



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL
STAFF REPORT

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AGENDA ITEM

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

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**SUBJECT: PROPOSITION A LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY
TRANSPORTATION FUNDING APPROPRIATION**

Summary:

The City receives Proposition A revenues each year to be utilized for transportation-related programs. Proposition A is a voter-approved half-cent sales tax in Los Angeles County, generating revenue to cover transit service costs. The Proposition A Funds are restricted to transportation-related uses, such as providing subsidized transit services for Signal Hill residents, seniors, and individuals with disabilities. All new and ongoing projects must be submitted for approval to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA). Any remaining unexpended allocation would be budgeted and spent within the three-year cycle. The City is estimated to receive approximately \$296,132 in FY 2025-26; however, the entire allocation has a three-year life span and does not need to be expended within the first fiscal year. The total proposed expenditures, including prior rollover fund balances, are \$441,177. The City Council will consider authorizing the planned expenditures of Proposition A funds and proposed Contract Service Agreements with the Long Beach Public Transportation Company (Long Beach Transit) to provide Dial-A-Lift and Fixed Route Bus services for FY 2025-26.

Strategic Plan Goal(s):

Goal No. 1 Financial Stability: Ensure the City's long-term financial stability and resilience.

Goal No. 5 High-Functioning Government: Strengthen internal communication, recruitment, retention, systems, and processes to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of City services.

Recommendations:

1. Authorize the City Manager to submit a request to LACMTA for FY 2025-26 Proposition A Transportation Programs based upon the estimated funding allocation of \$296,132.
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute a Contract Services Agreement between the City, Global Paratransit, Incorporated, and Long Beach Transit, for a one-year term, not to exceed \$9,627, for the Dial-A-Lift service, in a form approved by the City Attorney.
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute a Contract Services Agreement between the City and Long Beach Transit for a one-year term, not to exceed \$112,957, with a contingency total of 10% of the base compensation for the Fixed Route Bus Services, in a form approved by the City Attorney.
4. Adopt a resolution to adopt a budget adjustment appropriating \$120,802 to support expanded recreational transit services and additional bus shelter enhancements, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA,
AMENDING THE ADOPTED BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2025-26.

Fiscal Impact:

For Fiscal Year 2025-26, the City anticipates receiving approximately \$296,132 in Proposition A funds, with estimated expenditures totaling \$441,177, which include rollover funding from prior allocations. To maximize cost recovery and prevent any unspent funds from lapsing, staff is requesting an appropriation of \$120,802. This expenditure would utilize the existing Proposition A fund balance to support expanded recreational transit services and additional bus shelter enhancements. Staff has provided detailed information regarding the revised Proposition A revenue and program totals for FY 2025-26 (Attachment A).

Background:

Proposition A is a voter-approved half-cent sales tax that generates revenue to offset the costs of transit services in Los Angeles County; the funds are allocated on a per-capita basis. Signal Hill is estimated to receive approximately \$296,132 in FY 2025-26. Proposition A funds are restricted to transportation-related uses only. The City receives Proposition A funds for transportation-related uses, including providing subsidies to seniors and residents with disabilities for the use of various forms of transportation. A written request for funding approval must be submitted to the LACMTA for all new and ongoing projects.

Analysis:

The City's transportation services are provided via contract to efficiently and effectively comply with the requirements outlined in Proposition A. Staff recommends the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute contract service agreements with the proposed contractors to comply with

Proposition A and provide adequate transportation services. The Proposition A Worksheet includes eight program categories, projected revenues, and a proposed budget; the categories are further described below:

Staff Administration

A maximum of 20% of the total Proposition A program budget may be utilized for staff administration. Staff recommends an allocation of \$88,235 based upon staff salaries and benefit costs to administer the transportation programs. Staff will ensure compliance with LACMTA guidelines to utilize the maximum amount of funding for staff administration.

Dues and Memberships: I-710 Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement Gateway Cities Oversight Committee

The City is part of a multi-jurisdictional entity, Gateway Cities Council of Governments (COG), that participates in the coordination of the development of the Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the improvements to the I-710 Freeway. This is the fifth year the City has participated in this effort and the recommended annual contribution amount is \$10,000 for ongoing membership.

Bus Shelter and Bus Stop Maintenance

The Public Works Department has existing contract service agreements with ShelterClean Services and the Conservation Corps of Long Beach to maintain the City's bus shelters and bus stops on a weekly basis. The scope of services includes, but is not limited to refuse collection, disinfection of bus benches, steam cleaning of sidewalks, benches and shelters weekly, and graffiti removal as needed. The FY 2025-26 Operating Budget includes funding in the amount of \$120,108 for these continued services.

Recreational Transit Program

The Parks, Library, and Recreation Services Department contracts with companies to coordinate transportation for active adult, youth, and event shuttles to the City's special events, as well as to provide public transportation for local schools within the established parameters of the program. In November 2024, the City Council approved a Contract Services Agreement with TLC Luxury Transport to provide bus transportation for all Recreational Transit adult and youth excursions. For FY 2025-26, funding in the amount not to exceed \$85,000 for these proposed services.

Dial-A-Lift

Global Paratransit, Incorporated and Long Beach Transit provide a curb-to-curb, demand-responsive paratransit van service within a designated area for mobility-impaired residents older than age 18. In 2023, there were a total of 172 customers at the subsidy rate. Staff proposes a Contract Services Agreement with a one-year term, with a not-to-exceed amount of \$9,627, in a form approved by the City Attorney (Attachment B). The proposed amount will be based on estimates from Long Beach Transit providers.

Fixed Route Subsidy

The City, through an agreement with Long Beach Transit, provides fixed route bus services to Signal Hill residents. The City's Proposition A subsidy for the fixed route bus services is based on the estimated ridership numbers anticipated for FY 2025-26 at 275,934 riders. Staff proposes a Contract Services Agreement with a one-year term, with a total not-to-exceed amount of \$112,957, with a contingency total of 10% of the base compensation for this service, in a form approved by the City Attorney (Attachment C).

Dial-A-Taxi

Administrative Services Cooperative, Incorporated provides curb-to-curb, demand-responsive sedan transportation services for residents who are disabled and age 18 or older, or seniors 50 years or older who have no other means of transportation. Approximately eight residents of Signal Hill utilize the Dial-A-Taxi service on an annual basis. In 2024, City Council approved a two-year Contract Services Agreement with a total not-to-exceed amount of \$15,000 per year for this service.

Bus Fare Subsidy

Passes are distributed to seniors and residents with disabilities upon verification of residency, age, and income criteria. The City only pays for the actual number of bus passes sold each month. The FY 2025-26 Operating Budget includes funding in the amount of \$250 for these continued services.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends utilizing \$441,177 of the total FY 2025-26 allocation. Funds not assigned or utilized during FY 2025-26 are eligible to be reallocated and reassigned within the next three fiscal years, ensuring the City's continued access to transportation funds for residents. Staff also recommends the City Council adopt a resolution to approve a budget adjustment appropriating \$120,802 to support expanded recreational transit services and additional bus shelter enhancements (Attachment D).

Reviewed for Fiscal Impact:

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Attachments:

- A. Proposition A Worksheet
- B. Contract Services Agreement with Long Beach Transit for Dial-A-Lift Services
- C. Contract Services Agreement with Long Beach Transit for Fixed Route Services
- D. Resolution Adopting Budget Appropriation