



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an Implementation Agreement with the Gateway Cities Council of Governments, to perform the Atlantic Corridor Complete Streets Evaluation and Master Plan, in an amount not to exceed \$123,418. (Districts 1,2,6,7,8,9)

Atlantic Avenue/Boulevard is a major arterial that carries a significant amount of traffic, relieving heavy traffic volumes along Interstate 710. Running north-south, Atlantic Avenue/Boulevard traverses the Gateway Cities of Commerce, Vernon, Maywood, Bell, Cudahy, South Gate, Lynwood, Compton, Long Beach, and unincorporated Los Angeles County. Given the importance of the efficient operation of this arterial for all modes of transportation and its effect on the quality of life for surrounding neighborhoods, these Gateway Cities plan to develop an Atlantic Avenue/Boulevard Complete Streets Evaluation and Master Plan (Study).

The Study encompasses Atlantic Avenue/Boulevard from Ocean Boulevard to State Route 60 (Attachment A) and will establish a complete streets concept to evaluate and address traffic congestion, accidents, high truck volumes, freeway ramps operations, parking, and transportation needs. Specific goals include enhancing mobility, access, and safety; improving air quality and livability; and supporting economic vitality, quality of life, and healthy communities. In addition, a sub-regional arterial corridor plan would position the City to receive federal, state, and regional funding to improve the corridor.

In addition to contributing financially, the Atlantic Avenue/Boulevard Corridor Study Implementation Agreement (Agreement) requires participating jurisdictions to staff two committees. The Atlantic Avenue/Boulevard Corridor Cities Committee will be staffed by an elected member of each participating jurisdiction's legislative body to provide policy guidance and direction. Atlantic Avenue/Boulevard lies within the boundaries of the First, Second, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, and Ninth Council Districts; therefore, a Councilmember must be designated to represent the City on this committee, as selected by the Mayor. The Agreement specifies that membership for the Atlantic Avenue/Boulevard Corridor Technical Advisory Committee will consist of the Public Works Director, or equivalent, from each jurisdiction. The Technical Advisory Committee will report to, and receive direction from, the Corridor Cities Committee.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda T. Vu and by Budget Analysis Officer Julissa José-Murray on June 29, 2018.

City Council action is requested on July 17, 2018, to proceed with the Study in a timely

manner.

The City's share of the Agreement is not to exceed \$123,418. This amount will be paid with \$24,000 in Proposition A Local Return funds and \$99,418 in Proposition C Local Return funds. Both funding sources are appropriated in the Transportation Fund (SR) in the Public Works Department (PW). There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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CITY MANAGER