


**CITY OF LOS ANGELES**  
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

Date: August 25, 2021

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

From: Seleta J. Reynolds, General Manager   
Department of Transportation

Subject: **AUTHORITY TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT FUNDS, AND EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS FOR THE FY 2021-2022 STATE OF GOOD REPAIR PROGRAM (SGR) FUNDS TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL ELECTRICAL CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE AT THE LADOT BUS YARD IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES**

**SUMMARY**

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) is requesting authority to apply for and accept funds in the amount of \$487,016 up to \$620,000 and approve the resolution for the FY 2021-2022 State of Good Repair Program (SGR) funds from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the purchase and installation of electrical infrastructure related to bus electrification at the City-owned bus yard on Commercial Street in Downtown Los Angeles.

**RECOMMENDATION**

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

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager or Chief of Transit Programs of LADOT to apply for and accept funds for the SGR Program from Caltrans on behalf of the City.
2. AUTHORIZE the General Manager or Chief of Transit Programs of LADOT to execute any necessary funding and contractual documents, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form and legality, for accepting SGR program funds.
3. APPROVE the attached Resolution as required by Caltrans.

**BACKGROUND**

LADOT DASH provides frequent, inexpensive, and convenient bus service in Downtown Los Angeles and in 27 communities all across the City of Los Angeles. In 2017, the City purchased the Commercial Street bus yard to serve the downtown DASH route buses. The SGR funding began in 2017, and to date, LADOT received \$2,246,703 to fund electric bus purchases and electrical infrastructure for charging buses. LADOT proposes to use the FY 2021-22 SGR funds to purchase and install the necessary infrastructure to charge battery electric buses at the Commercial Street bus yard. This proposal fulfills the Mayor's and City Council's mandate to have a fully electric transit fleet by 2028 for the LA Green New Deal.

**Fiscal Impact**

There is no impact to the City's General Fund because the grant does not require a local match but in the event of a shortfall, the Prop A account 94RA20 designated as Facility Upgrades for Electrification will be used.

SJR:sg

## 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 (STA) funding from the State of Good Repair Program (SGR) 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 2021-2022 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: up to \$620,000