

**SUBJECT**

***Short Range Transit Plan for Fiscal Years 2019 through 2021 (Staff Representative: Debra Johnson)***

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

***To approve Long Beach Transit's Fiscal Years 2019–2021 Short Range Transit Plan and authorize the President and CEO to submit the Short Range Transit Plan to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority in its capacity as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency.***

**BACKGROUND**

Long Beach Transit (LBT) is required to develop and submit a Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro) in its capacity as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA). This is required to receive federal, state and local funds that are overseen by LA Metro.

The SRTP is a three-year planning document, updated annually, that provides an overview of LBT's existing transit services and programs, as well as details its revenue and non-revenue fleet and facilities. The SRTP also outlines how LBT intends to use operating and capital funds allocated from LA Metro.

The SRTP details a number of service initiatives implemented in the prior fiscal year, as well as current and future initiatives planned by LBT through the program period. The SRTP highlights the service planning progress being made through recommendations from LBT's Systemwide Transit Analysis and Reassessment (STAR) Initiative completed in 2018.

Utilizing the STAR Initiative recommendations as a guidepost, LBT is committed to connecting customers to key destinations throughout the region by incrementally enhancing the network. One of these enhancements includes the launch of the UCLA Westwood Commuter Express Pilot Program in April 2019.

As LBT plans for the future, other short-, mid- and long-term goals will be considered for implementation. The SRTP serves as the guiding document for these enhancements and is referenced when planning and applying for grants.

**ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

No alternatives were considered, as LBT is required to submit an SRTP annually to receive funding through LA Metro.



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**BUDGETARY/FISCAL IMPACT**

The SRTP is a working document with estimated values for planning purposes and does not commit LBT to specific expenditures. The provision for proposed capital improvements and proposed service improvements will be made each budget year and will be based on available allocations of transit revenues which will be included as part of the annual budget process.

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Kenneth A. McDonald  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Attachment