



## Board Report

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### EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 18, 2021

**SUBJECT: RECOVERY TASK FORCE FINAL REPORT**

**ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

RECEIVE AND FILE Metro Recovery Task Force Final Report

#### **ISSUE**

Metro's Recovery Task Force submits its final report ("Attachment A").

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Recovery Task Force ("Task Force") is an internal staff committee at Metro responsible for providing advice and recommendations to the Metro Senior Leadership Team (SLT) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) on recovery from the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Task Force goals and deliverables include: 1) identifying and recommending actions Metro can take to respond to the pandemic, to recover after the pandemic, to help lead an equitable economic recovery for LA County, and to advance mobility without congestion as the 'new normal' after the pandemic; 2) issuing periodic reports to Metro decision makers, the public, and stakeholders on the work of the Task Force, including the status of early action items; and 3) drafting a final report, which includes updates on Metro's early actions and final recommendations with implementation plans.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The Recovery Task Force Final Report contains recommendations to help Metro respond to the pandemic and recover after the pandemic. The final report includes 20 Early Action Recommendations that the Recovery Task Force identified and recommended during the spring and summer of 2020 in immediate response to the pandemic. The Task Force hosted virtual public meetings to get public and staff input on the early action recommendations and presented these to the Board of Directors for feedback.

During the second half of 2020, the Task Force developed 17 final recommendations. The Recovery Task Force then hosted a second set of virtual public meetings for public and staff input, and also presented them to the Board of Directors in November 2020.

After incorporating comments and further refining the recommendations, Metro's Recovery Task Force released its draft final report to the public in December 2020. English and Spanish-language online feedback forms were posted to Metro.net/recovery seeking input on the report's 17 final recommendations (and any other input) by February 8, 2021.

During the comment period, the Recovery Task Force received and reviewed approximately 1000 items of feedback on different recommendations from approximately 240 individuals, plus comment letters from three councils of government, Metro's Citizens' Advisory Council, and several coalitions of non-profit organizations and businesses. A summary of the feedback received and how it was incorporated into the final report can be seen at "Attachment B".

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Receiving and filing the Recovery Task Force Final Report has no impact to the agency's budget. Should implementation of a recommendation require Board action or budgetary resources, it will be accompanied by financial analysis prior to seeking approval.

### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

Each of the 37 recommendations outlined in the Recovery Task Force Final Report identify specific Metro Vision 2028 Strategic Plan goals they support and are aligned with.

### **NEXT STEPS**

Following release of the final report, Metro staff will focus on implementing recovery recommendations. This includes steps outlined in the implementation plans for each final recommendation, plus continued work on early actions that have not been completed. Staff will also aim to develop, track, and share metrics to assess the impacts and progress of implementation. When implementation of individual recommendation reaches a point that requires action by the Board, they will be brought to the Board with opportunity for public comment.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Recovery Task Force Final Report

Attachment B - Summary of and Response to Public Feedback on Draft Final Report

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