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Board Report

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Amending Motion by:

DIRECTORS BUTTS AND HAHN

Related to Item 13: Continuing Resolution for Fiscal Year 2021 Budget

Measure M includes \$350 million for the South Bay subregion's Transportation System and Mobility Improvement Program (TSMIP II), listed as a Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) on line 66 of the Expenditure Plan. The City of Redondo Beach and the South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) are requesting from the Metro Board an urgent approval to expend an additional \$2.75 million in Measure M South Bay TSMIP II funds for the Redondo Beach Transit Center project. While the SBCCOG would normally request the Metro Board to approve the requested project funding through the annual MSP process, the City of Redondo Beach has requested an advance approval through this motion of the project that the SBCCOG has previously requested in its annual Metro Budget Request to avoid additional delays, costs, or potential loss of contractor bids for the Redondo Beach Transit Center (RBTC) project.

The RBTC is a true regional project that will be connecting municipal operators from Gardena, Torrance, Beach Cities Transit and Metro buses with the Green Line adjacent to the South Bay Galleria shopping complex. The RBTC will function as a critical regional hub that improves mobility throughout the South Bay, provides commuters with a public transit alternative to the I-405, and reduces air pollution and greenhouse gases throughout L.A. County.

Project planning and engineering work on the RBTC project began in 2009. In 2018 the City of Redondo Beach made its first attempt to advertise and award a construction contract but rejected all bids received because they exceeded the project budget. In November in 2019 the City advertised the project for a second time. The lowest bid received in February of 2020 once again exceeds the project budget. On March 9, 2020 the SBCCOG approved submittal of a five-year Metro Budget Request (MBR) for Measure R and M South Bay sub-regional funding beginning in July 2020. At its April 23rd, 2020 meeting, the SBCCOG Board of Directors unanimously approved amending the South Bay's FY20-21 Measure M Metro Budget Request to include an additional \$2.75 million of Measure M TSMIP II capital funding for the Redondo Beach Transit Center project. However, Metro isn't expected to respond to the entire MBR until August.

Because the current lowest bid expires at the end of this month, the City of Redondo Beach voted to conditionally award a construction contract on May 19, 2020 inherent on formally securing the additional \$2.75 million required from the TSMIP II. The contractors are prepared to begin construction once the contract is fully awarded and executed. It is important for the City of Redondo Beach to have access to the additional funding before the bid window closes and the city of Redondo Beach must re-start the bidding process. The additional costs and loss of momentum would have critical negative impacts on this linchpin project.

SUBJECT: REDONDO BEACH TRANSIT CENTER URGENCY MOTION

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVE Motion by Directors Butts and Hahn that the Board:

Approve authorizing funding of additional \$2.75 million from the South Bay Measure M TSMIP II MSP account for the SBCCOG Redondo Beach Transit Center project with the Measure R Operational Highway funds programming in June.