## Summary of Significant Information, Methodologies & Assumptions for Revenue Estimates

- Sales tax is projected to be $1,156.0 million per ordinance, an increase of 2.0% over the FY24 reforecast of $1,122.0 million. The initial adopted FY24 projected sales tax amount was $1,200.0 million and was the basis for the FY24 Transit Fund Allocations.

- Assumed Consumer price index (CPI) growth of 3.0% represents a composite index from several economic forecasting sources.

- At their March meeting, Bus Operations Sub-Committee (BOS) members concurred with the use of FY23 Vehicle Service Miles statistics and Fare Revenue to allocate State, Local, and Federal funds.

- Due to staffing shortages, Culver City Transit was unable to provide FY23 data. Consequently, staff utilized the FY22 TPM and NTD reports and plan to adjust later based on the FY23 data.

- Senate Bill (SB) 1, known as the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, allocates formula funds to transit agencies for two different programs: 1) State of Good Repair (SGR) and 2) State Transit Assistance. SGR is a program funded by the increase in Vehicle License Fees. To be eligible for SGR funding, eligible transit agencies must comply with various reporting requirements. The second program augments the base of the State Transit Assistance program with a portion of the new sales tax on diesel fuel. Recipients are asked to provide supplemental reporting on the augmented State Transit Assistance funding received each fiscal year to allow for transparency and accountability of all SB 1 expenditures. Recipients are asked to report on the general uses of STA expenditures. These funds are allocated using FAP calculation methodology to Included and Eligible Operators.

- Pursuant to section 130004, up to 1 percent of annual TDA revenues shall be allocated to Metro and up to ¾ percent shall be allocated to Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) for transportation planning and programming process. Beginning in FY20, Metro increased the TDA planning allocation to the full 1 percent of annual TDA revenues for Metro.

- Formula Equivalent funds are allocated by formula to Eligible Operators as defined in Section 99207.5 of the TDA guidelines, in lieu of TDA, STA, and Prop A 40% Discretionary funds. The source of these funds is 95% of the 40% Proposition A growth over the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

- Federal formula grants (urbanized Formula Section 5307, Bus and Bus Facilities Section 5339, and State of Good Repair Section 5337) are presented for

budgetary purposes only and will be adjusted upon receipt of the final apportionments. Values included in the allocation of federal funding assume Congressional action to fully fund formula allocations in the amount represented in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

- Federal Sections 5307 and 5339 are calculated using the Capital Allocation Procedure (CAP) as adopted by the Bus Operations Subcommittee (BOS). Section 5337 is calculated based on the directional route miles and vehicle revenue miles formula used by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Operators' shares of Sections 5339 and 5337 will be exchanged with Metro's share of Section 5307 allocation.

## Bus Transit Subsidies ($1,742.8M)

### Formula Allocation Procedure ($997.7M)

Allocations of transit subsidy funds (STA, TDA Article 4, and Proposition A 95% of 40% Discretionary) are based on the Formula Allocation Procedure (FAP) that was adopted by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) Board of Directors and legislated through SB 1755 (Calderon – 1996). Los Angeles County Included and Eligible Operators' Transit Performance Measures (TPM) data is used for the FAP calculations. This data was validated and used in the calculations. The FAP uses 50% of operators' vehicle service miles and 50%of operators' fare units. (fare units are defined as operators' passenger revenues divided by operators' base cash fare).

In November 2008, the Board approved a Funding Stability Policy, where operators who increase their fares will have their fare units frozen at their level prior to the fare increase until such time that fare unit calculation based on the new higher fare becomes greater than the frozen level.

In FY08, the Board allocated $18.0 million from the Prop A GOI fund to assist Tier 2 Operators, including LADOT Community Dash, Glendale, Pasadena, and Burbank fixed route transit programs. This allocation, based on the same methodology as the FAP, did not impact the existing Included and Eligible Operators. The program provided annual funding of $6.0 million starting in FY11 and continued this funding level each year until FY24. Following the Board's approval, the funding cap was increased to $8.2 million for FY24, with future annual allocations to be adjusted based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). In FY25, Tier 2 operators will receive $8.4 million in funding.

### Measure R Allocations ($286.2M)

- **Measure R 20% Bus Operations ($249.8M)**
  Measure R, approved by voters in November 2008, allocates 20% of the revenues for bus service operations, maintenance, and expansion. The 20% bus operations share is allocated using FAP calculation methodology to Included and Eligible Operators.

- **Clean Fuel Bus Capital Facilities and Rolling Stock Fund ($0.0)**
  The Measure R ordinance also provides a lump sum allocation of $150.0 million over the life of the ordinance for clean fuel and bus facilities. This fund is allocated to Metro and LA County Municipal Operators at $10 million every even year.

**Measure M 20% Transit Operations ($248.9M)**

Measure M was approved by voters of Los Angeles County in November 2016 to improve transportation and ease traffic congestion. As defined in Section 3 of the Measure M Ordinance, the 20% Transit Operations share is allocated according to FAP calculation methodology to Included and Eligible Operators.

**Proposition C 5% Security ($54.8M)**

Ninety percent of Proposition C 5% Security fund is allocated to Los Angeles County transit operators and Metro Operations for security services. State law requires that each operator's share of funds be based on its share of unlinked boardings to total Los Angeles County unlinked boardings. The remaining ten percent is allocated to Metro to mitigate other security needs.

**Proposition C 40% Discretionary Programs ($77.9M)**

The following programs are funded with Prop C 40% Discretionary funds:

- **Municipal Operators Service Improvement Program (MOSIP).** MOSIP was adopted by the Board in April 2001. The program is intended to provide bus service improvements to the transit dependent in Los Angeles County by reducing overcrowding and expanding services. In the past, funding was increased by 3% from the previous year's funding level. All Municipal Operators participate in this program and funds are allocated according to FAP calculation methodology.

- **Zero-Fare Compensation.** The City of Commerce is allocated an amount equivalent to its FAP share as compensation for having zero fare revenues.

- **Foothill Mitigation.** This fund is allocated to operators to mitigate the impact of Foothill becoming an Included Operator. The Foothill Mitigation Program is calculated similarly to the TDA and STA portion of the normal FAP, except that Foothill's data is frozen at its pre-inclusion level. The result of this calculation is then deducted from the TDA and STA portion of the normal FAP to arrive at the Foothill Mitigation funding level. This methodology was adopted by the BOS in November 1995.

- **Transit Service Expansion Program (TSE).** Created in 1990 to increase ridership by providing funds for additional services to relieve congestion, the TSE Program continues for eight Municipal Operators including Culver City, Foothill

Transit, Gardena, Long Beach, Torrance, Antelope Valley, Santa Clarita, and LADOT for expansion or introduction of fixed-route bus service in congested corridors. Metro Operations does not participate in this program.

- **Base Re-Structuring Program (Base-Re).** The Base Restructuring Program continues for four Municipal Operators who added service before 1990. These operators are Commerce, Foothill Transit, Montebello, and Torrance.

- **Bus Service Improvement Program (BSIP).** Created in 1996 to provide additional buses on existing lines to relieve overcrowding, Metro Operations and all other Los Angeles County transit operators participate in this program, except for Claremont, Commerce, and La Mirada.

**Senate Bill 1 ($113.9M)**
The following programs are funded with SB1:

- **State Transit Assistance ($91.0M)**

- **State of Good Repair ($22.9M)**

SB1 funds are allocated based on Measure R allocation methodology.

**Local Subsidies ($944.9M)**

**Proposition A Incentive Programs ($23.5M)**

In lieu of TDA Article 4.5, five percent (5%) of Proposition A 40% Discretionary funds have been allocated to local transit operators through the Board-adopted Incentive Program guidelines. Programs include the Sub-Regional Paratransit Program ($8.6M), the Voluntary NTD Reporting Program ($5.3M) and the Sub-Regional Grant Projects ($2.1M).

Under the Voluntary NTD Reporting Program, local transit operators report operating data for entitlement to the Federal FTA Section 5307 funds. Operators participating in the Voluntary NTD Reporting Program and who are not receiving Sub-Regional Paratransit funds are allocated an amount equal to the Federal FTA Section 5307 funds they generate for the region.

Under the Sub-Regional Grant Projects, Avalon's Ferry, which provides a lifeline service for residents commuting between Avalon and the mainland, will receive $800,000, and Avalon Transit Services will receive $200,000 in subsidy funding. Additionally, the Hollywood Bowl Shuttle Service will receive $1,057,000.

**Local Return ($866.7M)**

Proposition A 25% ($274.6M)

Proposition C 20% ($227.7M)
Measure R 15% ($170.8M)
Measure M 17% ($193.6M)

Local Return estimates are apportioned to all Los Angeles County cities and the County of Los Angeles based on population shares according to state statutes and Proposition A, Proposition C, Measure R and Measure M ordinances.

**TDA Article 3 funds ($11.8M)**

TDA Article 3 funds are for Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities and are split into two parts:

- The 15% of TDA Article 3 funds are allocated towards the maintenance of regionally significant Class I bike paths as determined by LACMTA policy and in current TDA Article 3 Guidelines. This portion is divided in a ratio of 30% to 70% to City of Los Angeles and County of Los Angeles, respectively.

- The 85% of the funds are allocated to all Los Angeles County cities and the County of Los Angeles based on population shares. TDA Article 3 has a minimum allocation amount of $5,000. The City of Industry has opted out of the TDA Article 3 program indefinitely. The Street and Freeway Subcommittee and the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) have approved this redistribution methodology in prior years, and it remains unchanged.

**TDA Article 8 funds ($42.9M)**

TDA Article 8 funds are allocated to areas within Los Angeles County, but outside the Metro service area. This includes allocations to Avalon, Lancaster, Palmdale, Santa Clarita and portions of unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County. The amount of TDA funds for Article 8 allocation is calculated based on the proportionate population of these areas to the total population of Los Angeles County.

**Federal Funds ($493.2M)**

**Section 5307 Urbanized Formula Program ($317.4 M)**

The Urbanized Area Formula Funding program (49 U.S.C. 5307) makes Federal resources available to urbanized areas for transit capital and operating assistance in urbanized areas and for transportation related planning. Based on federal revenue estimates for FY25, $317.4 million in Federal Section 5307 Urban Formula funds are allocated to Los Angeles County transit operators and LACMTA Operations. Eighty-five percent (85%) of these funds have been allocated based on a capital allocation formula consisting of total vehicle miles, number of vehicles, unlinked boardings, passenger revenue and base fare. The15% Capital Discretionary fund and the 1% Transit Enhancement Act fund have been allocated on a discretionary basis with BOS review and concurrence.

At its April, 2024, meeting, the BOS allocated $360,000 each year for the next three years to the Southern California Regional Transit Training Consortium (SCRTTC) from the 15% discretionary fund. SCRTTC provides a training resource network comprised of Community Colleges, Universities, Transit Agencies, and Public and Private Organizations focused on the development and delivery of training and employment of the transit industry workforce that is proficient at the highest standards, practices, and procedures for the industry. The funds will be exchanged with Metro's TDA Article 4 share and disbursed through Long Beach Transit.

**Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities ($24.3M)**

Section 5339 is a grant program authorized by 49 United States Code (U.S.C) Section 5339 as specified under the Federal Reauthorization Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century or "MAP 21". The Program provides capital funding to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses, vans, and related equipment, and to construct bus-related facilities. Based on federal revenue estimates for FY25, $24.3 million is allocated to Los Angeles County operators and Metro operations using the Capital Allocation Procedure adopted by the BOS. Operators' shares are swapped with Metro's share of Federal Section 5307 to minimize the administrative process.

**Section 5337 State of Good Repair ($151.5M)**

The State of Good Repair grants program provides financial assistance to public transit agencies that operate rail fixed-guideway and high-intensity motorbus systems for the maintenance, replacement, and rehabilitation of capital assets, along with the development and implementation of transit asset management plans. These funds reflect a commitment to ensuring that public transit operates safely, efficiently, reliably, and sustainably so that communities can offer balanced transportation choices that help to improve mobility, reduce congestion, and encourage economic development.

- **High Intensity Fixed Guideway** - provides capital funding to maintain a system in a state of good repair for rail and buses operating on lanes for exclusive use of public transportation vehicles, i. e. bus rapid transit. Based on federal revenue estimates for FY25**,** $142.2 million is allocated to Metro and Municipal operations.

- **High Intensity Motorbus** - provides capital funding to maintain a system in a state of good repair for buses operating on lanes not fully reserved only for public transportation vehicles. Based on federal revenue estimates for FY25, $9.3 million is allocated to Metro Operations and Los Angeles County operators following the FTA formula: the fund allocated with Directional Route Miles (DRM) data is allocated using the operators' DRM data while the fund allocated with Vehicle Revenue Miles (VRM) data is allocated using the operators' VRM data. Operators' shares are swapped with Metro's share of Federal Section 5307 to minimize administrative process.