



Board Report

File #: 2021-0546, File Type: Informational Report

Agenda Number: 29.

CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 16, 2021

SUBJECT: THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION

ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute the annual expenditure budget plan for the FY22 Annual Work Plan for the City of Los Angeles (Attachment A).

ISSUE

During the design, construction, and maintenance phases of Metro projects, a significant amount of support is required from local jurisdictions via an annual work plan. The annual work plan shall serve as a commitment from the agency for the reimbursement of services provided by the City of Los Angeles reviewing jurisdictions for an estimated amount of services. Without an annual work plan, the City of Los Angeles jurisdictions have no funding sources to support Metro projects.

BACKGROUND

In December of 2002, A Master Cooperative Agreement (MCA) was executed between Metro and the City of Los Angeles. The intent of the agreement was to establish a streamlined process among both entities to successfully construct Metro's ongoing projects. A function of the MCA was to clearly identify a yearly budget for each City department to provide those city services. This function was labeled as the Annual Work Plan. A new MCA is currently being negotiated between Metro and the City of Los Angeles. The 2002 MCA will remain in effect until the new MCA is finalized. The new MCA is an effort to support the Metro construction program by capturing lessons learned, updating, and enhancing processes, and enhancing overall relationships between the two agencies. Upon execution of the new MCA, the 2002 MCA shall be terminated.

DISCUSSION

The action contained herein provides funding for the City of Los Angeles participation in the projects within the limit of the current approved FY22 budget for Third Party Review and maintenance. (See

Attachment A).

Metro staff efforts to proactively manage these costs will include the following:

- A. Controlling the design review process through the early coordination of design efforts to define scope and establish/clarify standards and requirements.
- B. Reviewing submittals for completeness.
- C. Ensuring that third party requirements are identified and addressed before sending to the third party.
- D. Reviewing timesheets with each third-party organization monthly to ensure that hours charged are appropriate.
- E. Conducting executive and staff level partnering with third parties

DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

The recommended action has no impact on safety.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The funding, which may be obligated and spent under this one-year work plan of \$17,285,619 is included in the FY22 budget in each of the project budgets that will require services to be performed by the City of Los Angeles. See attachment "A." Since these are multi-year projects, the Project Managers will be responsible for budgeting future year costs.

Impact to Budget

The funding for this Annual Work Plan will come from various sources of funds. See attachment "A". With the exception of major construction projects funded with specific grant funds, these funds are eligible for bus and rail operating and capital expenditures. No other sources of funds were considered for this activity because the primary beneficiary of the service is bus, rail and capital projects.

EQUITY PLATFORM CONSISTENCY

The Annual Work Plan funds Metro project plan reviews from various City of Los Angeles departments to support the review of design and construction project plans annually. These services are essential for streamlining project delivery, which includes expediting plan reviews and approvals, ensuring quality and effective construction measures, timely inspections, and other functional efforts as described above. All services are centered on avoiding project delays and promoting cost saving measures to effectively deliver the project with minimal impacts on the community and provide benefits of enhanced mobility and regional access to underserved populations within the respective project areas.

While considering the projects, Metro will provide an estimated 42 miles of new transit systems (pedestrian, bicycle, rail and bus) and 11 potential passenger stations within the City of L.A limits and

equity focused communities (EFC). Further, project specific equity considerations for this Board items include job opportunities and enhanced business opportunities for local communities. This Board item action will reduce the likelihood of transit and active transportation project delays.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

By executing the Annual Work Plan for FY22 and allowing the City departments to successfully review plans and provide a streamlined approval process to successfully construct Metro's ongoing projects, it would positively support Metro's overall plan and goal of expanding the transportation network, increase mobility for all users and improve LA County's overall transit networks and assets.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board may reject the recommendation and direct us to include this work under Construction Contracts. Unfortunately, this is not recommended because it will delay each of the projects.

NEXT STEPS

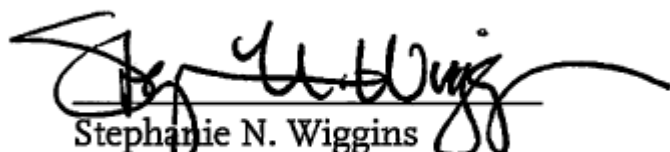
Upon MTA board approval of the annual work plan, the City of Los Angeles shall submit the annual work plan to the Los Angeles City Council and Mayor's Office for adoption.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment A - FY22 Annual Work Plan Anticipated Budget for the City of Los Angeles

Prepared by: Androush Danielians, Sr. Executive Officer; 213-922-7598
Eduardo Cervantes, Deputy Executive Officer; 213-922-7255.

Approved by: Bryan Pennington, Interim Chief Program Management Officer; 213-922-7449


Stephanie N. Wiggins
Chief Executive Officer