

Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit

Executive Management Committee File# 2019-0169



Project Background

- In April 2018, Aerial Rapid Transit Technologies LLC (ARTT) submitted an Unsolicited Proposal to fund, construct, operate, and maintain the Los Angeles Aerial Transit gondola connecting Union Station to Dodger Stadium
- In December 2018, Metro formally concluded the Unsolicited Proposal process and began exclusive negotiations with ARTT for Metro to be the CEQA lead agency for the Project
- PUC confers to Metro the duty to approve all transit guideway project plans in LA County, including design, construction, and implementation plans
- These statutory responsibilities support Metro assuming the role of lead agency for CEQA purposes
- As lead agency, the Metro Board would determine whether or not to approve the Project



CEQA MOA

- ARTT will be responsible for development of the CEQA report
- Metro will not fund, subsidize or otherwise financially contribute in any manner
- ARTT will make deposits upfront to pay for Metro staff and consulting time
- Metro has the right to review and approve the community outreach plan
- Insurance and indemnification provisions in adherence with Metro's risk management
- ARTT will provide evidence of resources and financial capability to develop the Project prior to adoption of CEQA
- Future agreements will be necessary and may include, but are not limited to: Union Station leasing, CEQA implementation oversight, fare integration, Union Station parking, Union Station security, data sharing, etc.



Voluntary ARTT Commitments

- Conduct CEQA and community outreach consistent with Metro's Equity Platform
- Endeavor to be consistent with Metro's overall agency Small Business Enterprise (SBE) utilization goal for the overall Project
- Utilize Metro's already established bench, to the extent the needed skillsets are available on Metro's bench



Next Steps

- Finalize negotiations with ARTT on the CEQA MOA
- Staff will report back to the Board at key milestones for further discussion and to obtain Board input
- Upon completion of the CEQA process, the Metro Board will determine whether or not to approve the project



Thank you.