

**City of Culver City, California
Agenda Item Report**

Meeting Date: 01/25/2010		Item Number: <u>C-5</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: Approval of the Culver CityBus Short Range Transit Plan for FY 2010-2012			
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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒	Attachments: ☒
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒		Date: _____	
Public Notification: Meetings and Agendas – City Council (01/20/10)			
Department Approval: Art Ida (01/03/10)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (01/20/10)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Mark Scott (by N. Kimball) (01/21/10)		City Manager Approval: Mark Scott (01/21/10)	
 <u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council approve the FY 2010-2012 Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP). <u>BACKGROUND:</u> The Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) is the planning and policy document that establishes performance goals and objectives, enhancements, and a financial plan for Culver CityBus over the next three years. This policy document is instrumental in providing the Transportation Department with a guide for the near future. Should the City Council approve the SRTP, it will be submitted to the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro). Metro incorporates the documents from all of the local transit agencies into the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), which is the regional planning and funding document submitted to the State Department of Transportation and the Federal Transit Administration. <u>DISCUSSION:</u> The SRTP outlines the City Council's approved enhancements and budget for FY 2010/2011. In addition, it also discusses the transit planning for projects that will significantly impact transportation around Culver City, such as the Exposition Light Rail Project, the West Los Angeles College expansion, and the Playa Vista Project.			

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FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The projects in FY 2010/2011 are consistent with the projects approved in the current Transit Budget.

The Financial Plan contained in the SRTP identifies the funding sources for our operating and capital budgets. On the Federal level, earmarks and discretionary capital will be used to complete various projects, such as the replacement of CNG buses. State and local transportation revenues that are expected to be allocated to Culver City were approved by the Metro Board. These funds are based on a County formula among the transit agencies. Metro holds and allocates the County funds according to the amounts approved by the Metro Board.

The current economy and the vulnerability to “redirection” of transportation funds in the State budget have created uncertainty with the amount of funds that Culver City receives. For the next fiscal year, it is anticipated the amount of funding received will decrease substantially. Should this happen and should there be no new funding sources identified, Culver City may have to delay the implementation of some projects and/or consider cutting transit service and/or implement another fare increase.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Culver CityBus FY 2010-2012 Short Range Transit Plan

MOTION:

That the City Council:

1. Approve the Culver CityBus FY 2010-2012 Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP).
2. Authorize the City Manager to submit documents and information pertaining to the Short Range Transit Plan, including:
 - a. File and claim funds made available by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Transportation Development Act (TDA), State Transit Assistance Funds (STA), and the Proposition A & C Local Return Programs; and
 - b. Submit all reports mandated by federal, state, and local law that provide funds to the City's Transportation Enterprise Fund.