



CITY OF COMMERCE AGENDA REPORT

Item No. _____

TO: Honorable City Council

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: A Resolution Supporting City's Participation in Metro's Cycle I Active Transportation (MAT) Grant Opportunity and Authorizing City Manager to Execute Funding Documents for Randolph Corridor Active Transportation project

MEETING DATE: March 17, 2020

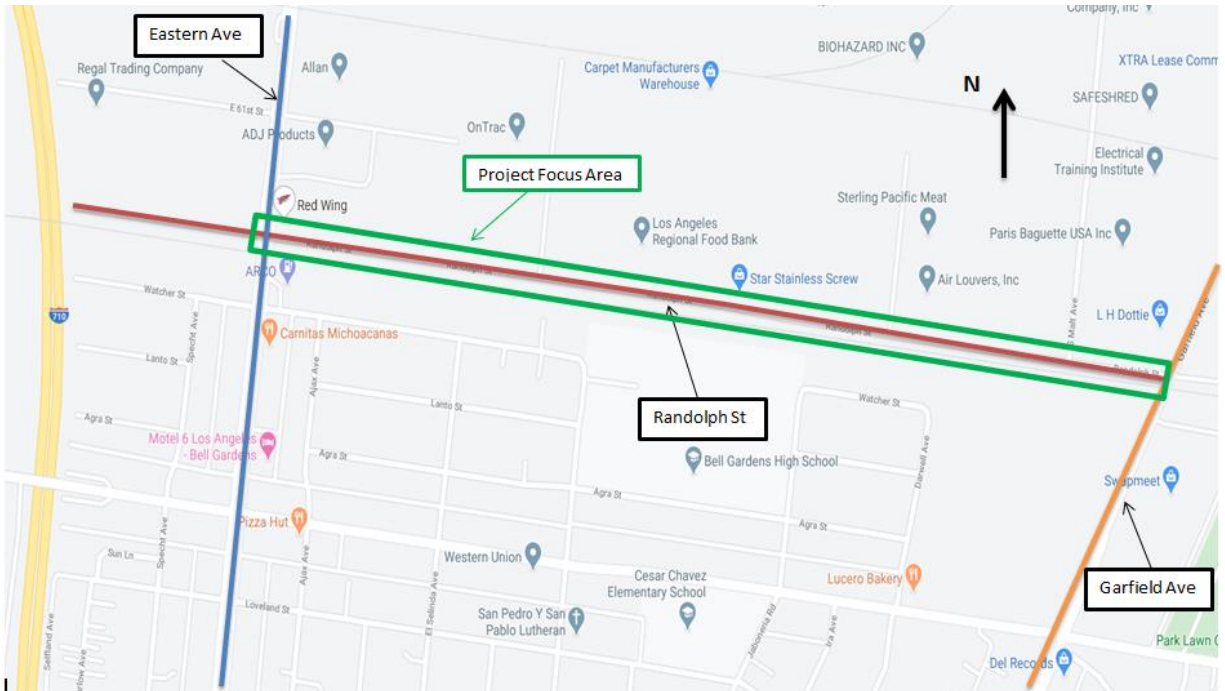
RECOMMENDATION:

The City Council will consider adoption of Resolution Supporting City's Participation in Metro's Cycle I Active Transportation (MAT) Grant Opportunity and Authorizing City Manager to Execute Funding documents for Randolph Corridor Active Transportation Project

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS:

Measure M, a voter-approved sales tax measure to improve transportation infrastructure includes a comprehensive plan to improve transportation and ease traffic congestion in Los Angeles County. The Metro Active Transportation (MAT) program within Measure M was established to advance active transportation policies and objectives for the Active Transportation Corridor projects to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation such as biking and walking, and enhance pedestrian and bicycle safety.

The MAT Program will provide up to \$75 million in funding over Fiscal Years 2021-2025 for projects from need-based prioritized lists of First/Last Mile and Active Transportation Corridor projects. The Randolph Corridor Active Transportation Project was ranked as one of the highest Corridors within Gateway cities. This Corridor project involves cities of Commerce, Bell, Huntington Park, and Unincorporated Los Angeles County. The proposed project is consistent with the Gateway cities sub-regional Strategic Transportation Plan (STP) approved by the Gateway Council of Government (COG) Board in 2016 and identified as a high priority Corridor during February 27, 2020 STP TAC meeting. The City's portion of the proposed project is from the I-710 to Slauson Ave west of the I-5. However, the improvement will be focused on Randolph between Garfield Ave and Eastern Ave. The project area is delineated on the figure that follows.



The improvements will improve safety, health, mobility and connectivity to the active transportation network where feasible. This will include but is not limited to improvements for bikers and pedestrians.

MAT grant program is a competitive grant program and requires submittal of a complete application along with a Resolution of City Council from each agency in the project Corridor. The Application must be signed by a lead agency from partner agencies within the Corridor. The lead agency has yet to be determined and will be agreed upon by the application deadline of April 2, 2020.

The attached Resolution will certify the City's agreement for participation in the MAT Cycle 1 grant opportunity (for approximately \$5 Million) and furthermore authorizes City Manager to execute any and all related project documents.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve staff recommendation
2. Disapprove staff recommendation
3. Provide further direction to staff

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact with the adoption of the resolution. If awarded, staff will return to City Council with a funding agreement which will include a project estimate and timeline.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC GOALS:

This item relates to Council's 2016 Strategic Action Plan's:

Community Quality of Life

- Guiding Principle 4 to "support and evaluate community services, programs and events that promote healthy and quality lifestyles for our residents. Enhance public safety and social services through innovative programs that meet the needs of the residential and business communities."

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Approved as to form: Noel Tapia, City Attorney

Respectfully submitted: Edgar P. Cisneros, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution