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A G E N D A R E P O R T

TO: Members of Eco-Rapid Transit

FROM: Michael Kodama, Executive Director

DATE: August 8, 2018

SUBJECT: UPDATE AND/OR ACTION REGARDING FISCAL YEAR END 2017-18 PROJECT REPORT

Public comments on items on the agenda will be taken at the time the item is called and are limited to 3 minutes per speaker

ISSUE

As a follow up to last months Eco-Rapid Transit Board Meeting, staff has prepared the following FY 17-18 year-end report.

BACKGROUND

Eco-Rapid Transit was established as a Joint Powers Authority in 2003 to create a vibrant transit system to connect Gateway Cities to downtown Los Angeles, the San Fernando Valley and beyond. Currently, Eco-Rapid Transit has thirteen member entities with approximately 1.4 million residents and the highest concentration of industry in Los Angeles County. Eco-Rapid Transit is working with its members to advocate and plan for an efficient modern transit system that is environmentally friendly, connects people to jobs, preserves our residential neighborhoods and supports vibrant business districts, multi-modal transit facilities, manages parking demand and works towards equitable development.

Currently, this work this includes working with our members, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and other transportation agencies on the development of the West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor including: active participation in the development of the environmental studies, public private partnership (P3), planning, design and implementation of its components. At the same time, Eco-Rapid Transit is working to extend the transit line eventually north to Glendale and the Hollywood Burbank Airport and advocating for a streetcar study, regional rail improvements and connections between the NoHo Red Line station and the Goldline.

While planning for construction of the line, Eco-Rapid Transit staff is also planning for construction mitigation programs which includes participation in the construction process and becoming the local partner on construction mitigation programs.

All this involves coordination and development of a multi-jurisdictional collaborative effort to create corridor transit-oriented development (TOD) that works to enhance each city and each station area.

Major accomplishments to date include:



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- Measure R funding
- SCAG Alternative Analysis
- Caltrans/South Gate Environmental Justice Report
- Transit Oriented Development Guidebook
- Metro Technical Refinement Study (2015)
- Eco-Rapid Transit Summit (2015)
- Gateway Cities COG Strategic Transportation Plan
- Measure M Funding
- Metro Transit Oriented Communities
- Federal Transit Administration – Transit Oriented Development Grant

Eco-Rapid Transit operates with general funds and project funds. Accomplishments during the FY-17-18 year include:

- Worked with Metro to select potential rail maintenance facilities.
- Worked with Metro to secure \$330 million in SB1 funds for the West Santa Ana Branch
- Issued final Transportation/Land Use Report focusing on the Cities of Cudahy, Downey, Huntington Park and South Gate.

Eco-Rapid Transit currently has seven projects (Airport I-5 TMP & Airport I-5 TMP2 are one project that has been split into two for accounting and contracting purposes). The following table summarizes status as of June 30, 2018.

Project	Funding Source	Total Budget	Total Invoiced	Remaining Budget	Budget FY 18-19
Airport I-5 TMP	Airport	\$50,000.00	\$49,985.65	\$14.35	\$0.00
Airport I-5 TMP2	Airport (6/30/22)	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Artesia TOD	Artesia (6/30/19)	\$30,000.00	\$7,641.78	\$22,358.22	\$13,500.00
Bellflower TOD	Bellflower (6/30/18)	\$13,570	\$10,324.22	\$3,245.78	\$2,000.00
Huntington Park Parking	Huntington Park	\$450,000	\$42,267.05	\$7,732.95	\$1,000.00
Metro TOC I	Bellflower (6/1/19)	\$225,800	\$225,376.01	\$423.99	\$1,000.00
Metro FTA TOD	Metro (1/31/19)	\$300,000.00	\$121,656.44	\$178,343.56	\$185,000.00
Metro WSAB Env	Bellflower (6/30/19)	\$298,000.00	\$186,706.45	\$109,293.55	\$73,000.00

As of today, Eco-Rapid Transit is actively working on three projects: Artesia TOD, Metro FTA TOD and Metro WSAB Environmental with a limited roll finishing work in Bellflower which is being extended into FY 18-19. This supports the concept of being an economic development project connected together by a train.



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It also supports and facilitates the development of the West Santa Ana Branch (including environmental, design, transit oriented development and a public private partnership) with a target completion date of 2028 and creation of rail transit improvements providing connectivity and future opportunities for the City of Glendale and the Hollywood Burbank Airport. This includes studies for a Downtown Glendale Streetcar project and regional rail improvements to Hollywood Burbank Airport with an initial target date of 2025 which relates to the new Airport terminal project.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Discuss information presented and offer action items; and/or
2. Receive and file the item