

**STREET AND TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

MEETING MINUTES – September 5, 2024  
2:00 PM

Committee Members Present

Patricia Huber, Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), Chair  
Maria Souza-Rountree, Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA)  
Randall Winston, Office of the Mayor (Mayor)

Committee Staff Present

Daisy Bonilla, CAO

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: General Public Comment, Multiple Agenda Item Comment

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Approval of Minutes from the December 7, 2023, meeting.

DISPOSITION: Approved.

2. Reports requesting Committee action to approve the annual re-baselining of street and transportation projects list for:

- A. Public Works (PW) Bureau of Engineering (BOE);
  - I. Bridge Improvement Division (BID);
  - II. Hillside Slope Stability Program (HSSP);
  - III. Municipal Facilities Architectural Division;
  - IV. Street Improvement Division (SID);
- B. PW Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL);
- C. PW Bureau of Street Services (BSS); and,
- D. Department of Transportation (DOT).

The Committee received presentations from the Bureaus and Departments regarding updates to their project schedules. New projects were added as part of the 2024-25 Adopted Budget. Several projects were removed due to completion, cancellation, or reassignment to other divisions within the Bureaus or City Departments.

DISPOSITION: Approved.

3. Written report from BOE BID on the status of the Glendale-Hyperion Complex of Bridges Project.

Principal Civil Engineer Christine Sotelo, BOE, provided the Committee with an update on the status of the Glendale-Hyperion Complex of Bridges Project. The Project received two bids in response to the Request for Proposals. The lowest bid, at \$208.8 million, exceeded the Engineer's estimate by \$73 million.

The Federal Highway Bridge Program will fund up to 88.53 percent of the Project, with State Proposition 1B and City funds covering the remaining cost. BOE estimates the City's local match will total \$29.1 million. BOE will submit a budget request for the required cash flow in 2025-26 and will continue to work with Caltrans to finalize the terms of the grant agreement.

DISPOSITION: The Committee noted and filed the report.

4. Verbal report from BOE SID on the status of projects funded through the Accessible Housing Sustainable Communities Program.

Principal Civil Engineer Nur Malhis, BOE, provided the Committee with a verbal report on the status of projects funded through the Accessible Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program. Two projects from Round 3, four projects from Round 4, and an additional four projects from Round 5 have been advertised for proposals. BOE will submit a budget request for 2025-26 to provide front and gap funding for these projects.

DISPOSITION: The Committee noted and filed the report.

5. Verbal report from BSL on the status of the Copper Wire Theft Replacement

Street Lighting Engineer Eduardo Chavez, BSL, provided the Committee with a verbal report on the status of the Copper Wire Theft Replacement Program. BSL has received funding to replace stolen copper wire and to fortify streetlight poles by constructing concrete "castles" to deter future theft. The fortification efforts have been largely successful, with the exception of areas that have large populations of persons experiencing homelessness.

DISPOSITION: The Committee noted and filed the report.

6. Written report from BSL on the Solar Lighting Pilot Program.

Mr. Chavez, BSL, provided the Committee with a report on the Solar Lighting Program. BSL has installed solar lighting in areas with large populations of persons experiencing homelessness to improve safety and deter copper wire theft. Solar lighting has also been installed in neighborhoods where challenging topography makes the installation of traditional lighting difficult.

DISPOSITION: The Committee noted and filed the report.

7. Written report from DOT on the status of the Traffic Signal Construction Program.

Principal Transportation Engineer Carlos Rios, DOT, provided the Committee with a report on the status of the Traffic Signal Construction Program. DOT is responsible for the evaluation, approval, design, construction, and maintenance of all traffic control devices in the City of Los Angeles. DOT's updated list includes 548 authorized traffic control projects—such as new signals, new left-turn signal upgrades, new pedestrian hybrid beacons (HAWKs), and rapid rectangular flashing beacons—that are part of an active work plan.

DISPOSITION: The Committee noted and filed the report.

8. Next Meeting Dates: The quarterly meeting will be held on December 5, 2024. – Discussion

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3:01 p.m.