

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to reinstituting the Citywide Speed Hump Program.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. RECEIVE and FILE the May 18, 2016 Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) report relative to reinstituting the Citywide Speed Hump Program.
2. AUTHORIZE the LADOT to receive private funds and to deposit said funds into the Neighborhood Traffic Management Fund 47H, account to be determined, for the construction of speed humps, and to refund any unused portion of these funds.
3. AUTHORIZE the LADOT to implement the new speed hump evaluation criteria and approval process as described in Attachments A and B of the May 18, 2016 LADOT report, attached to the Council file.
4. DIRECT the LADOT to report to the Transportation Committee in regard to Program implementation after the application process has begun and prior to the construction of any new speed humps.
5. AUTHORIZE the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to make any technical adjustments as needed.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that under this proposed application-based program, a minimum dedicated staff would be required to start the program. The following table indicates the minimum resources required to reinstate the program and construct approximately 60 locations (approximately 180 speed humps) in the first year:

			Required	Budgeted
<u>No.</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Class Code</u>	<u>Months</u> <u>Direct Salary Costs</u>	<u>Months</u> <u>Direct Salary Costs</u>
1	Transportation Engineer (New)	7278-0	9 \$96,359	0 \$0
1	Transportation Engineering Associate II	7280	12 \$106,116	\$68,794
1	Transportation Engineering Aide I (New)	7285-1	6 \$34,397	0 \$0
Salary Subtotal:			\$236,872	\$68,794
Construction Expenses:			\$540,000	\$540,000
Total:			\$776,872	\$608,794

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:

Studio City Neighborhood Council

Summary:

On May 25, 2016, your Committee considered a May 18, 2016 LADOT report relative to reinstituting the Citywide Speed Hump Program. According to the LADOT, Council created the Citywide Speed Hump Program in 1994, and it was managed by the LADOT for approximately 15 years (1994-2009). In that time period, more than 3,700 speed humps were installed at over 1,450 locations. The annual budget relied on State Gas Tax funds and varied between \$330,000 to \$1,100,000 dollars. During the peak funding year, approximately 200 locations were constructed, and more than 100 locations were back-logged for the following year.

In 2009, the Program was discontinued due to permanent budget cuts. The installed speed humps have remained in place, and the Bureau of Street Services has been replacing them after street resurfacing. Since the program was discontinued, the City continues to receive a significant volume of inquiries from residents complaining of speeding and requesting speed humps. From July 2013 through March 2016, the LADOT received approximately 819 speed hump requests. At the height of the previous program, the dedicated staff for the program consisted of five positions: one Transportation Engineer, two Transportation Engineering Associate II's, one Transportation Engineering Aide I, and one Senior Clerk Typist.

On November 4, 2014, Council instructed the LADOT, in conjunction with the CAO, to develop a funding strategy to restore a program for the installation and removal of speed humps based on traffic safety considerations, industry practices, and input from emergency response agencies. Also, Council instructed the LADOT to submit a report within 30 days to the Transportation Committee relative to modifying the LADOT's project application one-year expiration, creating procedures for installing self-funded speed hump projects, and preparing recommendations for identifying or establishing a list of qualified contractors to install new speed humps.

Additionally, Amending Motion 8A (Martinez) added the instruction that the funding strategy to be developed shall ensure an equitable distribution of speed hump installation locations per Council District. In a report to the Budget and Finance Committee on May 4, 2015, the LADOT reported back in regard to funding strategies, presenting two separate funding strategies: private funding only and a full Citywide Speed Hump Program to build speed humps at 150 locations per year. This resulted in an approval for funding for one Transportation Engineering Associate I.

For the 2016-17 Proposed Budget, the LADOT proposed a framework for a slightly modified Citywide Speed Hump Program that would employ minimal staff resources and incorporates a private funding mechanism. However, the Proposed Budget as modified by the Budget and Finance Committee will not provide for the necessary salaries for the proposed minimum level of staff.

After further consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendations contained in the May 18, 2016 LADOT report. and detailed above in Recommendation Nos. 1, 2, and 5. Additionally, the Committee added further recommendations as detailed above in Recommendation Nos. 3 and 4. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. P. Ryu', is written over the committee name.

MEMBER VOTE

BONIN:	YES
KORETZ:	ABSENT
HUIZAR:	YES
MARTINEZ:	YES
RYU:	ABSENT

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