

City of Culver City, California
Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: December 10, 2012		Item Number: <u>C-10</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: (1) Acceptance of the 2009 Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) Call for Projects Grant Funding for <i>Bus Signal Priority</i> and <i>Real-Time Bus Arrival Information System</i> Projects; Approve the Funding Agreements Related to the Grant Funding; and (3) Authorize the Release of the Requests for Proposals for the Grant Funded Projects.			
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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☐ Attachments: ☐	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒		Date: _____	
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Department Approval: Art Ida (12/04/12)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (12/06/12)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by M. Noller) (12/06/12)		City Manager: John M. Nachbar (12/07/12)	
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council accept the 2009 Metro Call for Projects (Call) grant funding for the <i>Bus Signal Priority</i> and <i>Real-Time Bus Arrival Information System</i> projects and authorize staff to take actions necessary to receive the funding and implement the projects. <u>BACKGROUND:</u> Through Metro's 2009 Call, the City was awarded grant funds for the <i>Bus Signal Priority</i> and <i>Real-Time Bus Arrival Information System</i> projects. <u>DISCUSSION:</u> The <i>Bus Signal Priority Project</i> will design, develop and install a wireless bus signal priority system on the Culver CityBus fleet and at intersections within the corporate limits of the City of Culver City to increase operational efficiency and travel time savings. The <i>Real-Time Bus Arrival Information System</i> Project will design, develop, and install a system that will disseminate real-time bus arrival information through the web and other available information technology interfaces and through dynamic message signs at 60 bus stops in the City of Culver City.			

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These projects are anticipated to start in FY 2013/2014 and be completed in FY 2015/2016.

A funding agreement is required of every project programmed through the Call for Projects, and it is a binding agreement between LACMTA and the City that spells out the programmed grant funds, lapsing dates, and the scope of work for the Project. Once the funding agreement is executed, the City is committed to the required local matching funds and will need to obligate and expend the grant funds within the proposed project scope by the grant funds' lapsing dates.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The total cost of the Bus Signal Priority Project is approximately \$2,751,000. The grant amount awarded is approximately \$2,201,000, and the local match required is approximately \$550,000. The local match will come from transit funds.

The total cost of the Real-Time Bus Arrival Information System is approximately \$2,522,000. The grant amount awarded is approximately \$2,018,000 and the local match required is approximately \$504,000. The local match will come from transit funds.

The local match required for these two projects has been budgeted as part of the City Council Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2012/2013 budget.

MOTION:

That the City Council:

- 1) Accept the 2009 Call grants; and,
- 2) Approve the funding agreements with Metro on the 2009 Call grants for the *Bus Signal Priority* and *Real-Time Bus Arrival Information System* projects; and,
- 3) Authorize the City Attorney to review/prepare the necessary documents; and,
- 4) Authorize the City Manager to execute such documents on behalf of the City; and,
- 5) Authorize the Transportation Director to release the Requests for Proposals for the *Bus Signal Priority* and *Real-Time Bus Arrival Information System* Projects.