

CITY OF LOS ANGELES

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

Date: August 26, 2024

To: The Honorable City Council
c/o City Clerk, Room 395
Attention: Heather Hutt, Chair, Transportation Committee

From: Laura Rubio-Cornejo, General Manager  for LRC
Department of Transportation

Subject: **AUTHORITY TO APPLY, ACCEPT, AND EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 19-20 STATE OF GOOD REPAIR (SGR) PROGRAM FUNDS TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL ELECTRICAL CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE**

SUMMARY

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) is requesting authority to apply for and accept funds in the amount of \$563,130 and to approve the resolution for the FY 19-20 State of Good Repair (SGR) Program funds from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the purchase and installation of bus electrification infrastructure at a city-owned bus yard

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. ADOPT the attached resolution and AUTHORIZE LADOT to accept a Caltrans grant award in the amount of \$563,130 from the FY 2019-20 State of Good Repair (SGR) Program and execute all applicable grant agreements, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form.
2. AUTHORIZE the funds to be deposited and appropriated in the Facility Upgrades for Electrification Appropriation Account within Fund 385.

BACKGROUND

In FY 19-20, LADOT applied for up to \$620,000 in SGR funds to purchase a replacement bus pursuant to a directive from City Council (CF 19-1109). LADOT subsequently canceled the project with Caltrans, determining that it would be more practical to prioritize installing charging infrastructure to be ready to receive more battery electric buses. LADOT has recently received 130 battery electric DASH buses and are working to close funding gaps to install chargers at all the bus maintenance yards that LADOT manages. . This updated authorization enables LADOT to claim these funds to install electric vehicle charging infrastructure at the Downtown Bus Maintenance located at 454 E. Commercial Street. LADOT has executed a contract (C-144291) with BP Pulse to install 22 battery electric chargers at the Downtown Bus Maintenance, and would be ready to claim these funds on completion of the construction, which is currently estimated in early 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the General Fund as the grant does not require a local match.

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES FOR THE CALIFORNIA STATE OF GOOD REPAIR PROGRAM: ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE CITY-OWNED BUS YARD IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES, CA

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) is an eligible project sponsor and may receive State Transit Assistance funding from the State of Good Repair (SGR) Program now or sometime in the future for transit projects; and

WHEREAS, the statutes related to state-funded transit projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1 (2017) named the Department of Transportation (Department) as the administrative agency for the SGR; and

WHEREAS, the Department has developed guidelines for the purpose of administering and distributing SGR funds to eligible project sponsors (local agencies); and

WHEREAS, LADOT wishes to delegate authorization to execute these documents and any amendments thereto to the LADOT General Manager or Chief of Transit Programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Los Angeles City Council that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Certification and Assurances document and applicable statutes, regulations, and guidelines for all SGR funded transit projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LADOT General Manager or Chief of Transit Programs be authorized to execute all required documents of the SGR Program and any amendments thereto with the California Department of Transportation. These include the submittal of the following project nomination(s) and allocation request(s) to the Department in FY 2019-2020 SGR funds:

- Electrical infrastructure related to bus electrification at the city-owned Commercial Street yard in Downtown Los Angeles, CA.
- Amount of up to SGR funds requested: \$563,130