

TRANSPORTATION and PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEES' REPORT relative to the first three projects for the second round of the Corridors, Complete Streets Program.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. RECEIVE AND FILE the recommended project base scope elements and budgets contained in Attachment A of the August 9, 2021 Joint Bureau of Engineering (BOE), Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), Bureau of Street Services (BOSS), Bureau of Sanitation (BOS), and Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL) report, attached to the Council File, for the three projects listed below, based on the pre-design findings discussed in said report:
 - a. Culver Boulevard from Centinela Avenue to Slauson Avenue
 - b. La Brea Avenue from Coliseum Street to Adams Boulevard
 - c. Highland Avenue from Santa Monica Boulevard to Franklin Avenue
2. INSTRUCT the BOE, with support from the LADOT, the BOSS and the BOS to initiate the design of Culver Boulevard, La Brea Avenue and Highland Avenue Complete Streets Projects, in parallel, progressing commensurate with the available funding.
3. RECOMMEND including in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 proposed budget funding to:
 - a. Complete the balance of the design for the Culver Boulevard, La Brea Avenue and Highland Avenue Complete Streets Projects.
 - b. For design funding for the Vision Zero scope of work for the intersection of Culver Boulevard and Berryman Avenue.
4. RECOMMEND that additional studies be conducted at the intersection of Culver Boulevard and Inglewood Boulevard to improve southbound vehicle and bicycle movements.
5. INSTRUCT the City Administrative to report in regard with the following:
 - a. A review of infrastructure cost trends in Southern California for public works projects with a focus on similar reconstruction projects.
 - b. An assessment of cost trends for the City of Los Angeles for infrastructure projects.
 - c. Best practices from peer agencies on project development and cost estimation, including how other agencies predict costs early in the project's life cycle.

- d. Recommendations to mitigate construction cost escalation across all City infrastructure projects.
- e. When evaluating a Complete Streets project also evaluate the cost compared to the cost to each part separately.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the BOE, LADOT, BOS, BOSS, or BSL. Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice, and River Committee waived consideration of the above matter.)

Summary:

On August 17, 2021, the Transportation Committee considered an August 9, 2021 joint BOE, LADOT, BOS, BOSS, and BSL report relative to the first three projects for the second round of the Corridors, Complete Streets Program. According to the report, on October 13, 2017, Council authorized the first six corridors of the Street Reconstruction/Vision Zero Program, also referred to as the Complete Streets Program (CSP; Council File No. 17-0950. Subsequently, on March 28, 2018, the Mayor concurred with the action of Council, adopting the amended Budget for the CSP (Council File No. 17-0950), which provides for the addition of sidewalk repair and green infrastructure elements, in addition to the street reconstruction/resurfacing and Vision Zero safety countermeasures.

Currently, four of the six projects, Roscoe Boulevard, Temple Street, Venice Boulevard, and Main St. are complete. One project, Reseda Boulevard is in construction and one project, Avalon Boulevard, is currently in design with the final design scheduled to be complete by summer of 2022. As part of the Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20 (Council File No. 19-0600), 12 corridors on the High-Injury Network were identified for Round 2 for the Complete Streets Program. The corridor selection was based on High Injury Network corridor traffic collision data resulting in killed and seriously injured (KSI), as well as data on Pavement Condition Indexes (PCI) available at the time of selection.

On October 2, 2019, Council authorized the pre-design of three new Complete Street Projects, Culver Boulevard, La Brea Avenue, and Highland Avenue (Council File No. 17-0950-S2), consistent with parameters outlined in the Complete Streets Project Planning, Pre-design and Design Checklist (CSP Checklist), with instructions to report to Council relative to the recommended design, construction budgets and schedules for those three projects based on the pre-design findings. As stated in the July 31, 2019 Committee reports for Council File Nos. 17- 1950 and 19-0412, Culver Boulevard, La Brea Avenue, and Highland Avenue were selected based on the project readiness factors described below.

The proposed Vision Zero safety treatments for these locations include well-recognized traffic control device tools such as striping, left turn phasing and curb extensions and will not result in major changes to the road configuration. Therefore, it is anticipated that there will be strong public support for these projects, streamlining the community education and engagement process as well as the pre-design process.

The LADOT has already assessed and identified traffic safety countermeasures and geometric parameters for these three streets, thereby increasing their readiness for pre-design. As of July 31, 2019, equity was not a factor for selection of these projects. However, recognizing the importance of equity in our City's capital projects, future streets selection recommendations will include equity based on an adopted City equity policy or guideline. After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Transportation Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendation detailed above, as amended. Subsequently, on August 25, 2021, the Public Works Committee also heard this items and after having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to concur with the Transportation Committee. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Transportation Committee

COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES

Public Works Committee

COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

BLUMENFIELD:	YES
LEE:	ABSENT
DE LEON:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
KORETZ:	YES

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