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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:** June 12, 2019  
**SUBJECT:** **ADOPT RESOLUTION 19-01 TO SUPPORT RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

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**ISSUE**

Eco-Rapid Transit has been working closely with Metro to develop the West Santa Ana Branch Sustainable Transit Oriented Development Strategic Implementation Plan (TOD SIP). It was based on existing conditions, community engagement, city initiatives and plans, best TOD practices. Plans that are not adopted are not implemented. To both ensure that these strategies continue to be considered during the entire implementation process, and meet the requirements of the grant, Metro and staff is requesting the attached Resolution be adopted.

**BACKGROUND**

Eco-Rapid Transit has been working toward the development of a Sustainable, Equitable Transit Corridor. As part of our efforts to obtain funding for this study, Metro, in partnership with Eco-Rapid Transit and the City of South Gate applied and was awarded a \$2 million Federal Transit Authority (FTA) Pilot TOD Planning grant. The Board of Eco-Rapid Transit adopted Resolution No. 2016-03 authorizing the submission of the grant proposal and authorized the Executive Director to execute all agreements with Metro to implement the Transit Oriented Development Planning Grant.

Metro presented the draft TOD Strategic Implementation Plan to the Board of Director at the meeting of May 2019. All changes requested by the Board, City and County staff have been incorporated.

Additionally, a sample Resolution is attached that can be modified and adopted by each city. The objective of the TOD SIP is that it is designed to create synergy between the station areas and strengthen each of the cities. That strategy is most effective when everyone participates.

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- City of Bell
- City of Bell Gardens
- City of Cudahy
- City of Downey
- City of Glendale
- City of Huntington Park
- City of Maywood
- City of Paramount
- City of South Gate
- Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority
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City of Huntington Park
- Secretary
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City of Artesia
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- Sean Ashton  
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Mayor  
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Vice-Chair

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## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Adopt the attached Resolution and
2. Request the city you represent adopt a similar resolution

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGELINE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DBA ECO-RAPID TRANSIT ADOPTING THE WEST SANTA ANA BRANCH TRANSIT ORIENTED COMMUNITIES STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

THE ECO-RAPID TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DOES HEREBY FIND< RESOLVE AND ORDERS, AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, Eco-Rapid Transit's mission is to pursue the development of a transit system that is environmentally and economically sustainable, that promotes equity in order to increase transportation options for its communities and expand economic growth; and

WHEREAS, Eco-Rapid Transit applied with Metro and the City of South Gate and received a FTA Transit Oriented Communities Pilot Planning Grant (TOD SIP) to develop the Transit Oriented Communities Strategic Implementation Plan, and

WHEREAS, Eco-Rapid Transit has participated with Metro and its consultants in the preparation of the TOD SIP over a 20-month period; and

WHEREAS, Each city's vision for their station area(s) have shaped the articulation of the station area development concept; and

WHEREAS, Eco-Rapid Transit and each corridor city participated with other WSAB Corridor City in articulating a shared corridor vision for the coordinated development efforts; and

WHEREAS, Eco-Rapid Transit has participated with all the WSAB Corridor cities and Metro to review and shape the Implementation Strategies for corridor development; and

WHEREAS, the TOD-SIP reflects the Corridor cities visions and intent for their WSAB Station area(s);

NOW, THEREFORE be it resolved the Eco-Rapid Transit hereby adopts the West Santa Ana Transit Corridor Transit Oriented Communities Strategic Implementation Plan as a guide to the facilitation of Eco-Rapid Transit's planning efforts for the corridor.

APPROVED AND PASSED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019

ATTEST:

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Karina Macias  
Chair

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Ali Sajjad Taj  
Secretary

# Sample Resolution for The City of <WSAB>

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## Relating to the West Santa Ana Branch Transit Oriented Development Strategic Implementation Plan (“TOD SIP”)

- Whereas, designated key staff of the <WSAB City> have participated with Metro and its consultants in the preparation of the TOD-SIP over a 20-month period;
- Whereas, the City of <WSAB>’s Vision(s) of the <WSAB > Station Area have shaped the articulation of the station area development concepts and station area plans;
- Whereas, the City of <WSAB> has participated with other WSAB Corridor cities in articulating a shared corridor vision for coordinated development efforts;
- Whereas, the City of <WSAB> has participated with other WSAB Corridor cities and Metro to review and shape the Implementation Strategies for corridor development;
- Whereas, the TOD-SIP reflects the City of <WSAB>’s vision and intent for the <WSAB> Station Area;
- Now, therefore be it Resolved that the <City Council / Planning Commission> of the City of <WSAB> hereby adopts the West Santa Ana Transit Corridor Transit Oriented Development Strategic Implementation Plan as a guide to the facilitation of the City of <WSAB>’s planning efforts for the <WSAB> station area.