



Board Report

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
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SUBJECT: Monthly Update on the Inglewood Transit Connector (ITC) Project

ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE

Significant progress continues to be made to advance the ITC Project. The following provides a brief summary of updates, activities and milestones.

Procurement

The ITC team has continued to refine the solicitation documents and engage the three pre-qualified proposing teams. The team continues to provide responses to developer teams' questions on a rolling basis, issue white papers on core aspects related to the scoring and financial structures, and convene one-on-one meetings to discuss project.

On November 22, 2022, the City Council approved of the stipend agreement, and the proposing teams have been given until February 15, 2023 to finalize the agreement.

The team released a Revised Version 2 of the RFP on December 12, 2022.

One-on-one meetings with the developers to discuss alternative technical concepts and other procurement matters are scheduled for January 18-19, 2023.

Environmental Analysis

In compliance with the National Environmental Project Act (NEPA), the Environmental Assessment was released for Public Comment from October 14, 2022 to November 14, 2022. The public comment period closed with no opposition to the ITC Project. The City Council received and filed comments and affirmed the Locally Preferred Project Alternative on November 22, 2022. The team continues to work with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to finalize the Finding of No Significant Impact.

Real Estate

The ITC team continues to make preparations for the acquisition of all permanent and temporary real property and easements needed for the construction and operation of the ITC Project, as well as to facilitate the relocation of businesses currently operating on the required property.

The JPA Board will have the opportunity to review and concur on the Business Relocation Plan that will guide the relocation process for impacted businesses at the February meeting, prior to its consideration by the Inglewood City Council. The Real Estate Policies, which were received and filed at the November Board meeting, were considered by the City Council on December 20, 2022.

The City officially completed the acquisition of the real property located on the south west corner of Prairie and Manchester Blvd, which will be used for the Prairie/Manchester Station. Following the completion of the NEPA process, the team will begin the process to acquire other real estate required to implement the Project.

Project Development with FTA

As part of the Project Development phase, in pursuit of Entry into Engineering, and subsequently, a Full Funding Grant Agreement, the ITC team continues to advance submittals of required documents, and anticipates that all documents will be finalized in the first quarter of 2023.

Over the last week in November and the first week in December, representatives of the team participated in Management Capability and Capacity interviews with representatives from the Project's Management Oversight Committee.

The ITC and FTA will participate in a Risk Workshop for the Project during the week of February 6, 2023.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Engagement

On October 24, 2022, the JPA's proposed Overall DBE Goal and Program were released for public comment, through November 22, 2022. As part of this month's meeting, the JPA Board will have an opportunity to approve of the Overall DBE Project Goal and Program. In addition, the team has proposed a 30% aspirational goal to engage minority, small and local businesses on the ITC Project, which is being included in the procurement documents.

Funding

On December 6, 2022, the City submitted an application for \$407 million to the State's Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program Grant Program. This funding is critical to ensuring that the Project has the required 50% non-Federal match to the Capital Investment Grant New Starts

Program funds that are being pursued through the FTA, and moreover, fully funding the Project. Notifications of award are anticipated by January 31, 2023.

Governance

The Project Leadership continues to facilitate a phased governance transition from the City to the JPA, which is detailed in the Governance Transition Plan. The JPA Board will be asked to consider executing a Master Cooperative Agreement between the City and the JPA at a subsequent meeting which further outlines each entities' roles and responsibilities as the ITC Project moves into implementation.