

Wednesday, November 18, 2009 1:00 P.M.

Agenda

Planning and Programming Committee Meeting

One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Boardroom

Call to Order

Directors

Diane DuBois, Chair
Michael Antonovich, Vice Chair
Richard Katz
Pam O'Connor
Zev Yaroslavsky
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Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation Authority

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NOTE: ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA

CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEMS 5 THROUGH 6):

5. CONSIDER:

- A. approving the **lapsing of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act – Regional Surface Transportation (ARRA-RSTP) funds** listed in Attachment A of the Board report and re-program the lapsed funds to a previously funded Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) regional project that releases regular RSTP funds for redistribution back to Cities and the County of Los Angeles that have met the MTA deadline to obligate the ARRA-RSTP funds; and
- B. directing any redistributed (as distinguished from lapsing) ARRA-RSTP funds to a previously funded MTA regional project that releases funds and stipulate that any released funds controlled by the MTA would be redirected, directly or indirectly, to those same Cities and the County of Los Angeles, if possible.

6. CONSIDER:

- A. approving, as an early implementation project for the **Eastern San Fernando Valley (SFV) North-South Bus Speed Improvements Project**, striping, signal, and pedestrian enhancements in support of a new complementary Metro Orange Line service, Line 902 that will begin operations in December 2009. The service will link the Pacoima/Van Nuys Corridor to the North Hollywood Metro Red Line Station; and
- B. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer, contingent upon California Transportation Commission (CTC) approval, to:
 - 1. amend the scope of work for the existing Funding Agreement with the City of Los Angeles for the Eastern SFV North-South Bus Speed Improvements project by deleting the preliminary engineering work and adding design and construction of traffic signal timing/priority and street improvements along with pedestrian enhancements to support the new Line 902; and
 - 2. request from the CTC in FY11, \$380,203 in previously programmed State Local Transportation Partnership Program funds to complete the design and construction of new Line 902 infrastructure improvements project.

****END OF CONSENT CALENDAR****

7. CONSIDER:

- A. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to:
 - 1. execute task orders 3A and 4A of Contract No. PS4370-2316 to InfraConsult LLC in the not-to-exceed amount of \$11.5 million to conduct strategic assessments and develop business cases for the six initial projects of the 14 identified high potential **Public-Private Partnership (PPP) candidates**; and
 - 2. approve contract modifications for up to 10% to cover the cost of any potentially unforeseen issues that may arise during consultant performance of Tasks 3A and 4A.
- B. amending the FY10 budget to increase the revenues and expenditures by \$6.0 million to advance PPP delivery for the six projects identified in Attachment A of the Board report.

8. CONSIDER:

- A. approving the **Harbor Subdivision Transit Corridor Alternatives Analysis (AA) Study**. Attachment A of the Board report contains the Executive Summary. The full AA Study Report is available upon request; or at www.metro.net/projects_studies/harbor_subdivision
- B. approving for further study in a draft Environmental Impact Statement/Report (Draft EIS/R) an extension of rail service from either the Metro Green Line Marine Station or Imperial Station to the proposed Torrance Regional Transit Center operating on either new light rail tracks or on the existing freight tracks via the Harbor Subdivision Right-of-Way in addition to the No Build and the Transportation Systems Management (TSM) alternatives; and
- C. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to exercise:
 - 1. a firm fixed price option to Contract No. PS0843302126 with STV, Inc. to prepare the Draft EIS/R and conduct community outreach in the amount of \$4,998,030, increasing the total contract value from \$2,463,456 to \$7,461,486; and

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2. contact modifications up to 15% of the above amount to cover the cost of any potentially unforeseen issues that may arise during the Draft EIS/R.

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9. CONSIDER:

- A. receiving and filing the **Crenshaw Transit Corridor** Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (DEIS/DEIR). Attachment A contains the Executive Summary. Attachment B is a map of the Study Area. The full report is available upon request or at www.metro.net/crenshaw
- B. adopting the Light Rail Transit (LRT) Alternative as the Locally Preferred Alternative as follows:
 - From a northern terminal at the Exposition/Crenshaw station (reconstructed at-grade), the alignment follows Crenshaw Boulevard south to the Harbor Subdivision and then follows the Harbor Subdivision to a connection at the Metro Green Line Aviation/LAX station
 - Stations are to be included at: Exposition/Crenshaw, Crenshaw/Martin Luther King Jr., Crenshaw/Slauson, Florence/West, Florence/La Brea, Aviation/Manchester (optional), Aviation/Century (aerial)
 - Grade separations are to be located:
 - Between 39th and 48th Streets (below grade)
 - Between 60th St. and Victoria Avenue (below grade) (Design Option 4, included to respond to adverse visual impacts)
 - Across La Brea Avenue (aerial)
 - Across La Cienega Boulevard/I-405 (aerial)
 - Across Manchester Avenue (aerial) (Design Option 2, included to respond to traffic impacts identified in the Grade Crossing Analysis)
 - Across Century Boulevard (aerial) (Design Option 1, included to serve an improved connection to Los Angeles International Airport)
 - Adjacent to the Los Angeles International Airport south runways (below-grade trench)

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- A maintenance facility is to be included at a site to be determined. A site in the City of El Segundo located between two railroad tracks northeast of the intersection of Rosecrans Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard is recommended to be further analyzed. During the next phase of environmental review, MTA may have to identify additional alternate sites for analysis.

- Attachment C1 shows the Locally Preferred Alternative.
- C. authorizing the preparation of the Final EIS/EIR, continued environmental review and additional advanced conceptual engineering for the LPA and the following additional design options:
- Centinela grade separation (cut-and-cover- Design Option 3)
 - Additional Crenshaw/Vernon Station (below grade – Design Option 5)
 - Exposition/Crenshaw grade separation (below-grade- Design Option 6)
 - Alternate maintenance facility sites, as necessary

Additional design and cost estimation as well as input from relevant regulatory agencies (e.g., California Public Utilities Commission) is required in order to determine if the remaining design options should be included in the definition of the project to address potential environmental impacts and physical constraints. This next phase of work will include value engineering and analysis of interim operable segments, as necessary; and

- D. adopting a resolution (Attachment D) authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Funding Agreement with Caltrans and the Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative (LANI) for a \$226,800 Caltrans FY 2009 Community Based Transportation Planning Grant for the West Boulevard Station Area and Community Linkages Plan. We will provide the required local match of \$25,200 with half of the contribution as in-kind labor, which brings the total funding agreement amount to \$252,000. (HANDOUT)

10. CONSIDER:

- A. receiving and filing the **State Route 2 Freeway Terminus Improvement Project** Draft Initial Study/Environmental Assessment Report (DIS/EA). The document is available upon request;
- B. adopting the Hybrid Alternative as the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA), inclusive of the proposed improvements that enhance vehicular and pedestrian safety and create community open space in the State Route 2 (SR-2) Terminus project area described in Attachment A;
- C. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Modification No. 3 to Contract No. 4320-1699 with ICF Jones and Stokes Associates to extend the contract for a period of five months and increase the Total Contract Value in the not to exceed amount of \$225,260 from \$1,578,719 to \$1,803,979 for the preparation of required environmental analysis and preliminary engineering of the Hybrid Alternative for inclusion in the Final Environmental Document (FED) and Project Report (PR); and
- D. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to recommend the LPA to Caltrans District Director for approval upon completion and review of the required environmental analysis and preliminary engineering.

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11. AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute a long-term license agreement with the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles to provide **parking for a transit oriented development adjacent to the Metro Blue Line's 103rd Street/Kenneth Hahn Station.**

12. CONSIDER:

- A. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and award a 9-year cost-plus fixed fee Contract No. E0117, for **Crenshaw Transit Corridor Advanced Conceptual Engineering, and subsequent phases (options) for preliminary engineering**, design-build contract bid support, design support during construction and start-up support services for the LRT Alternative to Hatch Mott McDonald, for an amount not to exceed \$10.4 million to perform Phase I, Advanced Conceptual Engineering;

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- B. establishing Contract Modification Authority for 10% of the not-to-exceed value of Phase 1, and authorizing the CEO to execute individual Contract Modifications within and up to the Board approved Contract Modification Authority;
 - C. delegating to the CEO, should we be unable to conclude negotiations with Hatch Mott McDonald, the authority to negotiate and execute a contract with the next most qualified proposer; and
 - D. authorizing the execution of Third Party Agreements with the Cities of Los Angeles, Inglewood, and El Segundo to support Advanced Conceptual Engineering and Preliminary Engineering for FY10 for a total amount for all three cities not to exceed \$560,000.
13. AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to:
- A. negotiate and execute a contract with a Planning or Environmental bench contractor or seek the services of a contractor for an amount not to exceed \$1.0 million to conduct the EIR document that addresses traffic, real estate, noise, visual impacts, and other environmental issues associated with the **installation of four quadrant gates on Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension**;
 - B. negotiate and execute a contract with a Community Outreach firm on the bench for an amount not to exceed \$200,000 to facilitate community participation in the EIR;
 - C. negotiate and execute Work Orders with the City and County of Los Angeles to provide Traffic Engineering Analysis support to the contractor for an amount not to exceed \$2.5 million; and
 - D. amend the FY10 budget to increase revenues and expenses by \$2.0 million in Project 460202 (Metro Gold Line Four Quad Crossing Gates).
14. ADOPT the **Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency (LOSSAN) Corridor Memorandum of Understanding**.

15. RECEIVE AND FILE update on [high speed train access to Los Angeles Union Station](#).
16. RECEIVE **report of the Chief Executive Officer**.

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

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