

TRANSPORTATION and PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEES REPORT relative to adding the Streets of Significance within Area W, which will encompass the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (Metro) East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Project to the Major Transit and Transportation Construction Impact Areas, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 62.250.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the June 21, 2023 Board of Public Works report, inasmuch as this report is for information only and no Council action is required.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On August 16, 2023, the Transportation Committee considered a June 21, 2023 Board report relative to adding the Streets of Significance within Area W, which will encompass the Metro's East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Project to the Major Transit and Transportation Construction Impact Areas, pursuant to LAMC Section 62.250. According to the Board, the purpose of LAMC Section 62.250 is to minimize traffic impacts resulting from construction activity, such as light rail, busway, utility, private development, street improvement, street maintenance, and major public works projects.

As major transit and transportation projects are implemented, affected areas are identified and added to a list of Impact Areas. Permit activities in the Impact Areas are required to undergo an additional review by the TCTMC to coordinate construction traffic plans and schedules. The Metro has requested the TCTMC to establish a new Impact Area to assist in the efficient movement of traffic and minimize disruptions to the traveling public within the vicinity of their Project as detailed in Transmittal No. 1 of the Board report.

The Project will expand rail service in the East San Fernando Valley by adding 6.7 miles of light rail and 11 new stations along Van Nuys Boulevard, between the G (Orange) Line Van Nuys Station and San Fernando Road. The Project is currently in the advanced utility relocation phase. The Metro's contractor, W.A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc., will perform advanced utility work activities ahead of major construction. This work will be conducted along Van Nuys Boulevard and will include excavations for power vault installations, repaving of roadway, and sidewalk repair. The Metro plans to open the Project in 2028. In accordance with LAMC Section 62.250, additions to the Impact Areas requires the Chairperson of the TCTMC to submit a report to the Board for adoption.

The SOS identified in the Impact Area "W" Map (Transmittal No. 2 of the Board report) are streets that are impacted by the Project. The Bureau of Engineering, the Los Angeles

Department of Transportation, and the Metro collaborated on the development of the Impact Area “W” Map. The TCTMC adopted the establishment of Area “W” and the SOS within Area “W” at their public meeting held on September 15, 2022 (Transmittal No. 3). Impact Area “W” will be added to the existing Impact Areas within the City of Los Angeles (City) identified as Areas “N”, “O”, “Q”, “T”, and “U”.

The addition of Impact Area “W” will require contractors, utility companies, and others who intend to perform construction activities in the designated SOS to develop the worksite traffic control plans and seek approval of the TCTMC as a requirement for obtaining a permit. The TCTMC will review the worksite traffic control plans to minimize the loss of traffic capacity and to minimize construction conflicts between contractors within the Impact Areas. Permittees are required to pay the Traffic Management fee of \$283 per lane reduction, per daylight weekday, per the City block impacted. A “daylight weekday” is defined as Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, between the hours of 5:30 am and 7:00 pm, inclusive. No Traffic Management fees are charged for nights, weekends, and holidays. Pursuant to LAMC Sections 62.250 (C)(4) and Section 62.250 (L), Impact Area “W” shall become effective 30 days after the adoption of this report.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to note and file the Board report. Subsequently, on August 23, 2023, the Public Works Committee also considered this matter. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Public Works Committee moved to concur with the Transportation Committee. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,
Transportation Committee

COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

HUTT:	YES
PARK:	YES
HERNANDEZ:	ABSENT
RAMAN:	YES
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES

Public Works Committee

COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

LEE: YES

BLUMENFIELD: YES

RAMAN: YES

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