### Metro Sustainability Council



Friday, September 11, 2020 @ 9:00 – 11:00 am

### Agenda

VIRTUAL MEETING Metro Sustainability Council

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- a. Welcome/Remarks: Chair (5 min)
- b. Approval of Minutes: Chair (2 min)
- c. Equity Program: KeAndra Cylear Dodds (20 min)
- d. Traffic Reduction Study: Tham Nguyen (20 min)
- e. Sustainability Program Update: Cris Liban (10 min)
- f. Metro's Measure W (Clean Safe Water) Program: Heather Repenning (25 min)
- g. Energy and Resilience at Metro: Craig Reiter (15 min)
- h. Action Items Log: Aaron (2 min)
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Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Metro Sustainability Council



### Sustainability Council FY21 **WORKING DRAFT** Meetings Arc *As* of *September 4, 2020*

Meeting	Agenda Topics	Outcomes
July 10, 2020	ACTION: Executive Committee Elections	Selection of Metro Sustainability Council Executive Committee Members: Chair/Vice-Chair/Second Vice-Chair
	PRESENTATION: Draft Long-Range Transportation Plan	Present Draft Long-Range Plan to solicit feedback from the SC to prepare the final Plan
	PRESENTATION: Sustainability Program for Capital Projects	Discuss Metro's process to incorporate sustainability strategies into Capital projects
	PRESENTATION: Coronavirus Recover Task Force	Provide an update on early action items.
September 11, 2020	UPDATE: Sustainability Program	Report out the findings of Metro's Sustainability Programs implementation
	PRESENTATION/UPDATE: Energy Resilience at Metro	Discuss Metro's efforts on energy resilience
	UPDATE: Metro's Measure W (Clean Safe Water) Program	Presenting Metro projects that are applying for Measure W funding

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	PRESENTATION: Equity Program	Provide an overview of Metro's Equity Program.
	PRESENTATION: Traffic Reduction Study	Provide an overview of Metro's Traffic Reduction Study.
November 13, 2020	WORKSHOP: Metro Recovery Task Force and Metro Environmental and Sustainability Program	Identify changes and adjustments in environmental and sustainability efforts relative to Metro Recovery Task Force
January 8, 2021	WORKSHOP: Interactive Sustainability Data	Sharing publicly accessible data for sustainability at Metro
	TO BE INVITED: Metro Fleet Electrification Program	Update on Metro Fleet Electrification Program
March 12, 2021	UPDATE: Sustainability Acquisition Program	Update on the Sustainability Acquisition Program Pilots and Next Steps.
	WORKSHOP: Water Strategies	Potable water reduction strategies and green infrastructure. Water Action Planning process
May 14, 2021	UPDATE: Moving Beyond Sustainability Update	Update Sustainability Council on MBS goals and targets progress.
	UPDATE: EV Charger Program	Discuss progress of Metro EV Charger Program
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### A. Welcome/Remarks (Chair)

**Chair Small:** Welcome Luis Rodriguez, Cecilia Jackson, Eli Lipman, Ben Stapleton as new members of the Council. Moment of appreciation for dedicated Council Members.

Brief discussion about Culver City re-imagining public safety and justice, and community engagement has been key. We had a meeting to address the Black Lives Matter movement and the movement to Defund the Police. We are moving certain areas out of police purview to have a different outcome. We are looking to re-imagine how to govern around concepts of justice equity and sustainability.

New Member Introductions:

- Luis Rodriguez: Born and raised Angeleno with a background in education. Introduced by his predecessor Miguel Ramos. Currently serving as volunteer and engagement lead for Tree People.
- Eli Lipman: Move LA, worked on Measure M and prop 6 campaign. Focused on issues like climate change, air pollution. Serves as chair and president of Board of Neighbors.
- **Ben Stapleton**: USGBC-LA, has long been partnering with Metro for training delivery and other projects

### B. Approval of Minutes

No comment. Minutes approved.

### C. <u>Recovery Task Force Update</u>

Joshua Schank: presents recommendations provided by task force:

- Equity tool used to evaluate recommendations key is to discuss and evaluate potential impacts
- We will advance mobility without congestion as the "new normal"
- Issuing monthly reports. Through early July we have:
  - o 18 early action items
  - 100+ recommendations identified
- We asses equity-focused communities
- Early Action Items:
  - Rider Led Recovery (customer surveys)- show interest in masks, social distancing, and homelessness
  - Safer Streets for All—approved by board
  - Safe Spaces- addresses cleaning methods, includes publicizing to make people comfortable
  - Masks for Riders
  - New recommendation—Allow mask vending and distribution
  - Contactless Payment (transit app)

- Virtual Connection- public meetings; includes providing more WIFI hotspots, on buses, with a focus on equity to allow everyone to access public meetings
- Fresh Air, Safe Travel—considering windows open on certain days for airflow, and HVAC filtration
- o Match Service with Demand
- o Better bike share
- More bikes—helps reduce single occupancy trips
- Working from home, including helping others implement telecommuting
- Faster buses- bus lanes and protected bike lanes
- "We're here for you" campaign to boost brand and ridership, and make equity a focus
- Customer ambassadors- non security staff to encourage safe riding
- New mobility for the way forward—allows private companies to come with ideas for Metro
- o Reimaging projects- prioritizing and examining major capital projects
- Homes for all—new service partner helping find housing and assessing how we can use Metro facilities.

**Q** (Chair Small): request to share presentation. Culver City has challenges coordinating with businesses and this will be helpful

A (Joshua S.): There are reports on Metro.net and we are open to presentation being shared.

### (NEXT TOPIC)

**Comment (Joel L.)**: One interesting thing has been renewed interest in biking and I'm pleased to see that on the plan, so I would encourage dedicating even more efforts to that. Protected bike lanes are a huge difference.

**Comment (Chair Small):** We are opening downtown by closing Main street and part of Culver Blvd to enable large outdoor seating area. We are also working on bike lanes.

**Comment (Pavitra R.)**: Protected corridors are important. Another benefit is new technology can be implemented in protected lanes for green infrastructure solutions.

### (NEXT TOPIC)

**Q** (Pavitra R.): Can you share some data on telecommuting? How many people won't be returning to working in person? New York has done some data analytics on this.

A (Joshua): We don't have good data, but we can survey what people want to do.

**A (Ben S.**): We are working on a white paper on GHG emission reduction with telecommuting with several companies.

**A (Eli L.)** Works with South LA transit empowerment zone. We are working with LADOT and Caltrans across many zones and can share lessons learned. The rapid-equity questions are helpful. Alternative transit, active transit, and complete streets are quite important, and Metro/Los Angeles should aggressively defund highways.

### D. Draft Long-Range Transportation Plan

Mark Yamarone: discusses the draft LRTP:

- 1.2 million riders per day before COVID
- There are also additional municipal and local buses
- Relationship to SCAG
  - They are the Metropolitan Planning Organization, they are preparing their version of their Long-range Plan through Connect SoCal (balancing mobility, economic, and sustainability goals).
  - Metro LRTP plays a role in this because our capital projects become part of their system to meeting air quality and lower emissions goals.
  - LRTP rolls up into SCAG's regional transportation plan.
  - o Metro must remain in conformity to maintain federal funding.
  - Both SCAG's and Metro's plans are living documents with long horizons, but can be modified with board actions
- LRTP connects to other Metro plans such as Moving Beyond Sustainability
- Strategies/Actions are built around:
  - o Better transit
  - o Less Congestion
  - o Complete Streets
  - Access to Opportunity
- Public engagement was key in building out the above categories and identify priorities.
- Elements of 2020 LRTP
  - o Layering of bold policies
  - o Partnerships
  - Expanded programs
  - o Measure M
  - o This plan is financially constrained, and these elements are all connected to funding
- Benefits:
  - o Increase in transit trips by 81%
  - Decrease vehicle hours of delay by 31%
  - o Decrease Gas Emissions 19% compared to the trend
- Goal to expand beyond Measure M, including free transit and high-speed transit
- Implementation:
  - Strategies listed in the available plan
  - Under each strategy there are specific actions and explanation of how we will work with our partners.
  - Also discuss benefit of each strategy to community
  - Focus on Equity and communities
- The plan does not have major highways improvements included.
- Complete Streets is one of the broader categories:
  - o State of good repair
  - Equity focused communities

- Air quality and emissions
- Access to Opportunity is the section where we pioneer our equity-focused communities.
  - Employment programs
  - o Access to education
  - o Activity centers
  - o Leads to net increase in jobs
- LA County Invests
  - o \$400 Billion investment through 2050
  - o Rail to Rail, Rail to River, and other projects
  - Measure M and Measure R are one flow of funding to subregions for active transit and better transit options
  - Local Return and Sales Tax gets directed to cities to fund local transit and active transportation
- Public comment is closing on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Council comments extended through July 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Q** (Roy T.): SCAG updated their Environmental Impact Report for meeting CEQA requirements. What role does Metro play in the Environmental Impact Reporting/Review initiative?

**A (Mark Y.)** The Connect SoCal document is approved by SCAG solely. Metro can comment but also plays a role in development of plan.

**Q (Roy T.):** The CEQA documentation is complicated, it would be worth for Metro to develop their own peer review document.

### (NEXT TOPIC)

**Q** (Pavitra R.): The funding breakdown chart was interesting. LA County shared their 5-year plan, measure W plans for green streets. Has there been opportunity to see overlap with LA County's Plan? It is helpful to mobilize from different angles.

**A (Mark Y.)**: Metro as programmer tries to give agencies foresight into when funding is available. We did solicit stakeholder group of all other county and city groups working on overlapping plans. There is opportunity to strengthen, but we did do some work on programmatic coordination.

### (NEXT TOPIC)

**Q (Eli L.):** Thank you for extending the deadline. Holistic approach to sustainability is important, we need to address disabilities through Metro system (audio/visual), the LRTP may be too focused on other impairments. Scaling some of smaller programs to pursue affordable housing other equity initiatives.

A (Mark Y.): Those topics are key in the plan, but we are looking forward to seeing your comments and integrating.

**Comment (Cris L.)** We have been very grateful for Joshua's work and for the opportunity to participate in the Recovery Task Force. Sustainability is an overarching principle in the LRTP, there is no callout to sustainability but rather it is woven throughout. ECSD works closely with our planning department. Working sustainability throughout the LRTP has been a refreshing

tone. The planning department has also played a key role in developing the Moving Beyond Sustainability Master Plan.

### E. Sustainability Program for Capital Projects (Cris Liban)

**Cris Liban:** Overview of sustainability program for capital projects given the financial impacts of COVID-19 to LA Metro sustainability programs. We have been able to generate revenue for Metro in the past, but we need to be conscious of the cash flow situation. Some programmatic activities might be slowing down, we are still on target for our 2030 and 2050 goals. We still have an opportunity to accelerate around capital project programs. We are also pursuing an opportunity to accelerate monetizable benefits to continually self-fund. As part of CAAP plan there is a strategy for flexible adaptation pathways. We will consider retrofits in the future as needed.

- Engagement Team
  - Metro-based group meant to be proactive, coordinated, champion of sustainability throughout other programs, and bench of subject matter experts.
  - Involved in Planning, Engineering, Design, Construction, Operations and Maintenance
  - We have been organically growning the engagement team's influence and involvement.
     We still prioritize keeping projects on schedule and within budget while providing guidance on sustainability.
- Principles and Goals:
  - Sustainable infrastructure built better lasts longer
  - Collaboration with other metro departments and stakeholders
  - o Demonstrate value of sustainable element
  - o Climate, water, air quality
- We also have fiscal responsibility for taxpayer money- we look for alternate financing mechanisms, cost savings, and revenue generating activities to self-fund as much as possible.
- Despite fiscal deficit we are hoping to continue to exceed revenue generation (vs. expenditure) related to sustainability programs.
- Example of LID for water runoff on construction site that was worked through by engagement team.
- Another example is EV chargers, responsibilities needed to be defined but engagement team helped mitigate challenges
- Metro Stakeholders
  - Sustainability Council represents majority of interested parties, so we lean on you as an additional resource for feedback throughout different phases of construction and operations.
- Tools for Success:
  - Memo of Authorization
  - o Sustainability and Environmental Requirements Package
  - Water, Energy, and Climate Assessments
  - o Industry Experts
  - Designer and Construction Contractor specs

• Metro is looking for Council input and collaboration with engagement team. Heather Repenning will be leading this effort.

**Comment (Rick C.):** Sustainability is a central effort. Cris's team is embedded and they are out in the field ensuring environmental compliance as well as working with capital project teams to go above and beyond. Now we have the environmental group sign off on all sustainability and environmental elements of RFPs.

### (NEXT TOPIC)

**Q** (Chair Small): There is a parallel to the role of this council. Construction has huge impacts on environment, but we are working on mitigating this. How can the Council better help metro, we may need to improve our whole process?

A (Rick C.): Many of you are involved in planning and engineering, but it would be great to have the council members come out and see projects, or if you identify any ideas for improvement, we want to hear about them.

**A (Cris L.**): We engage with the public during construction and even prior, but additional input for continuous improvement is welcome. We have received and learned from communities during operations phases also. Council Members are more than welcome to reach out openly to Cris at any time. We have many strategic partners for our MBS efforts across different stakeholder groups, and their ideas have been central.

### (NEXT TOPIC)

**Comment (Ben S.):** We provide training in collaboration with Metro (G-PRO Fundamentals, G-PRO O&M, Resilience training). We did sustainability tours riding on Metro and would love to do more of that in the future. Focus has been along the lines of education and engagement. We also have a NetZero accelerator for startups and there is opportunity for collaboration. USGBC has a live Talent Portal for green jobs also.

### (NEXT TOPIC)

Q (Joel L.): What is the status of the EV Program? What are next steps?

**A (Cris L.):** We will include an update toward the end of the fiscal year to the Council Arc, and we will also include recommendations from Recovery Task Force. We need to update EV master plan as well as an Energy Plan. We will be soliciting input from Council. The next steps will include doing some outreach to Council. It will not go to board until end of FY21.

### (NEXT TOOPIC)

**Comment (Eli L.)**: Construction projects in the past have leaked chemicals and as the board has passed motions to re-invest, we can consider communities impacted by past pollution can be considered an opportunity to re-invest.

**A (Cris L.**): This organization has been crucial to mitigating past toxic issues. Invites everyone to look at public record of working through Orange Line and Blue Line.

### F. Executive Committee Elections (Bryn Lindblad)

**Bryn Lindblad:** No requirements on sectors, but only primary members are eligible. Thomas and Bryn have submitted candidate statements via email. Ghina is nominated by the Chair, Mr. Small as well. Provides description and overview of duties (meeting arc, schedule, content of meeting, review of presentations prior to meetings, a\etc.). Highest votes are for the Chair, then First Vice Chair, and for Second Vice Chair. Ghina is nominated for any position based on voting.

Cris Liban: We have three nominees on the floor.

**Doug Dietrich**: Nominate Patricia Menjivar and Roy Thun.

Roy Thun: Kindly decline.

Patricia Menjivar: Also decline.

**Doug Dietrich**: Self-Nominate.

Cris Liban: Candidates are Ghina, Doug, Bryn, Thomas

Candidates provide statements if not submitted via email.

Candidates disconnect for MS Teams Calls.

**Cris Liban:** Floor open for discussion. Provide clarification on positions and voting process. Alternate member will vote when primary is not present. Only primary votes.

Candidates return to MS Teams Calls.

### Dilara Rodriguez:

- Thomas-10
- Bryn-10
- Ghina-5
- Doug-4

Cris Liban: First Chair Thomas, Second Bryn, Third Ghina

### G. Action Items Log (Aaron Santos)

- Traffic Reduction Study- they will be providing a presentation in September.
- No new actions.

### H. General Public Comment

**Jim Shanman**: Executive director of rock-n-rollers. Sharing project that is a teen mobility program acquiring discarded bikes and teaching students how to collect/sort/dismantle and repair bikes for sale.

2/3 of LA students are from low income communities, and this will help most vulnerable students get to school by providing opportunities for connecting with transit (expanding range for job search). Will also function as a local bike distribution program. More info:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s106BJSDEbE

**Robin Blair**: Are you currently in touch with Metro? We have 300 bicycle that go out to auction every so often, we can make that connection since this is a transportation related project.

Meeting adjourned.

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## Equity and Race Program Update Executive Management Committee

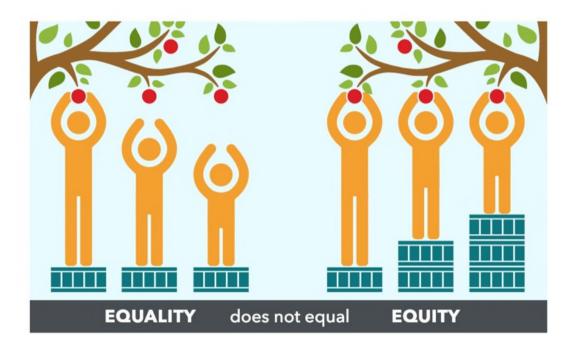


# METRO EQUITY PLATFORM FRAMEWORK

- ➢ Board Approved as of March 2018
- ➤ Core Objective:
  - Increase access to opportunity
- ➢ Four Pillars
  - ➤Define and Measure
  - Listen and Learn
  - ➢ Focus and Deliver
  - ➤Train and Grow

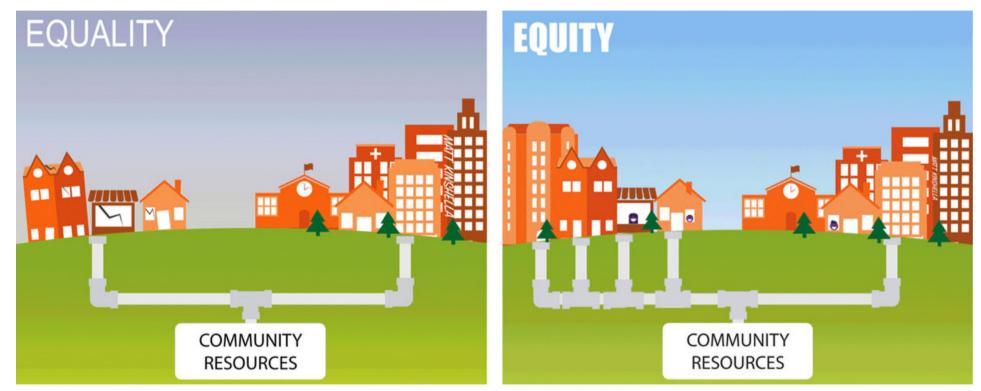


# WHY EQUITY?





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Source: Matt Kinshella from Meyer Memorial Trust and Northwest Health Foundation Competition



# WHAT IS EQUITY?

Equity is both an <u>outcome</u> and a <u>process</u> to address <u>disparities</u> to ensure fair and just access to <u>opportunities</u>.



# **Advancing Equity**

## Create Equitable Processes

- Best Practices
- Equity Tools
- Community Engagement

## Build Capacity

- Office of Equity and Race
- Equity Liaisons



# WHAT'S NEXT

- Equity Section in Board Reports
- Agencywide Assessment and Strategic Plan
- ✤JEDI Book Club
- Equity Training for Staff





### September 2020

We're studying ways to reduce traffic.



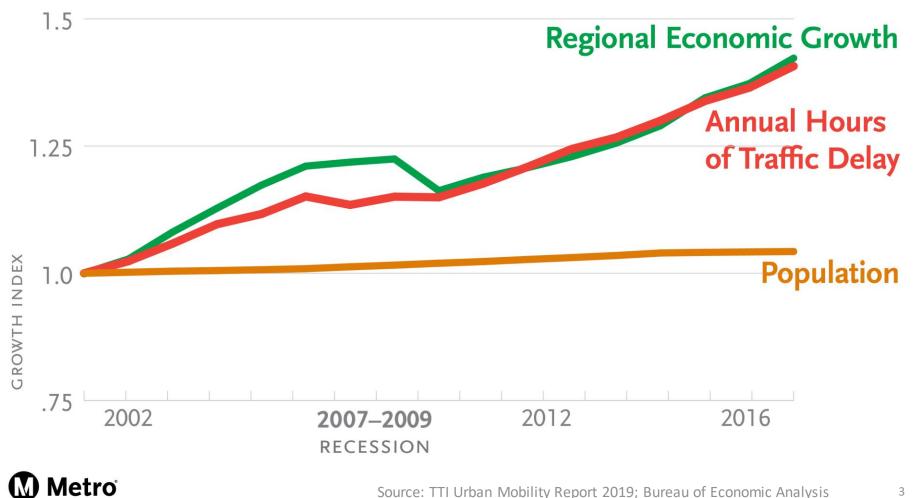
TRAFFIC REDUCTION STUDY





## Historically, traffic delays continue to increase.

### **GREATER LA REGION GROWTH INDEXES**



## Traffic congestion has serious consequences.

## Traffic impacts our:

- > health
- > finances
- > productivity
- > freedom
- > future





## **Goals and objectives**

## **Goals of pilot program:**

- Reduce traffic congestion
- Provide more high-quality options for getting around

## **Objectives of Traffic Reduction Study**

- Determine feasibility of a traffic reduction pilot program in LA County
- Determine where / how a potential pilot with congestion pricing and complementary transportation options could achieve the project goals
- Identify and collaborate with willing local partners for a potential pilot



## **Process for achieving the TRS goals**

### How We Work:

- Transparent process
- Inclusive and meaningful stakeholder engagement, including with low-income and disadvantaged communities (equity)
- Decision-making informed by data and engagement

### We're Striving for These Additional Positive Outcomes:



Improve public health and safety



Support environmental and economic justice Improve the economy

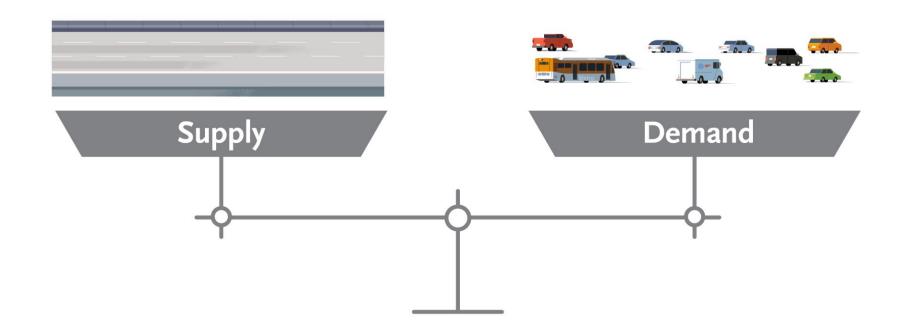
Re-invest net revenues in communities served/affected



# Why do we have traffic?

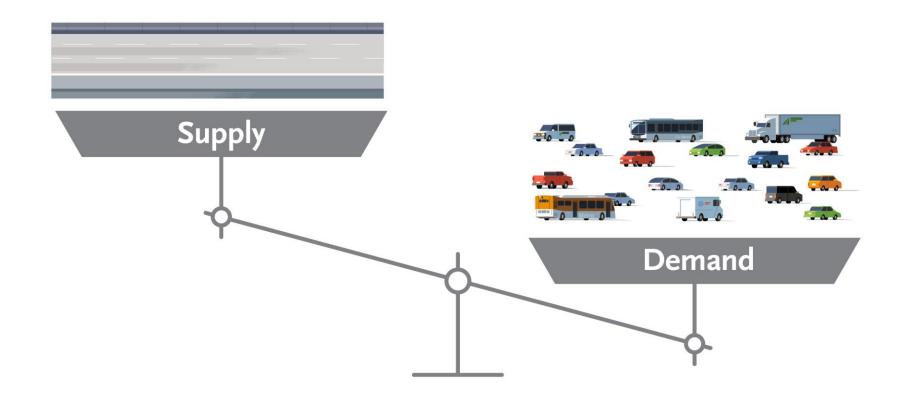


## It's an issue of supply and demand



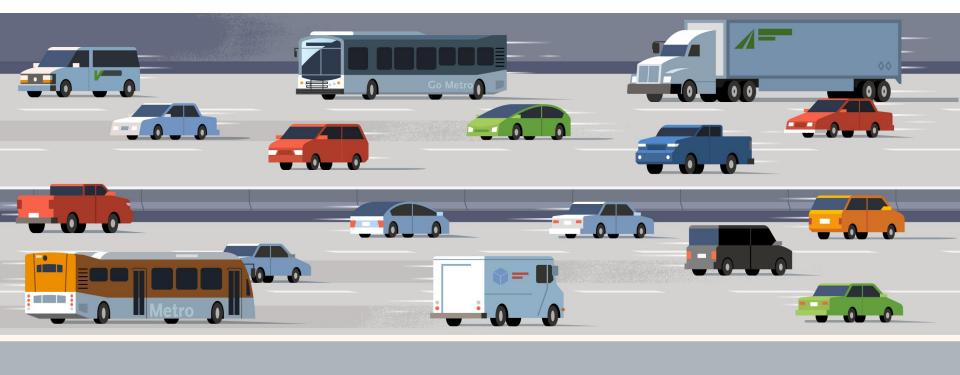


## When demand exceeds supply, traffic increases.



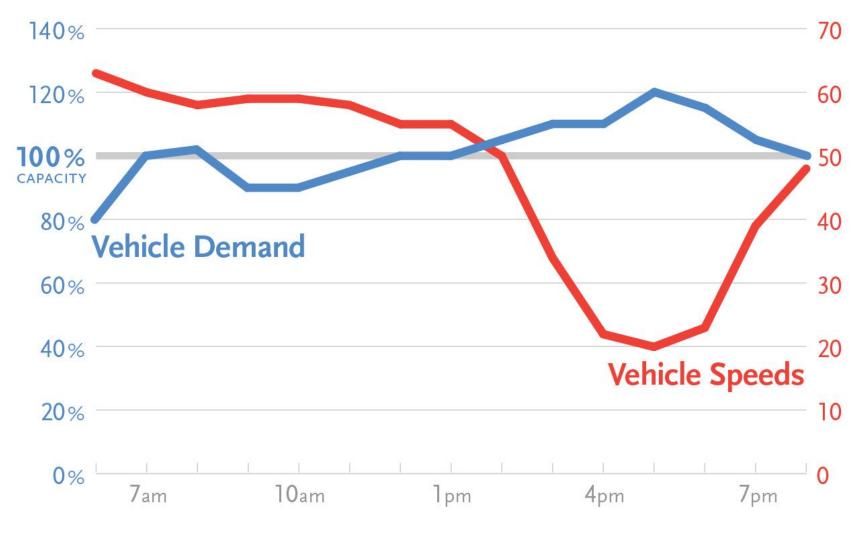


## Managing demand keeps everyone moving.





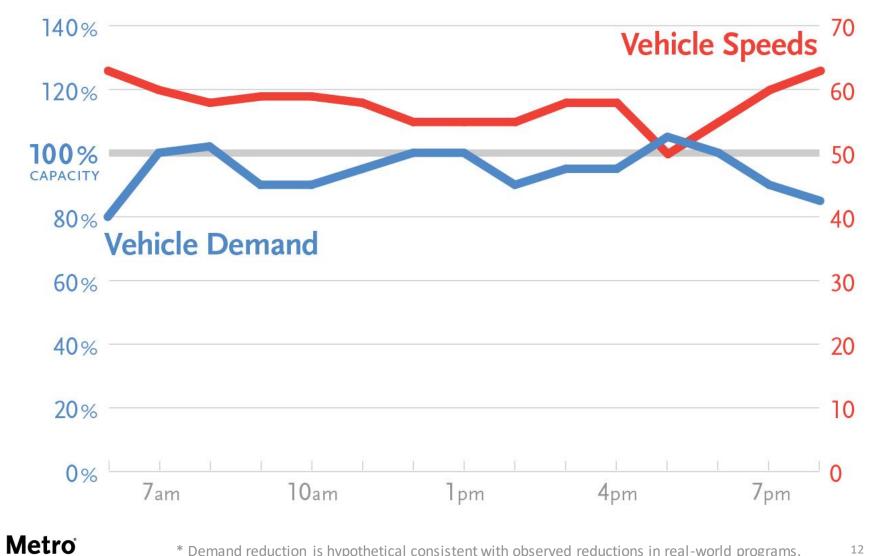
## When demand exceeds supply, everyone slows.





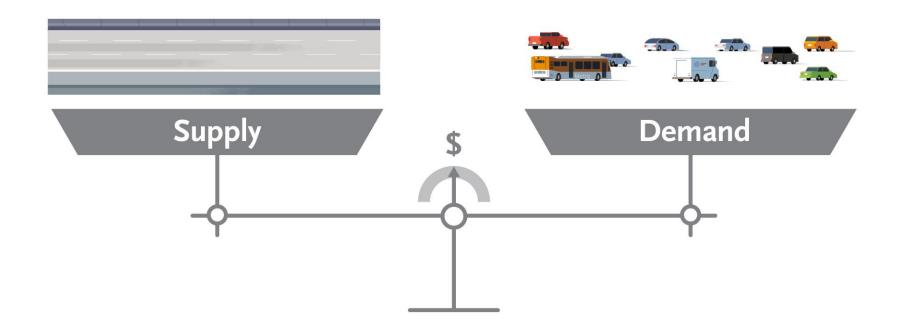
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## A small shift in demand improves speeds.



\* Demand reduction is hypothetical consistent with observed reductions in real-world programs. 12

## Pricing is one way to manage demand.





You can pay higher utilities during peak times



### or pay a lower rate during off-peak times.





## Better options are part of this study.





#### Pricing to manage demand works.



#### London

- > Reduced Vehicle Trips 15-20%
- > Reduced Congestion:
- 30% within zone
- 20% approaching zone
- > Increased Bus Trips 38%
- > Decreased Bus Waiting 30%
- > Reduced Emissions 12-19%



#### Stockholm

- > Reduced Vehicle Trips 22%
- > Reduced Congestion:
  - 33% in the mornings
  - 50% in the evenings
- > Increased Transit Trips 7%
- > Increased Bicycling Trips 22%
- > Reduced Emissions 7-14%



#### Milan

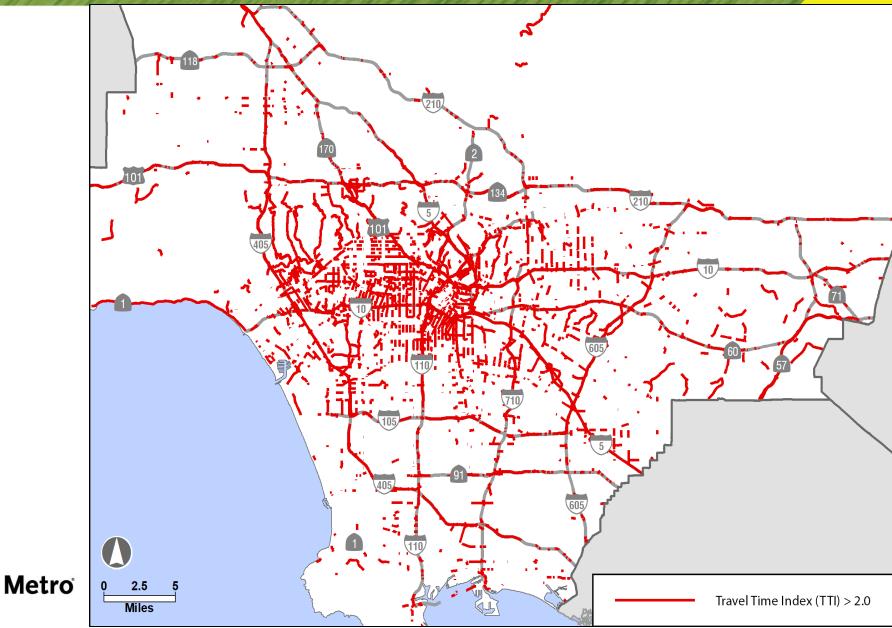
- > Reduced Congestion 30%
- > Increased Bus Speed 7%
- > Reduced Emissions 10-22%

#### Metro

# So, could it work in LA?



#### Initial Concepts = Patterns & Concentrations of Congestion + Pricing Model + Potential Willing Partner(s)



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#### **Corridor Pricing**

Pricing all lanes on freeway Pricing freeway / adjacent roads Pricing at exit / entrance ramps



#### **Cordon Pricing**

Single cordon zone Multiple cordon zones Areawide pricing



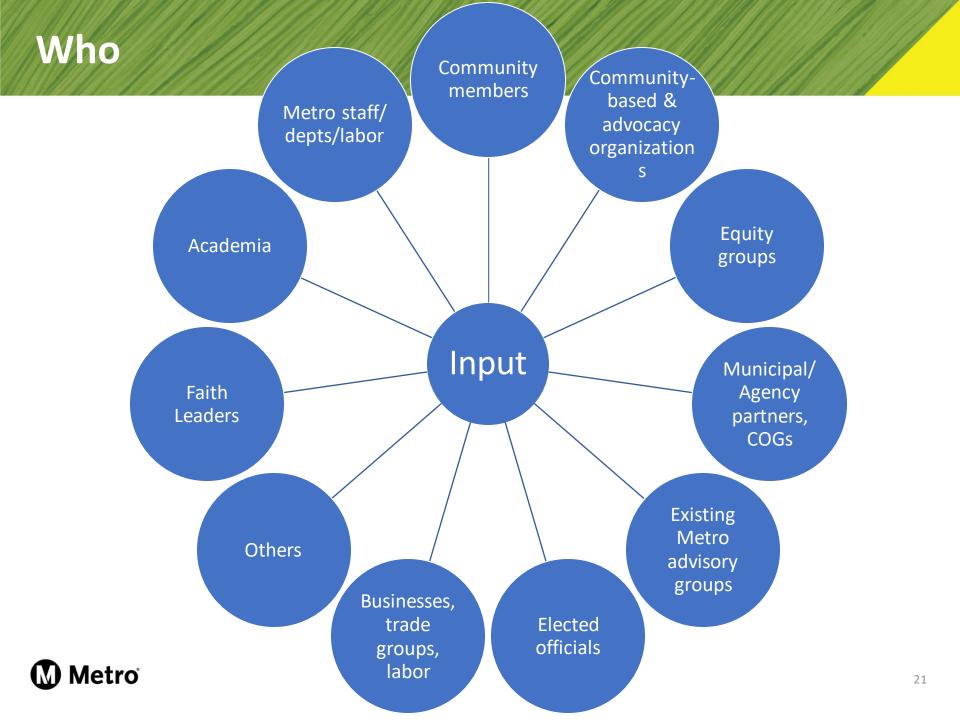
#### VMT Pricing

Charging drivers on all roads within an area based on vehicle miles traveled



# Stakeholder Engagement: Types of input we're seeking

- Where are the potential geographic location(s) for a pilot program?
- Where is there interest and willingness to pilot a program?
- Where is there a need and we don't yet have other existing or near-term tools/strategies to address traffic congestion?
- What would make people support or oppose a pilot program?
- Tradeoffs: What tradeoffs should we be considering early?



#### We will prioritize equity as a process

We will seek inclusive, transparent, and meaningful engagement throughout the study

1-on-1 discussions	Equity focused conversations	Small group discussions	Webinars
Teletown halls	Online open house	Mobile friendly website and online events	Survey/Poll
Partnerships with community organizations	Reporting back to stakeholders	Educational materials	Articles/blogs
What are we missing?			



#### And prioritize equity as an outcome

#### Equity will guide decision making throughout the study

Getting to recommended pilot concept			
	Who could be impacted		
Identify	How they could be impacted		
Establish	What outcomes we want		
	Ways to measure progress		
Measure	Potential benefits and burdens		
	Strategies and policies to address burdens and increase benefits		
Develop	Transportation improvement package		
Define, refine, and select	Potential concepts		
Developing an implementation plan			
	Strategies and policies to address burdens and increase benefits		
Refine	Transportation improvement package		
	Pilot concept		



#### **Anticipated Schedule & Milestones**



**ONGOING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** 

2019	2020	2021	2022
Fall	Summer	Winter – Fall	Winter
Start of Traffic Reduction Study	Stakeholder and	Technical analysis to	Develop
Reduction Study	public engagement	iteratively refine	implementation
	and listening	concepts continued	plan for traffic
	<b>5</b> .11	<b>C</b>	reduction pilot
	Fall	Summer	program continued
	Introduction of early	Identify location and	Coving
	Concepts	concept for traffic	Spring Metro Board decision
	Fall – Fall 2021	reduction pilot program	on implementation
	Technical analysis to	program	plan
	iteratively refine	Metro Board decision	plan
	concepts	on preferred pilot	
		concept	
		Summer – Winter	
		2022	
		Develop	
		implementation plan	
Metro		for traffic reduction	

pilot program

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#### **Anticipated Schedule & Milestones**



2022	Future		
<b>Spring</b> Metro Board decision	> Federal and State Approval	> System Deployment	
on traffic reduction pilot program	> System Design	> Program Opening	



#### **Thank You!**

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# Discussion





# **Moving Beyond Sustainability:** 10-Year Sustainability Strategic Plan

Board Meeting September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020



#### **Overview**

- Update and expand upon the 2008 Metro
   Sustainability Implementation Plan (MSIP) and
- Countywide Sustainability Planning Policy
- Establish 10-year sustainability goals and targets
- Unify agency-wide sustainability efforts and chart strategic direction
  - Environmental Compliance and
     Sustainability Department
  - Countywide Planning and Development





Implementation Plan-



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#### METRO'S FRAMEWORK FOR IMPROVING MOBILITY IN LA COUNTY

#### **Comprehensive Planning**

- Numerous reports, plans and Board Motions influence MBS
- Informed by parallel efforts in LA
   County + City of LA
- Metro highlights aggressive, measurable performance metrics across 7 sustainability categories

Better Transit	Less Congestion	Complete Streets	Access to Opportunity
Providing more transit options with improved quality and service	Managing the transportation system to reduce the amount of time people spend in traffic	Making streets and sidewalks safe and convenient for everyone, to support healthy neighborhoods	Investing in communities to expand access to jobs, housing and mobility options
Transit Projects	Roadway Improvements	Bike and Pedestrian Projects	Workforce Initiatives
Bus Improvements	Congestion Management	Local Street Improvements	Support for Local Businesses
New Mobility Options	Goods Movement	Station and Stop Access Enhancements	Transit Oriented Communities
	Long Rai	nge Transportation Plan	

We're guided by our Strategic Plan goals.

Vision 2028 Strategic Plan

#### **G** Leadership **G** Accountability

Collaboration 🗄 Continuous Improvement Customer Focus - - Innovation A Inspired and Inclusive Workforce 🕑 Safety Customer Experience Plan COVID-19 Recovery Plan

> We're intentionally focused on eliminating racial and socioeconomic disparities and advancing sustainable practices in everything we do.

> > 음음 Equity 🕑 Sustainability

🗋 Equity Plan 📄 Moving Beyond Sustainability Plan





#### **Sustainability Categories and Targets**

Water Quality and Conservation	Solid Waste	Materials, Construction	Energy Resource Management
<ol> <li>Reduce potable water use by 22% from the 2030 Business as Usual scenario.</li> <li>Increase runoff infiltration and capture capacity for stormwater by 15% from 2020 baseline levels.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Reduce annual operational solid waste disposal 24% from 2030 Business as Usual scenario.</li> <li>Achieve 50% landfill diversion rate for operational waste.</li> <li>Achieve 85% construction landfill diversion rate.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Achieve LEED Silver certification for all new facilities over 10,000 square feet.</li> <li>Design and build 100% of capital projects to CALGreen Tier 2 standards.</li> <li>Complete Sustainable Acquisition Program training/implementation and develop 2030 program targets for annual sustainable acquisition spend by 2022.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Reduce energy consumption by 17% at facilities from the 2030 Business as Usual scenario.</li> <li>Increase onsite renewable energy generation to 7.5 MW.</li> </ol>
Emissions and Pollution Control	Resilience and QO Climate Adaptation	Economic and か Workforce Development 。	
<ol> <li>Displace 903,000 MTCO<sub>2</sub>e annually.</li> <li>Reduce total GHG emissions by 79% from</li> </ol>	Identify all acute shocks or stressors for critical and/or vulnerable areas at or near Metro infrastructure by acas	<ol> <li>Review job classifications on a regular basis and eliminate obsolete requirements that create barriers correct advancement.</li> </ol>	

- 2017 baseline3. 3 Reduce total nitrogen oxides (NOx) emissions
- 54% from 2018 baseline.
- 4 Reduce total particulate matter (PM) emissions 62% from 2018 baseline.
- infrastructure by 2025. 2 Implement the flexible adaptation pathways concept
- to incorporate climate adaptation into planning, procurement, asset management and operations by 2025.
- 3 Prioritize improvements to locations, facilities, infrastructure, equipment and operations to reduce risk.

- barriers to career advancement.
- 2 Recruit employees from diverse sources, including vocational schools, community colleges, groups supporting formerly incarcerated persons and organizations supporting persons with disabilities and older adults.
- 3 Achieve triennial DEOD contracting goals related to small, disadvantaged and veteran-owned businesses.



#### **Development Process and Engagement**







#### **Next Steps**

- Approval of the Sustainability Strategic Plan: September 2020 Metro Board Meeting
- Immediate Steps:
  - Update of any existing related policies and plans
  - Understanding implications of Final Recovery Task Force Recommendations
  - Engagement with other Metro Departments, re: other plans
  - Work to align MBS with Equity Plan
- Work with SC for input and advise
  - Stakeholders and community benefits
  - Identify tactics on emerging issues
- Annual Report in 2021

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#### Safe Clean Water Program (Measure W)

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#### **Clean Safe Water Program Overview**

- Measure W passed by voters in 2017 with 71% vote
- Helps cities and LA County meet water quality obligations
- County Supervisors wanted "resilience" framework
  to build local water supply



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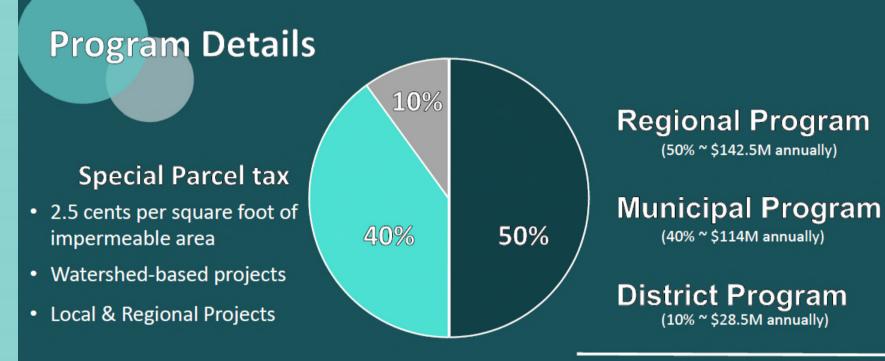






## Safe Clean Water Program Introduction

Program to provide dedicated funding to increase water supply, improve water quality, and provide community enhancements.



Total Program: Approx. \$285M annually



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# **Regional Program Overview**

- Applications due by each July 31 (October 15 2020).
- Applicants must prepare and submit a project
   Feasibility Study through SCW's online Project Module.
  - 19 Project elements
  - Significant technical analyses
  - Iterative process
- Coordination with other agencies is critical
- Watershed committees decide on funding allocations

Section	Score
A.1 Wet + Dry Weather WQ Benefits	50
-OR-	
A.2 Dry Weather Only WQ Benefits	40
B. Significant Water Supply Benefits	25
C. Community Investments Benefits	10
D. Nature-Based Solutions	15
E. Funding and Community Support	10
Total	110



#### Metro Projects with Applications for Measure W



# **Rail to Rail Active Transportation Corridor Segment A**



- Upper LA River Watershed
- Transforms 5.6 miles of abandoned freight ROW into bike/ped path connecting community to three major transit connections: Crenshaw/LAX, Silver, A-Line (Blue)
- Area includes high-density neighborhoods and disadvantage communities (DACs)
- Funding requested: \$8.5M

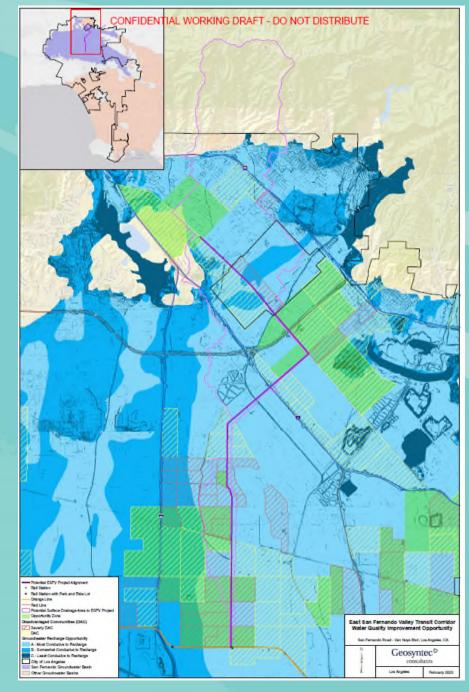
#### Example of Potential Measure W Metro Projects



# Metro Orange Line & East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Infiltration Study Area

- Overlies the high priority San Fernando regional groundwater basin.
- Intersects stormwater drainage patterns within the Los Angeles River Watershed.
- Potential for large-scale infiltration and aquifer recharge.
- MOL accounts for 1/3 of all Metro's water usage.
- Area includes high-density neighborhoods and disadvantage communities (DACs).





#### West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor

- Project located in Disadvantaged Communities
- Connection to LA River
- Opportunity for Groundwater Recharge (Central Basin)
- Potential partnership with State

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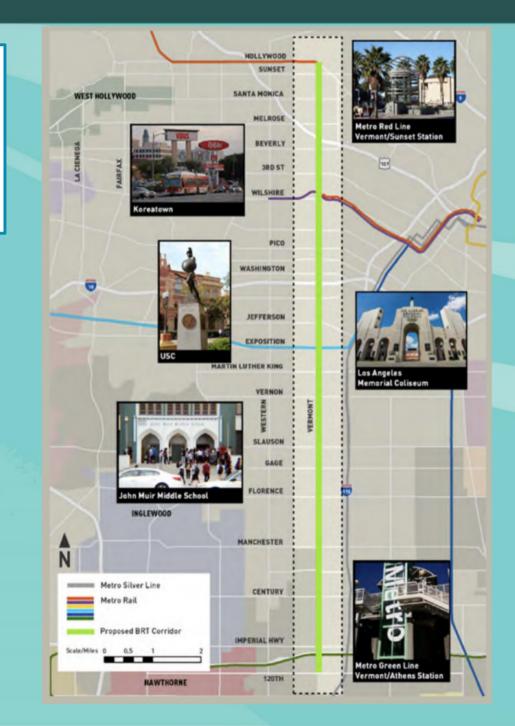


# Vermont Bus Rapid Transit Corridor

- Project located in Disadvantaged Communities
- Opportunity for Groundwater Recharge (Central Basin)
- Potential partnership with LASAN







# Urban Cooling and Partnerships with Cities



# **Urban Cooling and Parterships with Cities**



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#### Coming Soon...

# Next steps for Sustainability Council: Virtual Tour of Transit Corridors to evaluate potential for stormwater/multibenefit projects











Meeting Date:	Status	Council Member	Comment	Metro Response
10-Jan-20	Open	Bryn Lindblad	Provide an overview on Transit Oriented Communites at a future meeting.	IN PROGRESS: Staff is working to schedule TOC once an appropriate meeting date is determined.
10-Jan-20	Closed	Bryn Lindblad	Provide an update on the Traffic Reduction Study.	DONE: Scheduled for September 11, 2020.
8-May-20	Closed	Bryn Lindblad/Hilda Blanco	Provide an update on the Coronavirus Recovery Task Force	DONE: Scheduled for July 10, 2020.
8-May-20	Closed	Thomas Small	Provide an update on the bridge between Metro and SCAG	DONE: Addressed during the Draft LRTP presentation in July.