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Subject: Request to Reprogram RIP Funds from the Soto Street Widening Project Between Multonomah Street and Mission Road to the Huntington Drive Multi-Modal Transportation Improvement Project

The Bureau of Engineering (BOE) and Council District 14 (CD-14) request to reprogram \$15.082 million in State Transportation Improvement Program–Regional Improvement Program (STIP-RIP) construction funds currently programmed to the Soto Street Widening Project to the Huntington Drive Multi-Modal Transportation Improvement Project. The proposed reprogramming of \$15.082 million in State Transportation Improvement Program–Regional Improvement Program (STIP-RIP) construction funds from the Soto Street Widening Project to the Huntington Drive Multi-Modal Transportation Improvement Project is as follows:

- \$3,558,000 – Preliminary Engineering (PE) / PS&E Phase for the Huntington Drive Multi-Modal Transportation Improvement Project in FY 2026/27.
- \$11,524,000 – Construction (CON) Phase for Huntington Drive Segments 1 and 2 in FY 2028/29.

Only \$15.082M in STIP-RIP funds are available to transfer from LAF7109 to LAMIP104. The funds are currently programmed to LAF7109 in state fiscal year 27-28. The City may request reprogramming to a different state fiscal year, but the California Transportation Commission (CTC) may not approve.

The proposed reprogramming of funds to the Huntington Drive Multi-Modal Transportation Improvement Project will:

- Advance Huntington Drive Segments 1 and 2 from approximately 65% design to 100% PS&E, including preparation of final construction documents.

- Fund construction improvements and project elements that are ineligible for reimbursement under the Active Transportation Program (ATP).
- Complement anticipated ATP Cycle 8 funding and help ensure Huntington Drive Segments 1 and 2 are fully funded for construction.

This approach allows BOE and Council District 14 to continue advancing priority transportation improvements by maintaining progress on the Soto Street Bridge Replacement Project through PS&E completion while strategically reallocating available RIP construction funds to the Huntington Drive Multi-Modal Transportation Improvement Project. The reprogrammed funds will support final design and construction of Segments 1 and 2, complement anticipated ATP funding, and deliver enhanced safety, mobility, and connectivity benefits for the communities along the Huntington Drive corridor.

If the Huntington Drive project is successful in securing ATP Cycle 8 funding, it will provide a significant opportunity to leverage additional state, regional, and federal funding sources. Advancing Segments 1 and 2 will strengthen the project's competitiveness for future grant opportunities and help position the remaining corridor segments for subsequent funding and implementation.

If LAMIP104 does not receive an ATP Cycle 8 grant, the project is no longer eligible for STIP-RIP funds per the STIP Guidelines' requirement for projects to be fully funded. Metro will deprogram the STIP-RIP funds from LAMIP104 and reprogram the funds to another Metro priority project

If LAMIP104 cannot allocate the STIP-RIP funds and the funds lapse, Metro will not replace the lapsed STIP-RIP funds with new STIP-RIP funds.

BOE and CD-14 acknowledges transferring the STIP-RIP funds to the SR710 Huntington Drive Project (FTIP# LAMIP104) will require the City to cooperate with Metro staff on the following Metro Board actions:

- Amendment of the SR-710 North Mobility Improvement Program
- Amendment of the STIP Regional Transportation Improvement Program
- Amendment of the Call for Projects

BOE and CD-14 proposes to maintain the currently programmed RIP funds for the Soto Street Project as follows:

- \$3,367,000 in Surface Transportation Program–Local Return (STPL-R) funds (LAF7109) for the Preliminary Engineering (PE) Phase in FY 2025/26

- \$2,100,000 in STIP-RIP funds (LA8.1.1.07) for the Right-of-Way (ROW) Phase in FY 2026/27

These funds will allow the Soto Street Widening Project to continue advancing through final design and achieve 100% Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) completion, positioning the project for future construction funding opportunities.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Senior Civil Engineer Scott Gibson at scott.gibson@lacity.org

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ysabel Jurado". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ysabel" and last name "Jurado" clearly distinguishable.

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