



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

333 West Ocean Boulevard • Long Beach, CA 90802

December 20, 2005

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the update of the Long Beach Bicycle Master Plan (BMP) to add the Bike-Transit Hub Access Plan at the Metro Blue Line Willow Station. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

The City Council adopted the Long Beach BMP on December 11, 2001. In compliance with Caltrans' policy, which requires cities to update their BMPs every four years to be considered for grant funding through the Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA), the Long Beach BMP must be updated now to be considered for the FY 06/07 through FY10/11 funding cycle.

The attached update, presented for City Council approval, adds the Bike-Transit Hub Access Plan at the Metro Blue Line Willow Station to the Cities BMP. The Bike-Transit Hub Access Plan was developed by Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), in cooperation with the City, as a part of its Countywide Bicycle Strategic Plan. The proposed concept is consistent with the City's existing Transportation Element that calls for developing and enhancing opportunities for bicyclists to connect with other forms of transportation. Metro's Plan focuses on the development of bicycle transit hubs throughout Los Angeles County to encourage trips that combine bicycle and transit use.

The proposed Willow Station Bike-Transit Hub would improve bicycle access to nearby activity centers and facilities and provide direct connections to existing bike paths.

This matter was reviewed by Senior Deputy City Attorney Donna F. Gwin and Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on December 12, 2005.

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TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on December 20, 2005 to meet the Caltrans deadline.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:

Attachment



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