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Transportation Committee Meeting

Monday, October 10, 2011

9:30 a.m.

Beverly Hills City Hall

Conference Room A, 4th Floor

455 North Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210

AGENDA

I. Call to Order and Self Introductions

II. METRO Nexus Study

METRO Staff and their consultant, Cambridge Systematics, Inc., will present the Draft Preliminary Findings for the Westside Cities Congestion Mitigation Fee Pilot Study (the "Pilot Study"). METRO and its consultant have been working with the Westside Cities to identify local projects with a regional benefit, and to confirm their growth forecasts and transportation network. A nexus analysis was conducted as part of the Pilot Study to determine whether the projects identified by jurisdictions provide a measurable improvement to future congestion on the transportation network. The Pilot Study is being conducted as part of an overall work plan approved by the METRO Board in 2008.

III. Work Program Evaluation

In 2011, two Ad Hoc Committees were created increasing staff commitment to CCOG programming. The work program content needs to be evaluated and prioritized to ensure staff time is being committed to projects that are COG Board priorities. The outcome of the evaluation will be presented to the Board at its November 17, 2011 meeting.

IV. Westside Cities Council of Governments Bicycle Planning

Staff of the Transportation and Sustainability Committees continues to work on the COG's Westside Bicycle Coordination Plan. The first draft sub-regional map of existing and proposed bicycle infrastructure has been developed. At its September meeting, the Board approved \$5000 to fund an intern position to assist staff to complete the program deliverables in a timely manner. METRO will provide a map template to use to provide them with details of the sub-regional map, (including points of interest), for inclusion in its spring mapping update. The Board approved the proposed policy framework for the Plan as follows:

- Improving bicycle infrastructure by identifying and prioritizing closure of gaps and "black holes." (Both inter and intra-regional gaps.)
- Coordinate gap closure programs implemented by member jurisdictions.
- Coordinate city practices and protocols (e.g., construction permit conditions, sign requirements, and identification of adequate detours for work in the public right-of-way) to ensure adequate accommodation for all road users whenever possible.
- Coordinate training and education programs for public, city and agency staff.
- Identification of "best practice" examples tailored to Westside needs, focusing on amenities and training, and basing a safety awareness program on existing resources and existing bicycle plans of member jurisdictions, thus avoiding "re-inventing the wheel".
- Consideration of development of a regional cyclist "count" when funding is available as this would be a strong foundation for grant applications.
- Coordination between cities to develop more consistent signage/markings, including "way finding" signage to assist cyclists in navigating between infrastructure gaps.

V. Receive and File

Draft Meeting Notes from June 6, 2011 meeting.

VI. Announcements and Future Meetings Agenda Items

XII. Public Comment RE Items Not On the Agenda

XIII. Adjournment

Next Meeting: December 12, 2011 at 9:30 AM, Beverly Hills City Hall

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