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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Members of Eco-Rapid Transit Board of Directors
FROM: Michael Kodama, Executive Director
DATE: June 10, 2020
SUBJECT: **UPDATE AND/OR ACTION REGARDING CALTRANS SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT TO DEVELOP FLORENCE/SALT LAKE AND PACIFIC/RANDOLPH TRANSIT ORIENTED COMMUNITIES SPECIFIC PLANS**

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

Eco-Rapid Transit staff will provide an update for its Board of Directors regarding the Caltrans Sustainable Communities Grant to develop Florence/Salt Lake and Pacific/Randolph Transit Oriented Communities Specific Plans.

BACKGROUND

On November 15, 2019, Eco-Rapid Transit executed a Sustainable Communities Grant agreement with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the amount of \$681,111 for the Pacific/Randolph and Florence/Salt Lake Transit Oriented Sustainable Communities Specific Plans in the City of Huntington Park. The term of the grant is just over two years with a completion date of February 28, 2022.

The 1st quarterly report and invoice for work from November 15, 2019 to December 31, 2019 was submitted and approved. The 2nd quarterly report and invoice for work from January 1, 2020 to March 31, 2020 was submitted and approved.

Eco-Rapid Transit staff is now working on the next steps of this project:

- At this time, Caltrans is not going to provide grantees with more time to complete the Station Area Plans due to Covid-19 impacts.
- Smart Growth America and the Team are working on Tasks 2.1 (Analysis of Existing Conditions), 2.2 (Market Studies) and 2.3 (Conduct Mobility Needs Studies) that will be completed by August 2020.
- Local Consultant RFP and scheduling an In-person and/or online meeting with the participating cities are the top priorities this month.



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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Discuss information presented and offer action items; and/or
2. Recommend changes and/or approve budget for FY 2018-19; and/or
3. Receive and file the item.