# Schedule of Operating Data, Ridership, Operating Expenditures, Farebox Revenues, and Other Revenues For the Community DASH Service – PACKAGE 4 City of Los Angeles

Year Ended June 30, 2020 with Report of Independent Auditors





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# CITY OF LOS ANGELES Community DASH Service – PACKAGE 4

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# **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Los Angeles, California
To the Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation Authority
And to the Federal Transit Administration

# **Report on the Schedule**

We have audited the accompanying Schedule of Operating Data, Ridership, Operating Expenditures, Farebox Revenues, and Other Revenues for the **Community DASH Service – PACKAGE 4** of the City of Los Angeles for the year ended June 30, 2020 (the Schedule).

# Management's Responsibility for the Schedule

The City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation's (LADOT) management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this Schedule in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and the requirements of the Uniform System of Accounts and Records and Reporting System, Final Rule, as specified in 49 CFR Part 630, Federal Register, January 15, 1993 and as presented in the 2020 Policy Manual; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Schedule based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the requirements of the Uniform System of Accounts and Records and Reporting System, Final Rule, as specified in 49 CFR Part 630, Federal Register, January 15, 1993 and as presented in the 2020 Policy Manual. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Schedule is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the Schedule. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the Schedule, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Schedule.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our audit opinion.



The scope of our audit was to determine whether:

- A system is in place and maintained for recording data in accordance with the National Transit Database (NTD) definitions. The correct data is being measured and no systematic errors exist.
- A system is in place to record data on a continuing basis and the data gathering is an ongoing effort.
- Source documents are available to support the reported data and are maintained for the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) review and audit for a minimum of three years following FTA's receipt of the NTD report. The data is fully documented and securely stored.
- A system of internal controls is in place to ensure the data collection process is accurate and that the recording system and reported comments are not altered. Documents are reviewed and signed by a supervisor, as required.
- The data collection methods are those suggested by FTA or otherwise meet FTA requirements.
- The deadhead miles, computed as the difference between the reported total actual vehicle miles data and the reported total actual vehicle revenue miles data, appear to be accurate.
- Data is consistent with prior reporting periods and other facts known about transit agency operations.
- Farebox revenues have been accounted for and recorded in accordance with FTA definitions.

# **Opinion**

In our opinion, the Schedule of Operating Data, Ridership, Operating Expenditures, Farebox Revenues, and Other Revenues referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the operating data, ridership, operating expenditures, farebox revenues, and other revenues for the Community DASH Service – PACKAGE 4 of the City of Los Angeles for the year ended June 30, 2020 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and the requirements of the Uniform System of Accounts and Records and Reporting System, Final Rule, as specified in 49 CFR Part 630, Federal Register, January 15, 1993 and as presented in the 2020 Policy Manual.

### **Restriction on Use**

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and FTA and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Los Angeles, California

Simpon & Simpon

January 15, 2021

	All Routes Package 4		
Operating Data	 		
Number of Vehicles in Operation	31		
Total Vehicle Miles	903,368		
Total Vehicle Hours	104,429		
Total Vehicle Revenue Miles	841,028		
Total Vehicle Revenue Hours	100,501		
Total Vehicle Trips	110,472		
Directional Route Miles	47		
Ridership Data			
Total Passenger Trips	2,645,075		
Total Passenger Miles	3,186,750		
Operating Expenditures			
Contractor Operating Costs			
Service Costs	\$ 8,687,949		
Fuel Costs	745,318		
Subtotal	 9,433,267		
Administrative Costs	1,360,158		
Total Operating Expenditures	\$ 10,793,425		
Farebox Revenues	\$ 811,934		
Other Revenues	\$ 111,912		

#### NOTES:

- 1. Community DASH Service is a bus service of the City of Los Angeles covering Downtown Los Angeles and many outlying communities within the city. Its primary function is to provide localized service and is a feeder into the countywide Metro bus service. Community DASH Service Package 4 covers part of the MidCity area of the city.
- 2. Operating data such as vehicle hours and vehicle miles is based on the actual time and distance travelled by the vehicle including the deadhead miles/hours. Vehicle revenue hours and vehicle revenue miles are based on the trip schedule minus any missed trips. This data is calculated using pre-determined daily route plans for each vehicle trip less missed trips reported by LADOT's transportation provider.
- 3. Ridership data such as passenger miles and passenger trips is based on surveys conducted by LADOT's transportation provider using the specific trips that were statistically sampled for survey by LADOT.
- 4. Operating expenditures are based on the accrual method of accounting such that expenditures allocable to the transit program/route are reported in the period in which they are incurred.
- 5. Farebox revenues are based on actual farebox collected from passengers and the data is accumulated on a regular basis by LADOT's transportation provider.
- 6. Other revenues represent mostly the program's share in the advertising revenues and sale of transit tickets/passes and TAP cards.

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Community DASH Service – Package 4
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		Boyle Heights		El Sereno		Pico/ Union
Operating Data	_				•	
Number of Vehicles in Operation		6		10		15
Total Vehicle Miles		130,104		338,332		434,932
Total Vehicle Hours		15,934		30,890		57,605
Total Vehicle Revenue Miles		123,024		315,019		402,985
Total Vehicle Revenue Hours		15,242		29,589		55,670
Total Vehicle Trips		21,648		35,597		53,227
Directional Route Miles		13		18		16
Ridership Data						
Total Passenger Trips		326,219		503,724		1,815,132
Total Passenger Miles		624,473		1,026,855		1,535,422
Operating Expenditures						
Contractor Operating Costs						
Service Costs	\$	1,322,305	\$	2,561,769	\$	4,803,875
Fuel Costs		107,341		279,139	_	358,838
Subtotal		1,429,646		2,840,908		5,162,713
Administrative Costs	_	206,282		400,451	_	753,425
Total Operating Expenditures	\$ _	1,635,928	\$ =	3,241,359	\$	5,916,138
Farebox Revenues	\$_	91,515	\$.	136,050	\$	584,369
Other Revenues	\$ _	19,637	\$ .	34,747	\$	57,528