

## ERIC GARCETTI MAYOR

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** The Honorable Members of the City Council

c/o City Clerk

From: Eric Garcetti, Mayor

Subject: EXEMPTION REQUEST – DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, (1)

**ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER** 

Date: November 15, 2022

The Department of Transportation (DOT) requested the exemption of one (1) position of Assistant General Manager Transportation, Class Code 9263, in accordance with Charter Section 1001(b), from civil service as management, professional, scientific, or expert services exemptions. On October 20, 2022, the Mayor's Office asked the Personnel Department to review DOT's request.

Charter Section 1001(b) allows up to 150 persons to be exempt, of which 133 are approved, and an additional 5 are pending approval. Approval of this request will increase the count. As of the date of this letter, this request will be in the 139th position of the 150 exemptions. There are an additional 50 exempt positions added by the City Council pursuant to Charter Section 1001(b)(4), of which 8 are filled.

The Assistant General Manager Transportation (AGM) position will serve as the Chief Technology Officer, reporting directly to the General Manager. The AGM will oversee LADOT's technology services, programs, and software solutions that support Code the Curb, BlueLA, the Automated Traffic Surveillance and Control (ATSAC) Center, the Vehicles for Hire Division, and maintain Mobility Data Specifications and other critical technology infrastructure to ensure integration with Department-wide operations. The AGM will represent LADOT as an expert in discussions with technology companies and other governmental and nongovernmental organizations. The AGM will use data to make policy decisions to improve department efficiency and effectiveness, and will provide

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organizational governance and policy directives regarding data usage and facilitate the use of City data between departments and open data sources. The AGM will also direct staff to develop and maintain LADOT's Information Technology program including cybersecurity control evaluation, selection and implementation and architectures pursuant to City standards. This will include the oversight of Request for Proposal selection processes to acquire advanced technology software, hardware, and support services.

This AGM position requires graduation from an accredited four-year college or university; in addition the candidate must have at least five years of full-time paid project management experience supervising teams working on complex, high profile projects. A Bachelor's or Master's degree in one or more of the following disciplines is desired: Data Science, Computer Science, Information Science, Mathematics, Economics, or related field, or equivalent work experience. Academic qualification or professional training and experience in legal and regulatory areas are highly desirable.

The exemption of this position will allow DOT the flexibility to recruit and select the best-qualified candidate who possesses the necessary experience and expertise for the position. The duties and requirements as described are appropriate to the class of Assistant General Manager Transportation.

Based on my review of DOT's request, as well as the review of the Personnel Department, I hereby approve the request for the exemption of an Assistant General Manager and transmit my action to the City Council, pursuant to City Charter Section 1001(b)(1). If the exempt position is not filled within six months, the Mayor's approval for the department to fill the position may expire.

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cc: Andre Herndon, Chief of Staff, Office of the Mayor Heleen Ramirez, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the Mayor Connie Llanos, Interim General Manager, Department of Transportation Dana Brown, General Manager, Personnel Department