

Wednesday, January 14, 2009 1:00 P.M.

REVISED Agenda

Planning and Programming Committee Meeting

One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Boardroom

Call to Order

Directors

Richard Katz, Chair
Zev Yaroslavsky, Vice Chair
John Fasana
Mark Ridley-Thomas
Doug Failing, non-voting member

Officers

Roger Snoble, Chief Executive Officer
Michele Jackson, Board Secretary
Karen Gorman, Ethics Officer
Karen Gorman, Acting Inspector General
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NOTE: ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA

5. CONSIDER:

- A. **certifying that the Canoga Transportation Corridor, Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR)** is in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and reflects our independent judgment and analysis. The FEIR is available upon request;
- B. adopting the:
 - 1. Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations in accordance with CEQA;
 - 2. Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; and
- C. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to File the Notice of Determination with the Los Angeles County Clerk and State of California Clearinghouse.

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6. CONSIDER:

- A. approving the **Westside Extension Transit Corridor Alternatives Analysis Study**;
- B. approving the alternatives recommended below, in addition to the No Build and Transportation Systems Management alternatives, for further study in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Report (Draft EIS/R) and Advanced Conceptual Engineering:
 - 1. Alternative #1 - Metro Purple Line Extension via Wilshire Boulevard;
 - 2. Alternative #11 - Metro Purple Line Extension via Wilshire plus Subway Extension from Metro Red Line via Santa Monica Boulevard; and
- C. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to:
 - 1. exercise the following:
 - a. an option to Contract No. 4350-2000 with PB Americas Inc. to prepare the Draft EIS/EIR and Advanced Conceptual Engineering in the amount of \$17,245,118, increasing the total contract value from \$3,815,651 to \$21,060,769;

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- b. an option to Contract No. 4350-1995 with The Robert Group to conduct the facilitation of community outreach in the amount of \$1,080,000, increasing the total contract value from \$710,571 to \$1,790,571;
 - c. contract modifications for up to 15% of the above amounts to cover the cost of any potentially unforeseen issues that may arise during the above phases; and
2. accept an assignment of and assume the responsibilities under the Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority's (Authority) contract with AECOM, dated November 7, 2008 pursuant to the terms of the Exposition Corridor Transit Project/Phase 2 Transportation Modeling Development and Payment Agreement for Federal Transit Administration New Starts Preliminary Engineering Requirements Memorandum of Understanding dated November 4, 2008, between LACMTA and the Authority, if it is determined by the CEO or his designee that such assignment is the most expedient mechanism for upgrading the Transportation Demand Model for federal New Starts purposes.

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7. CONSIDER:

- A. approving the **Regional Connector Transit Corridor Study Alternatives Analysis (AA) Study**;
- B. approving the alternatives recommended below, in addition to the No Build and Transportation Systems Management alternatives, for further study in the AA in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Report (DEIS/EIR) including Advanced Conceptual Engineering (ACE):
 1. Alternative #3A/B - At-Grade Alternative via Second Street with a Couplet on Main and Los Angeles Streets;
 2. Alternative #5 - Underground Alternative via Second Street crossing First Street and Alameda at-grade; and

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- C. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to:
1. exercise the following:
 - a. an option to Contract No. PS 4320-1985 with Camp Dresser & McKee (CDM) to prepare the Draft EIS/EIR including Advanced Conceptual Engineering in the amount of \$9,965,853, increasing the total contract amount from \$2,091,969 to \$12,057,822;
 - b. an option to Contract No. PS 4320-1988 with The Robert Group to conduct the facilitation of community outreach in the amount of \$835,453, increasing the total contract amount from \$192,269 to \$1,027,722; and
 - c. contract modifications for up to 15% of the above amounts to cover the cost of any potentially unforeseen issues that may arise during the above phases.

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8. CONSIDER:
- A. approving the **Metro Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Alternatives Analysis Study**;
 - B. approving the alternatives recommended below, in addition to the No Build and Transportation Systems Management alternatives, for further study in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIS/EIR) including Advanced Conceptual Engineering (ACE):
 1. Alternative #1: (Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension via State Route 60);
 2. Alternative #2: (Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension via Beverly Boulevard);
 3. Alternative #3: (Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension via Beverly Boulevard/Whittier Boulevard);
 4. Alternative #4: (Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension via Washington Boulevard); and

- C. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to:
1. exercise the following:
 - a. an option to Contract No. PS 4320-2003 with Camp Dresser & McKee/AECOM (CDM/AECOM) to prepare the Draft EIS/EIR including Advanced Conceptual Engineering in the amount of \$11,418,071, increasing the total contract amount from \$2,203,584 to \$13,621,655;
 - b. an option to Contract No. PS 4320-2006 with Arellano and Associates to provide professional services in the amount of \$1,167,000, increasing the total contract amount from \$358,428 to \$1,525,428 to conduct the facilitation of community outreach; and
 - c. contract modifications for up to 15% of the above amounts to cover the cost of any potentially unforeseen issues that may arise during the above phases.

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9. APPROVE the following actions for the **2009 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) for Los Angeles County**:
 - A. the assumptions and updated financial forecast that supports the 2009 LRTP for Los Angeles County;
 - B. Recommended Plan and Strategic Plan projects and programs for inclusion in the 2009 LRTP document;
 - C. adopt the resolution which adopts the 2009 LRTP for Los Angeles County; and
 - D. adopt Board policy that the 3% local jurisdiction contribution to transit corridor projects where indicated in the Measure R Expenditure Plan be committed prior to moving forward with same transit corridor projects.
10. INITIATE the **2009 Call for Projects process**.

11. CONSIDER:

- A. exempting **new consulting contracts freeze for Congestion Mitigation Fee Study – Step 2** due to the statutory requirements of the Congestion Management Program, which mandates compliance with the implementation of a countywide Deficiency Plan to measurably improve congestion in Los Angeles County; and
- B. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a firm fixed price contract to Cambridge Systematics, Inc. to conduct Step 2 of the Congestion Mitigation Fee Work Plan consisting of project identification, estimating project costs, and confirming growth forecasts, for a period of six months for an amount not to exceed \$932,718.

12. CONSIDER:

- A. approving programming of up to \$26 million that is available to us from **fiscal year (FY) 2009 federal Department of Homeland Security – Transit Security Grant Program and state Proposition 1B Transit Security Grant Program (Prop 1B Transit Security) funds** for our eligible transit projects;
- B. adopting the required FY 2009 resolution authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining federal and state financial assistance that the federal Department of Homeland Security and the Governor’s Office of Homeland Security may provide; and
- C. amending the FY 2009 budget to include up to \$2.0 million of state Prop 1B Transit Security funds to start implementing some of the recommended projects.

13. AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. exercise LACMTA’s first right to purchase **El Monte Station Parking Property from Caltrans** and its re-sale to the El Monte Community Redevelopment Agency under specified conditions; and
- B. enter into an exclusive negotiating agreement with the El Monte Community Redevelopment Agency for development of LACMTA commuter and employee parking.

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14. RECEIVE AND FILE the **Orange County/Los Angeles (OC/LA) Inter-County Transportation Study's Conceptual Alternatives Report** as summarized in the OC/LA Inter-County Transportation Study Overview.

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