

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

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To: SBCCOG Transportation Committee (4/13/26 meeting)

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Re: FY 26-27 Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Plan Annual Program
Recommendations

BACKGROUND

The SBCCOG assists Metro with administration of the three Measure M Subregional Programs. The SBCCOG's annual program recommendations includes an estimate of the annual funding needed to reimburse project expenses over the upcoming fiscal years. Most projects can be completed within five years, but some projects with complex environmental, design or right of way acquisition may take longer. Metro has also transitioned to phased programming where funds are programmed to the project on a phase-by-phase basis. The funding needed beyond five years for these complex projects or future project phases is added in subsequent annual program updates.

In September 2025, the Metro Board of Directors approved the South Bay's FY25-26 MM MSP annual program. Following that action, approximately \$~~122~~**230.78** million remained available in un-programmed funding through FY29-30.

It is common for initial conceptual cost estimates to increase once design has been completed and right of way needs are established. As a result of inflation and other issues, cost estimates saw steep increases immediately following the pandemic. The magnitude of cost increases has leveled, but costs remain higher than pre-pandemic, when many MM MSP projects were developed.

As part of the annual program update process, SBCCOG staff have worked with lead agency staff and Metro to identify changes to current projects, including those that will require additional funding to complete construction or their current project phase. In addition, SBCCOG staff identified the capacity to solicit new project requests. In January 2026, SBCCOG staff received funding augmentation requests for eight (8) existing MM MSP projects, eleven (11) new projects, and two (2) reprogramming requests (no additional funding) equaling a total of \$158,776,323 additional MSP funding requested.

Due to the high volume of funding requests and limited funding available, SBCCOG staff initiated a competitive review process outlined in the Measure M MSP Project Selection Criteria and Local Allocation Program Policies approved by the SBCCOG Board in July 2025. A MM review subcommittee was formed and comprised of representatives from the Infrastructure Working Group and SBCCOG staff:

- City Staff: Erik Zandvliet (Manhattan Beach, IWG Chair); Aksel Palacios (LA City); Ryan Liu (Redondo Beach); Kirsten Graham (Rolling Hills Estates); Helen Shi (Torrance)
- SBCCOG Staff: Jacki Bacharach (Executive Director); David Leger (Program Manager)

Between February and March 2026, Review Subcommittee members were asked to review all funding requests and score new project applications according to the Project Selection Criteria. The Review Subcommittee met several times in March 2026 to finalize scores and funding recommendations.

The MM Review Subcommittee is recommending \$82,257,089 in additional funding for existing projects and \$26,519,234 in new project funding for a total of \$108,776,323 in additional Measure M MSP funding. In addition, the Review Subcommittee identified and discussed opportunities for integration with the South Bay Fiber Network (SBFN) for both existing and new project requests. The **Infrastructure Working Group** is recommending that 1) all Measure R and M broadband projects that plan to install fiber communication conduit be required to allocate sufficient fiber capacity for SBFN communication with access rights, 2) all future projects with excavation or boring for fiber optic communication in the right-of-way be required to install additional conduit and/or fiber for SBFN communications with right of access, and 3) the **SBCCOG discuss a policy for revenue sharing for revenue generated through Measure R and M funded projects.**

The following **existing** project updates are recommended:

- **City of Hawthorne: \$2,500,600 in MSP funds for MM4602.03 Hawthorne Moneta Garden Mobility Improvements.** The city is requesting additional funding to meet unforeseen increase in material costs, supply chain issues, and utility conflicts. This action will bring total MSP funding to \$5,820,600. The city has secured an additional \$810,000 in outside funding sources for this project.
- **City of Los Angeles: \$6,859,898 in MSP funds for MM4601.01 Connecting San Pedro Pedestrian Improvements and Multimodal Access.** The city is requesting additional funding to meet revised construction cost estimates. This action will bring total MSP funding to \$14,105,608.
- **City of Los Angeles: \$615,000 in MSP funds for MM5508.01 South Bay Signal Operational Improvements.** The city is requesting additional funding due to higher than anticipated construction bids. This action will bring total MSP funding to \$3,115,000.
- **County of Los Angeles: \$2,235,000 in MSP funds for MM4601.06 El Camino Village.** The county is requesting additional funding to incorporate scope revisions, including relocating and replacing power poles and traffic signal facilities. This action will bring total MSP funding to \$3,273,000.
- **City of Los Angeles/Port of Los Angeles: \$15,200,000 in MSP funds for MM4601.03 Avalon Promenade and Gateway.** The city is requesting additional funding due to higher than anticipated contractor bids. This action will bring total MSP funding to

\$25,407,400. The city has secured an additional \$67.8 million in outside funding sources for this project.

- **City of Manhattan Beach: \$2,285,000 in MSP funds for MM5508.04 Advanced Traffic Signal System (MBATS).** The city is requesting additional funding to meet increased engineering review, redesign, and construction support costs. This action will bring total MSP funding to \$19,998,000.
- **City of Torrance: \$8,111,591 in MSP funds for MM4601.08 School Safety and Accessibility Program – Phase II.** The city is requesting additional funding to enter the construction phase of the project. This action will bring total MSP funding to \$18,484,200. The city has secured an additional \$2 million in outside funding sources for this project.
- **City of Torrance: \$44,450,000 in MSP funds for MM5502.11 Torrance Fiber Network.** The city is requesting additional funding to enter the construction phase of the project. This action will bring total MSP funding to \$47,000,000. The city has secured an additional \$3 million in outside funding sources for this project.

The following **new** project requests are recommended for funding:

- **City of Inglewood: \$5,500,000 in MSP funds for Aviation Blvd Improvement Project.** This project aims to rehabilitate and enhance the corridor between Arbor Vitae Street and Manchester Boulevard to meet current design standards and serve both local and regional traffic. It will strengthen pedestrian connectivity, facilitate transit access to the LAX/Metro Transit Center Station and Westchester/Veterans K Line Station, and enhance safety for pedestrians and vehicles along the corridor. The city is requesting funds to complete the construction phase of the project.
- **City of Los Angeles: \$719,000 in MSP funds for Anaheim St and Sampson Ave Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon.** The project aims to construct a new Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon at the intersection of Anaheim St and Sampson Ave to add a new crossing that will increase the safety of pedestrians who are crossing north/south and serve transit riders on Metro Line 232. The city is requesting funds to complete the environmental, design, and construction phases of the project.
- **City of Los Angeles: \$7,000,000 in MSP funds for Anaheim St Widening Project.** The project intends to widen a section of Anaheim Street from 78 feet to 84 feet, increasing from 4 lanes to 6 lanes and upgrading the highway to Major Highway Standards. This section is a major commuter route with a large volume of heavy commercial trucks and vehicular traffic. The city is requesting funds to complete the construction phase of the project.
- **City of Los Angeles: \$3,500,000 in MSP funds for Lomita Blvd Grade Separation** *(Note: This project was submitted through the Local Allocation Program).* The project aims to design a grade separated overpass at the eastern terminus of Lomita Blvd connecting to Alameda Street in Wilmington, which includes a railroad overcrossing. The

city will construct a new ramp commencing on E Lomita Blvd, a new signalized intersection at the top portion of the ramp on Alameda Blvd, as well as new streetlights and railing for vehicular safety along the linear footage of the ramps on East Lomita and Alameda for traffic safety. The city is requesting funds to complete the environmental, design, and right-of-way phases of the project.

- **County of Los Angeles: \$1,250,000 in MSP funds for Redondo Beach Traffic Signal Synchronization Program (TSSP).** The project, located on Redondo Beach Blvd, aims to upgrade traffic signal equipment and implement new signal timing parameters. The project also strengthens roadway system performance by complementing other synchronization projects in the South Bay and is part of a long-range plan to synchronize all major corridors in the subregion. The county is requesting funds to complete the construction phase of the project.
- **County of Los Angeles: \$945,000 in MSP funds for Rosecrans (West) Traffic Signal Synchronization Program (TSSP).** The project, located on Rosecrans Ave, aims to upgrade traffic signal equipment and site conditions for user safety. Operational improvements will enable fully traffic-actuated signal operation and upgrade signal timing components for time-based coordination. The county is requesting funds to complete the construction phase of the project.
- **County of Los Angeles: \$300,000 in MSP funds for South Bay Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Assessment.** The project intends to conduct an inventory of existing transportation and communications infrastructure within the South Bay cities and unincorporated areas, preparing a specific report for each participating jurisdiction. Each report will document existing conditions and provide descriptions of potential infrastructure upgrades. The report will also discuss the general merits and possible benefits and costs associated with those potential upgrades. The county is requesting funds to complete the environmental phase of the project.
- **County of Los Angeles: \$1,400,000 in MSP funds for Systemwide Coordination Timing Enhancement.** This project intends to upgrade the area-wide coordination timing on arterial routes in the South Bay area. The implementation of the traffic signal synchronization improvements will alter the traffic signal of intersecting arterial streets currently operating under coordinated timing. Therefore, revisions to the timing of the crossing arterials will be necessary, and existing routes will need to be re-timed based on the current traffic patterns and congestion conditions. The county is requesting funds to complete the design phase of the project.
- **City of Lomita: \$4,789,234 in MSP funds for School Zone Safety Improvements.** This project aims to enhance mobility and accessibility within the four Lomita school zones by adding features that make pedestrians more visible to drivers, decrease crossing distances, simplify intersections making them safer to cross for pedestrians, and widen two sidewalks. Additionally, the project adds a cycle track in front of the middle school, providing safe access to the school for bicyclists while simultaneously removing a center turn lane that is currently unsafely used by drivers waiting to pick up their students. The project also reduces cut-through traffic and improves traffic flow with time-restricted left

turns and protected left turn signals. The city is requesting funds to complete the design and construction phases of the project.

- **City of Torrance: \$1,116,000 in MSP funds for Traffic Signal Safety Improvement Project.** The project includes traffic signal safety improvements such as the installation of ADA-compliant pedestrian push buttons, new pedestrian signal heads, ADA curb ramps, and the implementation of protected left-turn phasing at five intersections. This project will also include traffic signal pole and foundation replacement, new conduit and conductors, all necessary utility relocations, and replacement of dated traffic signal hardware. The city is requesting funds to complete the environmental and design phases of the project.

Due to limited funding availability over the next two to three fiscal years and the magnitude of the project, the MM Review Subcommittee recommends the re-submission of the following project in a future funding cycle:

- **City of Hawthorne: \$47,000,000 in MSP funds for Mobility Hub Project.** This project consists of a mobility hub and structured parking facility at two locations: at the northwest corner El Segundo Blvd & Doty next to the Hawthorne Memorial Center, and at the 129th St & 130th Parking District west of Hawthorne Blvd.

The Review Subcommittee encourages the city to provide supplemental information detailing the project need and strengthened justification for the proposed parking facilities based on current and future transit ridership.

Exhibit 1 includes the program of projects for the Measure M MSP which provides information on prior funding allocation, prior funding programmed, recommended allocation changes, and recommended revised total allocation for each project. Exhibit 2 includes the funding histories of existing projects that have requested additional funds this cycle.

Subsequent to SBCCOG Board action, the Measure M MSP annual program will be transmitted to Metro for further eligibility reviews of the new projects and recommended funding allocations for all projects. Metro is expected to act on Measure M MSP in September 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

That the SBCCOG Transportation Committee recommend Board approval of the FY26-27 Measure M MSP annual program with conditions that 1) all Measure R and M broadband projects that plan to install fiber communication conduit will be required to allocate sufficient fiber capacity for SBFN communication with access rights, 2) all future projects with excavation or boring for fiber optic communication in the right-of-way will be required to install additional conduit and/or fiber for SBFN communications with right of access, **and 3) the SBCCOG discuss a policy for revenue sharing for revenue generated through Measure R and M funded projects.**

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – FY 2026-27 funding allocations for Measure M MSP active projects

Exhibit 2 – FY26-27 Existing Measure M Project Request Funding Histories

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