ 21.287	\$ 9.238	\$ 3.443	\$ 3.443	\$ 5.164
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 616.428</b>	<b>\$ 96.210</b>	<b>\$ 134.461</b>	<b>\$ 201.739</b>	<b>\$ 184.018</b>
Unallocated Contingency* (10%)	\$ 52.022	\$ -	\$ 13.005	\$ 20.809	\$ 18.208
<b>Total LOP Budget</b>	<b>\$ 668.450</b>	<b>\$ 96.210</b>	<b>\$ 147.467</b>	<b>\$ 222.548</b>	<b>\$ 202.226</b>
<b>Source of Funds</b>					
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Inception Thru FY 24</b>	<b>FY25</b>	<b>FY26</b>	<b>FY27+</b>
LACMTA Measure M Funds	\$ 286.000	\$ 93.166	\$ 44.000	\$ 74.417	\$ 74.417
Measure W** (Stormwater Infiltration)	\$ 3.043	\$ 3.043	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
SB1 LPP (for Construction)	\$ 63.877	\$ -	\$ 63.877	\$ -	\$ -
Proposition C	\$ 315.530	\$ -	\$ 39.590	\$ 148.131	\$ 127.809
<b>Total LOP Funding</b>	<b>\$ 668.450</b>	<b>\$ 96.210</b>	<b>\$ 147.467</b>	<b>\$ 222.548</b>	<b>\$ 202.226</b>

\*Unallocated Contingency 10% of cost less expenditures

\*\*Costs associated with stormwater capture design and preconstruction services was funded by Measure W



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G LINE (ORANGE) IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

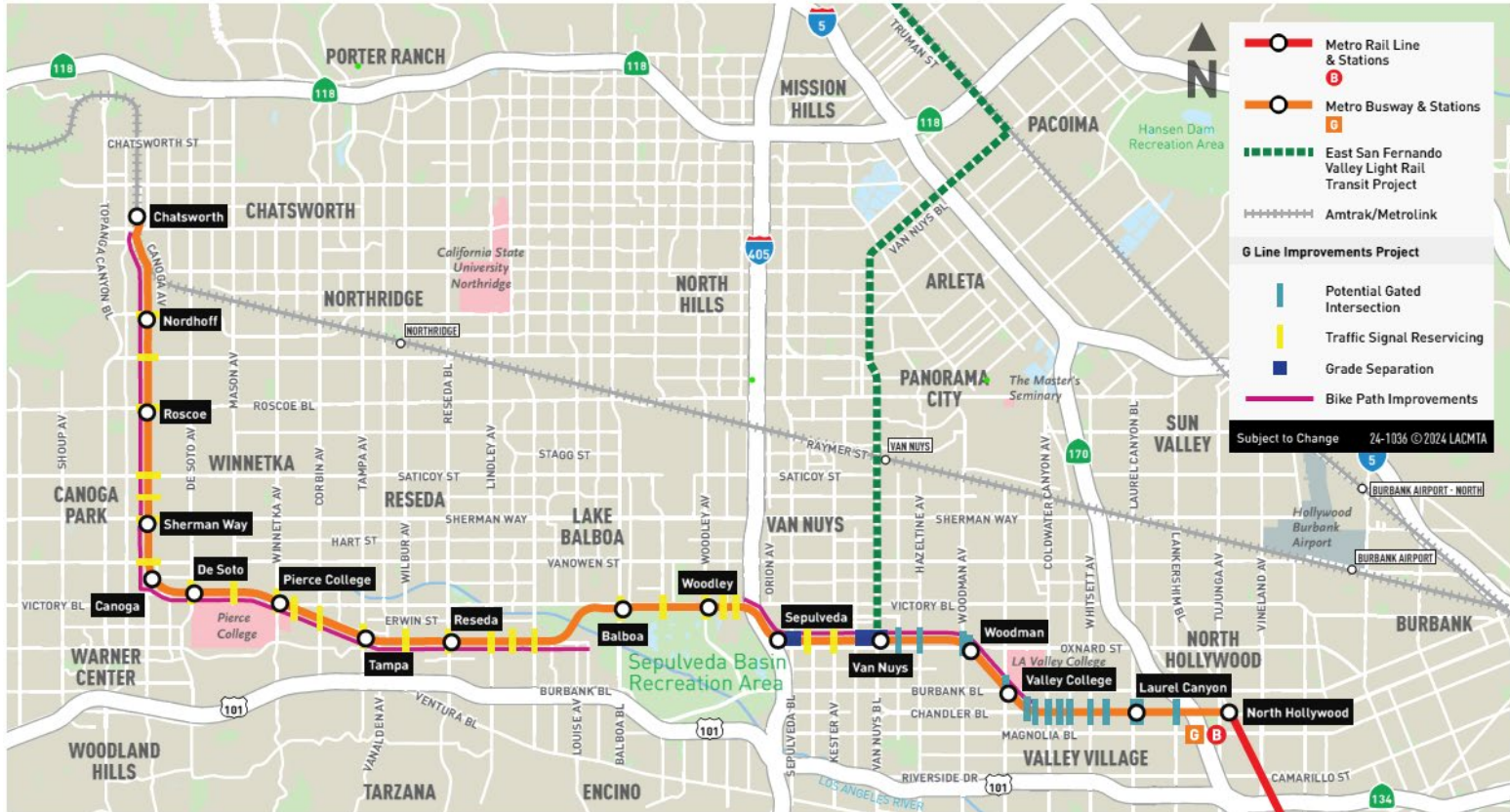
# G Line Improvements Project

## RECOMMENDATION:

- A. ESTABLISH a Life-of-Project (LOP) budget for the G Line Improvements Project in the amount of \$668,450,000; and
- B. AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute project-related agreements, including Early Works Packages (EWPs), the Phase 2 Supplement and contract modifications, up to the authorized Life-of-Project budget



# G Line Improvements Project



# Impact of Value Engineering on Project Cost

> Implementation of Value Engineering has reduced total project cost by approx. \$175M from the 30% Independent Cost Estimate

METRO G LINE BRT IMPROVEMENTS	(1) Initial Forecast and Funds Available	(2) 30% Design Independent Cost Estimate	(3) LOP post Value Engineering
<b>Planning</b>	\$ 3,497,840	\$ 3,497,840	\$ 3,497,840
<b>Metro Labor</b>	\$ 19,104,751	\$ 19,104,751	\$ 21,287,000
<b>PDB Phase 1 (Pre-Construction)</b>	\$ 43,997,256	\$ 49,521,176	\$ 48,804,000
<b>Final Design + Construction</b>	\$ 344,765,901	\$ 592,433,452	\$ 468,474,170
<b>Professional Services and Other Construction Costs</b>	\$ 57,072,495	\$ 65,991,838	\$ 71,956,988
<b>ROW, Land, Existing Improvements</b>	\$ 2,292,237	\$ 2,292,237	\$ 2,408,000
<b>Total Project Cost excluding unallocated contingency</b>	\$ 470,730,480	\$ 732,841,294	\$ 616,427,998
<b>Unallocated Contingency</b>	\$ 40,269,520	\$ <b>109,926,194</b>	\$ <b>52,022,000</b>
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	\$ <b>511,000,000</b>	\$ <b>842,767,488</b>	\$ <b>668,449,998</b>
<b>Available Funding</b>	\$ 391,000,000	\$ 391,000,000	\$ 352,920,000
<b>Delta between funding and Total Project Cost</b>	\$ 120,000,000	\$ 451,767,488	\$ 315,529,998



# G Line Improvements Project

SOURCE OF FUNDS	
State SB1 Local Partnership Program	\$63,877,000
Measure M Funding	\$286,000,000
Measure W Funding*	\$3,043,000
Proposition C Funding**	\$315,530,000
<b>Total Project Funding</b>	<b>\$668,450,000</b>

\*Measure W Funding covered cost incurred for design and preconstruction services of stormwater capture prior to scope removal

\*\* Staff will continue to exhaust grant funding options to replace Proposition C Funding



# Next Steps

Approval of Life of Project Budget will initiate the following:

- > Execute Early Works Package to commence construction on Grade Separations, Station and Bike Path Improvements in Fall 2024
- > Execute Early Works Package for the design of the new fiber backbone through B Line tunnels
- > Commence design of Gated Intersections under a Supplemental Engineering Services Contract
- > Execute change to increase contract value for the G Line Construction Support Services Contract
- > Continue community outreach efforts and stakeholder engagement through construction







## Board Report

File #: 2024-0523, File Type: Contract

Agenda Number: 16.

### FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

**SUBJECT: GROUP INSURANCE PLANS**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to renew existing group insurance policies covering Non-Contract and AFSCME employees, including long-term disability coverage for Teamster employees, and life insurance for all full-time Metro employees, for the one-year period beginning January 1, 2025.

#### **ISSUE**

Existing group insurance policies covering Non-Contract and AFSCME employees, including long-term disability coverage for Teamsters and life insurance for all full-time Metro employees, end on December 31, 2024, and must be renewed on an annual basis. Renewal of the existing group insurance plan coverage, for the one-year period must be approved and in effect on January 1, 2025, to provide seamless group insurance coverage for Metro employees.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Non-Contract Group Insurance Plan, a flexible benefits program, was implemented in August 1994. Roughly 99% of the employees covered by the benefit plans are PTSC employees. Metro's health insurance plans are part of the total compensation package that helps attract and retain qualified employees, as well as provide existing employees with a foundation to maintain or improve health. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA), including the Public Transportation Services Corporation (PTSC), seeks to offer benefit plans that promote efficient use of health resources and are cost-effective for the company and our employees.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Employees who work 30 hours or more are eligible to enroll in a medical plan and other benefits. On an annual basis, employees are encouraged to review their enrollment and may choose medical, dental, vision, supplemental life, long-term disability, and accidental death and dismemberment plans that meet their needs. Alternatively, employees may opt to waive medical and/or dental coverage

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and receive a taxable cash benefit, provided proof of other medical coverage is submitted, and the employee does not obtain subsidized coverage from an exchange. Employees may also participate in the flexible spending accounts, and a vehicle to pay for certain out-of-pocket healthcare and dependent care expenses on a pre-tax basis. New employees are provided an orientation session and assistance in enrolling in their selected plan(s).

The overall health and dental premium cost will increase by 6.2% for calendar year 2025. Factors contributing to increased premium cost include a higher number of claims and specialty high-cost prescriptions drugs within the industry. In addition, inflation, supply chain disruptions, and labor shortages are also impacting cost.

The recommended medical, dental, and vision premiums are shown in Attachment A. Non-Contract and AFSCME employees contribute 10% of the actual premium for each medical and dental plan selected. The monthly employee contributions are shown in Attachment B. The life insurance for all full-time Metro employees and long-term disability plans for Teamster employees rates are guaranteed until January 1, 2026.

### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Approval of this recommendation will positively impact the safety of our workforce. The group insurance plans offer employees cost-effective and efficient access to health resources, ultimately contributing to their overall well-being.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Funding for the Non-Contract and AFSCME group insurance plans, along with life insurance for all full-time Metro employees and long-term disability plans for Teamster employees, is included in each department's FY25 budget and on the balance sheet for accrued retiree medical liabilities. Based on the current employee participation by plan, estimated employer costs of \$76 million are within the adopted budget. Costs are allocated and funded via Metro's Federally approved Indirect Cost Allocation Plan and do involve the use of operating eligible funds.

#### **Impact to Budget**

Sources of funds will parallel the projects charged agency wide and will include operating and capital eligible funds encompassing sales tax, fares, federal, state and local funds.

### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

Currently, 96% of employees in the Non-Contract, AFSCME, and Teamster classifications enroll in health benefits, with the remaining 4% choosing to waive coverage by providing proof they are covered under another plan. References are provided in the Benefits Enrollment Guide for [CoveredCA.com](http://coveredca.com/) <<http://coveredca.com/>> and [Healthcare.gov](http://healthcare.gov/) <<http://healthcare.gov/>>, and staff provides additional guidance on an individual basis when needed.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

The recommendation supports strategic plan goal #5 “Provide responsive, accountable, and trustworthy governance within the LA Metro organization.” The responsible administration of Metro’s Group Insurance Policies promotes efficient use of health resources and are cost effective for the company and our employees.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board could decide to self-insure and self-administer health benefits. However, this is not recommended due to the resources required to establish the medical expertise and operational infrastructure required to review and process claims, as well as the liability that would be assumed.

### **NEXT STEPS**

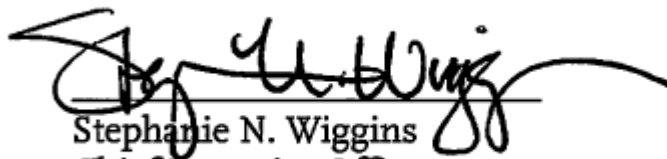
Metro will hold annual open enrollment during November 2024 and implement benefit elections effective January 1, 2025.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Proposed Monthly Premium Rates  
Attachment B - Proposed Monthly Employee Contributions

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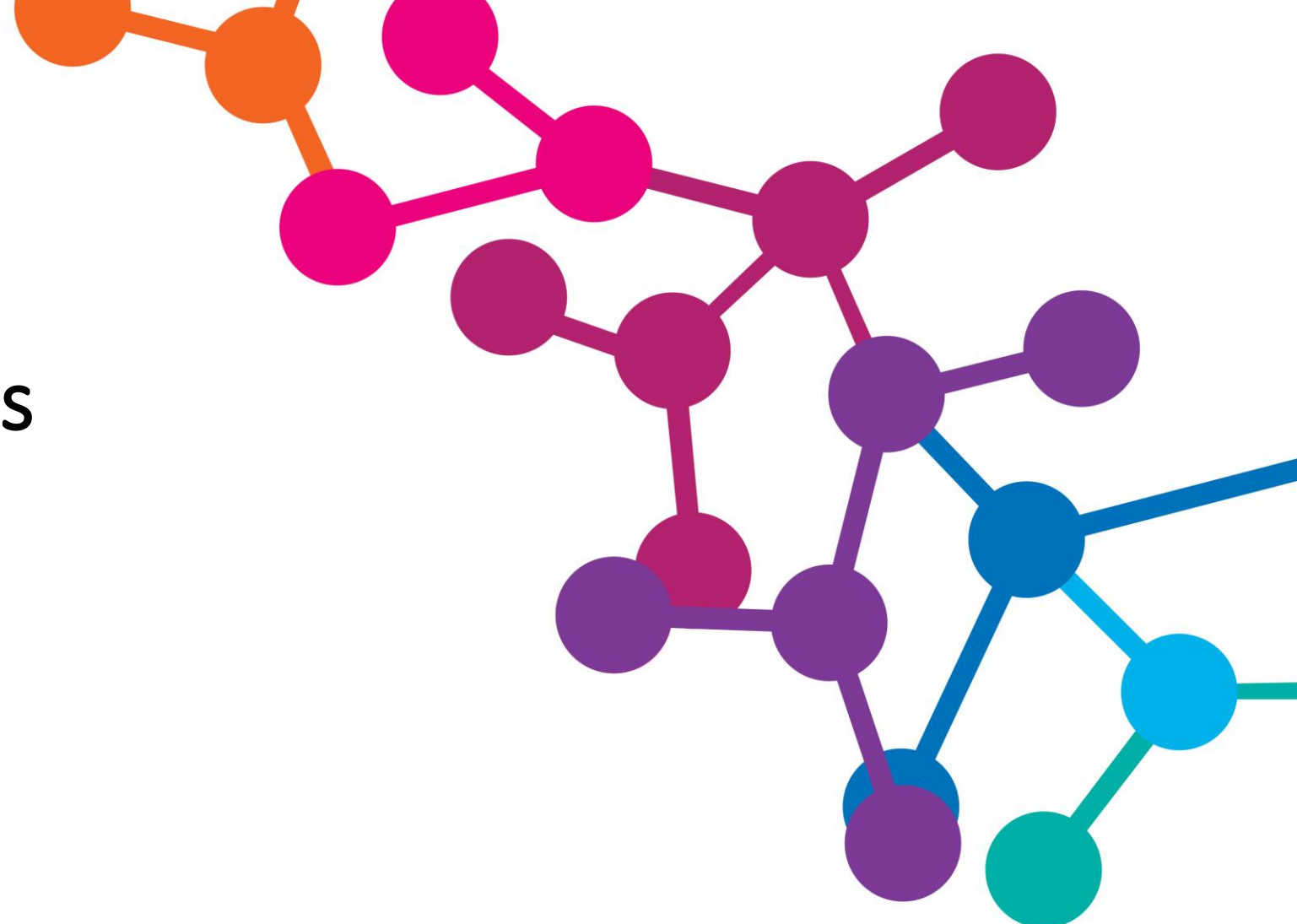
## Proposed Monthly Premium Rates

Provider	Coverage Option	CY 2024	CY 2025	%Change	Est # of Employees (1/1/25)
Blue Cross (PPO)	Single	\$1,384.59	\$1,509.21	9.0%	299
	Couple	\$2,787.15	\$3,037.99	9.0%	308
	Family	\$3,738.34	\$4,074.79	9.0%	359
Blue Cross (HMO)	Single	\$1,052.79	\$976.46	-7.2%	93
	Couple	\$2,210.83	\$2,050.55	-7.2%	87
	Family	\$3,158.08	\$2,929.12	-7.2%	151
Kaiser (HMO)	Single	\$767.84	\$837.07	9.0%	584
	Couple	\$1,535.67	\$1,674.14	9.0%	317
	Family	\$2,172.97	\$2,368.91	9.0%	504
Delta Dental (PPO)	Single	\$65.46	\$65.46	0.0%	673
	Couple	\$113.76	\$113.76	0.0%	661
	Family	\$170.94	\$170.94	0.0%	841
DeltaCare (DHMO)	Single	\$20.21	\$20.21	0.0%	71
	Couple	\$36.71	\$36.71	0.0%	45
	Family	\$54.32	\$54.32	0.0%	75
Dental Health Services (DHMO)	Single	\$19.56	\$19.56	0.0%	43
	Couple	\$37.93	\$37.93	0.0%	35
	Family	\$57.18	\$57.18	0.0%	89
Vision Service Plan	Single	\$11.25	\$11.25	0.0%	450
	Couple	\$16.27	\$16.27	0.0%	460
	Family	\$29.15	\$29.15	0.0%	668
Voluntary Waiver of Coverage:*					
	Medical	\$277.00			164
	Dental	\$40.00			96
* Waiver of Medical coverage requires proof of alternative coverage.					

## Proposed Monthly Employee Contributions

Provider	Coverage Option	NC & AFSCME Employee Contribution (Current)	NC & AFSCME Employee Contribution (Proposed) Effective 1/1/25	Change
Blue Cross (PPO)	Single	\$138.00	\$150.00	\$12.00
	Couple	\$279.00	\$303.00	\$24.00
	Family	\$374.00	\$407.00	\$33.00
Blue Cross (HMO)	Single	\$105.00	\$97.00	-\$8.00
	Couple	\$221.00	\$205.00	-\$16.00
	Family	\$316.00	\$292.00	-\$24.00
Kaiser (HMO)	Single	\$77.00	\$83.00	\$6.00
	Couple	\$154.00	\$167.00	\$13.00
	Family	\$217.00	\$236.00	\$19.00
Delta Dental (PPO)	Single	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$0.00
	Couple	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$0.00
	Family	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$0.00
DeltaCare (DHMO)	Single	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$0.00
	Couple	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$0.00
	Family	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$0.00
Dental Health Services (DHMO)	Single	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$0.00
	Couple	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0.00
	Family	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$0.00
Vision Service Plan	Single	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$0.00
	Couple	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$0.00
	Family	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$0.00

Non-Contract and AFSCME Employees contribute 10% (rounded to whole dollar) towards their individually selected plan's medical and dental premiums



# Group Insurance Plans

# Background

- Existing group insurance policies covering Non-Contract and AFSCME employees, including long-term disability coverage for Teamsters and life insurance for all full-time Metro employees, end on December 31, 2024, and must be renewed on an annual basis
- Renewal of the existing group insurance plan coverage, for the one-year period must be approved and in effect on January 1, 2025, to provide seamless group insurance coverage for Metro employees
- Roughly 99% of the employees covered by the benefit plans are PTSC employees
- Metro's health insurance plans are part of the total compensation package that helps attract and retain qualified employees

# Group Insurance Plans



- Employees who work 30+ hours are eligible to enroll in a medical plan and other benefits
- The overall health and dental premium cost will increase by 6.2% for calendar year 2025
- Factors contributing to increased premium costs include:
  - ✓ higher number of claims
  - ✓ specialty high-cost prescriptions drugs
  - ✓ inflation
  - ✓ supply chain disruptions
  - ✓ labor shortages
- Non-Contract and AFSCME employees contribute 10% of the actual premium for each medical and dental plan selected
- The life insurance for all full-time employees and long-term disability plans for Teamster employees rates are guaranteed until January 1, 2026



# Staff Recommendation

- Authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to renew existing group insurance policies covering Non-Contract and AFSCME employees, including long-term disability coverage for Teamster employees, and life insurance for all full-time Metro employees, for the one-year period beginning January 1, 2025

# Next Steps



- Metro will hold annual open enrollment during November 2024 and implement benefit elections effective January 1, 2025



**Board Report**

**File #:** 2024-0355, **File Type:** Ordinance / Administrative Code

**Agenda Number:** 17.

**FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2024**

**SUBJECT: PRE-QUALIFICATION PROGRAM**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. ADOPTING an amendment to Metro’s Administrative Code Chapter 4-05 to replace the existing contractor pre-qualification language with Attachment A of this Board Report; effective January 1, 2025; and
- B. RECEIVING AND FILING streamlining initiatives, including electronic signature deployment for procurement contracts and purchase orders.

**ISSUE**

On average, Vendor/Contract Management (V/CM) manages over 22,000 procurement requisitions per year. Staff has received feedback across the Agency that the cycle time to complete some procurement transactions poses a challenge to meeting schedule deadlines. In addition, the small business and disadvantaged business community have expressed frustration with the burdensome amount of paperwork required in Metro’s procurement and contracting process.

Staff identified opportunities to reduce cycle times for procurements, as well as post-award contract administration. By increasing the pre-qualification contract value threshold for certain contracts, an immediate benefit can be realized in reducing the administrative burden on small businesses, V/CM, and obstructions to faster procurement processing. The pre-qualification process timing can be just as effectively monitored by moving specifics of the Program to an Agency procurement policy for controls.

After adoption of the simplified ordinance, specifics beyond the ordinance of the Program shall instead be provided for in Metro’s Procurement Policy & Procedures (ACQ 2). This modernization not only brings it in line with other procurement policies but improves the pre-qualification process efficiency by facilitating future updates to the Program more readily.

## **BACKGROUND**

California Public Utilities Code section 130051.22 requires Metro to have a program to pre-qualify contractors seeking to do business with Metro. Metro Administrative Code Chapter 4-05 was adopted by the Board in 2004 and details the pre-qualification program and process (“Program”) for all vendors seeking to do business with Metro.

In order to minimize Metro’s risk in awarding contracts, pre-qualifying vendors is recognized as an effective method of ensuring that Metro does business only with responsible entities. As such, Pre-Qualification Department staff verifies the information provided by vendors on the Program application by reviewing financial records, searching public records and US Treasury sanctions lists, and evaluating the business entity’s credit history. Maintaining this best practice, reduces the risk to Metro of doing business with companies that are not financially solvent, are sanctioned, debarred, or engaged in unlawful activity. Once an application is reviewed and approved, companies are pre-qualified for two years.

Currently, Metro Administrative Code Chapter 4-05 details the Program process for all vendors seeking to do business with Metro. Contracts, other than for public works construction contracts, in which the awarded contract, or first-tier subcontract, is reasonably expected to exceed \$100,000 in value are subject to a prequalification review. This \$100,000 threshold adopted by the Board in 2004 is outdated. It fails to reflect inflation, cost increases, market fluctuations, and similar changed economic conditions that have occurred in the economy in the last 20 years. The threshold amount also does not present the same level of risk for the agency at this time.

## **DISCUSSION**

Currently, the Program applies to all contractors, consultants, first-tier subcontractors, and direct suppliers to Metro in which the awarded contract, or first-tier subcontract, is reasonably expected to exceed \$100,000 in value. This threshold has not been updated for 20 years. There are no exceptions for small businesses, minority-owned businesses, or any other categories of businesses with whom Metro has actively sought to increase participation. Pre-qualification reviews adds an average of 3days to the timeline for a procurement. Increasing the threshold would yield an immediate benefit to our vendor and small business community since it would eliminate the pre-qualification review for contracts under \$500,000 for small dollar procurements where the risk to Metro is minimal. In the past two fiscal years, an average of 35% of all procurement contract reviews conducted by Program staff fell within the \$100,000 to \$499,999 range. This represented a total of 507 pre-qualification reviews within the threshold - with 15% of those attributed to small businesses. Furthermore, a higher threshold will enable existing Program staff to prioritize required reviews to address higher award risk procurements to Metro, such as those supporting rolling stock and other time-sensitive requests - including bench task order contract awards, with an objective of improving processing time in procurement processes.

Therefore, increasing the Program threshold from \$100,000 to \$500,000 for the eligible contract types is prudent, and aligns this Program with other areas of Metro’s Procurement Policy by

incorporating the detailed procedures of the Pre-Qualification process into Procurement Policy & Procedures (ACQ-2). This will also reduce the administrative workload for the small business and disadvantaged business community who are awarded contracts under \$500,000.

In addition to increasing Program thresholds, incorporating the Pre-Qualification Program specifics within Metro Procurement Policy will ensure that the Program can evolve and be updated based on Metro's and the vendor community's needs and business best practices more nimbly.

#### Other Streamlining Initiatives

V/CM's e-Signature processes went live on March 1st, 2024, and was formally announced to the Transportation Business Advisory Council (TBAC) with a training demonstration on Thursday, March 7th, 2024 at the monthly TBAC Board meeting. An announcement was posted to Metro's Vendor Portal on Friday, February 23rd, 2024, in advance of the launch date. Additionally, Metro Contract Administrator, Buyer, and Procurement Clerk training was conducted during the week of February 26th, 2024. For Metro staff, training consisted of an overview of new contract, purchase order and solicitation language, legal requirements, and workflow modifications including loading documents to a digital repository.

The benefit of the new e-Signature processes is multi-faceted, encompassing environmental sustainability, faster contract execution for Vendors, multi-platform delivery across computers, tablets, and smartphones, as well as consistency and security rooted in Vendor registered email. Over the past two months since implementation, V/CM has issued over 3100 inventory e-purchase orders (e-POs) with over 26% awarded to Small Business Enterprises (SBE) and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE).

The e-Signature project delivery marks the beginning of a V/CM transformational effort to shift from paper-based processes to full electronic workflow, creating efficiencies for our staff and Vendor community. With the rollout, Metro V/CM anticipates a reduction in paper output of approximately 500,000 sheets annually, contributing significantly to Metro's environmental sustainability efforts. Additionally, we anticipate contract execution cycle times to collapse from days or weeks to minutes or hours which will be a significant benefit to both Metro and its Vendors. Furthermore, through email notification, the Vendor e-Signature process can be performed securely on any computer, tablet or cellphone through the embedded email link. Secure email addresses are captured during the Vendor Registration and Solicitation processes and will be used to complete the Vendor contract execution process.

In addition to this Prequalification change and e-Signature implementation, over the past 12 months V/CM has also implemented a number of other Business Process Improvements such as, Change Order Cycle Time process reductions, Increased Escrow Thresholds, Removal of Prequalification Notarization requirement, and Set-Aside goal waivers for all ITS Maintenance and License renewals. V/CM staff continues to pursue new ways to create process efficiencies in areas like the RFP Award process, Option Terms, Contract Mods within CMA, Procurement Milestone Scheduling, and Reference Checks to name a few.

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**DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Approval of this item will have no direct impact on the physical safety of Metro’s employees, patrons, or customers.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

As this is a policy update only, there is no financial impact to Metro. There is no financial impact.

**EQUITY PLATFORM**

The lack of prequalification exceptions for small businesses, minority-owned businesses, or any other categories of businesses with whom Metro actively seeks to increase participation has created contracting inequities and barriers. The small business community has expressed concerns regarding burdensome administrative procurement processes. By raising the threshold to \$500,000, the burden on the small, disadvantaged, and minority owned business community will be lessened since smaller contracts under the threshold will not have to go through Pre-Qualification during the procurement process. Staff anticipates that this improvement will not only facilitate the process for small businesses, but will increase participation since the administrative burden is lessened and a higher threshold expands contracting opportunities.

**IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

Raising the Pre-Qualification threshold amount and expressing the details and specifics of the Program in ACQ-2 supports Strategic Goal 5: Provide responsive, accountable, and trustworthy governance within the Metro organization. This modernization shows Metro’s commitment to responsive, accountable, and trustworthy governance to continue building credibility with decision-makers, public and private sector partners, customers, and employees. By improving its business practices, Metro can perform more effectively and adapt more nimbly to the changing needs of its customers.

**ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board may not approve staff’s recommendations. This alternative is not recommended because proceeding with the recommendations presents an opportunity to streamline the procurement process to enable staff to reduce cycle times on procurements and reduce the amount of administration for the vendor community.

**NEXT STEPS**

Subject to the Board of Directors' approval to adopt these recommendations, the amended ordinance shall be effective January 1, 2025, and staff will update the ACQ-2 Policy & Procedure to increase the contract value threshold in the Program as indicated herein, and update the ACQ-2 to incorporate the changes approved in this report and specifics of the Program substantially consistent with ordinance into the policy.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Revised Metro Administrative Code - Chapter 4-05

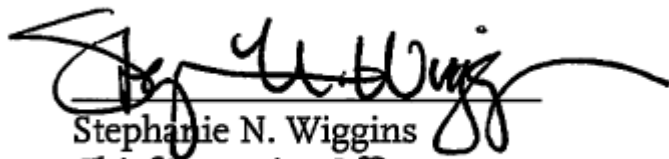
Attachment B - Revised Metro Administrative Code - Chapter 4-05 (Redlined)

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## ATTACHMENT A

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 4, CONTRACTING, OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE RELATING TO THE PRE-QUALIFICATION OF PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS.

#### **Be it ordained by the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (“LA Metro”):**

**SECTION 1:** Chapter 4-05 of the LA Metro Administrative Code is replaced to read as follows:

**4-05-010 Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to establish that LA Metro shall have rules and procedures for a contractor pre-qualification program (“Program”) as authorized by Public Utilities Code section 130051.22.

**4-05-020 Objective and Scope of Pre-Qualification Program.** The objective of the Program is to make a preliminary assessment of the integrity and responsibility of business entities seeking to do business with the LA Metro. A determination of pre-qualification allows the business entity that has been pre-qualified to proceed with the procurement process in seeking a contract with the LA Metro. The pre-qualification of a business entity does not preclude the LA Metro from making a further responsibility determination as a part of the procurement process. During any period for which pre-qualification has been denied, the business entity may not compete for or otherwise seek a contract with the LA Metro. The terms of the Program shall be set forth in an internal policy and procedure of LA Metro determined by the Chief Executive Officer of LA Metro in consultation with the Inspector General and Legal Counsel of LA Metro.

**4-05-030 Administrative Oversight of Pre-Qualification Program.**

- A. The Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Inspector General, is responsible for the administrative oversight of the Program.
- B. The Chief Executive Officer shall prepare policies and procedures consistent with this Chapter and applicable law to implement the Program.
- C. The Program authorized by the Chief Executive Officer shall include the adoption of procedures for establishing an adjudication panel or judge to adjudicate appeals of a denial of certification for pre-qualification that provides reasonable due process to entities denied certification.

**4-05-040 Pre-Qualification Questionnaire.**

The Pre-Qualification Administrator, in consultation with the Inspector General, shall prepare Pre-Qualification questionnaires to be used in the LA Metro pre-qualification program. Different forms of the questionnaire, each tailored to the type of contract being sought, may be developed. The Procurement Department in consultation with the Inspector General shall review the questionnaire and related policy periodically to ensure adequate and relevant information is being requested. The questionnaires shall be formulated to obtain information relevant to determining whether the entity has the requisite integrity and can shoulder the responsibilities to timely and satisfactorily perform services and deliver products to LA Metro



and is not otherwise in violation of any of the criteria on which an entity may be denied certification. The questionnaires shall be included in the Program policies and procedures established by the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 20101 of the Public Contract Code as amended from time to time.

**4-05-060 Completion of Pre-Qualification Questionnaire.** Except as otherwise exempted by this Chapter, each business entity seeking a contract with the LA Metro which, at the time of initial award, is reasonably expected to exceed the assigned contract value threshold, shall complete a pre-qualification questionnaire as outlined in the Program policy. No threshold value shall apply for any public project construction contract as defined from time to time by subdivision (c) of Section 22002 of the Public Contract Code. All such contracts shall be subject to the Program requirements. All other contracts shall have a threshold value of \$500,000 or greater for application of the requirements of the Program.

**4-05-070 Issuance or Denial of Pre-Qualification.** A business entity shall be notified in writing of certification or denial of pre-qualification certification if the evidence supports a finding as to any of the circumstances or violations set forth in the Program policy and procedures.

**4-05-100 Investigations, Determinations and Referrals.**

A. The Pre-Qualification Administrator shall review the available information related to each business entity seeking pre-qualification and may conduct such further investigation as he or she deems necessary. LA Metro officials having information regarding a business entity they know to be seeking pre-qualification where such information is reasonably likely to bear on the pre-qualification determination shall promptly provide such information to the Pre-Qualification Administrator for consideration.

B. If information obtained during the pre-qualification process is of a sufficiently serious nature to warrant further investigation and possible action beyond the denial of Pre-Qualification, the Pre-Qualification Administrator shall refer the matter to the Inspector General, the General Counsel and other appropriate officials for possible debarment or suspension under chapter 4-10.

C. The Office of the General Counsel shall advise and assist the Pre-Qualification Administrator in reviewing for legal sufficiency any prospective denial of Prequalification and the notice of denial, and for providing any necessary coordination with LA Metro staff regarding legal issues that may arise during the pre-qualification review process.

D. All actions of the Pre-Qualification Administrator or other participants in the performance of their government duties pursuant to this chapter shall be considered to be actions within the course and scope of their employment with LA Metro and shall be subject to the protections for public employees set forth in Division 3.6 as amended from time to time of the Government Code.

**4-05-140 Appeal of Pre-Qualification Denial.**

Any business entity that has been issued a notice of denial of pre-qualification may appeal that decision to LA Metro pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Program.

**SECTION 2:**

**Publication of Ordinance.** Upon adoption, this Ordinance shall be signed by the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. The Board Clerk shall cause the publication of this Ordinance once, within fifteen days of its adoption, in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published within the area served by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and the Board Clerk shall attest to such adoption and publication of this Ordinance.

Dated:

Chair, Board of Directors

Date Adopted by Board of Directors:

Date Published:

Attested to:

Dated:

Board Clerk

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**4-05-020 Objective and Scope of Pre-Qualification Program.** The objective of the ~~pre-qualification program~~ Program is to make a preliminary assessment of the integrity and responsibility of business entities seeking to do business with the ~~MTA~~ LA Metro. A determination of pre-qualification allows the business entity ~~which~~ that has been pre-qualified to proceed with the procurement process in seeking a contract with the ~~MTA~~ LA Metro. The pre-qualification of a business entity does not preclude the ~~MTA~~ LA Metro from making a further responsibility determination as a part of the procurement process. During any period for which pre-qualification has been denied, the business entity may not compete for or otherwise seek a contract with the ~~MTA~~ LA Metro. The terms of the Program shall be set forth in an internal policy and procedure of LA Metro determined by the Chief Executive Officer of LA Metro in consultation with the Inspector General and Legal Counsel of LA Metro.

**4-05-030** ~~Definitions.~~

~~The following terms, whenever used in this chapter, shall be construed as defined in this section:~~

~~A. "Business Entity" means a construction company, engineering firm, consultant, legal firm, product vendor, and any other business entity seeking a contract with the MTA for the furnishing of goods or services.~~

~~—B. "Certificate of Pre-Qualification" refers to the written notification granting pre-qualification to a business entity which has applied to the MTA for such status.~~

~~—C. "Contract Value Threshold" means in excess of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in total expenditures by the MTA under one contract and any amendments thereto.~~

~~—D. "Executive Review Committee" or "ERC" means a panel of at least three MTA employees serving in management positions appointed by the Chief Executive Officer as a committee to adjudicate an appeal of a denial of pre-qualification made by the Pre-Qualification Manager. Executive Review Committee or ERC also means any retired Superior Court Judge appointed by the Chief Executive Officer in lieu of a panel of MTA employees as authorized by paragraph D. of section 4-05-040.~~

~~—E. "Notice of Denial of Pre-Qualification" refers to the written notification issued to a business entity which has applied to the MTA for pre-qualification that the business entity has been denied pre-qualification.~~

~~—F. "Pre-Qualification" refers to a determination made by the MTA that a business entity has demonstrated sufficient integrity and responsibility to be permitted to be considered for a contract with the MTA. It also includes any validation process whereby a previously pre-qualified business entity updates its pre-qualification file for a specific contracting opportunity.~~

~~—G. "Pre-Qualification Manager" means the MTA employee who has been designated by the Chief Executive Officer as the administrative manager of the MTA contractor pre-qualification program.~~

#### ~~4-05-040~~ **Administrative Oversight of Pre-Qualification Program.**

A. ~~—A.—~~ The Chief Executive Officer, in consultation with the Inspector General, is responsible for the administrative oversight of the pre-qualification program Program.

B. ~~—B.—~~ The Chief Executive Officer ~~is authorized to~~ shall prepare policies and procedures consistent with this ~~chapter as needed~~ Chapter and applicable law to implement the pre-qualification program Program.

~~—C.—~~ The Chief Executive Officer shall assign responsibility for The Program authorized by the day to day administrative management of the pre-qualification program to an MTA management employee who will serve as Pre-Qualification Manager.

C. ~~—D.—~~ The Chief Executive Officer shall ~~appoint a~~ include the adoption of procedures for establishing an adjudication panel ~~of at least three management level employees of the MTA to serve as the Executive Review Committee or judge to adjudicate appeals by business entities from denials of pre-qualification. The Chief Executive Officer may appoint a separate ERC for each appeal or may appoint one ERC to serve for a specified period of time to~~

hear appeals filed during that period. If the Chief Executive Officer determines for any reason that it would not be efficient to have a panel of MTA employees serve as the Executive Review Committee for any particular appeal, the Chief Executive Officer may appoint a retired Superior Court Judge to serve in lieu of the panel of MTA employees. Any reference in this chapter to an Executive Review Committee or to an ERC shall also be a reference to a Superior Court Judge appointed pursuant to this paragraph.

of a denial of certification for pre-qualification that provides reasonable due process to entities denied certification.

#### **4-05-050-040 Pre-Qualification Questionnaire.**

~~—A. The MTA~~The Pre-Qualification Administrator, in consultation with the Inspector General, in consultation with the ~~shall prepare~~ Pre-Qualification Manager, shall prepare pre-qualification questionnaires to be used in the MTALA Metro pre-qualification program. Different forms of the questionnaire, each tailored to the type of contract being sought, may be developed. The Procurement Department in consultation with the Inspector General shall review the questionnaire and related policy periodically to ensure adequate and relevant information is being requested. The questionnaires shall be formulated to obtain information relevant to determining whether the entity has the requisite integrity and can shoulder the responsibilities to timely and satisfactorily perform services and deliver products to LA Metro and is not otherwise in violation of any of the criteria on which an entity may be denied certification. The questionnaires shall be included in the Program policies and procedures established by the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 20101 of the Public Contract Code as amended from time to time.

~~—B. At a minimum, each pre-qualification questionnaire shall seek information from the business entity regarding the following:~~

- ~~—1. The experience of the business entity;~~
- ~~—2. The quality and timeliness of the past performance of the business entity when contracting with the MTA or other agencies for similar work;~~
- ~~—3. The reliability and responsibility of the business entity;~~
- ~~—4. The business entity's compliance with equal employment requirements;~~
- ~~—5. The business entity's compliance with wage, hours, and other fair labor standards;~~
- ~~—6. The subcontractors to be used by the business entity;~~
- ~~—7. The integrity of the key personnel of the business entity; and~~
- ~~—8. Any gifts given, or contributions made, by or on behalf of the business entity to members of the MTA Board of Directors or to MTA employees.~~

~~—C. The questionnaire used in the pre-qualification program may seek information in addition to that described in paragraph B. However, in order to ensure that the pre-qualification program operates in as efficient a manner as possible consistent with the~~

~~program objectives, information in addition to that required under paragraph B may be sought only if it is reasonably required to make a determination of integrity and responsibility relevant to the goods or services the business entity is likely to provide to the MTA if awarded a contract. The questionnaire used for the pre-qualification of a business entity whose services to the MTA will be as a subcontractor to another entity contracting directly with the MTA shall be in an abbreviated format which supports an expedited pre-qualification process, but which still provides the MTA with the information necessary to make a reasonable assessment regarding the integrity and responsibility of the business entity. Provided, however, any business entity may be required to complete any form of pre-qualification questionnaire if the MTA, in its sole discretion based upon the available information, determines that a more intensive than normal pre-qualification review is necessary for any particular business entity or any particular contract.~~

**4-05-060 Completion of Pre-Qualification Questionnaire.** Except as otherwise exempted by this ~~chapter~~Chapter, each business entity seeking a contract with the ~~MTA~~MTA ~~A~~Metro which, at the time of initial award, is reasonably expected to exceed the assigned contract value threshold, shall complete a pre-qualification questionnaire ~~prepared as set forth in section 4-05-050~~as outlined in the Program policy. No threshold value shall apply for any public project construction contract as defined from time to time by subdivision (c) of Section 22002 of the Public Contract Code. All such contracts shall be subject to the Program requirements. All other contracts shall have a threshold value of \$500,000 or greater for application of the requirements of the Program.

**4-05-070** ~~Exceptions to Pre-Qualification Program.~~

~~For certain solicitations, because of the nature of the goods or services to be obtained, the nature of the business relationship between the MTA and the business entity, or because of exigent circumstances, there is insufficient advantage to the MTA to justify the expenditure of the resources necessary to conduct a pre-qualification. The types of procurements or types of business entities described in paragraphs A through J of this section are found to be procurements of this nature and pre-qualification is not required:~~

- ~~—A. Media or advertising contracts, including artists hired on a one-time basis to provide pictorial representation of MTA property;~~
- ~~—B. The purchase of goods from a department store or a home improvement store where:~~
  - ~~—1. The store make the same goods available to the general public; and~~

~~—2. The terms and prices for the MTA are no less favorable than the terms and prices available to the general public;~~

~~—C. The purchase of goods from a business entity if that business entity will:~~

~~—1. Have no legal obligation to warrant the goods sold, other than to pass on the manufacturer's warranty; and~~

~~—2. Have no obligation after the sale to provide any maintenance or repairs for the goods sold;~~

~~—D. Licensing and multiple-user agreements with software companies for existing software;~~

~~—E. Purchases of off the shelf computer software provided the seller does not enter into a contract for continuing maintenance or enhancements of the software program;~~

~~—F. Real estate purchase contracts, leases, licenses or other similar kinds of agreements;~~

~~—G. Goods or services for which there is only one known source if not obtaining such goods or services is not a reasonable option for the MTA;~~

~~—H. Emergency expenditures in case of public calamity pursuant to Public Utilities Code § 130234; and~~

~~—I. Expenditures for immediate remedial measures pursuant to Public Utilities Code §130235.~~

~~—J. A business entity whose relationship with the MTA will be as a subcontractor at the second tier or below. Nothing herein prevents the MTA from requiring any subcontractor at any level to obtain pre-qualification if the MTA, in its sole discretion based upon the available information, determines that pre-qualification of that subcontractor is in the best interest of the MTA.~~

~~4-05-080 Mandatory                      **Issuance or Denial of Pre-Qualification.** A business entity shall be ~~denied~~notified in writing of certification or denial of pre-qualification certification if the evidence supports a finding as to any of the ~~following circumstances or violations set forth in the Program policy and procedures.~~~~

~~—A. The business entity, or any of its officers or principal owners, are currently debarred by a federal, state or local public authority;~~



~~—B. The business entity has knowingly submitted false information on the pre-qualification questionnaire or in response to any follow-up inquiries from the MTA; or~~

~~—C. The business entity has declined to submit to the MTA information requested by the Pre-Qualification Manager as part of the pre-qualification process.~~

#### ~~4-05-090 Permissive Denial of Pre-Qualification.~~

~~The MTA may, in its sole discretion, deny pre-qualification to a business entity or any of its planned subcontractors, if the evidence supports a finding as to the business entity or as to a subcontractor, or their principals or officers, of any of the following:~~

~~—A. Commission of civil or criminal fraud in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public contract, agreement or transaction;~~

~~—B. Violation of federal or state antitrust statutes, including, but not limited to, those proscribing price fixing between competitors, allocation of customers between competitors, and bid-rigging;~~

~~—C. Commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, making false statements, submitting false information, attempting to commit a fraud against the MTA or other public entity, receiving stolen property, making false claims to any public entity, obstructing justice or fraudulently obtaining public funds;~~

~~—D. Violation of federal guidelines for disadvantaged business entity status including, but not limited to, a violation of 49 CFR part 26 et seq., or misrepresenting minority or disadvantaged business entity status with regard to itself or one of its subcontractors;~~

~~—E. Conviction for non-compliance with the prevailing wage requirements of the California labor law, or similar laws of any other state;~~

~~—F. Violation of any law, regulation or agreement relating to a conflict of interest with respect to a government funded procurement;~~

~~—G. Falsification, concealment, withholding and/or destruction of records relating to a public agreement or transaction;~~

~~—H. Commission of any act or omission, or engaging in a pattern or practice, which tends to demonstrate that the business entity lacks the quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the MTA, including, but not limited to, deficiencies in on-going contracts, false certifications or statements, fraud in performance or billing, or the lack of the financial resources necessary to perform contractual obligations;~~

- ~~—I. Indictment or conviction for an offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty;~~
- ~~—J. Willful failure to perform in accordance with the terms of one or more contracts;~~
- ~~—K. Violation of a statutory or regulatory provision or requirement applicable to a public or private agreement or transaction;~~
- ~~—L. Performance or conduct on one or more private or public agreements or transactions in a manner which negatively impacts or threatens the health or safety of the business entity's employees, the employees of any other entity involved with the transaction, the general public or any real property;~~
- ~~—M. Knowingly has entered into a business relationship with a business entity while that entity was debarred by the MTA;~~
- ~~—N. Violation of MTA policy regarding a drug-free workplace;~~
- ~~—O. Violation of any non-discrimination laws or provisions included in any public agreement or transaction;~~
- ~~—P. Violation of any labor laws, including, but not limited to, child labor violations, failure to pay wages, failure to pay into a trust account, failure to remit or pay withheld taxes to tax authorities or unemployment insurance tax delinquencies;~~
- ~~—Q. Violation of a licensing, sub-letting or subcontractor listing law;~~
- ~~—R. Failure to comply with California corporate registration, federal, state and local licensing requirements;~~
- ~~—S. Violation of a material provision of any settlement or a denial of pre-qualification or validation action;~~
- ~~—T. A history of failure to perform, or of unsatisfactory performance of one or more contracts including, without limitation, default on contracts with the MTA or another public agency;~~
- ~~—U. Has had its corporate status, business entity's license or any professional certification, suspended, revoked, or has otherwise been prohibited from doing business in the State of California in the past three years;~~
- ~~—V. Has undisputed or finally adjudicated and unresolved tax liens with federal, state or local taxing authorities; or~~
- ~~—W. Any other cause so serious or compelling in nature that it affects the present responsibility of the business entity, the quality of its work, and/or its fitness or capacity to perform on a contract with the MTA.~~

#### 4-05-100 Investigations, Determinations and Referrals.

A. ~~A.~~ The Pre-Qualification ~~Manager~~Administrator shall review the available information related to each business entity seeking pre-qualification and may conduct such further investigation as he or she deems necessary. ~~MTA LA Metro~~ officials having information regarding a business entity they know to be seeking pre-qualification where such information is reasonably likely to bear on the pre-qualification determination shall promptly provide such information to the Pre-Qualification ~~Manager~~Administrator for consideration.

~~B. Based upon all of the information obtained by the Pre-Qualification Manager, the Pre-Qualification Manager shall make a determination consistent with this chapter and any procedures adopted pursuant to section 4-05-040 as to whether a business entity seeking pre-qualification shall be granted pre-qualification.~~

B. ~~C.~~ If information obtained during the pre-qualification process is of a sufficiently serious nature to warrant further investigation and possible action beyond the denial of ~~pre-qualification~~Pre-Qualification, the Pre-Qualification ~~Manager~~Administrator shall refer the matter to the Inspector General, the General Counsel and ~~or~~ other appropriate ~~official~~officials for possible debarment or suspension under chapter 4-10.

C. ~~D.~~ The Office of the General Counsel shall advise and assist the Pre-Qualification ~~Manager~~Administrator in reviewing for legal sufficiency any prospective denial of ~~Pre-qualification~~Prequalification and the notice of denial, and for providing any necessary coordination with ~~MTA LA Metro~~ staff regarding legal issues that may arise during the pre-qualification review process.

~~E.~~

D. All actions of the Pre-Qualification ~~Manager~~Administrator or other participants in the performance of their government duties pursuant to this chapter shall be considered to be actions with~~within~~ the course and scope of ~~the Pre-Qualifications Manager's~~their employment with ~~the MTA LA Metro~~ and shall be subject to the protections for public employees set forth in Division 3.6 as amended from time to time of the Government Code.

#### ~~4-05-110 Certificate of Pre-Qualification.~~

~~Upon a finding that a business entity is approved for pre-qualification, the Pre-Qualification Manager shall promptly provide that business entity with a certificate of pre-qualification.~~

#### ~~4-05-120 Notice of Denial of Pre-qualification.~~

~~A. If the Pre-Qualification Manager denies pre-qualification a notice shall be promptly given by letter to the business entity.~~

~~—B. Such notice, or any other notice authorized or required by this chapter, shall be deemed sufficient notice if served personally or by mail by any of the means authorized by California Code of Civil Procedure §§ 1012 and 1013. Any attempt by a business entity to avoid service shall not prevent the denial of pre-qualification from becoming effective as of the date the MTA attempts notice as set forth in this paragraph.~~

#### ~~4-05-130 Effect of Pre-Qualification Denial.~~

~~—A. A denial of pre-qualification for a business entity shall constitute a denial of the right to obtain or compete for a contract with the MTA, including contracts below the contract value threshold, until such time as the business entity is granted pre-qualification. Whether a denial of pre-qualification will extend to every division or other organizational element of the business entity will depend upon the structure of the business entity. However, if the application for pre-qualification is not limited to specific divisions or organizational elements of the business entity, a denial of pre-qualification shall apply to all affiliates, divisions, organizational elements.~~

~~—B. A denial of pre-qualification to a particular business entity for a particular solicitation shall not necessarily result in the suspension or deferral of the solicitation schedule, regardless of whether an appeal from a denial of pre-qualification has been filed. Any suspension or deferral of the solicitation schedule will be within the sole discretion of the MTA's procurement management.~~

~~—C. A denial of pre-qualification for a business entity then under contract with the MTA, where the denial of pre-qualification is based upon evidence which could support a cause for debarment under section 4-10-070, shall result in an immediate review of the status of that business entity's existing contracts with the MTA to determine whether action under chapter 4-10 is appropriate.~~

~~—D. A denial of pre-qualification shall extend for an indefinite period of time unless the denial is overturned through an appeal under this chapter. A business entity subject to a denial of pre-qualification may again apply for pre-qualification after six months have elapsed from the date of notice of denial of pre-qualification, or at any time upon a showing of changed circumstances.~~

#### **4-05-140 Appeal of Pre-Qualification Denial.**

~~—A. Any business entity that has been issued a notice of denial of pre-qualification may appeal that decision to the ERC. The appeal letter, together with all supporting documentation shall be submitted to the Pre-Qualification Manager within ten (10) working days of receipt of the notice of denial of pre-qualification.~~ LA Metro pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Program.

~~—B.— If a business entity which has been served with a notice of denial of pre-qualification fails to file a timely written appeal as described in this section, the denial of pre-qualification shall become final.~~

#### ~~4-05-150 Executive Review Committee.~~

~~The ERC hears appeals of denials of pre-qualification. Each person serving as a member of the ERC pursuant to this chapter shall be considered to be acting within the course and scope of employment with the MTA for such service and shall be subject to the protections for public employees set forth in Division 3.6 of the Government Code.~~

#### ~~4-05-160 Hearing Procedures.~~

~~—A.— The ERC shall have the power to review and/or hold a hearing on any appeal received from a business entity that has been denied pre-qualification. The ERC may only affirm or reverse the denial decision of the Pre-Qualification Manager.~~

~~—B.— For a denial of pre-qualification for a reason set forth in section 4-05-080, the decision of the ERC shall be limited to a determination as to whether there is factual support for the finding of at least one of the mandatory causes for denial of pre-qualification. For a denial of pre-qualification under section 4-05-090 the decision of the ERC shall be based upon its independent judgment as to whether one or more of the permissive bases for denial of pre-qualification has been established and, if so, whether it constitutes sufficient reason for the MTA to decline to do business with the business entity.~~

~~—C.— The Business Entity may elect to waive its right to a hearing and rely solely on a written response. If the Business Entity elects in its appeal to waive a hearing, such a waiver must be clearly stated in its appeal. The ERC will set the dates for the submission of written materials and, if a hearing is requested, will set the time and date for the hearing.~~

~~—D.— In each appeal, the Pre-Qualification Manager shall present the reasons for denial of pre-qualification and the evidence supporting that determination. The business entity will then be provided an opportunity to submit relevant evidence challenging the determination of the Pre-Qualification Manager. If there is a hearing on the appeal, the hearing will be conducted in an informal manner, but may be recorded for the sole use of the ERC in preparation of its decision.~~

~~—E.— The ERC shall perform no independent collection of evidence and shall render a decision based solely on the evidence submitted by the Pre-Qualification Manager and~~

~~the business entity. In conducting the hearing the ERC shall follow evidence rules similar to those described in section 4-10-170. The ERC may take judicial notice of common, uncontroverted facts.~~

~~—F.— The decision of the ERC is the final decision of the MTA. The business entity may seek judicial review of an ERC decision in Los Angeles County Superior Court. The appropriate party respondent in any such action shall be the MTA and not the individual members of the ERC, the Pre-Qualification Manager or any other MTA officer or employee.~~

~~—G.— If the ERC reverses the denial of pre-qualification, the Pre-Qualification Manager shall issue a pre-qualification certificate within fifteen (15) business days from the date of the reversal. If the ERC affirms the denial decision and has notified all interested parties, the Pre-Qualification Manager will take no further action.~~

~~—H.— An appeal from a decision of the ERC which upholds a denial of pre-qualification shall be filed with the time limits set forth in Code of Civil Procedure §§ 1094.5 and 1094.6.~~

~~—I.— Each notice of final denial of pre-qualification after an appeal to the ERC shall include the following statement:~~

~~THE MTA HAS REACHED A FINAL DECISION IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER PENDING BEFORE THE MTA. IF YOU CHOOSE TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW OF MTA'S FINAL DECISION, SUCH ACTION MUST BE INITIATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE §§1094.5 AND 1094.6. IT IS YOUR SOLE RESPONSIBILITY TO TAKE WHATEVER ACTION AND TO OBTAIN WHATEVER ADVICE YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE IN RESPONSE TO THIS NOTICE.~~

## SECTION 2:

**Publication of Ordinance.** Upon adoption, this Ordinance shall be signed by the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. The Board Clerk shall cause the publication of this Ordinance once, within fifteen days of its adoption, in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published within the area served by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and the Board Clerk shall attest to such adoption and publication of this Ordinance.

Dated:

Chair, Board of Directors

Date Adopted by Board of Directors:

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Board Clerk

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# Pre-Qualification Program

Finance, Budget & Audit Committee  
September 19, 2024



**Metro**

# Recommendation

Staff is requesting the following:

- A. ADOPT an amendment to Metro's Administrative Code Chapter 4-05 to replace the existing contractor pre-qualification language with Attachment A of this Board Report; effective January 1, 2025.
- B. RECEIVE AND FILE streamlining initiatives including electronic signature deployment for procurement contracts and purchase orders.

# Background

- California Public Utilities Code 130051.21 requires Metro to have a program to pre-qualify contractors seeking to do business with Metro. Metro Administrative Code Chapter 4-05 was adopted by the Board in 2004 and details the Pre-Qualification process for all vendors in which the awarded contract, or first tier subcontract, is reasonably expected to exceed \$100,000 in value.
- The update to the Metro Administrative Code Chapter 4-05 is needed as well as an increase to the \$100,000 threshold. The \$100,000 threshold is not consistent with the levels of inflation, cost increases, market fluctuations, etc. that have been seen in the economy in the last 20 years. It is also not consistent with the current level of risk for the agency. Raising the threshold to \$500,000 will better align with Metro contracting.
- This update will immediately benefit our vendor and small business community since it will eliminate the pre-qualification review for contracts under \$500,000, where Metro's risk is minimal.
- Additionally, the vendor and small business community, including the Southern California Contractors Association (SCCA), have expressed concerns about cumbersome elements of the procurement process.



Board Report

File #: 2024-0471, File Type: Contract

Agenda Number: 20.

**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2024**

**SUBJECT: CIRCUIT BREAKER RETROFIT KIT**

**ACTION: AWARD CONTRACT**

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA111914(2)000 to Gillig LLC, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to supply Circuit Breaker Retrofit Kits in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$1,339,042.21 inclusive of sales tax, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

**ISSUE**

This procurement is for the acquisition of circuit breaker retrofit kits, which are required to maintain the safe and reliable operation of the Metro bus fleet. The circuit breakers that protect high voltage electrical systems on the New Flyer Xcelsior buses have failed at an increased rate due to the age of this equipment, and this contract will support the replacement of these components. The award of this contract will ensure that Bus Maintenance has an adequate inventory to repair and maintain buses according to Metro maintenance standards.

**BACKGROUND**

Circuit breakers are used on Metro’s New Flyer Xcelsior buses to protect the high voltage electrical systems on the heating and ventilation systems. These buses were purchased in 2013 and 2015, and the buses are experiencing higher failure rates of the circuit breakers. The replacement of the circuit breakers is extremely important in ensuring proper functioning air conditioning systems on the bus fleet.

**DISCUSSION**

Metro’s current bus fleet of New Flyer Xcelsior buses are equipped with a circuit breaker retrofit kit that are an integral part of the air conditioning system. The circuit breaker retrofit kit will be used to replace failed circuit breakers that provide high voltage power to the air conditioning system. The circuit breaker enables mechanics to turn off the power and perform maintenance as well as repairs to the air conditioning system. Aging circuit breakers could cause severe injury to the mechanic due to high voltage electrical power. The circuit breaker retrofit kits are replaced at the bus operating divisions in response to performance issues or circuit breaker failures.

The contract to be awarded is a “requirements type” agreement in which Metro commits to order only from the awardee, up to the specified quantity, for a specific duration of time, but there is no

obligation or commitment to order any or all of the required circuit breaker retrofit kits. The bid quantities are estimates only, with deliveries to be ordered and released as necessary. The requirements type agreement will ensure that Metro only purchases the quantity of parts needed to repair equipment with damaged components.

Material Management will purchase, maintain, and manage circuit breaker retrofit kits in inventory. The appropriate budget project numbers and accounts will be charged as circuit breaker kits are issued.

### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

The award of this contract will positively impact safety by ensuring bus operating divisions have an adequate inventory of parts to maintain the bus fleet according to air conditioning manufacturer and Metro Maintenance standards. A sufficient supply of these critical parts ensures the safety of maintenance mechanics working on the air conditioning system and maintains a safe environment for customers by ensuring optimal air conditioning in Metro buses.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The funding of \$669,521.11 for this product is included in the FY25 budget under multiple bus operating cost centers in project 306002 Operations Maintenance under Line 50441, Parts - Revenue Vehicle.

Since this is a multi-year contract, the cost center managers and Chief Operations Officer will be accountable for budgeting the cost in future fiscal years.

#### **Impact to budget**

The current funding sources for this action include Federal 5307, Proposition A, Proposition C, Measure R, Measure M, and Transportation Development Act. These sources are eligible for Bus Operating or Capital projects.

### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

The benefits of this action are to ensure the bus fleet that serves most regions in Los Angeles County, including many Equity Focus Communities (EFC), can provide vital transportation services to neighborhoods where disparities within the area can exist between residents' access to jobs, housing, education, health, and safety. Bus transportation provides an essential lifeline for the residents in EFCs, and the Metro bus maintenance programs ensure the proper State of Good Repair of the bus fleet to provide transportation for these communities. The procurement of the circuit breakers will ensure the reliability of the air conditioning systems and ensure that the interior temperature of the buses remain within industry standards and avoid the potential for heat exhaustion during summer heatwaves.

The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) established a two percent (2%) goal for this procurement. Gillig, LLC made a 2% DBE commitment.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

Procuring circuit breaker retrofit kits for the Xcelsior buses supports Strategic Goal 1: Provide high-

quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling. Installing circuit breaker retrofit kits will maintain the reliability of the bus fleet and ensure that our customers can arrive at their destinations without interruption and in accordance with the scheduled service intervals for Metro bus operations.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The alternative is not to award the contract and procure the circuit breaker retrofit kits as needed, using the traditional “min/max” replenishment method. This strategy is not recommended since it does not require a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability, timely delivery, continued supply, and a guaranteed fixed price for the parts.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Metro’s requirements for circuit breaker retrofit kits will be fulfilled under the contract's provisions.

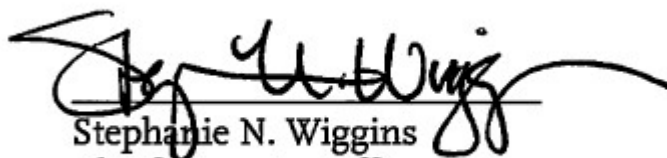
### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Procurement Summary

Attachment B - DEOD Summary

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PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

CIRCUIT BREAKER RETROFIT KIT / MA111914(2)000

1.	<b>Contract Number:</b> MA111914(2)000	
2.	<b>Recommended Vendor:</b> Gillig LLC, 25972 Eden Landing Rd., Hayward, CA 94545	
3.	<b>Type of Procurement (check one):</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IFB <input type="checkbox"/> RFP <input type="checkbox"/> RFP-A&E <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Competitive <input type="checkbox"/> Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Task Order	
4.	<b>Procurement Dates :</b>	
	<b>A. Issued:</b> 1/25/24	
	<b>B. Advertised/Publicized:</b> 1/25/24	
	<b>C. Pre-proposal/Pre-Bid Conference:</b> N/A	
	<b>D. Proposals/Bids Due:</b> 4/5/24	
	<b>E. Pre-Qualification Completed:</b> 5/15/24	
	<b>F. Conflict of Interest Form Submitted to Ethics:</b> 4/10/24	
	<b>G. Protest Period End Date:</b> 9/19/24	
5.	<b>Solicitations Picked up/Downloaded:</b> 9	<b>Bids/Proposals Received:</b> 2
6.	<b>Contract Administrator:</b> Tanya Allen	<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-1018
7.	<b>Project Manager:</b> Harold Torres	<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-5714

**A. Procurement Background**

This Board Action is to approve Contract No. MA111914(2)000 for the procurement of Circuit Breaker Retrofit Kits. Board approval of this contract award is subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

An Invitation for Bid (IFB) No. MA111914(2)000 was issued in accordance with Metro’s Acquisition Policy and the contract type is Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ).

Two (2) amendments were issued during the solicitation phase of this IFB:

- Amendment No. 1 was issued on February 9, 2024, to update approved equal requirements and;
- Amendment No. 2 was issued on March 6, 2024, to update the bid opening date.

A total of two (2) bids were received on April 5, 2024.

**B. Evaluation of Bids**

This procurement was conducted in accordance and complies with Metro’s Acquisition Policy for a competitive sealed bid. The two bids received are listed below in alphabetical order:

- 1. Gillig, LLC
- 2. The Aftermarket Parts Company

Both firms were determined to be responsive and responsible to the IFB requirements. The recommended firm, Gillig, LLC, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, was found to be in full compliance in meeting the bid and technical requirements of the IFB.

**C. Price Analysis**

The recommended bid price from Gillig, LLC. has been determined to be fair and reasonable based upon adequate price competition, the Independent Cost Estimate (ICE), and selection of the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Based on the offers received, Gillig LLC. submitted the lowest price of \$1,339,042.21, which is 8.2% lower than the ICE while The Aftermarket Parts Co. price of \$1,539,374.66 is 5.6% higher than the ICE.

<b>Bidder Name</b>	<b>Bid Amount</b>	<b>Metro ICE</b>
Gillig, LLC	\$1,339,042.21	\$1,458,355.00
The Aftermarket Parts Company	\$1,539,374.66	

**D. Background on Recommended Contractor**

The recommended firm, Gillig, LLC is located in Hayward, CA and has been in business for 133 years. Gillig, LLC provided similar products for Metro and other agencies including Transdev Services, Woodland, CA, MV Transportation, Oceanside, CA, City of Montebello, Montebello, CA, Fresno Area Express, Fresno, CA and Gold Coast Transit, Oxnard, CA. Gillig, LLC has provided satisfactory service and products to Metro on previous purchases.



## DEOD SUMMARY

## CIRCUIT BREAKER RETROFIT KIT/ MA111914(2)000

**A. Small Business Participation**

The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) established a 2% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal for this Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) solicitation. Gillig LLC, made a 2% DBE commitment.

<b>Small Business Goal</b>	<b>2% DBE</b>	<b>Small Business Commitment</b>	<b>2% DBE</b>
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	<b>DBE Subcontractor</b>	<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>% Committed</b>
1.	Say Cargo Express	Hispanic American	2%
<b>Total Commitment</b>			<b>2%</b>

**B. Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Preference**

The LSBE preference is not applicable to federally funded procurements. Federal law (49 CFR § 661.21) prohibits the use of local procurement preferences on FTA-funded projects.

**C. Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy Applicability**

The Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy is not applicable to this contract.

**D. Prevailing Wage Applicability**

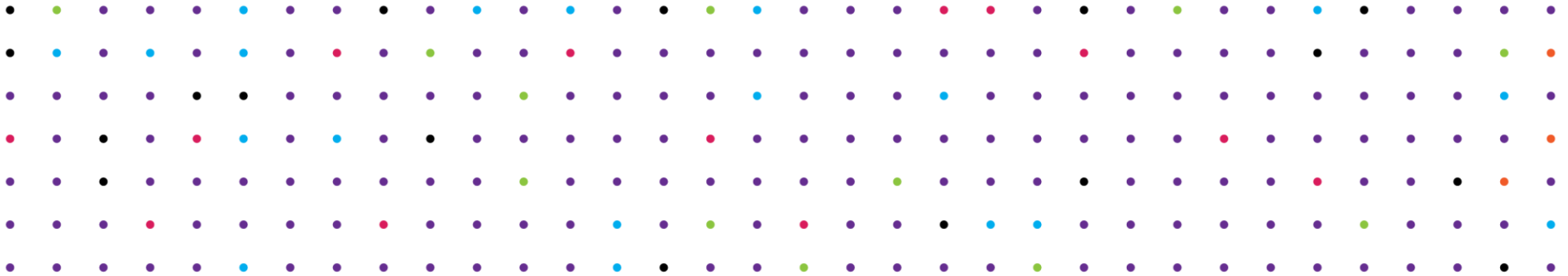
Prevailing wage is not applicable to this contract.

**E. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy**

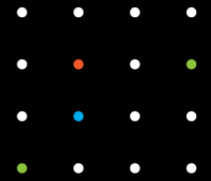
Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is not applicable to this Contract. PLA/CCP is applicable only to construction contracts that have a construction related value in excess of \$2.5 million.

# CIRCUIT BREAKER RETROFIT KIT

SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

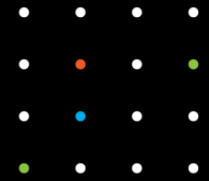


# RECOMMENDATION



AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA111914(2)000 to Gillig LLC, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to supply Circuit Breaker Retrofit Kits in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,339,042.21 inclusive of sales tax, subject to the resolution of protest(s), if any.

# ISSUE & DISCUSSION



**AWARDEE** – Gillig LLC

**NUMBER OF BIDS** - 2

Gillig LLC - \$1,339,042.21

The Aftermarket Parts Company - \$1,539,374.65

**DEOD COMMITMENT** – 2%

## **ISSUE**

New Flyer Xcelsior buses are equipped with circuit breakers that are an integral part of the air conditioning system and required for maintaining the safe and reliable operation of the bus fleet.

## **DISCUSSION**

The circuit breaker retrofit kit provides automatic interruption to the flow of electricity in a circuit when overloaded and enables mechanics to turn off high voltage power to the bus air conditioning system. This part is an important component of performing system repairs by removing all of the voltage that could cause severe injury to the mechanic due to high voltage electrical power.



**Board Report**

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**File #:** 2024-0472, **File Type:** Contract**Agenda Number:** 21.

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**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2024****SUBJECT: ALTERNATOR ASSEMBLY****ACTION: AWARD CONTRACT****RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA113336000 to TK Services, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to supply alternator assemblies in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$2,805,153.48, inclusive of sales tax, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

**ISSUE**

This procurement is for the acquisition of alternator assemblies required for maintaining the safe and reliable operation of the bus fleet. The high voltage alternators have failed at an increased rate due to the age of this equipment, and this contract will support the replacement of these components. The award of this contract will ensure that Metro's Bus Maintenance has an adequate inventory to repair and maintain buses according to Metro maintenance standards.

**BACKGROUND**

The high voltage alternators are used on Metro's New Flyer Xcelsior buses to provide power to the heating and ventilation systems. These buses were purchased in 2013 and 2015, and the buses are experiencing higher failure rates of the high voltage alternators. The replacement of the alternators is extremely important in ensuring proper functioning air conditioning systems on the bus fleet.

**DISCUSSION**

Metro's current bus fleet of New Flyer Xcelsior buses are equipped with an alternator assembly to supply the electrical current for the bus interior climate control system. The alternator assembly is crucial for supplying a continuous source of high voltage power, that enables the bus air conditioning system to maintain desired temperatures throughout the interior of the bus for the comfort and safety of our riders. The Alternator Assembly is replaced at the bus operating divisions in response to performance issues or assembly failures.

The contract to be awarded is a "requirements type" agreement in which Metro commits to order only from the awardee, up to the specified quantity, for a specific duration of time, but there is no obligation or commitment to order any or all of the alternator assemblies that may be required. The bid quantities are estimates only, with deliveries to be ordered and released as necessary. The requirements type agreement will ensure that Metro only purchases the quantity of parts needed to repair equipment with damaged components.

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Material management will purchase, maintain, and manage alternator assemblies in inventory. As they are issued, the appropriate budget project numbers and accounts will be charged.

### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

The award of this contract will positively impact safety by ensuring bus operating divisions have an adequate inventory of parts to maintain the bus fleet according to air conditioning manufacturer and Metro Maintenance standards. Ensuring a proper supply of alternator assemblies ensures a safe environment for customers by providing optimal air conditioning in Metro buses.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Funding of \$1,402,576.74 is included in the FY25 budget under multiple bus operating cost centers in project 306002 Operations Maintenance under Line 50441, Parts - Revenue Vehicle.

Since this is a multi-year contract, the cost center managers and Chief Operations Officer will be accountable for budgeting costs in future fiscal years.

#### **Impact to budget**

The current funding sources for this action include Proposition A, Proposition C, Measure R, Measure M, Transportation Development Act, STA/SB1, and Federal grant. These sources are eligible for Bus Operating or Capital projects. Using these funding sources maximizes the project funding allocations allowed by approved provisions and guidelines.

### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

The benefits of this action are to ensure the bus fleet serving Los Angeles County, including many Equity Focus Communities (EFC), are able to provide vital transportation services to neighborhoods where disparities within the region can exist between residents' access to jobs, housing, education, health, and safety. Bus transportation provides an essential lifeline for the residents in EFCs, and the Metro bus maintenance programs ensure the proper State of Good Repair of the bus fleet to provide transportation for these communities. The procurement of alternators to ensure that performance and reliability of the bus fleet ensures the highest level of bus service.

The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) established a two percent (2%) goal for this procurement. TK Services, Inc. made a 2% DBE commitment.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

Procuring alternator assemblies for the Xcelsior buses supports Strategic Goal 1: Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling. Installing alternator assemblies will maintain the reliability of the bus fleet and ensure that our customers can arrive at their destinations without interruption and in accordance with the scheduled service intervals for Metro bus operations.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The alternative is not to award the contract and procure the alternator assemblies as needed, using the traditional "min/max" replenishment method. This strategy is not recommended since it does not require a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability, timely delivery, continued supply, and a guaranteed fixed price for the parts.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Metro's requirements for the alternator assemblies will be fulfilled under the contract's provisions.

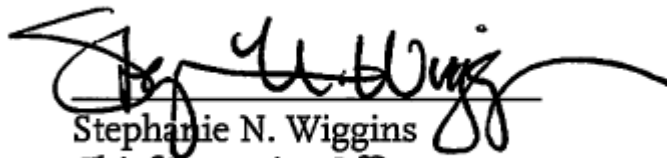
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Chief Executive Officer

**PROCUREMENT SUMMARY**

**ALTERNATOR ASSEMBLY / MA113336000**

1.	<b>Contract Number:</b> MA113336000	
2.	<b>Recommended Vendor:</b> TK Services, Inc.	
3.	<b>Type of Procurement (check one):</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IFB <input type="checkbox"/> RFP <input type="checkbox"/> RFP-A&E <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Competitive <input type="checkbox"/> Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Task Order	
4.	<b>Procurement Dates :</b>	
	<b>A. Issued:</b> 2/27/24	
	<b>B. Advertised/Publicized:</b> 2/23/24	
	<b>C. Pre-proposal/Pre-Bid Conference:</b> N/A	
	<b>D. Proposals/Bids Due:</b> 4/16/24	
	<b>E. Pre-Qualification Completed:</b> 5/8/24	
	<b>F. Conflict of Interest Form Submitted to Ethics:</b> 4/17/24	
	<b>G. Protest Period End Date:</b> 9/19/24	
5.	<b>Solicitations Picked up/Downloaded:</b> 9	<b>Bids/Proposals Received:</b> 2
6.	<b>Contract Administrator:</b> Tanya Allen	<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-1018
7.	<b>Project Manager:</b> Harold Torres	<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-5714

**A. Procurement Background**

This Board Action is to approve Contract No. MA113336000 for the procurement of alternator assemblies. Board approval of this contract award is subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

An Invitation for Bid (IFB) No. MA113336000 was issued in accordance with Metro’s Acquisition Policy and the contract type is Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ).

Two (2) amendments were issued during the solicitation phase of this IFB:

- Amendment No. 1 was issued on February 29, 2024, to update the bid opening date;
- Amendment No. 2 was issued on March 19, 2024, to update the Schedule of Quantities and Prices requirements.

A total of two (2) bids were received on April 16, 2024.

**B. Evaluation of Bids**

This procurement was conducted in accordance and complies with Metro’s Acquisition Policy for a competitive sealed bid. The two bids received are listed below in alphabetical order:



1. Gillig, LLC
2. TK Services, Inc.

Both firms were determined to be responsive and responsible to the IFB requirements. The recommended firm, TK Services, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, was found to be in full compliance in meeting the bid and technical requirements of the IFB.

**C. Price Analysis**

The recommended bid price from TK Services, Inc. has been determined to be fair and reasonable based upon adequate price competition, the Independent Cost Estimate (ICE), and selection of the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The recommended bid price of \$2,805,153.48 is 24% lower than the ICE of \$3,695,365. The ICE was based on historical pricing, higher-than-normal inflation and material cost increases. The variance between the ICE and Bid Price was due to higher-than-normal inflation factors used to calculate the ICE. This contract will achieve a price savings of 11% based on historical pricing.

<b>Bidder Name</b>	<b>Bid Amount</b>	<b>Metro ICE</b>
TK Services, Inc.	\$2,805,153.48	\$3,695,365.00
Gillig, LLC	\$4,165,498.26	

**D. Background on Recommended Contractor**

The recommended firm, TK Services, Inc. is located in Vernon, CA and has been in business for 21 years. TK Services has provided similar products for Metro and other companies including Transdev North America, Inc., in Arcadia, CA, and J.B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc. in South Gate, CA. TK Services, Inc. has provided satisfactory service and products to Metro on previous purchases.

## DEOD SUMMARY

## ALTERNATOR ASSEMBLY / MA113336

**A. Small Business Participation**

The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) established a 2% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal for this Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) solicitation. TK Services, Inc. made a 2% DBE commitment.

<b>Small Business Goal</b>	<b>2% DBE</b>	<b>Small Business Commitment</b>	<b>2% DBE</b>
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	<b>DBE Subcontractor</b>	<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>% Committed</b>
1.	Say Cargo Express	Hispanic American	1%
2.	D & W Trucking	African American	1%
<b>Total Commitment</b>			<b>2%</b>

**B. Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Preference**

The LSBE preference is not applicable to federally funded procurements. Federal law (49 CFR § 661.21) prohibits the use of local procurement preferences on FTA-funded projects.

**C. Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy Applicability**

The Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy is not applicable to this contract.

**D. Prevailing Wage Applicability**

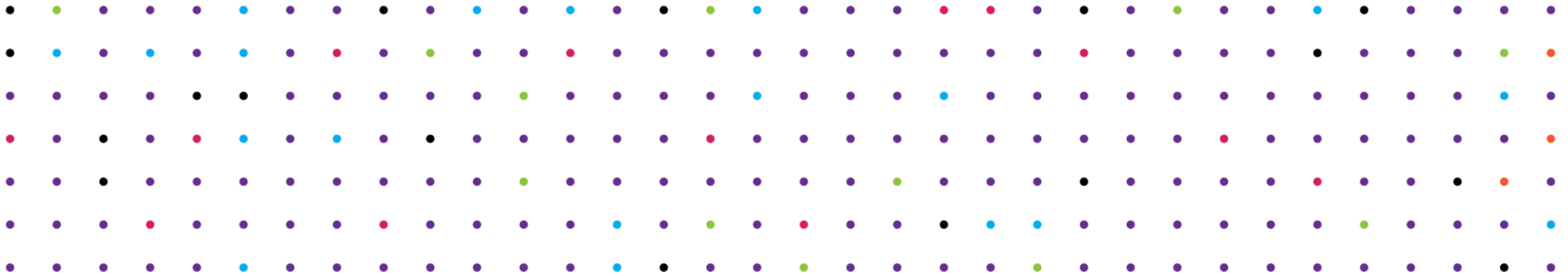
Prevailing wage is not applicable to this contract.

**E. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy**

Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is not applicable to this Contract. PLA/CCP is applicable only to construction contracts that have a construction related value in excess of \$2.5 million.

# ALTERNATOR ASSEMBLY

SEPTEMBER 19, 2024



Operations, Safety, & Customer Experience Committee Meeting

# RECOMMENDATION



AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA113336000 to TK Services, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to supply alternator assemblies in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,805,153.48., inclusive of sales tax, subject to the resolution of protest(s), if any.

# ISSUE & DISCUSSION



**AWARDEE** - TK Services, Inc.

**NUMBER OF BIDS** - 2

- TK Services, Inc. - \$2,805,153.48
- Gillig LLC - \$4,165,498.26

**DEOD COMMITMENT** - 2%

## **ISSUE**

Alternator assemblies are required for maintaining the safe and reliable operation of the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems on Metro's bus fleet.

## **DISCUSSION**

The alternator assembly is an important component of the electrical system. The primary purpose of the alternator is generation of high voltage electricity that powers the bus air conditioning system.





## Board Report

File #: 2024-0474, File Type: Contract

Agenda Number: 22.

### OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

**SUBJECT: BRAKE CALIPER ASSEMBLIES**

**ACTION: AWARD CONTRACT**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA113925000 to Zen Industrial Services, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to supply Brake Caliper Assemblies in the not-to-exceed (NTE) amount of \$3,015,693.07, inclusive of sales tax, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

#### **ISSUE**

This procurement is for brake caliper assemblies, a major component used on both the front and rear braking systems on Metro's fleet of North American Bus Industries (NABI) and El Dorado buses, to maintain the safe and reliable operation of the bus fleet. The El Dorado and NABI buses have been in service for several years, and the brake caliper assemblies are failing at increased rates with the increased age and mileage on these buses fleets.

The award of this contract will ensure the operating divisions have adequate inventory to repair and maintain the buses according to Metro maintenance standards, which is necessary to ensure service continuity and avoid any interruption to Metro operations.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The brake caliper assemblies are a major component of the braking systems used on buses to slow, stop, and provide emergency braking. These brake caliper assemblies are used on buses that were purchased several years ago, and the buses are experiencing higher failure rates of the brake caliper assemblies. The replacement of the brake caliper assemblies is extremely important in ensuring the proper functioning of the braking system and the safety of Metro's bus fleet.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The caliper assembly is part of the disc brake system that houses the brake pads and piston. Its function is to apply pressure to the piston that activates the brake pads to slow or stop the bus by

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creating friction between the brake pads and rotors. During the service life of buses in normal driving conditions, the caliper assemblies wear due to the constant braking in heavy stop-and-go traffic conditions to slow or stop the buses.

The brake caliper assembly is one of the critical components of the bus braking system. Replacing the brake caliper assemblies as part of Metro's preventive maintenance program reduces operating costs by reducing in-service failures and road calls while keeping buses in revenue service.

The contract to be awarded is a "requirements type" agreement in which Metro commits to ordering only from the awardee up to the specified quantity for a specific duration of time. However, Metro is not obligated or committed to ordering any specific quantity of the caliper assemblies that may currently be anticipated. The requirements type agreement will ensure that Metro only purchases the quantity of parts needed to repair equipment with damaged components. The bid quantities are estimates only, with deliveries to be ordered and released as required.

The brake caliper assemblies will be purchased and maintained in inventory and managed by Material Management. The appropriate budget project numbers and accounts will be charged as the caliper assemblies are issued.

### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

The award of this contract will ensure that all operating divisions have adequate inventory to maintain the brake systems on the NABI and El Dorado bus fleets according to Metro Maintenance standards. This ensures the safety of bus passengers and Metro employees by maintaining the bus fleet's ability to stop in accordance with Federal and State regulatory requirements.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The funding of \$1,507,846.54 for the various caliper assemblies - disc brakes is included in the FY25 budget under multiple bus operating cost centers in project 306002 Operations Maintenance under line item 50441, Parts - Revenue Vehicle.

Since this is a multi-year contract, the cost center managers and Chief Operations Officer will be accountable for budgeting the cost in future fiscal years, including any option exercised.

#### **Impact to Budget**

The current funding sources for this action are Federal 5307, Proposition A, Proposition C, Measure R, Measure M, and Transportation Development Act. These sources are eligible for Bus Operating projects. Using these funding sources maximizes the project funding allowances given approved provisions and guidelines.

### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

The benefits of this action are to ensure the bus fleet that serves most regions in Los Angeles County, including many Equity Focus Communities, can provide vital transportation services to

neighborhoods where disparities within the region can exist between residents' access to jobs, housing, education, health, and safety. Bus transportation provides an essential lifeline for the residents in EFCs, and the Metro bus maintenance programs ensure the proper State of Good Repair of the bus fleet to provide transportation for these communities.

The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) established a 2% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal for this procurement. Zen Industrial Services, Inc., a DBE Prime, made a 100% DBE commitment and as a regular dealer is eligible to receive 60% DBE credit.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

The caliper assemblies support Strategic Goal 1: Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling. They will help maintain the reliability of the bus fleets and ensure that our customers are able to arrive at their destinations without interruption and in accordance with the scheduled service intervals for Metro bus operations.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The alternative is not to award the contract and procure the caliper assemblies as needed, using the traditional "min/max" replenishment method. This strategy is not recommended since it does not require a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability, timely delivery, continued supply, and a guaranteed fixed price for the parts.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon approval by the Board, staff will execute No. MA113925000 for the procurement of caliper assemblies for the NABI and El Dorado bus fleets with Zen Industrial Services, Inc.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Procurement Summary

Attachment B - DEOD Summary

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PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

BRAKE CALIPER ASSEMBLIES / MA113925000

1.	<b>Contract Number:</b> MA113925000	
2.	<b>Recommended Vendor:</b> Zen Industrial Services, LLC.	
3.	<b>Type of Procurement (check one):</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IFB <input type="checkbox"/> RFP <input type="checkbox"/> RFP-A&E <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Competitive <input type="checkbox"/> Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Task Order	
4.	<b>Procurement Dates :</b>	
	<b>A. Issued:</b> 2/20/24	
	<b>B. Advertised/Publicized:</b> 2/21/24	
	<b>C. Pre-proposal/Pre-Bid Conference:</b> N/A	
	<b>D. Proposals/Bids Due:</b> 4/5/24	
	<b>E. Pre-Qualification Completed:</b> 5/20/24	
	<b>F. Conflict of Interest Form Submitted to Ethics:</b> 4/12/24	
	<b>G. Protest Period End Date:</b> 9/24/24	
5.	<b>Solicitations Picked up/Downloaded:</b> 10	<b>Bids/Proposals Received:</b> 4
6.	<b>Contract Administrator:</b> Tanya Allen	<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-1018
7.	<b>Project Manager:</b> Harold Torres	<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-5714

**A. Procurement Background**

This Board Action is to approve Contract No. MA113925000 for the procurement of Brake Caliper Assemblies. Board approval of this contract award is subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest, (if any).

An Invitation for Bid (IFB) No. MA113925 was issued in accordance with Metro’s Acquisition Policy and the contract type is Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ).

No amendments were issued during the solicitation phase of this IFB.

A total of four (4) bids were received on April 5, 2024.

**B. Evaluation of Bids**

This procurement was conducted in accordance and complies with Metro’s Acquisition Policy for a competitive sealed bid. The four bids received are listed below in alphabetical order:

1. American Moving Parts
2. Gillig, LLC
3. The Aftermarket Parts Company

#### 4. Zen Industrial Services, Inc.

All firms were determined to be responsive and responsible to the IFB requirements. The recommended firm, Zen Industrial Services, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, was found to be in full compliance in meeting the bid and technical requirements of the IFB.

### **C. Price Analysis**

The recommended bid price from Zen Industrial Services, Inc. has been determined to be fair and reasonable based upon adequate price competition, the Independent Cost Estimate (ICE), and selection of the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The recommended bid price of \$3,015,693.07 is 13% lower than the ICE of \$3,460,999. The ICE was based on the most recent individual purchases which reflect increased material and shipping costs as a result of raw material shortages, increased fuel costs, and high inflation. Due to the solicitation of these parts in a competitive environment, this contract will achieve a price savings of 15% based on historical pricing.

<b>Bidder Name</b>	<b>Bid Amount</b>	<b>Metro ICE</b>
Zen Industrial Service Inc.	\$3,015,693.07	\$3,460,999.00
Gillig, LLC	\$3,067,128.29	
American Moving Parts	\$3,069,304.27	
The Aftermarket Parts Company	\$3,603,871.01	

### **D. Background on Recommended Contractor**

The recommended firm, Zen Industrial Services, Inc. is located in Rye Brook, NY and has been in business for 20 years. Zen Industrial Services, Inc. (Zen), Inc. has provided similar products for Metro and other transit agencies including New York City Transit (NYCT), NY and Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART), TX. Zen has provided satisfactory service and products to Metro on previous purchases.

DEOD SUMMARY

**BRAKE CALIPER ASSEMBLIES / MA113925000**

**A. Small Business Participation**

The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) established a 2% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal for this Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) solicitation. Zen Industrial Services, Inc. a DBE Prime, made a 100% commitment of the work with its own workforce. As a regular dealer, Zen Industrial Services, Inc. is eligible to receive 60% DBE credit for the value of supplies provided on this contract.

<b>Small Business Goal</b>	<b>2% DBE</b>	<b>Small Business Commitment</b>	<b>60% DBE</b>
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	<b>DBE Subcontractor</b>	<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>% Committed</b>
1.	Zen Industrial Services, Inc. (DBE Prime)	Subcontinent Asian American	60%
<b>Total Commitment</b>			<b>60%</b>

**B. Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Preference**

The LSBE preference is not applicable to federally funded procurements. Federal law (49 CFR § 661.21) prohibits the use of local procurement preferences on FTA-funded projects.

**C. Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy Applicability**

The Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy is not applicable to this contract.

**D. Prevailing Wage Applicability**

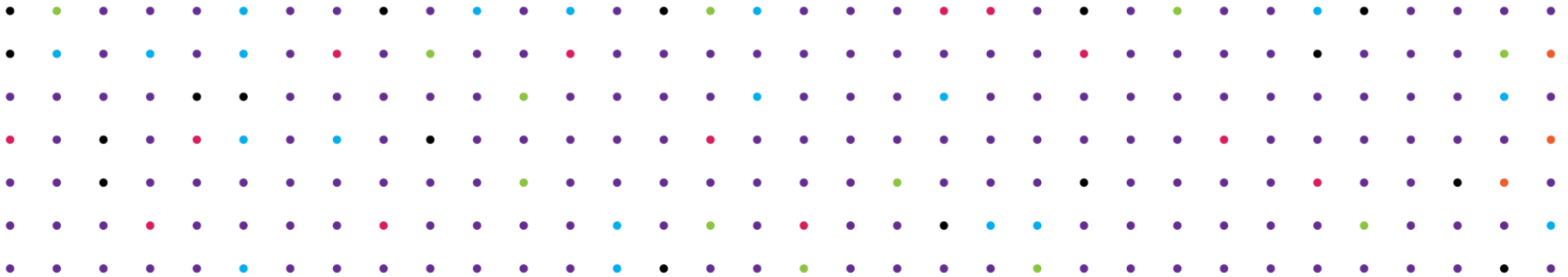
Prevailing wage is not applicable to this contract.

**E. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy**

Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is not applicable to this Contract. PLA/CCP is applicable only to construction contracts that have a construction related value in excess of \$2.5 million.

# BRAKE CALIPER ASSEMBLIES

SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

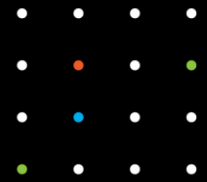


# RECOMMENDATION



AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA113925000 to Zen Industrial Services, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to supply Brake Caliper Assemblies in the not-to-exceed amount of \$3,015,693.07, inclusive of sales tax, subject to the resolution of protest(s), if any.

# ISSUE & DISCUSSION



**AWARDEE** - Zen Industrial Services, Inc.

**NUMBER OF BIDS** - 4

- Zen Industrial Services - \$3,015,693.07
- Gillig LLC - \$3,067,128.29
- American Moving Parts LLC - \$3,069,304.27
- The Aftermarket Parts Company – \$3,603,871.01

**DEOD COMMITMENT** - 60%

## **ISSUE**

The caliper assembly is major component of the bus braking system on Metro’s fleet of North American Bus Industries (NABI) and El Dorado buses.

## **DISCUSSION**

The replacement of worn caliper assemblies is a part of Metro’s preventive maintenance program to reduce in-service failures and road calls, which ensures the safety of passengers and provides a high level of customer service.





## Board Report

File #: 2024-0481, File Type: Contract

Agenda Number: 23.

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### OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER SERVICE COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

**SUBJECT: VANPOOL VEHICLE SUPPLIER BENCH CONTRACT**

**ACTION: APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No. 7 to the Vanpool Vehicle Supplier Bench Contract Nos. PS1074300051491, PS1074400051491, and PS1074500051491 with Green Commuter, Airport Van Rental, and Enterprise Rideshare (a division of Enterprise Holdings) respectively, to increase the total not-to-exceed (NTE) contract amount by \$3.7 million from \$36,000,000 to \$39,700,000 and extend the period of performance from December 31, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

#### **ISSUE**

As of July 1, 2024, Metro has authorized 806 public vanpool service routes with vehicle leases contracted through the existing bench of vanpool vehicle suppliers. The current Metro Vanpool Program transportation contracts will expire on December 31, 2024. Staff has initiated a procurement to secure the new Vehicle Supplier Bench Contract, with the Request For Proposals (RFP) released on August 28, 2024. The additional contract authority and extended performance period are necessary to ensure continuity of service until the transition to the new Vehicle Supplier Bench Contract.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Metro launched the Metro Vanpool Program in May 2007, adding the vanpool mode of public transportation to the Metro family of services. Since then, Metro Vanpool has grown to be the largest vanpool program in the country and has become an industry leader in providing a mobility option to employers and commuters to significantly reduce traffic congestion while improving air quality throughout Southern California. This program offers long-distance and inter-county commuters, who may lack transit options or other mobility alternatives, the opportunity to use vanpools to complete their trips. As a result, this program contributes to the reduction of nearly 50 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT) annually produced by single-occupancy vehicles (SOV) commuting to and within Los Angeles County, meaning thousands of additional cars would be on the road without this highly successful program.



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In July 2018, the Metro Board awarded the Vanpool Vehicle Supplier Bench Contract to three vehicle suppliers: Airport Van Rental, Green Commuter, and Enterprise Rideshare (a division of Enterprise Holdings), with Option Years 1 and 2 executed for a total of \$36 million. The Metro Vanpool Program Bench contracts were established to offer commuters multiple vendor options to secure leased vehicle services. Eligible vanpools enrolled in the program must agree to and comply with participation and reporting rules to receive subsidies amounting to a maximum of 50% of the vanpool vehicle lease costs or up to \$600 per month. In 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, program enrollment dropped by 50% to 636 vans from a pre-pandemic size of 1,280. Since then, the program has steadily grown to 806 vanpools, recovering 26% of the COVID-19 attrition.

Vanpool program data is prepared and submitted to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) through the National Transit Database (NTD) on a monthly and annual basis. Although the subsidy to vanpools is funded through Prop C 25%, submitting data to NTD generates a reimbursement annually to Metro from Sections 5307 and 5339 federal funds. While the return fluctuates every year, Metro Vanpool generated approximately \$16 million of Metro's FY24 federal apportionment from the FTA, which is used for transit planning and capital-this not only covered the operational costs of the program (approximately \$7.5 million) but also represented an additional revenue return to the agency.

## **DISCUSSION**

Despite the negative impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on Metro Vanpool, the Program has demonstrated that it is a valuable mobility resource to the region. Since 2022, Metro Vanpool has rebounded and shown steady growth in both the number of operational vans and overall ridership. The Metro Vanpool Program is still the largest and most active program in the nation and is the standard bearer/model for public vanpool programs. The average vanpool trip is 40.45 miles, with destinations throughout Los Angeles County. The program's value is multifaceted - Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) reduction, congestion mitigation, air quality benefits, and federal funding reimbursement in excess of the program's cost that supports transit operations. To ensure the uninterrupted continuation of the Metro Vanpool Program and its ongoing benefits, an extension of the current contracts and the addition of contract values are required.

A new procurement is currently underway to secure a new Vanpool Supplier Bench Contract. The extension of the current contracts should provide sufficient time to finalize the procurement and return to the Board for contract authorization. Other regional vanpool programs have recently completed procurements for new vehicle provider contracts. Each of these counties/agencies reported unanticipated delays during the negotiation and contract finalization stages due to challenges raised by prospective contractors. The contract extension incorporates potential impact should Metro experience similar complications and delays. The new procurement also addresses changes and program enhancements, such as increasing the availability and use of hybrid and/or zero-emission vehicles, improved data collection, and other related factors.

The requested extension to June 2025 and increased contract value in the amount of \$3.7 million will ensure seamless service continuity and allow for a thorough and deliberate procurement process without compromising service quality or timeliness.

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## **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

The Metro Vanpool Program has effectively reduced the number of cars on the road during peak commute periods, contributing to public safety.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The FY25 budget includes \$3.7 million in funding under cost center 4540 (Regional Rideshare/Shared Mobility), Project 405547, Task 02.07. As this is a multi-year program, the Cost Center Manager and Deputy Chief Operations Officer of Shared Mobility will be accountable for budgeting costs in future years.

### **Impact to Budget**

The funding source for this action is Proposition C 25% Streets & Highway and is not eligible for bus and rail operating and capital expenditures. In addition, FTA Sections 5307 and 5339 grant funds generated by the Metro Vanpool Program increase funds available for bus and rail capital expenditures.

## **EQUITY PLATFORM**

Metro Vanpool provides a public service to commuters and is committed to implementing an equitable, ADA-compliant program. The program has been in continuous operation since 2007 and is anticipated to continue yielding benefits for marginalized groups and Equity Focus Communities (EFCs).

Metro Vanpool provides a non-drive-alone mode option to all commuters living and/or working in Los Angeles County, including those in EFCs, and is open to all groups. Of the 2,248 commuters who board a Metro vanpool within LA County, 409 (18%) board a vanpool vehicle within an EFC. Additionally, many Metro Vanpool program participants originate outside of LA County but utilize the program to commute to their workplace within LA County. Of these 1,480 additional commuters, 419 (28%) board a vanpool vehicle from a California-designated Disadvantaged Community (DAC).

A positive impact for marginalized and vulnerable groups includes increased access to a non-drive-alone mode that reduces traffic and improves air quality in the communities where they live. The program is available to all commuters at a cost that is less than driving alone. The subsidy provided through the program decreases the overall cost and increases the program's affordability. In addition, Metro complies with ADA regulations and requires vehicle suppliers to provide vehicles that can accommodate participants with various physical abilities.

In an effort to expand the benefit of the program to marginalized communities and EFCs, Metro Vanpool is committed to prioritizing outreach and reducing barriers these communities may face (e.g., limited language proficiency, digital divide, reaching people with disabilities, etc.). Staff will continue to research, identify opportunities, and assess the feasibility of implementing these strategies. Metro Vanpool does not currently have any information on customer demographics, so in FY25, staff will be conducting a survey of existing customers to better understand the demographics

and needs of these customers for service optimization and further strategic planning.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

The recommendation supports the following strategic plan goals:

- Goal 1: Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling
- Goal 2: Deliver outstanding trip experiences for all users of the transportation system
- Goal 3: Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board may elect not to approve this recommendation. This option is not recommended as it would result in an inability to subsidize vanpool vehicles enrolled in the Metro Vanpool Program, a key initiative in reducing VMT in Los Angeles County and Southern California, and result in loss of revenue generated through NTD reporting.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon approval by the Board, staff will execute Contract Modification No. 7 to Bench Contract Nos. PS1074300051491, PS1074400051491, and PS1074500051491 effective January 1, 2025.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Procurement Summary  
Attachment B - Contract Modification/Change Order Log  
Attachment C - DEOD Summary

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## PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

VANPOOL VEHICLE SUPPLIER BENCH/PS1075430005149, PS1075440005149,  
PS1075450005149

1.	<b>Contract Number:</b> PS10754300051491, PS10754400051491, PS10754500051491			
2.	<b>Contractor:</b> Green Commuter, Airport Van Rental, and Enterprise Rideshare (a division of Enterprise Holdings)			
3.	<b>Mod. Work Description:</b> Extend Period of Performance			
4.	<b>Contract Work Description:</b> Vanpool Vehicle Supplier Bench			
5.	<b>The following data is current as of:</b> 8/7/24			
6.	<b>Contract Completion Status</b>		<b>Financial Status</b>	
	<b>Contract Awarded:</b>	7/26/18	<b>Contract Award Amount:</b>	\$18,000,000
	<b>Notice to Proceed (NTP):</b>	N/A	<b>Total of Modifications Approved:</b>	\$18,000,000
	<b>Original Complete Date:</b>	7/31/20	<b>Pending Modifications (including this action):</b>	\$3,700,000
	<b>Current Est. Complete Date:</b>	6/30/25	<b>Current Contract Value (with this action):</b>	\$39,700,000
7.	<b>Contract Administrator:</b> Andrew Coppolo		<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-1067	
8.	<b>Project Manager:</b> Melissa Park		<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 418-3318	

## A. Procurement Background

This Board action is to approve Contract Modification No. 7 to extend the Period of Performance of the Vanpool Vehicle Supplier Bench Contract Nos. PS10754300051491 with Green Commuter, PS10754400051491 with Airport Van Rental, and PS10754500051491 with Enterprise Rideshare (a division of Enterprise Holdings). These Contract Modifications will also increase the Not-to-Exceed amount of the bench contract by \$3,700,000.

These Contract Modifications will be processed in accordance with Metro's Acquisition Policy and the contract type is firm fixed unit prices.

On July 26, 2018, the Board awarded firm fixed unit price Vanpool Vehicle Supplier Bench Contract Nos. PS10754300051491 to Green Commuter, PS10754400051491 to Airport Van Rental and PS10754500051491 to Enterprise Rideshare (a division of Enterprise Holdings). Six (6) modifications have been issued to date. Refer to Attachment B — Contract

Modification/Change Order Log for a list of approved modifications.

**B. Price Analysis**

Firm Fixed Unit Rates and subsidies on the contracts remain unchanged.

## CONTRACT MODIFICATION/CHANGE ORDER LOG

VANPOOL VEHICLE SUPPLIER BENCH/PS1075430005149, PS1075440005149,  
PS1075450005149

<b>Mod. no.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status (approved or pending)</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>\$ Amount</b>
1	Period of Performance (POP) extension through 9/30/20	Approved	8/7/2024	\$0
2	Exercise first, one-year option and extend the POP through 9/31/21	Approved	8/28/20	\$9,000,000
3	Exercise second, one-year option and extend the POP through 9/30/22	Approved	7/22/21	\$9,000,000
4	POP extension through 9/30/23	Approved	8/2/22	\$0
5	POP extension through 7/31/24	Approved	8/22/23	\$0
6	POP extension through 12/31/24	Approved	7/31/24	\$0
<b>7</b>	<b>Increase NTE amount of contract and extend POP through 6/30/25</b>	<b>Pending</b>	<b>9/26/24</b>	<b>\$3,700,000</b>
	<b>Modification Total:</b>			<b>\$21,700,000</b>
	<b>Original Contract:</b>			<b>\$18,000,000</b>
	<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$39,700,000</b>

DEOD SUMMARY

**VANPOOL VEHICLE SUPPLIER BENCH CONTRACT/ PS1075430005149,  
PS1075440005149, PS1075450005149**

**A. Small Business Participation**

The Diversity & Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) did not establish a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) goal for this project due to the lack of subcontracting opportunities. It is expected that the three (3) suppliers, Airport Van Rental, Green Commuter, and Enterprise Rideshare (a division of Enterprise Holdings) will continue to perform the services of this contract with their own workforce.

**B. Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy Applicability**

The Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy is not applicable to this modification.

**C. Prevailing Wage Applicability**

Prevailing wage is not applicable to this modification.

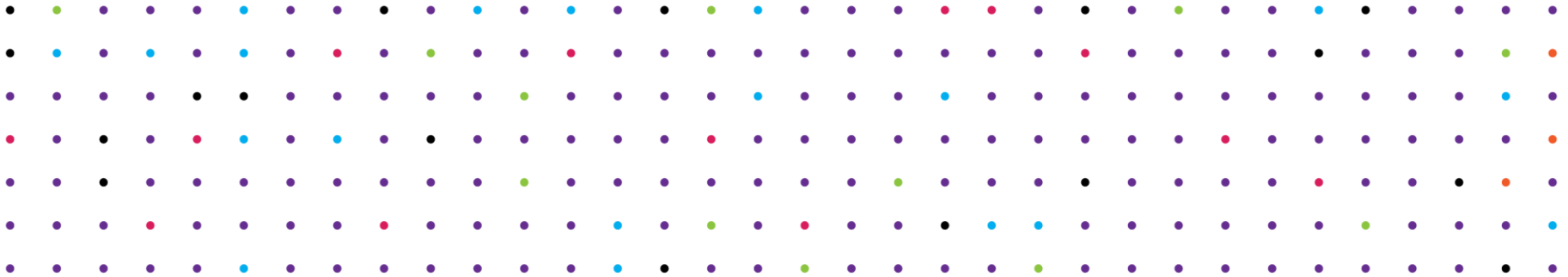
**D. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy**

Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is not applicable to this Contract. PLA/CCP is applicable only to construction contracts that have a construction related value in excess of \$2.5 million.

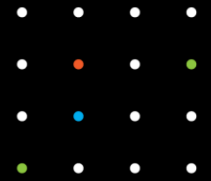


# VANPOOL VEHICLE SUPPLIER BENCH CONTRACT

September 19, 2024



# RECOMMENDATION



AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No. 7 to the Vanpool Vehicle Supplier Bench Contract Nos. PS1074300051491, PS1074400051491, and PS1074500051491 with Green Commuter, Airport Van Rental, and Enterprise Rideshare (a division of Enterprise Holdings) respectively, to increase the total not-to-exceed (NTE) contract amount by \$3.7 million from \$36,000,000 to \$39,700,000 and extend the period of performance from December 31, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

# ISSUE & DISCUSSION



## AWARDEES

Airport Van Rental, Enterprise Rideshare, and Green Commuter

## DEOD COMMITMENT

The Diversity & Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) did not establish a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) goal for this project due to the lack of subcontracting opportunities. It is expected that the three suppliers will continue to perform the services of this contract with their own workforce.

## ISSUE

The current Metro Vanpool Program transportation contracts will expire on December 31, 2024. Staff has initiated a procurement to secure the new Vehicle Supplier Bench Contract and the additional contract authority and extended period of performance are necessary to ensure continuity of service until the transition to the new Vehicle Supplier Bench Contract.

## DISCUSSION

Through this Bench contract, Metro Vanpool provides subsidies to over 800 active vanpools with nearly 4600 participants. A new procurement is currently underway to secure a new Vanpool Supplier Bench Contract. To ensure the uninterrupted continuation of the Metro Vanpool Program and its ongoing benefits, an extension of the current contracts and the addition of contract values are required.





## Board Report

File #: 2024-0505, File Type: Contract

Agenda Number: 24.

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### OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

**SUBJECT: P3010 LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE INTEGRATED DATA AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM (IDCS)**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No. 2, and exercise Option 1, install and commission the Integrated Data and Communication System (IDCS) on the P3010 Light Rail Vehicle under Contract No. TS83056-2000 to Siemens Mobility, Inc. in the firm fixed amount of \$18,051,025, increasing the total Contract amount from \$5,043,855 to \$23,094,880. This action does not change the board-approved LOP for this project of \$44,436,129.

#### **ISSUE**

The IDCS will provide real-time access to information and video on the train, reducing operations and maintenance response and diagnostics time. Further, the IDCS will improve real-time arrival predictions by tracking the vehicle location using the Global Positioning System (GPS) and calculating the vehicle location when GPS is unavailable, such as in tunnels. The system will also allow for more automatic retrieval of historical maintenance data and CCTV video. In addition, the IDCS provides live viewing of the CCTV system, enabling security personnel to respond faster to incidents. Finally, this System will employ the latest cybersecurity technology to prevent disruption from external and internal threats while providing our passengers Wi-Fi access.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Option 1 is the first of four Options for the Base Contract of the A650 subway fleet. The project was divided into Options for each fleet type to facilitate phased budgeting and implementation. The sequence of the Options was determined based on multiple factors. The A650 was selected as the Base Contract because it was considered a higher priority due to the need for improved location tracking in the tunnels. The P3010 was selected as the first option because it is the largest and fully available fleet. The P2000 and P2550 were selected as Option 2 and Option 3, respectively, because they are undergoing modernization. The HR4000 was selected as Option 4 because the vehicles are still in production. Please refer to Board Report File No. 2023-0488 for additional details. Fourteen of seventeen milestones have been completed for the A650 base contract. Production is scheduled to be complete by March 2025.

## **DISCUSSION**

Metro is seeking to acquire the IDCS to provide rail connectivity and real-time access to information on the train, which will reduce operations, maintenance, and security response and diagnostics time through the following:

- Train arrival prediction information
- Maintenance response times to vehicle health monitoring
- Security and safety response times, as well as evidence collection

The IDCS is comprised of the physical device onboard (e.g., hardware) and the data management system (e.g., software). The onboard device will monitor the train's equipment to retrieve and store data on the Contractor's cloud-based server but will not be able to control any other onboard system.

The IDCS will improve real-time arrival predictions by tracking the vehicle location using the Global Positioning System (GPS) and calculating the vehicle location when GPS is unavailable (e.g., tunnels). Additionally, the IDCS will enable remote, live viewing of the CCTV system, enabling security personnel to respond more quickly to incidents. The IDCS data will also be accessible via a secure web portal interface.

Lastly, the IDCS will employ the latest cybersecurity technology to prevent disruption from external and internal threats while providing our passengers Wi-Fi. Metro trains do not currently have free public Wi-Fi, and having this access is an amenity that many customers expect whenever they occupy a building or vehicle.

Due to the successful implementation, testing and results on the Base Contract A650 prototype cars along with the approval of the First Article Inspection activities, and in addition to the successful prototype P3010 car, the IDCS Project team is confident in proceeding with this option on the P3010 fleet.

## **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

The approval of exercising Option No. 1 to the Contract for the P3010 fleet will enhance system safety, service quality, system reliability, maintainability, and overall customer satisfaction. The IDCS project will permit Metro to embrace technological enhancements to improve maintenance capabilities, train arrival prediction algorithms, and provide access to real-time CCTV video.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The LOP for project 214004 includes funds for the IDCS equipment/installation, software services for one-year, spare parts, workforce labor, and contingency reserves, totaling \$44,436,129. Currently, \$3,000,000 is budgeted in the FY25 budget in Cost Center 3942 under CP-214004, IDCS project. Since this is a multi-year contract, the cost center manager will be responsible for dispersing the cost for subsequent years.

### Impact to Budget

The current source of funds for this action is TDA Article 4. This funding is eligible for Capital and Operating Projects. Staff is also pursuing additional Federal, State, and Local funding sources as they become available.

### EQUITY PLATFORM

This procurement maintains the availability of all the Rail Fleets in LA Metro, including those servicing Equity Focus Communities. Approval of this Option 1 contract for the P3010 fleet ensures that all customers on Metro's light rail lines can access up-to-date technology. Additionally, this procurement supports Metro's revised Code of Conduct, a Bias-Free Policing Policy, and a Public Safety Analytics Policy by providing enhanced access to vehicle CCTV systems. The current DBE goal for this project is 18%.

### IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The recommendation supports Metro's Strategic Plan Goal 5) Provide responsive, accountable, and trustworthy governance within the Metro organization. The completion and rollout of the IDCS project will provide state-of-the-art assets that will provide train location, passenger WIFI, real-time CCTV viewing, and vehicle health monitoring for all Metro trains.

### ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

Staff considered using in-house Metro resources to perform this work. This approach is not recommended as Metro does not have sufficient resources and subject matter experts available.

The Board of Directors may choose not to authorize the Options award for this project; however, Metro staff does not recommend this alternative because this IDCS project is new to all Metro rail fleets. Delays in exercising the Options will impact dependencies in providing these improved services to the remaining Metro rail fleets.

### NEXT STEPS

The Integrated Data and Communication System (IDCS) Option 1- P3010 LRV Fleet will proceed upon Board approval. The current schedule projects completion of the P3010 fleet by November 2025 in advance of the 2026 World Cup and 2028 Summer Olympics.

### ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Procurement Summary

Attachment B - Contract Modification Log

Attachment C - DEOD Summary

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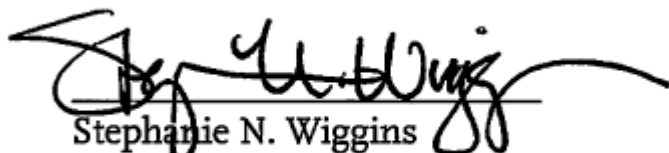
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**ATTACHMENT A**

**PROCUREMENT SUMMARY**

**P3010 LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE INTEGRATED DATA AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (IDCS)/TS83056-2000**

1.	<b>Contract Number:</b> TS83056-2000		
2.	<b>Contractor:</b> Siemens Mobility, Inc.		
3.	<b>Mod. Work Description:</b> Exercise Option 1 authorizing the Contractor to install, integrate, commission and test the IDCS for the P3010 fleet (235 rail cars).		
4.	<b>Contract Work Description:</b> This is in support of the implementation of the IDCS to provide real-time access to the information on the train. The Contractor shall be responsible for design, manufacturing, installation, integration, testing and commissioning of the monitoring system.		
5.	<b>The following data is current as of July 19, 2024:</b>		
6.	<b>Contract Completion Status</b>		<b>Financial Status</b>
	<b>Contract Awarded:</b>	November 7, 2023	<b>Contract Award Amount:</b> \$5,043,855 Base (A650)
	<b>Notice to Proceed (NTP):</b>	December 6, 2023	<b>Total of Modifications Approved:</b> 1
	<b>Original Complete Date:</b>	September 29, 2028	<b>Pending Modifications (including this action):</b> \$18,051,025 Option 1 (P3010)
	<b>Current Est. Complete Date:</b>	September 29, 2028	<b>Current Contract Value (with this action):</b> \$23,094,880 Base Plus Option 1
7.	<b>Contract Administrator:</b> Aniza Wan Nawang		<b>Telephone Number:</b> 213-922-4677
8.	<b>Project Manager:</b> Bob Spadafora		<b>Telephone Number:</b> 213-922-3144

**A. Procurement Background**

This Board Action is to approve Contract Modification No. 2 to exercise Option No. 1 for the design, manufacturing, installation, integration, testing and commissioning of the Integrated Data and Communication System (IDCS) for the P3010 LRV fleet for a firm-fixed-price of \$18,051,025 increasing the total contract value from \$5,043,855 to \$23,094,880. The firm-fixed-price amount option was competitively solicited during the procurement phase of the Base Contract Award.

This Contract Modification will be processed in accordance with Metro’s Acquisition Policy. The Contract with Siemens Mobility, Inc. was approved by the Board of Directors



on October 19, 2023 under Agenda Number 32. Exercising Contract Option No. 1 will not impact the original period of performance.

**B. Cost/Price Analysis**

The Option No. 1 amount was evaluated at the time of award for the Base Contract Pricing. The recommended price of \$18,051,025.00 has been determined to be the best attainable, fair and reasonable price based on adequate price competition, negotiations, technical evaluation, and price analysis. In addition, a recent market survey confirmed Option 1 pricing is still in Metro’s best interest since no other alternatives are currently available.

	<b>Proposer Name</b>	<b>BAFO III Option No. 1 Proposal</b>	<b>Metro ICE for Option No. 1</b>
1.	Siemens Mobility	\$18,051,025	\$16,643,101
2.	Quester Tangent	\$59,347,449	\$16,643,101

This Contract Option is being exercised within the validity of the Option period and the price is not subject to escalation.

## CONTRACT MODIFICATION/CHANGE LOG

**P3010 LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE INTEGRATED DATA AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
SYSTEM (IDCS)/TS83056-2000**

<b>Mod. no.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status (approved or pending)</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1	Add new Article 0 (Signature) and revise payment milestone schedule	Approved	06-20-24	\$0
2	<b>Exercise Option 1 – P3010</b>	<b>Pending</b>	<b>TBA</b>	<b>\$18,051,025</b>
	<b>Modification Total:</b>			<b>\$18,051,025</b>
	<b>Original Contract:</b>			<b>\$5,043,855</b>
	<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$23,094,880</b>

**DEOD SUMMARY**

**INTEGRATED DATA AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM (IDCS) ON THE P3010 LRV FLEET/TS83056-2**

**A. Small Business Participation**

Siemens Mobility, Inc. (SMI) made an 18% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) commitment. The project is 20% complete and the current (DBE) participation is 0.00%, representing a 18% shortfall of the commitment.

SMI stated that the installation work scheduled to be performed by the DBE firm has not commenced yet, and as confirmed by Metro’s Project Manager, the production phase will begin in late October 2024, at which time the DBE will be engaged. SMI reported that it anticipates achieving its commitment in early 2025.

<b>Small Business Commitment</b>	<b>18% DBE</b>	<b>Small Business Participation</b>	<b>0% DBE</b>
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	<b>DBE Subcontractors</b>	<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>% Committed</b>	<b>Current Participation<sup>1</sup></b>
1.	Kambrian Corporation (Withdraw)	Asian-Pacific American	18%	0%
2.	Ametrade, Inc.	Hispanic American	Added	0%
	<b>Total</b>		<b>18%</b>	<b>0%</b>

<sup>1</sup>Current Participation = Total Actual amount Paid-to-Date to DBE firms ÷ Total Actual Amount Paid-to-date to Prime.

**B. Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy Applicability**

The Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy is not applicable to this modification.

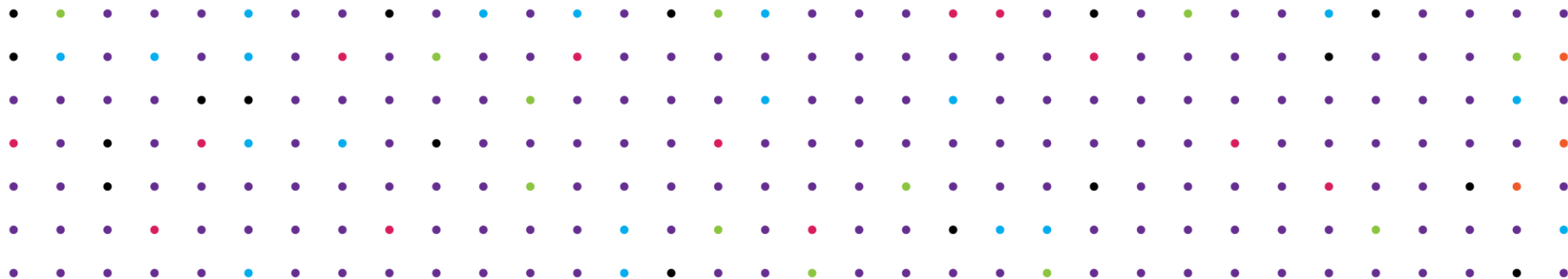
**C. Prevailing Wage Applicability**

Prevailing wage is not applicable to this modification.

**D. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy**

Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is not applicable to this Contract. PLA/CCP is applicable only to construction contracts that have a construction related value in excess of \$2.5 million.

# Exercise Option for P3010 Light Rail Vehicle Integrated Data & Communication System (IDCS)



# RECOMMENDATION



AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No. 2, and exercise Option 1, install and commission the Integrated Data and Communication System (IDCS) on the P3010 Light Rail Vehicle under Contract No. TS83056-2000 to Siemens Mobility, Inc. in the firm fixed amount of \$18,051,025, increasing the total Contract amount from \$5,043,855 to \$23,094,880. This action does not change the board-approved LOP for this project of \$44,436,129.

# ISSUE & DISCUSSION



## ISSUE

The IDCS will provide real-time access and automatic retrieval of system data and CCTV video, including live streaming. Additionally, it will improve arrival predictions by tracking vehicle location using GPS and calculating vehicle location when GPS is not available (e.g., in tunnels). The latest in cybersecurity technology will be implemented to prevent disruption from external and internal threats while providing passengers with Wi-Fi access.

## DISCUSSION

Metro is seeking to acquire the IDCS to provide rail connectivity and real-time video downloading and access to information on trains, which will reduce operations, maintenance, and security response and diagnostic time.





Board Report

File #: 2024-0496, File Type: Contract

Agenda Number: 25.

**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2024**

**SUBJECT: A LINE TRAIN CONTROL NON-VITAL AND VITAL RELAY REPLACEMENT**

**ACTION: CONTRACT AWARD**

**RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. AWARD a 39-month firm fixed price Contract No. AE117510000 to B&C Transit, Inc. for the Metro A Line Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement Project in the amount of \$14,838,050 effective October 1, 2024, subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any; and
- B. INCREASE the Life of Project (LOP) Budget for the A Line Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement by \$9,355,855 from \$11,100,000 to \$20,455,855.

**ISSUE**

The Metro railway train control system uses electronically operated non-vital and vital relay switches to manage the safe movement of trains. The current non-vital and vital train control relays on the A Line have continuously operated since revenue service began in 1990. These non-vital and vital relays are now reaching the end of their useful life and require replacement. They are no longer supported by the original equipment manufacturer (OEM), are not readily available in the industry, and potential replacement relays are not cost-effective due to the difficulty of installation. Approval of a contract award and an increase in the LOP budget are needed to proceed with the replacement and modernization work.

**BACKGROUND**

The obsolete non-vital train control relays are challenging the Maintenance of Way (MOW) maintenance workforce to keep them operational and in good repair. Additionally, new technology in the marketplace would make maintenance of the non-vital train control system easier.

In May 2022, the Board approved the Metro A Line Train Control Non-Vital Relay Replacement project with an LOP budget of \$11,100,000 as part of the adopted FY23 annual budget. This initial LOP budget was based on the engineering estimate for replacing only the non-vital train control

relays at Communication and Signal (C&S) buildings along the mainline. Subsequently, the project scope was expanded to include the replacement of vital train control relays because vital relays have also become more difficult to procure and are less readily available. The expanded project scope to add replacement of the vital relays, as well as inflation, contributed significantly to the increased LOP.

## **DISCUSSION**

All train control equipment rooms consist of a large number of vital relays and non-vital relays. Vital relays are essential components of Metro's railway train control system, managing critical safety functions. They ensure the safe operation of trains by controlling signals and track switches at interlockings (track sections). They are designed to halt train movements when a train enters a section already occupied by another train. These relays are crucial in preventing collisions and are designed to fail without creating an unsafe condition. Non-vital relays manage other essential functions such as requesting routes, providing status indications, and sending alarms to the Rail Operations Control (ROC) Center.

The project work under Contract No. AE117510000 will replace the current vital and non-vital relays and associated wiring with microprocessor-based train control equipment. The microprocessor-based train control system will be installed at 14 C&S building locations along the mainline. To minimize the impact on rail service, the project work will be performed within one C&S building location at a time. A \$20,455,855 LOP budget need has been determined based on the necessary project scope and the negotiated amount for Contract No. AE117510000. See Attachment A for the expenditure plan of capital project 205673.

The replacement of the train control relays is part of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP), which aims to renew transit infrastructure assets. Metro is committed to maintaining transit infrastructure assets in good repair.

## **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Non-vital and vital train control relays directly impact the safety of train movements and are critical infrastructure assets that work to prevent train collisions and other safety hazards. In accordance with Metro's Transit Asset Management Plan requirements, both non-vital and vital train control relays must be replaced in a timely manner when they begin reaching the end of their useful life to comply with safety and reliability standards, alongside meeting California Public Utilities Commission and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

This action will increase the LOP budget for capital project 205673-A-Line Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement, adjusting it from \$11,100,000 to \$20,455,855. The FY25 budget includes annual funding of \$2,900,276 for this project.

Since this is a multi-year project, the Project Manager will ensure that the balance of funds is budgeted in future fiscal years.



### Impact to Budget

The current source of funds for this action is local funds. The majority of the funding sources are eligible for Capital and Operating Projects.

### EQUITY PLATFORM

Metro is committed to maintaining transit assets in marginalized communities, ensuring reliable and equitable transportation options for Metro riders. The equity benefits of this action modernize transit infrastructure assets on the A (formerly Blue) Line that directly provide service to many Equity Focus Communities (EFCs) as well as low-income riders, who are the primary users of the Metro transit system.

The A Line serves communities with a high concentration of EFCs, including Westlake, Exposition Park, Central-Alameda, Huntington Park, Vermont-Slauson, Vermont, Knolls, Vermont-Vista, Watts, Willowbrook, Compton, Long Beach, and Wilmington. It also serves as transfer connections to other Metro rail lines and multiple bus lines. Replacing and modernizing the vital and non-vital relays ensures the continuity of rail services through EFCs. The relays manage the safe movement of trains and provide for safe operations that benefit low-income riders.

Contract No. AE117510000 for the A Line Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relays was solicited with a 3% Small Business Enterprise (SBE) and 3% Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) goal. The recommended firm, B&C Transit, met the project work requirements by committing to both the 3% SBE and 3% DVBE goals.

### IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Approval of this recommendation supports the following Metro Strategic Plan Goals:

- Goal # 2 Deliver outstanding trip experiences for all users of the transportation system.
- Goal # 3 Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity.

### ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board may choose not to award Contract No. AE117510000 and not increase the LOP budget for project 205673. Staff does not recommend this because the current non-vital and vital train control relays along the A (formerly Blue) Line are nearing the end of their useful life. They are safety-sensitive, and choosing not to perform or postpone replacement will impact service reliability if the relays become non-operational, halting train movements and disrupting railway service. Functioning non-vital and vital relays are required for train operations. Additionally, unscheduled maintenance repair costs per component will result in higher operating costs versus reduced costs when performing work as scheduled.

### NEXT STEPS

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Upon the Board's approval of the recommendations, staff will increase the authorized LOP budget and execute Contract No. AE117510000 with B&C Transit, Inc. for the Metro A Line Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement Project.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Project 205673 Expenditure Plan

Attachment B - Procurement Summary

Attachment C - DEOD Summary

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**Capital Project 205673 Expenditure Plan  
A Line Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement**

<b>Use of Funds</b>	<b>ITD</b>	<b>FY25</b>	<b>FY26</b>	<b>FY27</b>	<b>FY28</b>	<b>Total</b>
Contract No. AE117510000 Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relays		\$ 3,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 1,838,050	\$ 14,838,050
Metro Workforces		\$ 225,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 275,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 1,050,000
Agency Costs (Design Support During Construction, Construction Management, Project Management, Procurement, Labor Compliance)	\$ 34,000	\$ 650,000	\$ 750,000	\$ 850,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 3,084,000
Contingency 10%						\$ 1,483,805

**Yearly Cash Flow Forecast    \$    34,000    \$    3,875,000    \$    6,000,000    \$    6,125,000    \$    2,938,050    \$    20,455,855**

## PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

METRO A LINE TRAIN CONTROL NON-VITAL AND VITAL RELAY  
REPLACEMENT/AE117510000

1.	<b>Contract Number:</b> AE117510000	
2.	<b>Recommended Vendor:</b> B&C Transit, Inc.	
3.	<b>Type of Procurement (check one):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input type="checkbox"/> RFP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFP-A&E <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Competitive <input type="checkbox"/> Modification <input type="checkbox"/> Task Order	
4.	<b>Procurement Dates:</b>	
	<b>A. Issued:</b> February 27, 2024	
	<b>B. Advertised/Publicized:</b> February 29; March 1 and 2, 2024	
	<b>C. Pre-Proposal Conference:</b> March 12, 2024	
	<b>D. Proposals Due:</b> April 4, 2024	
	<b>E. Pre-Qualification Completed:</b> July 11, 2024	
	<b>F. Conflict of Interest Form Submitted to Ethics:</b> April 8, 2024	
	<b>G. Protest Period End Date:</b> September 24, 2024	
5.	<b>Solicitations Picked up/Downloaded:</b> 12	<b>Proposals Received:</b> 1
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7.	<b>Project Manager:</b> Aderemi Omotayo	<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-3243

**A. Procurement Background**

This Board Action is to award Contract No. AE117510000 issued in support of the Metro A Line Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement project. Board approval of contract awards is subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

On February 27, 2024, Request for Proposal (RFP) No. AE117510 was released as a competitive procurement, in accordance with Metro's Acquisition Policy and the contract type is firm fixed price. The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department recommended a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) goal of 3% and a Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) goal of 3%.

Three amendments were issued during the solicitation phase of this RFP:

- Amendment No. 1, issued on March 8, 2024, revised Section LOI-01 Notice and Invitation, to include the 3% SBE goal and 3% DVBE goal.
- Amendment No. 2 and 3, issued on March 18, 2024, clarified the insurance requirements for professional services and added Section LOI – 16 SBE/DVBE PROGRAM to the solicitation.

A total of twelve firms downloaded the RFP and were included in the planholder's list. A virtual pre-proposal conference was held on March 12, 2024, and was attended by two participants representing a single firm. There were no questions received for this RFP.

One proposal was received by the due date of April 4, 2024, from B&C Transit, Inc.

Since only one proposal was received, staff conducted a market survey of the planholders to determine why no other proposals were submitted. Responses were received from four firms and they included the following reasons:

- the scope of services not being within their area of expertise
- not having control over manufacturers' supply of material delivery

The market survey revealed that the decisions not to propose were based on individual business considerations. Therefore, the solicitation can be awarded as a competitive award.

## **B. Evaluation of Proposal**

A Proposal Evaluation Team (PET) consisting of staff from the Transit Vehicle Engineering, Wayside Systems Engineering and Maintenance, and Rail MOW Signal Systems departments was convened and conducted a comprehensive technical evaluation of the proposal received.

The proposal was evaluated based on the following criteria:

Minimum Qualification Requirements: This is a pass/fail criteria. To be responsive to the RFP minimum qualification requirements, the proposer must meet the following:

1. Proposer shall be a train control equipment manufacturer or train control systems integrator with at least five years of experience in the design, installation, assembling, manufacturing, testing, and integrating a train control system on an active transit system.
2. The Proposer must have an active California State Contractor License in Classification C-10 Electrical Contractor.

The proposer met the minimum qualification requirements and was further evaluated based on the following weighted evaluation criteria

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|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| • Experience and Qualifications of the Team                   | 35% |
| • Experience and Qualifications of the Proposed Key Personnel | 20% |
| • Effectiveness of Management Plan                            | 10% |
| • Work Plan/Project Approach                                  | 35% |

The evaluation criteria are appropriate and consistent with criteria developed for other, similar Architecture and Engineering (A&E) procurements. Several factors were considered when developing these weights, giving the greatest importance to the experience and qualifications of the team and the work plan/project approach.

This is an A&E, qualifications-based procurement; therefore, price cannot be used as an evaluation factor pursuant to state and federal law.

During the period of April 29 to May 23, 2024, the PET independently evaluated and scored the technical proposal and determined that the proposal met the requirements of the scope of services. A summary of the PET scores is provided below:

1	Firm	Average Score	Factor Weight	Weighted Average Score	Rank
2	<b>B&amp;C Transit, Inc.</b>				
3	Experience and Qualifications of the Team	85.25	35%	29.84	
4	Experience and Qualifications of the Proposed Key Personnel	92.35	20%	18.47	
5	Effectiveness of Management Plan	90.09	10%	9.01	
6	Work Plan/Project Approach	84.94	35%	29.73	
7	<b>Total</b>		<b>100.00%</b>	<b>87.05</b>	<b>1</b>

### **C. Cost Analysis**

The recommended price has been determined to be fair and reasonable based upon an Independent Cost Estimate (ICE), technical analysis, cost analysis, fact finding, and negotiations. Staff successfully negotiated savings of \$1,611,950.

Proposal Amount	Metro ICE	Recommended Amount
\$16,450,000	\$10,000,000	\$14,838,050

The variance between the ICE and the recommended amount is due to the following:

- The ICE assumed the design work would be done using a software ratio of 75% and hardware 25%. However, the contractor proposed a software of 60% and hardware of 40% ratio. This approach is more of a designer's choice. In addition, hardware prices have increased by 15% since the ICE was developed.
- The risk that the contractor associated with the project. For this work, the A Line system will not be shut down and the contractor will have to perform field testing work while the system is operating. Therefore, the work will require a higher level of effort for project management, installation, and testing.

### **D. Background on Recommended Contractor**

B&C Transit, Inc. is a transit engineering firm headquartered in Oakland, California, and has been in business since 1999. Its focus is on automated train control design, technical engineering, system installations, field testing, networked and stand-alone control, office monitoring systems, station communications, and design-build engineering. B&C Transit, Inc. has satisfactorily performed work for Metro as a prime contractor and subcontractor.

## DEOD SUMMARY

**METRO A LINE TRAIN CONTROL NON-VITAL AND VITAL RELAY  
REPLACEMENT/AE117510000**

**A. Small Business Participation**

The Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) established a 3% Small Business Enterprise (SBE) and 3% Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) goal for this solicitation. B&C Transit, Inc. met the goals by making a 3% SBE and 3% DVBE commitment.

<b>Small Business Goal</b>	<b>3% SBE 3% DVBE</b>	<b>Small Business Commitment</b>	<b>3% SBE 3% DVBE</b>
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	<b>SBE Subcontractor</b>	<b>% Committed</b>
1.	KPA Constructors	3.00%
	<b>Total SBE Commitment</b>	<b>3.00%</b>

	<b>DVBE Subcontractor</b>	<b>% Committed</b>
1.	PTS Telecommunications	3.00%
	<b>Total DVBE Commitment</b>	<b>3.00%</b>

**B. Local Small Business Preference Program (LSBE)**

The LSBE Preference Program does not apply to Architecture and Engineering procurements. Pursuant to state and federal law, price cannot be used as an evaluation factor.

**C. Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy Applicability**

The Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy (LW/SCWRP) is not applicable to this contract.

**D. Prevailing Wage Applicability**

Prevailing Wage requirements are applicable to this project. DEOD will continue to monitor contractors' compliance with the State of California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR), California Labor Code, and, if federally funded, the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) Davis Bacon and Related Acts (DBRA). Trades that may be covered include: Electrician.

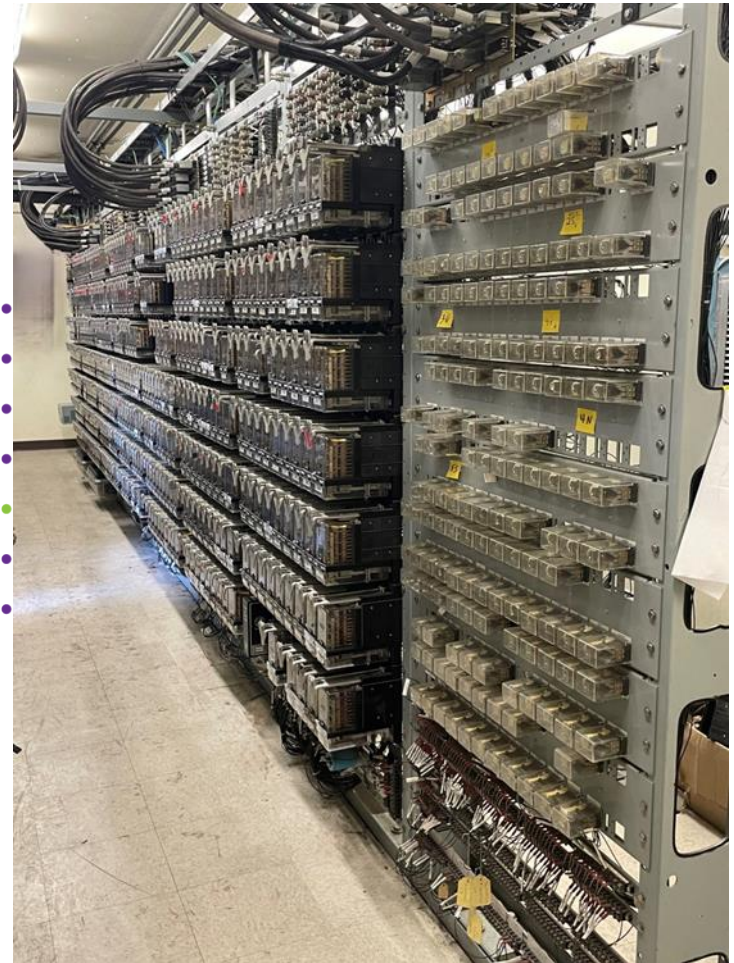
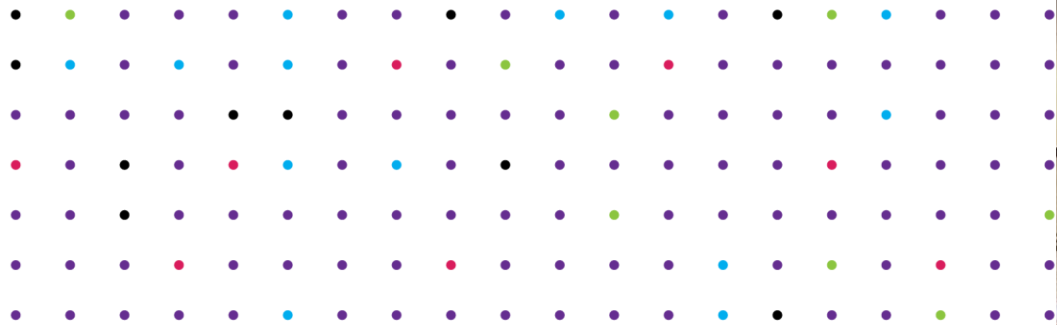
**E. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy**

Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is not applicable to this Contract. PLA/CCP is applicable only to construction contracts that have a construction related value in excess of \$2.5 million.



# A Line Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement LOS ANGELES METRO

**Date**      SEPTEMBER 19, 2024



# RECOMMENDATION



AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. AWARD a 39-month firm fixed price Contract No. AE117510000 to B&C Transit, Inc. for the Metro A Line Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement Project in the amount of \$14,838,050 effective October 1, 2024, subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any; and
- B. INCREASE the Life of Project (LOP) Budget for the A Line Train Control Non-Vital and Vital Relay Replacement by \$9,355,855 from \$11,100,000 to \$20,455,855.

# ISSUE & DISCUSSION



## ISSUE

The train control System uses electromechanically operated non-vital and vital relay switches to manage the safe movement of trains on our tracks and over our switches.

The original equipment manufacturer (OEM) no longer supports the relays, and their scarce availability is creating a challenge for the Maintenance of Way (MOW) maintenance workforce to keep them operational and in the state of good repair.

## DISCUSSION

The project work under Contract No. AE117510000 will involve the replacement of the current vital and non-vital relays and associated wiring with microprocessor-based train control equipment. The microprocessor-based train control system will be installed at fourteen (14) C&S building locations along the mainline. A \$20,455,855 LOP budget need has been determined based on the necessary project scope and the negotiated amount for Contract No. AE117510000.



# ISSUE & DISCUSSION



## AWARDEE

B & C Transit INC

## NUMBER OF PROPOSALS

One

## DEOD COMMITMENT

SBE 3% / DVBE 3% commitment percentages met.

## DISCUSSION

The replacement of the train control relays is part of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP), which aims to renew transit infrastructure assets. Metro is committed to maintaining transit infrastructure assets in a state of good repair.





## Board Report

File #: 2024-0172, File Type: Policy

Agenda Number: 26.

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### OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

**SUBJECT: SENATE BILL 125 (SB 125) ZERO-EMISSION TRANSIT CAPITAL PROGRAM**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

CONSIDER:

- A. ADOPTING a Los Angeles County Regional Zero Emission Bus Procurement Policy (Attachment A);
- B. APPROVING the Los Angeles County Regional Zero Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP)-Equivalent Fund Allocation Framework and the resulting Included and Eligible Transit Operator fund amounts totaling \$49.84 million in Proposition C 40% funding as shown in Attachment B; and
- C. AMENDING the FY25 Budget to implement the ZETCP-Equivalent Fund Allocations and authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements.

#### **ISSUE**

The SB 125 Zero Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP) will allocate \$320.6 million to Metro over four years, beginning in 2024. In July, the California State Transportation Agency (CALSTA) approved allocating \$175,364,000 of ZETCP funds for zero-emission buses and charging infrastructure, and authorized the disbursement of the first-year allocation of \$119,494,973. Metro will receive all ZETCP funds as the county's regional transportation planning agency, and staff has developed a Los Angeles County Regional Zero Emission Bus Procurement Policy and fund allocation, in consultation with the Los Angeles County Municipal Operator Association (LACMOA). Metro will advance the total four-year allocation of \$49.48 million for Included and Eligible Transit Operators so that they may use the funds immediately.

#### **BACKGROUND**

SB 125 (Chapter 54, Statutes of 2023) provided \$4 billion in General Funds for distribution through the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) on a population-based formula to regional transportation planning agencies, which have the flexibility to use the money to fund transit

operations or capital improvements. The transportation budget trailer bill also established a \$1.1 billion ZETCP fund for allocation to regional transportation planning agencies on a population-based formula, as well as another formula based on revenues to fund zero-emission transit equipment and operations. In July, CALSTA approved Metro's SB 125 allocation package and disbursed \$498,650,905 of TIRCP funds, plus an additional \$119,494,973 million in ZETCP funds.

ZETCP funding can be used for procurement of zero-emission buses (ZEBs), as well as related facility and network improvement projects, which include (but are not limited to):

- Associated fueling or charging infrastructure
- Facility modifications

Transit operations expenditures are also eligible for funding. All SB 125 eligible projects must demonstrate that they will achieve a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

## **DISCUSSION**

Over the past several months, Metro has conducted outreach to LACMOA membership to determine their interest in a combined procurement of ZEBs using ZETCP funds.

Programming ZETCP funds for the regional procurement is important for strengthening U.S. bus manufacturing. Staff evaluated the recent departures of several bus manufacturers from the U.S. transit marketplace, and based on published reports and interviews with executives, the following factors have contributed to the marketplace turmoil:

- Severe cash flow pressures caused by quality issues related to unreliable components and immature technology
- Outdated payment practices and delays
- Capital and other commercial risks
- Significant cost increases due to supply chain disruptions in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Additional burdens in the U.S. market due to Buy America, Altoona bus testing, 12-year design life, and other aspects of the U.S. market that make it unique worldwide.

The regional procurement considers these factors and incorporates several recommendations outlined in the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Dear Colleague Letter dated February 7, 2024 (Attachment C) to bolster interest and competition amongst bus manufacturers in the U.S. This includes supporting the standardization of vehicle specifications across multiple agencies, introducing progress payments to relieve original equipment manufacturers (OEM) of cash flow pressures, as well as reducing supply chain constraints, lead times, and costs for OEMs/agencies. Metro adopted the FTA's recommendations in its recent regional procurement, and the agency's application to the Low or No Emission (LoNo) grant program received priority consideration and secured a \$77.5 million award-the second largest in the nation.

Several LACMOA members have expressed interest in this effort, which could result in a combined

procurement for up to 1,980 ZEBs over the next seven years. Specific plans regarding the participation of other agencies within the County and the exact quantities of vehicles to be purchased beyond Metro's base order of 260 Battery Electric Buses (BEB) with four 325-bus options, and 20 Fuel Cell Electric Buses (FCEB), with four 100-bus options will be determined in the coming months.

In addition, staff developed depot charger specifications for the procurement. Prior to release, vehicle/charger specifications and procurement commercial terms were distributed to LACMOA members for their review and feedback.

### Considerations

Staff evaluated several procurement methods to facilitate a joint procurement with LACMOA membership, such as assigning options in the contract to interested agencies and combining specified joint procurement with fixed quantities to a schedule-type approach that emulates the California Department of General Services Statewide Contracts for Fleet Vehicles. The analysis determined that the assignability of options approach represented the mechanism that preserved the most flexibility with the least administrative burden to Metro and participating municipal operators.

The collaboration will improve the ZEB procurement process and market by reducing manufacturer customizations. In addition, the procurement documents added the recommendations of the American Public Transportation Task Force on Bus Procurements, which call for milestone payments and performance-based technical specifications with minimal references to brand preferences. Notably, per the Federal Transit Administrator's direction, milestone payments have also been tied to more rigorous testing to improve quality assurance of delivered buses, which will also help improve overall operations and lessen program risks for all agencies undertaking the transition to zero-emission fleets.

By designating the ZETCP funds to purchase vehicles and charging infrastructure through the consolidated regional procurement developed in collaboration with LACMOA, Metro will play a significant role in inducing more interest and competition amongst bus OEMs to manufacture zero-emissions buses for the U.S. This will help by addressing many of the pain points that are currently driving many of the manufacturers out of the U.S. market. Without a concerted effort to resolve U.S. bus manufacturing concerns, fewer bus manufacturers will be available to produce zero-emission buses for Metro and LACMOA operators at a time when many agencies are gearing up to convert to zero emissions.

### Los Angeles County Regional Zero Emission Bus Procurement Policy Framework

Metro will receive all ZETCP funds as the county's regional transportation planning agency in four annual allocations. Metro staff collaborated with LACMOA, representing the operators eligible for SB 125 funds, to develop a Procurement Policy (Attachment A) and disburse ZETCP-equivalent funds instead of ZETCP funds. While CALSTA has authorized disbursement of only one year of ZETCP funding to Metro, the agency will advance all four years of allocation at once to the Included and Eligible Operators. This fund advance in FY25 will provide LACMOA operators enough funding to allow them to participate in Metro's regional procurement or conduct their own commensurate multi-agency procurement. Metro will distribute Proposition C 40% funds to the Included and Eligible

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Transit Operators, relieving them of the burden of grant compliance requirements. Attachment B presents the proposed fund allocation amounts by the agency consistent with Metro Board adopted formulas.

To qualify for funding, local operators must participate in Metro's regional bus procurement or equivalent multi-agency procurement that meets corresponding provisions for reduced customizations and milestone or advanced payments. Funds may also be used for operations but only once the agency has drawn down fully on federal COVID relief funding. LACMOA concurs with the Policy and ZETCP-Equivalent Fund Allocations (Attachment D - LACMOA Letter of Concurrence).

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The ZETCP-equivalent fund allocations for FY25 are estimated at \$49,839,411, but the funding for this action was not included in the FY25 Budget and will need to be amended to add Proposition C 40% funding to Cost Center 0443, Project Number 410062-Proposition C 40% Subsidies.

#### **Impact to Budget**

Adopting the staff recommendation would increase the Metro Budget by \$49.84 million to implement the recommended transit operator fund allocations. These funds are eligible for Metro bus and rail operations. However, this budget increase is offset by the \$119.5 million in ZETCP funding allocated to Metro.

### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

Metro's solicitation and ZEB program goals align with SB 125 Final Guidelines that require funds to be used for programs that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and provide at least 25 percent of available funding to projects that directly, meaningfully, and assuredly benefit disadvantaged communities. LACMOA members who receive ZETCP-equivalent funds must follow program guidelines. Otherwise, for participation in the regional procurement, LACMOA members will follow their respective policies and SBE/DBE participation requirements.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

These activities support Goal #3, Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity, and Goal #4, Transform LA County through regional collaboration and national leadership.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Upon Board approval of the recommended allocations, Staff will work with the transit operators to ensure the proper disbursement of funds. Proposals in response to the bus procurement are due September 29, 2024. Staff will also finalize the determination of bus procurement interest for the submittal of a regional plan as requested by CalSTA.

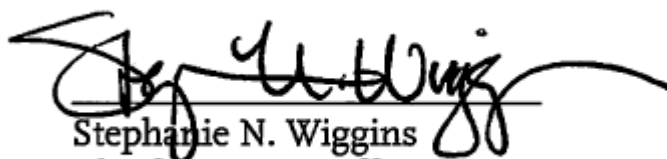
### **ATTACHMENTS**



Attachment A - Los Angeles County Regional Zero Emission Bus Procurement Policy  
Attachment B - Los Angeles County Regional Zero Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP)-  
Equivalent Fund Allocation Framework  
Attachment C - Federal Transit Administration's Dear Colleague Letter  
Attachment D - LACMOA Letter of Concurrence

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## Los Angeles County Regional Zero Emission Bus Procurement Policy

### BACKGROUND

The United States transit bus manufacturing industry is in crisis. Severe cash flow pressures caused by quality issues related to unreliable components and immature technology; outdated payment practices and delays; capital and other commercial risks; cost increases due to supply chain disruptions in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic; and additional burdens due to Buy America, Altoona testing, 12-year design life, and other factors have contributed to marketplace turmoil.

### POLICY OBJECTIVE

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Dear Colleague Letter dated February 7, 2024 introduced several procurement recommendations to bolster interest and competition within the U.S. bus manufacturing industry. This includes supporting the standardization of vehicle specifications across multiple agencies, introducing progress payments to relieve original equipment manufacturer (OEM) cash flow pressures, as well as reducing supply chain constraints, lead times, and costs for both OEMs and agencies.

### POLICY STATEMENT

Metro, through its collaboration with the Los Angeles County Municipal Operators Association (LACMOA), will leverage funds to regionally procure zero emission buses (ZEB) and related infrastructure, increasing competition and interest among U.S. bus manufacturers. This coordinated approach is essential to resolving the challenges facing U.S. bus manufacturing and ensuring that sufficient manufacturers remain in the market to support Metro and LACMOA's transition to zero emission fleets. Without such efforts, the pool of available bus manufacturers may shrink further, undermining the ability of agencies to meet their zero emission goals at a pivotal time.

As such, LA County transit agencies will participate in either a regional procurement or statewide procurement that meets the following criteria:

- **Reduces Customization.** By facilitating standardization of vehicle specifications across multiple agencies, a regional or statewide procurement process will alleviate pressures on OEMs and reduce supply chain constraints, lead times, and costs for both OEMs and transit agencies. The regional approach will reduce the need for extensive customization, streamlining production and enhancing market stability.
- **Includes Milestone Payments and Performance-Based Technical Specifications.** In alignment with the American Public Transportation

Association Bus Manufacturing Task Force recommendations, prioritizing milestone payments and performance-based technical specifications, including limiting brand preferences, helps ensure a fair and competitive bidding process. Additionally, milestone payments will be contingent upon more rigorous testing standards, enhancing quality assurance and reducing program risks for agencies transitioning to ZEB.

- **Includes Pricing Standards.** The regional approach also allows bus price escalation between Notice to Proceed and production, based on the Producer Price Index.

The regional procurement is an important step in strengthening U.S. bus manufacturing, and Metro will continue to collaborate with LACMOA on future procurements to support acceleration of our region's clean vehicle future as well as to ensure our region's communities receive reliable transit service.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL ZERO EMISSION TRANSIT CAPITAL PROGRAM  
(ZETCP)-EQUIVALENT FUND ALLOCATION FRAMEWORK

- **Eligible Participants:** Included and Eligible Operators.
- **Eligible Projects:**
  - Capital Zero Emission Bus Purchases/Charging Infrastructure & Funding
  - Transit Operations Expenditures.
  - Eligible vehicle capital projects for ZETCP funds includes buses, and other ZEVs used for transit service” [Per the ZETCP guidelines].
  - All eligible agencies may use ZETCP equivalent funding for Operations Expenditures (per ZETCP guidelines).
- **Fund Allocation Method:** Metro FY24 SB1 STA & SB1 SGR Formula
- **Muni Funding Available Share:** ZETCP-Equivalent Revenue Fund Share (50% of \$320.6M = \$160.3M at 31.09%) = **\$49.84M**.
- **Fund Estimates for Distribution to eligible agencies in FY25 = \$49.84M**
- **Source of ZETCP-Equivalent Funds (Fund Swap):** Prop C 40%
- **Metro’s Prerequisite to Qualify for Operating Funding:**
  - For agencies using the funds for operations, 100% of outstanding COVID Recovery Formula Funds including American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act funding must be drawn down first.
  - Not required to draw down Supplemental ARPA funds to qualify.
- **Metro’s Prerequisite to Qualify for Bus Capital Funding:**
  - Participate in Metro SB 125 Regional Bus Procurement Program (or commensurate procurement for certified ZEV vehicle types)
    - Required to meet CARB Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) Regulations
    - Meet Terms of FTA February 2024 “Dear Colleague” Letter:
      - Reduced Customizations & Standardized Specifications
      - Milestone Payments w/Testing & Performance Bond or Other Security
- **Administration:**
  - Fund agreement with reimbursement-basis payments subject to guidelines including but not limited to annual audits and lapsing provisions of Prop C 40% guidelines.
- A Los Angeles County Municipal Operator Association (LACMOA) representative will be invited to participate in Metro’s Regional Bus Procurement Program evaluation of bids.

## ZETCP-EQUIVALENT FUND ALLOCATIONS

Operators	SB1 - STA Allocation	Total ZETCP Allocation
<b><u>Included Operators:</u></b>		
1 Arcadia	0.0803%	\$ 128,657
2 Claremont	0.0282%	45,161
3 Commerce	0.1028%	164,790
4 Culver City	1.3009%	2,085,360
5 Foothill Transit	6.1695%	9,889,646
6 Gardena	1.2745%	2,042,965
7 La Mirada	0.0229%	36,667
8 Long Beach	5.7494%	9,216,219
9 Montebello	1.9764%	3,168,129
10 Norwalk	0.7545%	1,209,474
11 Redondo Beach DR	0.0143%	22,932
12 Redondo Beach MB	0.1796%	287,949
13 Santa Monica	4.9045%	7,861,768
14 Torrance	1.5116%	2,423,023
<b><u>Eligible Operators:</u></b>		
15 Antelope Valley	1.5593%	2,499,459
16 Santa Clarita	1.2974%	2,079,675
17 LADOT Local	2.2998%	3,686,505
18 LADOT Express	1.1688%	1,873,488
19 Foothill BSCP	0.6972%	1,117,544
20 Total Municipal Operators	31.0917%	\$ 49,839,411

Note:



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Administration**

Administrator

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February 7, 2024

Dear Colleague:

Since President Biden signed the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law in 2021, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has made over \$4.5 billion available in competitive grants for investments in American-made transit buses and supporting infrastructure. In addition to competitive grants, there's \$16 billion available through formula program grants to urban, rural, and tribal areas, all of which are eligible for bus purchases. Over the next three years, this record public transportation funding will provide nearly \$30 billion more in competitive grants and formula funds to support transit agencies in buying buses, transitioning to low- or no-emission buses, modernizing bus facilities and more. This investment supports a strong U.S. bus manufacturing sector that is essential for clean transit vehicle fleets across the nation, ensuring less pollution, more U.S. jobs, and better-connected communities.

During the Biden-Harris Administration, FTA has listened to transit agencies and U.S. bus Transit Vehicle Manufacturers ([TVMs](#)) discussing current trends in federally funded bus procurements and manufacturing that affect the financial health and stability of the bus manufacturing industry. This includes identifying steps to reduce vehicle contract costs and shorten vehicle delivery times. Specifically, the discussions have covered topics like managing component prices, addressing supply chain issues, growing the bus manufacturing workforce, and reducing unnecessary customization. Particular attention has been on the increased costs to TVMs of financing vehicle production from award of a contract through delivery and acceptance of the vehicles by transit agencies.

To address such challenges, FTA encourages the use of several tools available to transit agencies and TVMs, including:

- **Contract modifications for price increases** - Federally funded contracts can be modified for price adjustments (2 CFR §200.318(k)). Allowable modifications depend on factors including: (1) contract terms and conditions, such as change clauses and Producer Price Index or Consumer Price Index adjustment clauses; (2) applicable state, local, or tribal procurement law; (3) the terms of a price adjustment; and (4) the scope of the contract modification. Certain Federal regulatory requirements may apply, such as performance of a cost or price analysis in connection with a contract modification in excess of the Simplified Acquisition Threshold (currently \$250,000), and where a cost analysis is performed, the FTA recipient must negotiate profit as a separate element of the price (2 CFR § 200.324(a)-(b)).
- **Federal funds for price increases** - FTA recipients can seek additional Federal funds to cover contract price increases. FTA formula and certain other Federal funds (e.g., [flexible](#)

[FHWA funds](#)) can be used to cover contract modifications for price increases.

- **Clauses in new procurements -**
  - FTA recipients may include price adjustment clauses (allowing for adjustments both up or down) based on cost indices. Relevant contract terms include when prices are set in the procurement process and subject to subsequent adjustment, and which index/indices to use.
  - Another type of contract clause to consider is a “brand name or equivalent” clause. Requiring a specific brand for a particular component without giving the contractor the option to provide an equivalent could result in a higher vehicle price, supply chain related delays, and may be inconsistent with Federal full and open competition requirements.
- **Advance payments** - Advance payments are payments made to the contractor prior to the contractor incurring costs and are permissible under certain circumstances. They can be made: (1) before the award of an FTA grant using local funds if the FTA recipient has either FTA automatic pre-award authority, an FTA Letter of No Prejudice, or other pre-award authority prior to making an advance payment; or, (2) after FTA grant award using local or FTA funds if the recipient provides a rationale, such as a reduction in the contract cost due to the payment, and FTA provides advance written concurrence. FTA recipients must obtain security from the contractor in the amount of the advance payment. Adequate security is subject to negotiation between the recipient and TVM, but typically is a performance bond or a letter of credit in the amount of the advance payment. *A bond or letter of credit for the full cost of the procurement is not a Federal requirement for securitization.*
- **Progress payments** - Progress payments (also sometimes called milestone payments) are payments to a contractor prior to completion of all contract work. Use of FTA funds for progress payments is permissible and does not require advance FTA concurrence if the FTA recipient: (1) obtains adequate security for those payments and (2) maintains documentation to show completion of the discrete activities associated with the progress payment. For rolling stock procurements, it is *impermissible* to tie progress payments to the percentage of completion of the contract. The security for progress payments typically is a performance bond or letter of credit in the amount of the payments but may be other types of security negotiated by the parties as appropriate, such as receipt of title to the rolling stock at an appropriate point in the manufacturing process.
- **Securing the Federal interest** - Security is only required under Federal law for rolling stock procurements utilizing advance or progress payments. Requiring a performance bond or letter of credit when no payments will be made until acceptance of vehicles is not a Federal requirement and typically will drive up the cost of procurement due to the cost to the TVM to provide the security.

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In order to increase value to the public, FTA also encourages recipients to pursue procurement strategies that lower costs and achieve economies of scale, such as state contracts and performance-based specifications.

In addition to the tools described above, FTA is taking additional actions to strengthen the American bus manufacturing industry, lower bus costs, and accelerate transit vehicle deliveries. FTA has created a bus procurement [webpage](#), making it easier to find resources and answer questions, with links to applicable Federal regulations, FTA Circulars, updated FAQs, guidance, and other resources. Procurement courses through the [National Transit Institute](#) (NTI) have expanded. Through June 2024, [NTI procurement courses](#) are offered at 16 different dates and locations, spanning every FTA region.

To bolster support for more efficient and effective bus purchases, FTA recently established an **Acquisition Oversight Division** with a team dedicated to technical assistance and resources supporting third-party procurements like bus purchases. In addition, the new Department of Energy and Department of Transportation's [Joint Office of Energy and Transportation](#) offers FTA recipients interested in planning for or procuring zero-emission buses free technical assistance, including support for fleet transition planning and financial modeling, emissions calculations, and applying for grants.

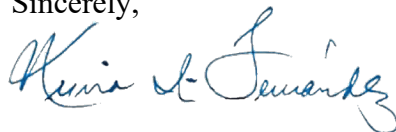
FTA is also releasing the **FY 2024 Buses and Bus Facilities and Low or No Emission Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)**. Important new provisions in this NOFO will support transit agencies and strengthen bus manufacturing. Specifically, FTA will give priority consideration to NOFO applications proposing the use of any of the following: advance or progress payments, joint procurements, or procurement of base model buses. More details are in the NOFO.

Finally, FTA will hold a bus procurement [webinar](#) on February 29 from 2:30 - 3:30 PM ET. The webinar will provide transit agency leaders, procurement officials, and interested stakeholders an overview of the current U.S. bus market, FTA's guidance and resources noted above, and flexibilities and actions available to transit agencies to help lower bus costs and simplify procurements.

FTA's actions reflect the Biden-Harris Administration's focus on the needs of the traveling public and the public transportation industry. Our continued work together will deliver the benefits of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to accelerate our clean vehicle future, strengthen domestic manufacturing, and connect communities with reliable transit.

Thank you for your tireless efforts to serve your riders and keep public transportation moving. Should you have any questions, please consult your FTA [regional office](#).

Sincerely,



Nuria I. Fernandez





Los Angeles County  
Municipal Operators Association

## ATTACHMENT D

Antelope Valley Transit Authority  
Arcadia Transit  
Beach Cities Transit  
Claremont Dial-a-Ride  
Commerce Municipal Bus Lines  
Culver CityBus  
Foothill Transit  
City of Gardena's GTrans

La Mirada Transit  
Long Beach Transit  
Los Angeles DOT  
Montebello Bus Lines  
Norwalk Transit System  
Santa Clarita Transit  
Santa Monica's Big Blue Bus  
Torrance Transit System

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**VIA EMAIL**

August 22, 2024

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Subject: Allocation of SB 125 Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program Funding

Dear Ms. Wiggins:

The Los Angeles County Municipal Operators Association (LACMOA), which collectively consists of sixteen (16) municipal agencies (Munis'), would like to take this opportunity to affirm our support for the Proposed Allocation Framework of SB 125 Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP) Equivalent Funding. By advancing the total ZETCP funding and allowing Muni operators to utilize the funding immediately will assist us to accelerate our clean vehicle future as well as continue to provide our communities with reliable transit services. We appreciate your support in our on-going effort to build consensus and regional collaboration between LA Metro and LACMOA stakeholders.

Sincerely,

James C. Parker  
LACMOA Chair

cc: LACMOA  
Nalini Ahuja, LA Metro

# SB 125 Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, VEHICLE MAINTENANCE & ENGINEERING



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Operations, Safety, and Customer Experience Committee  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

# State of Transit Bus Manufacturing in the US



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Buy America, Altoona testing, 12-year design life, and other unique U.S. market traits

## OEM Challenges

Sever cash flow pressures caused by quality issues related to unreliable component/technology

**BUS  
OEMs**

Transit agencies desire high levels of vehicle customization

Agency-imposed bonding requirements

Significant cost increases due to supply chain disruptions in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic

Outdated payment practices and delays



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## Policy Framework

- Attract **more manufacturers** to promote competitiveness
- **Consistency** and consolidation of vehicle type, technology; ease of operation, maintenance, etc.
- To qualify for funding, local operators must:
  - Participate in Metro's regional bus procurement, or a commensurate procurement that reduces customization and includes milestone payments with testing and performance bonds





## SB 125 ZETCP

- Funds available through the new ZETCP are allocated to Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) over four years through population-and revenue-based formulas.
- Metro's total allocation is \$320,596,268
  - **Year 1 ZETCP:** \$119,494,973
  - **Year 2-4 ZETCP:** \$67,033,765 (per year)
- In July, CALSTA approved allocation of \$175,364,000 and authorized disbursement of the first-year allocation of \$119,494,973.

## ZETCP Fund Uses

- ZETCP Funds can be used to:
  - Replace transit vehicles with zero emission
  - Associated fueling or charging infrastructure
  - Facility modifications
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# SB 125 Allocation Amounts



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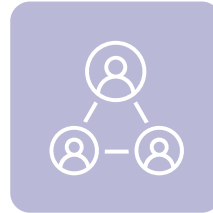
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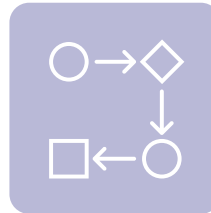
# Regional Bus Solicitation



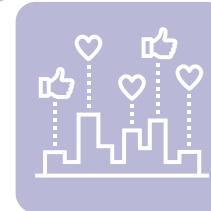
- Initiated the Regional Bus Solicitation concept at the end of 2023
- Surveyed LACMOA members at the beginning of 2024
- A combined procurement for up to 1,980 ZEBs.
- Program aligns with FTA Dear Colleague letter and recommendations of the American Public Transportation Task Force
- Metro's application to FTA LoNo grant program received priority consideration and \$77.5 million award.



Attract **more manufacturers** to promote competitiveness



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Promote **better service** from the selected manufacturer



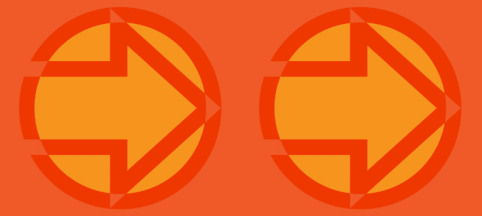
Potential to **share resources** (e.g. parts, experienced workforce, etc.)

*ZEB – Zero-Emissions Bus*



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Board Report

File #: 2024-0431, File Type: Appointment

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**OPERATIONS, SAFETY AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2024**

**SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS TO METRO’S SERVICE COUNCILS**

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

APPROVE nominees for membership on Metro’s San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel Valley, South Bay Cities, and Westside Central Service Councils.

**ISSUE**

The San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel Valley, South Bay Cities, and Westside Central Service Councils have vacancies that were not filled in the annual Service Council appointment cycle. Representatives on the South Bay Cities and Westside Central Service Councils resigned in late June 2024 due to other commitments, creating additional vacancies.

**BACKGROUND**

Metro Service Councils (MSCs) were created in 2002 as community-based bodies that improved bus service and promoted service coordination with municipal and local transit providers. The MSC bylaws specify that Representatives should live in, work in, or represent the region, have a basic working knowledge of public transit service within their area, and understand passenger transit needs. To do so, each Representative is expected to ride at least one transit service per month.

The MSCs are responsible for convening public hearings to receive community input on proposed service modifications, rendering decisions on proposed bus route changes, and considering staff’s recommendations and public comments. All route and major service changes approved by the MSCs will be brought to the Metro Board of Directors as an information item. Should the Metro Board decide to move an MSC-approved service change to an Action Item, the MSCs will be notified of this change before the next Service Council monthly meeting.

**DISCUSSION**

The Council’s nominating authorities have nominated the individuals listed below. If approved by the Board, they will serve for the three-year terms specified. Attachments A and B provide a brief listing of qualifications for new nominees and the nomination letters.

For reference, should these nominees be appointed, the 2022 American Community Survey demographics and 2023 Metro Ridership Survey demographics for each region are compared to the seated membership.

\*Note: In the tables providing sex/gender representation data for each Council, the Los Angeles County data is taken from the Census 2022 Quick Facts, which includes a question intended to capture current sex but does not include questions about gender, sexual orientation, or sex at birth.

San Fernando Valley Service Council

- A. David Ramirez, New Appointment  
 Nominated by: Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass  
 Term: July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2027

With the appointment of this nominee, the San Fernando Valley (SFV) Service Council membership will compare to the region and the region’s ridership as follows:

SFV Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	White	Asian/ Pac Isl	Black	Native Amer	Other
SFV Council Region	41.3%	39.6%	11.2%	3.7%	0.2%	2.4%
SFV Region Ridership	73%	9%	8%	8%	1%	1%
SFV Membership (No.)	33% (3)	33% (3)	11% (1)	11% (1)	0% (0)	11% (1)

The gender makeup of the SFV Service Council will be as follows:

SFV Sex/Gender	Male/Man	Female/ Woman	Non-binary/ Non-conforming	Prefer to self-describe
Los Angeles County	49.6%	50.4%	*	*
SFV Region Ridership	49%	48%%	2%	1%
SFV Current Membership (No.)	66% (6)	11% (1)	22% (2)	0% (0)

San Gabriel Valley Service Council

- B. Ed Chen, New Appointment  
 Nominated by: Cities of Arcadia, El Monte, and Temple City  
 Term: July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2027

With the appointment of this nominee, the San Gabriel Valley (SGV) Service Council membership will compare to the region and the region’s ridership as follows:

SGV Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	White	Asian/ Pac Isl	Black	Native Amer	Other
SGV Council Region	49.7%	16.1%	28.3%	3%	0.2%	2.6%
SGV Region Ridership	78%	5%	10%	6%	1%	0%
SGV Membership (No.)	62.5% (5)	25% (2)	22% (2)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)

The gender makeup of the SGV Service Council will be as follows:

SGV Sex/Gender	Male/Man	Female/ Woman	Non-binary/ Non-conforming	Prefer to self-describe
Los Angeles County	49.6%	50.4%	*	*
SGV Region Ridership	50%	47%	2%	1%
SGV Current Membership (No.)	77% (7)	22% (2)	0% (0)	0% (0)

South Bay Cities Service Council

- C. Courtney Miles, New Appointment  
Nominated by: South Bay Cities Council of Governments  
Term: July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2025
  
- D. Jon Kaji, New Appointment  
Nominated by: South Bay Cities Council of Governments  
Term: July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2027

With the appointment of these nominees, the South Bay Cities (SBC) Service Council membership will compare to the region and the region’s ridership as follows:

SBC Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	White	Asian/ Pac Isl	Black	Native Amer	Other
SBC Council Region	45.3%	20.9%	13.9%	15.8%	0.2%	4.2%
SBC Region Ridership	66%	6%	8%	18%	1%	0%
SBC Current Membership (No.)	22% (2)	22% (2)	22% (2)	22% (3)	0% (0)	0% (0)

The gender makeup of the SBC Service Council will be as follows:

SBC Sex/Gender	Male/Man	Female/ Woman	Non-binary/ Non-conforming	Prefer to self-describe
Los Angeles County	49.6%	50.4%	*	*
SBC Region Ridership	51%	47%	2%	1%
SBC Current Membership (No.)	66% (6)	33% (3)	0% (0)	0% (0)

Westside Central Cities

E. Chelsea Byers, New Appointment  
Nominated by: Westside Cities Council of Governments  
Term: July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2025

With the appointment of this nominee, the Westside Central Cities (WSC) Service Council membership will compare to the region and the region’s ridership as follows:

WSC Race/Ethnicity	Hispanic	White	Asian/ Pac Isl	Black	Native Amer	Other
WSC Council Region	41.9%	30.9%	13.7%	9.1%	0.2%	4.3%
WSC Region Ridership	67%	8%	7%	17%	1%	1%
WSC Membership (No.)	42.8% (3)	42.8% (3)	0% (0)	14.2% (1)	0% (0)	0% (0)

The gender makeup of the WSC Service Council will be as follows:

WSC Sex/Gender	Male/Man	Female/ Woman	Non-binary/ Non-conforming	Prefer to self-describe
Los Angeles County	49.6%	50.4%	*	*
WSC Region Ridership	48%	49%	2%	1%
WSC Current Membership (No.)	71.4% (5)	28.5% (2)	0% (0)	0% (0)

Note that the Westside Central membership percentages reflect appointed Councilmembers; two vacancies remain on this Council. Nominations to fill the remaining two vacancies are tentatively scheduled to be brought to the October Board meeting for appointment.

**EQUITY PLATFORM**

Metro recommends appointing Service Council members who represent the diverse needs and priorities reflective of the demographics of each respective region. To encourage nominating authorities to nominate individuals who closely reflect the region and its ridership, the staff shares regional ridership, resident, and Service Council membership race/ethnicity, and gender demographics with each nomination request. This practice has resulted in the Service Councils becoming more diverse in terms of both race/ethnicity and gender over the last several years. However, approximately half of LA County residents and Metro riders are women and work still needs to be done to achieve gender equity in some Service Councils. Staff will continue to share demographic information and encourage nominating authorities to give weight to gender equity when considering individuals for nomination.

**IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

Approval of this recommendation supports the following Metro Strategic Plan Goal: 30 Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity.

**NEXT STEPS**

Staff will continue to monitor the major contributors to the quality of bus service from the customer's perspective and share that information with the Service Councils for use in their work to plan, implement, and improve bus service and the customer experience in their areas. Staff will continue working with the nominating authorities to recruit and identify potential candidates to fill the remaining vacancies.

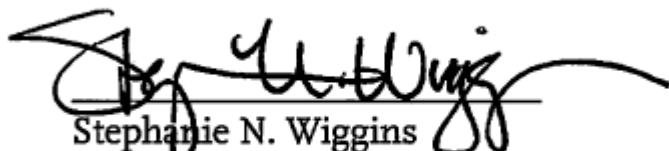
**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - New Appointees Nomination Letters

Attachment B - New Appointees Biographies and Qualifications

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NEW APPOINTEES NOMINATION LETTERS



KAREN BASS  
MAYOR

September 4, 2024

Ms. Dolores Ramos  
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Ms. Ramos:

I hereby appoint Mr. David Ramirez to serve as a representative on the San Fernando Valley Service Council for the term ending on June 30, 2027. Mr. Ramirez will be replacing Felipe Escobar, who resigned effective upon his term expiration on June 30, 2024.

I certify that in my opinion Mr. Ramirez is especially qualified by reason of training and experience for the work which shall devolve upon him, and that I make this appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Karen Bass'.

KAREN BASS  
Mayor

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Attachment



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August 30, 2024

Dolores Ramos  
Administrator-Regional Service Councils  
Los Angeles County Metro  
One Gateway Plaza  
Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952

**RE: CONSENSUS CANDIDATE TO FILL VACANCY ON THE METRO SAN GABRIEL VALLEY SERVICE COUNCIL**

Dear Ms. Ramos,

Please accept this correspondence notifying Metro of the consensus candidate of Councilmember Ed Chen from the City of Temple City as the representative of the cluster cities of Arcadia, El Monte, and Temple City to fill the vacancy on the METRO San Gabriel Valley Service Council (SGV MSC).

We appreciate the METRO Board's consideration of this nomination. Should you require any further information, please feel free to contact me at (626) 285-2171 ext. 4105.

Sincerely,

Bryan Cook  
City Manager  
City of Temple City

Cc: Alma Martinez, City Manager, City of El Monte  
Dominic Lazzeretto, City Manager, City of Arcadia



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August 24, 2024

Ms. Dolores Ramos  
Chief Administrative Analyst  
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Dear Ms. Ramos:

This letter serves as the South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) recommendation to nominate representatives to serve on the South Bay Metro Service Council.

At their August 22 Board of Directors meeting, the SBCCOG Board approved the following nominees:

- John Kaji, Torrance City Councilmember
- Courtney Miles, Gardena resident, Field Organizer for Abundant LA, transit rider

Councilmember Kaji will serve in the term ending June 30, 2027 and Courtney Miles will serve in the term ending June 30, 2025.

We respectfully request that the Metro Board appoint these nominees at the September Metro Board meeting so that they can be seated in October 2024.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Rodney Tanaka, SBCCOG Chair  
Councilman, City of Gardena

LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN ACTION

Carson El Segundo Gardena Hawthorne Hermosa Beach Inglewood Lawndale Lomita  
Manhattan Beach Palos Verdes Estates Rancho Palos Verdes Redondo Beach Rolling Hills  
Rolling Hills Estates Torrance Los Angeles District #15 Los Angeles County





**Date:** August 8, 2024

**To:** Dolores Ramos, Chief Administrative Analyst, Metro

**From:** Cecilia Estolano, WSCCOG Executive Director  
Winnie Fong, WSCCOG Project Director

**CC:** Honorable Chelsea Byers, City of West Hollywood

**Subject:** **Westside Cities COG Nomination to the Metro Westside/Central Service Council (August 2024)**

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On August 8, 2024, the Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG) Board voted unanimously to nominate and appoint the Honorable Chelsea Byers, Vice Mayor of the City of West Hollywood to the Metro Westside/Central Service Council. Vice Mayor Byers will fill the rest of the term (July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2025) of the WSCCOG representative seat held by Francisco Gomez (City of West Hollywood). Attached is her letter of interest.

Please accept the WSCCOG's nomination on behalf of the WSCCOG Board. You may contact the Vice Mayor Byers by email at [cbyers@weho.org](mailto:cbyers@weho.org) or by phone at 323-848-6460. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the WSCCOG Project Director Winnie Fong at [winnie@estolanoadvisors.com](mailto:winnie@estolanoadvisors.com) or at (213) 612-4545.

**NEW APPOINTEES BIOGRAPHIES AND QUALIFICATIONS**



**Ed Chen, Nominee to San Gabriel Valley Service Council**

Temple City City Council Member Ed Chen was born in Taiwan and is a graduate of Temple City High School. He was elected to a term of March 2024-March 2028 on Temple City’s City Council. Prior to serving on the City Council, Councilmember Chen served on the Planning Commission (July 2009-June 2011) and Temple City Unified School District Board of Education (2001, 2003-2005). He has been extensively involved in his community as a Temple City National Little League Board Member (2022-2023), and Temple City Chamber of Commerce Board Member (2013-2023).

Councilmember Chen is currently employed as a police officer with the City of Alhambra. Prior to becoming a police officer, Council Member Chen volunteered as an Los Angeles County Sheriffs Reserve Deputy for 14 years. He was also previously employed as the Director of Government Affairs for Athens Waste Management.



**David Ramirez, Nominee to San Fernando Valley Service Council**

Born and raised in Los Angeles, David Ramirez recently graduated from the University of California, Los Angeles where he studied Geography/Environmental Studies and Labor Studies. As a first-generation student, David transferred to UCLA from Pasadena City College. As the student member on the Pasadena Area Community College District Board of Trustees, he helped advance equitable policies in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and ensured a safe return to campus instruction. Appointed by Governor Newsom in 2022 to the A.B. 928

Associate Degree for Transfer Intersegmental Implementation Committee, he oversaw the equitable transfer reforms. David continued his passion for advocacy at UCLA, serving as the Government Relations Chair for the University of California Student Association where he had the opportunity to work on state legislation and address the Legislature as an expert witness on several bills and a panelist for an Assembly budget subcommittee. After organizing one of the first Starbucks unionization drives in Los Angeles, David completed an internship with Starbucks Workers United, successfully leading an effort to remove on-campus Starbucks offerings at UCLA. David is currently completing a fellowship in government affairs through Coro Southern California. He is excited to learn, to be challenged and to identify how to best serve his community through public service.

**NEW APPOINTEES BIOGRAPHIES AND QUALIFICATIONS**



**Jon Kaji, Nominee to South Bay Cities Service Council**

Councilmember Jon Kaji is a South Bay native and was elected to Torrance City Council representing District 1 on June 7, 2022. Councilmember Kaji has served as President of Kaji & Associates, a real estate management, leasing, and advisory services firm since 1984. He is an active member of the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce, the South Bay Association of Realtors, and a Board Member for the International Visitors Council of Los Angeles. Councilmember Kaji served as Commissioner for the State of California Commission for Economic Development. Prior to that, he served as a member of the County of Los Angeles Economic

Development Corporation leading countywide business attraction and retention efforts. In the early 1990's, Kaji served as the director of the State of California Office of Trade and Investment in Tokyo, Japan and South Korea. His involvement with Metro spans decades, primarily through his business and community activities advocacy for the Little Tokyo/Arts District station to address equal access to public transportation in this Historic District. He also worked with the office of US Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Chairman of the US Senate Appropriations Committee, to ensure that additional federal funds were appropriated for the construction of a fully underground LPA for the Regional Connector in Little Tokyo. Councilmember Kaji rides Metro regularly, typically from the Artesia Transit Center in Gardena to USC football games and LA Dodger games.

Councilmember Kaji earned a Bachelor of Arts in History and East Asian Studies from the University of Southern California.



**Courtney Miles, Nominee to South Bay Cities Service Council**

Courtney Alicia Miles is a native of Gardena and a Field Organizer with Abundant Housing LA. She offers support and coalition building for various chapters within Los Angeles County, advocating for justice, equity, affordability, and accessibility in the Housing space. Since middle school, Courtney has been involved with political campaigns on the local, state, and federal level. She has also been involved with operations for the 2020 Census, poll working for local and general elections, being a member of her university's student Board of Directors, and interned for the City of Los Angeles' Office of Budget and Innovation.

Ms. Miles holds a bachelor's degree in political science from California State University, East Bay. Ms. Miles is also an avid transit rider for sustainability and cost efficiency reasons. She is a parent and daughter of civil servants and an educator. In her spare time, Courtney enjoys cooking, vintage shopping, collecting Stevie Wonder records, and playing dominoes with family.

**ATTACHMENT B**

**NEW APPOINTEES BIOGRAPHIES AND QUALIFICATIONS**



**Chelsea Byers, Nominee to Westside Central Service Council**

Vice Mayor Chelsea Lee Byers was elected to the West Hollywood City Council on November 8, 2022. She Vice Mayor Byers first became connected to the City of West Hollywood through the Women’s Leadership Conference. This connection led to many program partnerships with the City, including Women Manifest (2016), the Cannabis Education Forum (2015-2018), and collaborative film screenings, panels, and more. While working with United Way’s Everyone In campaign, Vice Mayor Byers engaged with City Social Services and Strategic Initiatives to bring educational programming to the community on homelessness and housing solutions. She currently works as Director of Programs and Partnership with Women’s Voices Now and is a core team member with Beautiful Trouble.

Vice Mayor Byers’ priorities on the City Council include social service delivery, climate-change mitigation strategies and emergency resiliency efforts, creating more affordable transit-oriented housing and resources for renters of all incomes, enhancing the streetscape for improved pedestrian and cycling experiences while reducing vehicle dependency. She serves on the Board of Directors for the National Women’s Political Caucus as the Vice President of Education and Training for NWPC California. She was also appointed as an alternate by the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors Chair, Lindsey P. Horvath, for the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency (LACAHS). In addition, Vice Mayor Byers serves on the League of California Cities Transportation, Communications, and Public Works Committee and the National League of Cities Federal Transportation, Infrastructure, and Services (TIS) Federal Advocacy Committee. She currently serves on the West Hollywood City Council Subcommittees for Finance and Budget, West Hollywood Pride, Homelessness, Sunset Gateway/Wayfinding, and Playhouse Design. She also represents the City of West Hollywood on the Board of Directors for the Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 4 and the League of California Cities.

Vice Mayor Byers’ personal experience with Metro includes riding the system to appointments, work and different local attractions for the last seven years. Vice Mayor Byers studied at Universidad Internacional Cuernavaca and Franklin University Switzerland, and received her B.A. in Political Science and Women’s Studies from Northern Arizona University.



# Nominations to Metro Service Councils September 2024

# Nominating Structure

Region	Nominating Authorities
San Fernando Valley	Cities of Burbank, Glendale, San Fernando (2) <b>City of Los Angeles Mayor (4)</b> LA County 3 <sup>rd</sup> District Supervisor (1) LA County 5 <sup>th</sup> District Supervisor (1) Las Virgenes-Malibu Council of Governments (1)
San Gabriel Valley	LA County 1 <sup>st</sup> District Supervisor (1) LA County 5 <sup>th</sup> District Supervisor (1) Cities of Alhambra, South Pasadena, San Gabriel, San Marino (1) <b>Cities of Arcadia, El Monte, Temple City (1)</b> Cities of Montebello, Monterey Park, Rosemead (1) Cities of Pasadena, Sierra Madre, La Canada Flintridge (1) San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (3)
South Bay Cities	<b>South Bay Cities Council of Governments (9)</b>
Westside Central	City of Los Angeles Mayor (4) LA County 2 <sup>nd</sup> District Supervisor (1) LA County 3 <sup>rd</sup> District Supervisor (1) <b>Westside Cities Council of Governments (3)</b>

# Service Council Nominations

- San Fernando Valley Service Council has 1 vacancy that was not filled during the annual appointment cycle for the FY25-FY28 term (Mayor of LA).
- San Gabriel Valley Service Council has 1 vacancy that was not filled during the annual appointment cycle for the FY25-FY28 term (Cities of Arcadia, El Monte, and Temple City ).
- South Bay Cities has 2 vacancies to be filled by South Bay Council of Governments nominees:
  - One created by resignation of a member in June 2024, prior to the end of her term.
  - One created by withdrawal of a nominee after his selection for the FY25-FY28 term
- Westside Central has 3 vacancies created by resignation of members due to other commitments:
  - One created by resignation of a member in June 2024, prior to the end of his term (WSC COG).
  - One created by resignation of a member in April 2024, prior to the end of her term (Mayor of LA).
  - One created by resignation of a member in October 2023, prior to the end of her term (Mayor of LA).

# Nominees and Terms

## **San Fernando Valley Service Council New Appointee**

- ✓ David Ramirez nominated to serve term of July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027;  
resident of Pacoima

## **San Gabriel Valley Service Council New Appointee**

- ✓ Ed Chen nominated to serve term of July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027;  
resident of Temple City

## **South Bay Cities Service Council New Appointees**

- ✓ Jon Kaji nominated to serve term of July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2025; resident  
of Torrance
- ✓ Courtney Miles nominated to serve term of July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027;  
resident of Gardena

## **Westside Central Service Council New Appointee**

- ✓ Chelsea Byers nominated to serve term of July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2025;  
resident of West Hollywood
- ✓ The two remaining vacancies are scheduled to be brought to the Board in  
October 2024 for appointment



# Council Composition

With these nominees, the composition of these Councils will compare to their regions and their region's ridership as follows:

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**Board Report**

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**File #:** 2024-0526, **File Type:** Contract**Agenda Number:** 32.

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2024****SUBJECT: EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2 PROJECT****ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION****RECOMMENDATION**

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute Modification No. 8 to Contract No. AE51242000 with Cordoba HNTB Design Partners, a Joint Venture, in the amount of \$74,869,029 to advance to 30% Preliminary Engineering (PE) for the Initial Operating Segment (IOS), increasing the contract value from \$35,514,357 to \$110,383,386 and extending the period of performance from December 31, 2024, to August 30, 2026.

**ISSUE**

On May 23, 2024, the Metro Board approved the full 9-mile Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project, with a 4.6-mile Initial Operating Segment (IOS) to Greenwood Station and a Maintenance and Storage Facility in the City of Montebello and certified the Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR) of this Project. Metro filed the Notice of Determination (NOD) under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and CA State Clearinghouse on May 24, 2024. Metro anticipates reinitiating the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) clearance process and continuing project design development in Summer/Fall 2024.

Staff is seeking Board approval for a contract modification to continue project design from 15% advanced conceptual engineering to 30% PE design for the 4.6-mile IOS to the Greenwood Station for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project. The execution of Modification No. 8 is necessary for the advancement of the design through the Project Development phase. This phase will progress the design to continue designing complex elements (tunnel, cut and cover stations, cross passages, transitions structures, maintenance storage facility, etc.), geotechnical analysis of the underground alignment, and further design of conflicting utilities requiring relocation.

**BACKGROUND**

Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project is a nine-mile light rail transit (LRT) extension from the existing Metro E (formerly Gold) Line serving the cities and communities of Commerce, Montebello, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, Whittier, and unincorporated East Los Angeles and West Whittier-Los Nietos. At the December 2022 Board meeting, the Board approved the Locally Preferred Alternative

(LPA), a 4.6-mile extension of the E-Line to Greenwood Station via the IOS with design options for Atlantic/Pomona (open underground station) and Greenwood Station (at-grade) and a Maintenance and Storage Facility located in the City of Montebello.

On May 23, 2024, the Board certified the full nine-mile Project alignment to Whittier in the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) per the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Certification of the Final EIR also includes approval of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan and the Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Conditions.

The Project is a Measure R and Measure M project that is included in the 2020 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS).

The Measure M Ordinance identifies \$3 billion (2015 \$) in Measure M and other local, state, and federal funding for the Project. The Board previously directed staff to reinstate the NEPA environmental clearance process for the IOS to pursue federal funding for this project segment.

On October 25, 2018, the Board awarded firm fixed price Contract No. AE51242000 to Cordoba HNTB Design Partners, a Joint Venture, to provide the advanced conceptual engineering (ACE) design and urban design services for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project for work in support of the reinstated environmental clearance study. Seven modifications have been issued to date to add scoping meetings, proceed with one build alternative including additional refinements, as well as extend the period of performance (reference Attachment B).

## **DISCUSSION**

Since the Contract was approved in 2018, Metro has modified the Contract to focus on high-risk project elements benefiting early design and coordination, including coordination with program management and operations, at-grade geotechnical analysis, identification of utility conflicts along with potholing, hazardous material evaluation, and right-of-way updates. Modification No. 8 includes further technical analysis for the options identified in the EIR design work to align with updates to the Metro Rail Design Criteria (MRDC), sustainability measures, systems design, and development of early work packages. Based on lessons learned from other rail projects and to identify high-risk cost items earlier in the planning process, the Contract Modification increases the level of geotechnical investigation at the underground structures, real estate rights, and utility relocation to identify and manage future cost/schedule impacts.

## **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Approval of this contract modification will not impact the safety of Metro's customers or employees.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The adopted Fiscal Year 2025 budget includes approximately \$32.4 million total between Project 860232 (Program Management) and Project 460232 (Countywide Planning Department) for professional services and support for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project. Since this is a

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multi-year contract, the Cost Center Manager, Project Manager, and Chief Program Management Officer will be responsible for budgeting in future years.

### Impact to Budget

Funding for this action comes from Measure R 35% Transit Capital and TIRCP (Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program: Cycle 6), which is not eligible for bus and rail operations.

## **EQUITY PLATFORM**

The Board's approval of the contract modification for the Project will help advance equitable access to opportunity as the Project traverses through six Equity Focus Communities (EFCs) along the eastern portion of Los Angeles County. There are 2,281 transit-dependent households along the project alignment and 1,828 transit-dependent households along the LPA. This Project will benefit these EFCs and other communities along the eastern portion of Los Angeles County by providing access to a reliable light rail system and filling a gap in high-quality transit services that currently exist. When the eventual build-out of the project occurs, communities along the corridor will have access to the Metro regional network and to activity centers and job opportunities along the corridor that include but are not limited to, Whittier College, East Los Angeles College, Citadel Outlets, Historic Whittier Boulevard retail, and Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital.

Cordoba HNTB Design Partners made a 54.91% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) commitment on this contract and is exceeding with 59.12% DBE participation. See Attachment C.

## **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

The Project supports 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.

## **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board could choose not to approve the contract award. Delaying this contract modification to a future date would pose significant delays to the overall project schedule and the risk that the project would be unable to meet its Measure M schedule.

## **NEXT STEPS**

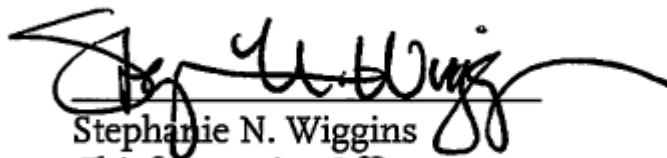
Upon Board approval, staff will execute Modification No. 8 to the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project Contract No. AE51242000 with Cordoba HNTB Design Partners, a Joint Venture, to advance to 30% PE for the IOS and extend the period of performance from December 31, 2024, to August 30, 2026. This effort will include advancing design and technical analysis, including value engineering and updating cost estimates to seek federal funding opportunities.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Procurement Summary  
Attachment B - Contract Modification/Change Order Log  
Attachment C - DEOD Summary

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## PROCUREMENT SUMMARY

EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2 – A.C.E. DESIGN/URBAN  
DESIGN SERVICES/AE51242000

1.	<b>Contract Number:</b> AE51242000		
2.	<b>Contractor:</b> Cordoba HNTB Design Partners, a Joint Venture		
3.	<b>Mod. Work Description:</b> Advance from 15% conceptual engineering to 30% preliminary engineering design for the 4.6 miles of the initial operating segment (IOS) to the Greenwood Station for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project.		
4.	<b>Contract Work Description:</b> Advanced conceptual engineering design/urban design services for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project.		
5.	<b>The following data is current as of:</b> 06/18/2024		
6.	<b>Contract Completion Status</b>		<b>Financial Status</b>
	<b>Contract Awarded:</b>	10/25/2018	<b>Contract Award Amount:</b> \$15,365,829
	<b>Notice to Proceed (NTP):</b>	11/07/2018	<b>Total of Modifications Approved:</b> \$20,148,528
	<b>Original Complete Date:</b>	11/06/2021	<b>Pending Modifications (including this action):</b> \$74,869,029
	<b>Current Est. Complete Date:</b>	08/30/2026	<b>Current Contract Value (with this action):</b> \$110,383,386
7.	<b>Contract Administrator:</b> Samira Baghdikian		<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 922-1033
8.	<b>Project Manager:</b> Alice Hsu		<b>Telephone Number:</b> (213) 418-3113

**A. Procurement Background**

This Board Action is to approve Contract Modification No. 8 issued to advance from 15% conceptual engineering to 30% preliminary engineering design for the 4.6 miles of the initial operating segment (IOS) to the Greenwood Station for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project. This Contract Modification also extends the period of performance from December 31, 2024 through August 30, 2026.

This Contract Modification will be processed in accordance with Metro's Acquisition Policy and the contract type is a firm fixed price.

On October 25, 2018, the Board awarded firm fixed price Contract No. AE51242000 to Cordoba HNTB Design Partners, a Joint Venture, to provide the advanced conceptual engineering (ACE) design and urban design services for the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Project for work in support of the reinstituted environmental clearance study.

A total of seven modifications have been executed to date.

Refer to Attachment B - Contract Modification/Change Order Log.

**B. Cost Analysis**

The recommended price has been determined to be fair and reasonable based on the Independent Cost Estimate (ICE), cost analysis, technical analysis, fact finding, and negotiations. Staff successfully negotiated a savings of \$23,688,535.

<b>Proposal Amount</b>	<b>Metro ICE</b>	<b>Negotiated Amount</b>
\$98,557,564	\$67,323,750	\$74,869,029

The variance between the ICE and negotiated amount is due to additional design needed based on the complexity of the underground structure (tunnels, cut-cover stations, cross passages, transition structures), additional options from the EIR (crossovers, aerial yard leads, center platform station), and advancement of the geotechnical design. The findings from these tasks will support the PE design and the NEPA process.

**CONTRACT MODIFICATION / CHANGE ORDER LOG  
EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2 – A.C.E. DESIGN/URBAN  
DESIGN SERVICES / AE51242000**

<b>Mod. No.</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status (approved or pending)</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>\$ Amount</b>
1	Additional scoping meetings and associated work.	Approved	03/12/2020	\$24,909
2	Proceed with one build alternative including additional refinements, reallocation of tasks no longer required due to withdrawal of SR60 and combined alternative from further study and extend period of performance (POP) through 11/7/12.	Approved	02/11/2021	\$2,165,365
3	No cost POP extension through 12/30/22.	Approved	08/25/2022	\$0
4	No cost POP extension through 2/28/23.	Approved	11/28/2022	\$0
5	Continuation of advanced conceptual engineering for high-risk project elements and extend POP through 6/30/24.	Approved	01/26/2023	\$17,958,254
6	Reallocation of budget from Task 9 (System Design & Maintenance Facility) to: Task 4.8.2 (First/Last Mile Station Plans, Task 4.8.2.4 (Recommendations, Prioritization, Final Plan & Station Packages) and Task 4.8.2.5 (Community Engagement Events/Community Input).	Approved	04/11/2024	\$0
7	No cost POP extension through 12/31/24.	Approved	06/05/2024	\$0
8	Advance to 30% Preliminary Engineering for the Initial Operating Segment and POP extension through 8/30/26.	<b>Pending</b>	<b>Pending</b>	\$74,869,029
	<b>Modification Total:</b>			<b>\$95,017,557</b>
	<b>Original Contract:</b>		10/25/2018	<b>\$15,365,829</b>
	<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$110,383,386</b>



## DEOD SUMMARY

EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2 – A.C.E DESIGN/URBAN  
DESIGN SERVICES/AE51242000**A. Small Business Participation**

Cordoba HNTB Design Partners, A Joint Venture (CHDP), made a 54.91% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) commitment. Based on payments, the project is 60% complete and the current level of DBE participation is 59.12%, exceeding the commitment by 4.21%. CHDP explained that the under-utilization of J&H Drilling Co., Inc. and Synergy was due to the work being descoped from the project, as confirmed by Metro's Project Manager.

<b>Small Business Commitment</b>	<b>54.91% DBE</b>	<b>Small Business Participation</b>	<b>59.12% DBE</b>
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	<b>DBE Subcontractors</b>	<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>% Committed</b>	<b>Current Participation<sup>1</sup></b>
1.	Cordoba Corporation	Hispanic American	35.78%	37.92%
2.	D'Leon Consulting Engineers Corporation	Hispanic American	4.02%	5.89%
3.	Diaz Consultants, Inc.	Hispanic American	4.29%	3.59%
4.	Environmental Treatment and Technology dba Advanced Technology Laboratories	Hispanic American	0.60%	0.04%
5.	J&H Drilling, Co., Inc.	Hispanic American	0.42%	0.00%
6.	Lenax Construction Services, Inc.	Caucasian Female	2.35%	1.73%
7.	MLA Green, Inc. dba Studio-MLA	Hispanic American	1.11%	0.43%
8.	V&A, Inc.	Hispanic American	4.19%	2.61%
9.	Wagner Engineering & Survey, Inc.	Caucasian Female	2.15%	2.99%
10.	Vicus LLC	Caucasian Female	Added	3.92%
11.	Synergy Traffic Control, Inc. (formerly E-NOR Traffic Control)	Black American	Added	0.00%

	<b>Total</b>		<b>54.91%</b>	<b>59.12%</b>
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<sup>1</sup>Current Participation = Total Actual amount Paid-to-Date to DBE firms ÷ Total Actual Amount Paid-to-date to Prime.

**B. Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy Applicability**

The Living Wage and Service Contract Worker Retention Policy (LW/SCWRP) is not applicable to this modification.

**C. Prevailing Wage Applicability**

Prevailing Wage requirements are applicable to this project. DEOD will continue to monitor contractors' compliance with the State of California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR), California Labor Code, and, if federally funded, the U S Department of Labor (DOL) Davis Bacon and Related Acts (DBRA). Trades that may be covered include surveying, field, soils and materials testing, construction management and other support trades.

**D. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy**

Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is not applicable to this Contract. Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy is applicable only to construction contracts that have a construction contract value in excess of \$2.5 million.

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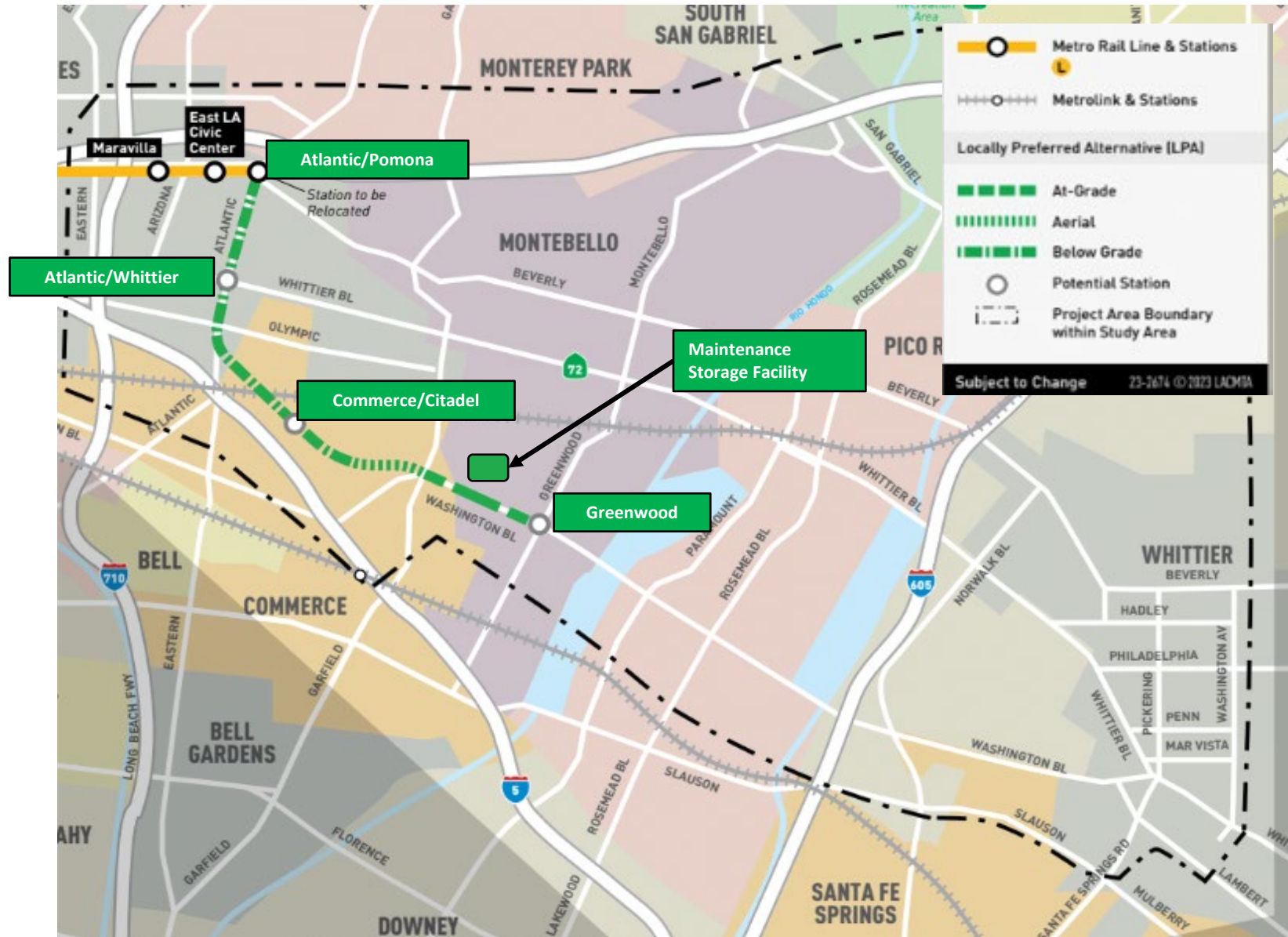
GOLD LINE EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2  
(E LINE)

CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

# PROJECT UPDATE

- Final EIR: Certification and Project Approval by Metro Board on May 23, 2024
- Continued FTA Coordination regarding the NEPA process
- Geotechnical and Utility Surveys on going



# PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING

- Coordinate the start of a 2-year Project Development Phase (Preliminary Engineering)
- Utilizing existing design consultant team will expedite the process due to their experience on the project and with the corridor
- The existing design consultant Cordoba HNTB Design Partners, a Joint Venture, will add 11 new subconsultants (8 of which are DBE's) to team to accommodate the additional design scope within this contract modification.
- Cordoba HNTB Design Partners made a 54.91% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) commitment on this contract and is exceeding with 59.12% DBE participation
- Scope includes additional upfront due diligence by increasing the geotechnical investigations within the tunnel segment as recommended by Metro Engineering and Tunnel Advisory Panel (TAP).

# RECOMMENDATION

CONSIDER:

**AUTHORIZE** the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute Modification No. 8 to Contract No. AE51242000 with Cordoba HNTB Design Partners, a Joint Venture, in the amount of \$74,869,029 to advance to 30% Preliminary Engineering (PE) for the Initial Operating Segment (IOS), increasing the contract value from \$35,514,357 to \$110,383,386 and extending the period of performance from December 31, 2024, to August 30, 2026.