

Board Report

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AD-HOC SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE OCTOBER 14, 2015

SUBJECT: TRACKING SUSTAINABILITY METRICS IN LOS ANGLES COUNTY

ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE

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RECOMMENDATION

RECEIVE AND FILE status report on **performance metrics for 2016 Sustainability Annual Report.**

ISSUE

Follow up on Ad-Hoc Sustainability Committee comments from July 15, 2015 committee meeting.

DISCUSSION

Background

The board-adopted Countywide Sustainability Planning Policy (CSPP) and Implementation Plan tasked staff with evaluating and reporting on progress toward achieving sustainability goals by preparing an annual report. On May 20, 2015 staff presented the first Sustainability Annual Report to the Ad-Hoc Sustainability Committee. At the request of the Committee, staff presented more details on the performance metrics section included in the Sustainability Annual Report at the Committee meeting held on July 15, 2015.

Findings

At the Committee meeting held on July 15, 2015, the Committee directors discussed including new sustainability metrics in the Sustainability Annual Report. These new metrics included equity, job access, technology, vehicle ownership, activity centers, bicycle and pedestrian safety, emerging technologies and shared mobility, environmental justice and income in Los Angeles County. For the development of the 2016 Sustainability Annual Report, staff will research these metrics. Staff will also research new reporting techniques utilizing online or interactive media. A new component of the Sustainability Annual Report will also consider developing performance targets for the sustainability metrics.

Metro will bring on a consultant to aid in the development of the metrics, reporting technique and

performance targets for the 2016 Sustainability Annual Report. This effort will be three to four months in duration to meet the schedule for the 2016 report.

Considerations

Staff is convening a public sector sustainability group to coordinate on sustainability measures and reporting mechanisms with public sector sustainability staff throughout Los Angeles County. This working group will collaborate on data sharing, how to define sustainability metrics, and ways to report metrics.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The FY16 budget includes funds for professional and technical services for the Countywide Sustainability Plan in Project 450005, under Cost Center 4340- Sustainability Policy and Programs.

Impact to Budget

The source of funds is Proposition A, Proposition C, TDA Administration which is not eligible for bus/rail operations and capital uses.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will continue to research new sustainability metrics and reporting techniques in developing the 2016 Sustainability Annual Report. Staff will bring on a consultant to develop metrics and an interactive reporting technique. The statement of work for the consultant will also include recommending performance targets.

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