

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT** relative to Los Angeles Green New Deal Active Transportation Implementation Plan.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. DIRECT the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to report:
  - a. In 90 days with the resources needed to implement the Los Angeles Green New Deal Active Transportation Implementation Plan, as well as the resources that would be required to double the pace of implementation.
  - b. In 90 days with a list of unfunded or partially funded priority projects based on the criteria in the LADOT report dated June 8, 2021.
  - c. Annually with an Active Transportation Project dashboard that includes project description, scope, budget, funding sources, schedule, and status.
2. RECEIVE and FILE the LADOT report dated June 8, 2021, relative to the Los Angeles Green New Deal Active Transportation Implementation Plan to support walking, bicycling, and micromobility.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. implementation of active transportation projects are funded through Measure R, Measure M, Prop C Local Return, Local Transportation Fund, and a range of grant funds including the State of California Active Transportation Program, Metro Measure M Multiyear Subregional Program, Metro Active Transportation Program, and the State of California Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities Program. Capital-intensive infrastructure projects included in the implementation plan are partially or fully funded through grants and local funding commitments. The LADOT will need to secure additional funding through future budget allocations and grants to pursue continued expansion of citywide active transportation elements.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**SUMMARY**

In a report to Council dated June 8, 2021, LADOT provides a status update of the Los Angeles Green New Deal Active Transportation Implementation Plan. LADOT states Active transportation infrastructure improves safety and accessibility and focuses on walking, biking, and using slower, human-powered or electric modes. The Citywide Mobility Plan 2035, the transportation element of the City's General Plan, establishes the fundamental policy plans for the city's comprehensive transportation networks. LADOT project delivery programs and divisions such as Active Transportation, Vision

Zero, Safe Routes to School, Safe Routes for Seniors, and other groups apply program-specific prioritization metrics to identify and evaluate potential projects.

The Active Transportation Implementation Plan describes LADOT's project development and prioritization processes, inter and intra-departmental coordination efforts, and the Department's existing policies and tools for identifying and evaluating potential projects. The plan leverages planned and funded projects within LADOT's work plan through 2025, in combination with the directive to prioritize High Injury Network segments within high-needs areas as defined by the Healthy Places Index, layered with designated Mobility Plan networks.

The LADOT report goes on to discuss inter-departmental-agency and project coordination, as well as project delivery. A comprehensive project plan is attached to the LADOT report.

At its meeting held June 15, 2021, the Transportation Committee discussed this matter with LADOT staff. Department representatives stated area residents must drive less for the City to reduce emissions and to help slow climate change. Goals of the Active Transportation Plan include projects to encourage walking, bicycling, and the use of public transit; making transit competitive with private vehicle commuting by reducing the cost and time-efficiency of buses and rail; providing flexible and on-demand public transit; and reducing emissions of commercial delivery vehicles.

During the public comment period, members of the community expressed support for the LADOT report and the Active Transportation Plan.

The Committee Chair stated that LADOT's Active Transportation Plan is a strong foundation for improving the quality of life for City residents. Ambitious action is needed. The dire urgency of climate change demands that the City invest more resources in the plan to expedite the completion of projects and to support LADOT with additional staff. Committee recommended that Council receive and file the LADOT report and to also instruct the Department to report relative to resources needed to implement and accelerate the Active Transportation Implementation Plan, a list of unfunded or partially funded priority projects, and with annual status reports.

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
BUSCAINO:	ABSENT

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Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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