



Eco-Rapid Transit, formerly known as the Orangeline Development Authority, is a joint powers authority (JPA) created to pursue development of a transit system that moves as rapidly as possible, uses grade separation as appropriate, and is environmentally friendly and energy efficient. The system is designed to enhance and increase transportation options for riders of this region utilizing safe, advanced transit technology to expand economic growth that maximizes ridership in Southern California. The Authority is composed of the following public agencies:

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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
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- Ex-Officio
- William Rawlings
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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Members of Eco-Rapid Transit Board of Directors

FROM: Karen Heit, Deputy Executive Director

DATE: December 11, 2019

SUBJECT: UPDATE AND/OR ACTION REGARDING CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS) SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT

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ISSUE

Eco-Rapid Transit will provide an update regarding the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Sustainable Communities Grant

BACKGROUND

Caltrans has issues a letter of no prejudice enabling Eco-Rapid transit and its partners to start work effective November 15, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

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

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November 26, 2019

Michael Kodama
Chief Executive Officer
Orangeline Development Authority (dba Eco Rapid Transit)
16401 Paramount Boulevard
Paramount, CA 90723

Dear Mr. Kodama:

This letter is to provide Orangeline Development Authority (dba Eco Rapid Transit) with notice to proceed for the following transportation planning grant awarded Fiscal Year (FY) 2019–2020:

Grant Program: Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account–
Sustainable Communities

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| Grant Title: | Pacific/Randolph and Florence/Salt Lake Transit Oriented Communities Specific Plans |
| Grant Award: | \$600,000.00 |
| Local Match Cash: | \$ 81,111.00 |
| Total Project Amount: | \$681,111.00 |
| Period of Performance: | November 15, 2019 – February 28, 2022 |

The City has met all the Conditions of Grant Acceptance included in the May 17, 2019, award letter from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Division of Transportation Planning, and is now authorized to begin work, effective within the Period of Performance.

Please contact Melanie Bradford, District 7 Liaison, at (213) 897-9446 or melanie.bradford@dot.ca.gov if you have any questions. I look forward to working with you and your staff on this important project.

Sincerely,

MILELE ROBERTSON
Chief, Regional Planning Branch

cc: Caleb Brock, Transportation Planner, Caltrans, Headquarters