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CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE

CALL AND NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

CALLED BY MAYOR GLORIA OLMOS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of South El Monte will be held on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at City Hall in the Council Chambers, 1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733

AGENDA

February 22, 2023, 6:00 PM
1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733

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PUBLIC COMMENT

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For both open and closed session each speaker will be limited to five minutes. Time limits may not be shared with other speakers and may not accumulate from one period of public comment to another or from one meeting to another. This is the only opportunity for public input except for scheduled public hearing items. All comments or queries shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any specific member thereof. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(2), the Ralph M. Brown Act, no action or discussion by the City Council shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except to briefly provide information, ask for clarification, provide direction to staff, or schedule a matter for a future meeting.

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MEETINGS

The City Council holds regular meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. Regular meetings start at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, California. Special and Adjourned Regular meetings start time are to be determined.

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Cell (626) 274-4842

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AGENDA BEGINS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE

1. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers: Acosta, Bojorquez, Delgado, Mayor Pro Tem Angel and Mayor Olmos

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.a. Presentation by James Powell, with Alta Planning + Design, Inc. on the Rosemead Boulevard Project

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND WAIVER OF FULL READING OF ORDINANCES

By motion of the City Council, this is the time to notify the public of any changes to the agenda, remove items from the consent calendar for individual consideration and/or rearrange the order of the agenda.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers may provide public comments on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council, including items on the agenda. Each speaker will be limited to five minutes. Unless a majority of the Council objects, the Mayor may provide speakers more or less time to speak. All comments or queries shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any specific member thereof. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(2), the Ralph M. Brown Act, no action or discussion by the City Council shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except to briefly provide information, ask for clarification, provide direction to staff, or schedule a matter for a future meeting.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5.a. PUBLIC HEARING FOR METRO FISCAL YEAR 2023 FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5310 PROGRAM FOR ELIGIBLE PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FILING OF A FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) SECTION 5310 GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO ELECTRIC TRANSIT VANS

The City of South El Monte (SEM) is anticipating applying for a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 grant. The grant application will request funding for two replacement vehicles for the South El Monte Dial-A-Ride program to provide transportation services to seniors and individuals with disabilities in South El Monte.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends City Council:

1. Conduct Public Hearing;
2. Take public testimony;
3. File a Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 grant application with Metro in the amount of up to \$600,000 for two replacement electric transit vans and administrative costs for the City's Dial-A-Ride program; and
4. Authorize City Manager or designee to execute the application.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

I Donna G. Schwartz, hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted not less than 72 hours at the following locations: City of South El Monte City Hall, Senior Center and Community Center and made available at www.cityofsouthelmonte.org on this 21st day of February 2023.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Donna G. Schwartz", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

City Clerk, CMC



City Council Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 2.a.

DATE: February 22, 2023

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

APPROVED BY: Rene Salas, City Manager

SUBMITTED BY: Rene Salas, City Manager

SUBJECT: Presentation by James Powell, with Alta Planning + Design, Inc.
on the Rosemead Boulevard Project

SUMMARY:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

FISCAL/FINANCIAL IMPACT:

DISCUSSION:

ATTACHMENT(S):

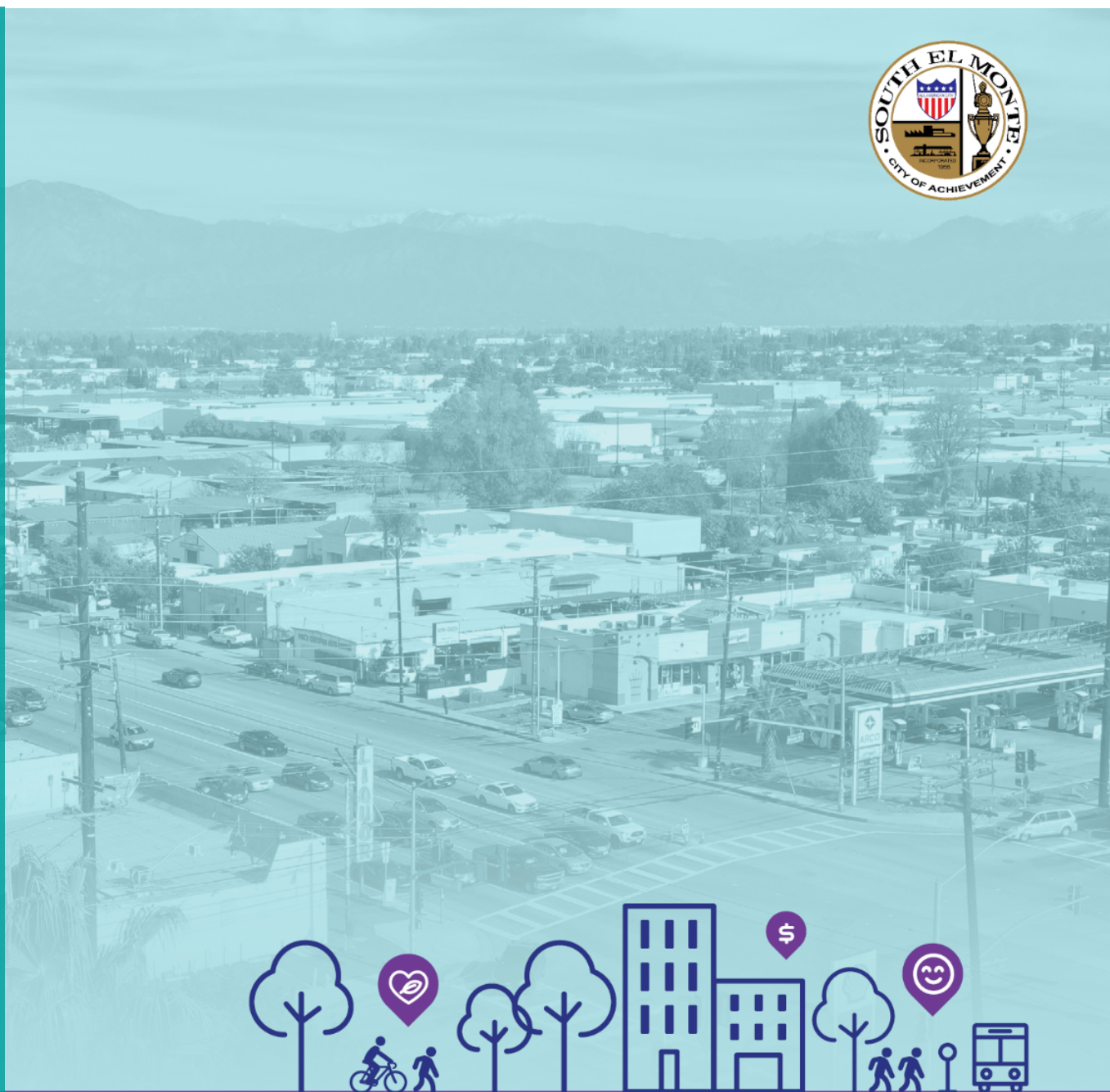
A. Presentation

City of South El
Monte

Rosemead Boulevard Corridor Study

Draft Plan Update
2/21/23

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Reimagining Rosemead



Study Purpose:

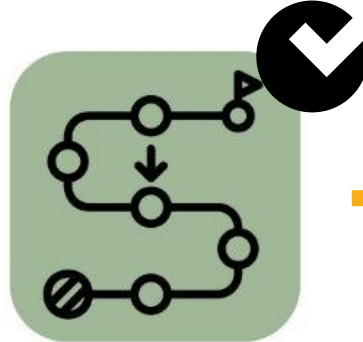
- Identify ways to **reconfigure Rosemead Boulevard** as new development arrives
- Address the **transfer from Caltrans to South El Monte**
- Improve roadway safety for **all users**
- Align with Bus Rapid Transit plans
- **Engage the**

Project Overview



Phase 1: Introduction & Existing Conditions

- Community Outreach #1
- City Staff Coordination
- Opportunities & Constraints



Phase 2: Design Concepts

- Community Outreach #2
- Coordination with SGVCOG San Gabriel Valley Transit Feasibility Study
- Three Complete Street Concepts



Phase 3: Recommendations

- Community Outreach #3
- City Council Approval
- Final Plan

Project Coordination

Other projects affecting Rosemead Blvd in the next few years

- **Caltrans transfer of Rosemead to South El Monte**
 - New signals at Klingerman and Fern, ADA upgrades at 6 intersections
- **SGVCOG Bus Rapid Transit**
 - New bus lanes and funding from COG and Metro
- **Whittier Narrows Improvements**
 - LA County adding bike and pedestrian improvements south of Rush St
 - New interchange at CA-60
- **KB Homes / Starlight Property**
 - Over 200 new homes
 - New signal
 - Adds many residents on Rosemead which has been primarily non-residential

Community Outreach Summary



Phase 1: Introduction & Existing Conditions

 April - May 2022



Phase 2: Design Concepts

 August - September 2022



Phase 3: Recommendations

 February 2023

Outreach Methods	Total Engagement Reach
- Online Surveys (487 responses) - Door-to-Door Canvassing on Rosemead - Pop-up Events (6 locations) - Text Banking (2,360 numbers sent) - Lawn Sign distribution - Social Media (1,880 impressions) 3 Project Videos (155 views)	Over 5,114 Individual Touch Points - Virtual Engagement Reach: 4,882 People - In-Person Engagement Reach: 262 People Survey Responses from SEM residents: 160

Community Outreach

Summary Feedback Themes

South El Monte residents want Rosemead Boulevard to:

- Be family-friendly
- Have lots of trees and greenery
- Be clean & safe
- Have a mix of people walking and biking
- Provide separation from cars
- Feel inviting

Short-Term Design - Community Preferences

68% of respondents want:

- Physically separated bike facilities (planter boxes or flexible posts)
- More trees
- Wider sidewalks

Long-Term Design - Community Preferences

44% of respondents want:

- A dedicated space for biking on one side of the street
- Wide planted park space on one side of the street with plants and amenities
- Wide sidewalks

Complete Street Design Concepts

In alignment SGVCOG Transit Feasibility Study

Complete Street with Center Running BRT



Complete Street with Side Running BRT



Both concepts require converting one travel lane to bus-only use, a separated bicycle facility, and new street trees and parkways

Phased Approach Based on South El Monte Priorities

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Immediate

- ADA improvements for curb ramps and sidewalks
- Crossing upgrades
- New traffic signals
- New housing development

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Short Term (1-5 yrs)

- New painted bike lanes
- Parklets
- New street trees
- Murals

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Long-Term (With BRT*)

- BRT Lanes
- Separated bikeways
- Sidewalk enhancements
- Lighting
- Planted median with new trees

Design Guidance



Stormwater Infrastructure

- Install in areas without conventional stormwater systems that are prone to flooding to improve drainage and reduce costs compared to installing traditional gutter and drainage systems.
- Use green infrastructure to provide an ecological and aesthetic enhancement of traditional traffic speed and volume control measures, such as along a bicycle boulevard corridor.



Paving

- Choose paving materials that are low-maintenance, durable, and slip-resistant.
- Decorative patterns for crosswalks should be consistent within each district to reinforce its character.
- When using non-customary materials, paving should extend for at least a complete block for design consistency and maintenance efficiency. This is true except when special paving is needed for specific areas such as plazas and bus stops.

Design Guidance



Bike-Supporting Infrastructure

- 2 feet minimum from the curb face to avoid 'dooring.'
- 4 feet between racks to provide maneuvering room.
- Locate close to destinations; 50 feet maximum distance from main building entrance.
- Minimum clear distance of 6 feet should be provided between the bicycle rack and the property line.



Transit Elements

- Coordination with Bus Rapid Transit
- Shade
- Safe crossings
- Seating

Design Guidance



Lighting

- Both day and night characteristics of the lighting fixtures should be considered.
- The placement of lighting fixtures should follow a consistent rhythm in each neighborhood.
- Energy efficient light bulbs should be used where possible.
- Timers and sensors should be incorporated to avoid unnecessary lighting in low volume pedestrian traffic areas. (Downtown Main Street Specific Plan).



Furnishings

- Seating should be designed with durable, high quality, and vandalism resistant materials.
- The design and arrangement of seating should be compatible with other streetscape amenities and reflect the character of the area.
- Seating should be located under tree canopies, umbrellas, and shade structures where possible to provide shade and human comfort.
- Seating can be built into other elements of the streetscape. Benches can be integrated into planters or public art.

Design Guidance



Gateway Monument

- Gateway monuments should be designed with durable, high quality, and anti-vandalism materials
- Gateway monuments should be placed on sidewalks that are wider than 12 feet to avoid pedestrian flow obstruction.
- Avoid placing gateway monuments within transit stops and should not obstruct vehicle visibility.
- Gateway monuments can be designed with illumination to highlight the destination after dusk.

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Public Art

- The style of public art should be compatible with the style of immediate and adjacent buildings and landscapes.
- At the pedestrian scale, public art is often used in high pedestrian volume streets and plazas. It serves as a focal point and adds visual interest to the place.
- At the pedestrian scale, public art can also be used along walkways and paseos with fewer people passing by. It offers a distinct identity to the place.

Funding Sources

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Near Term Funding

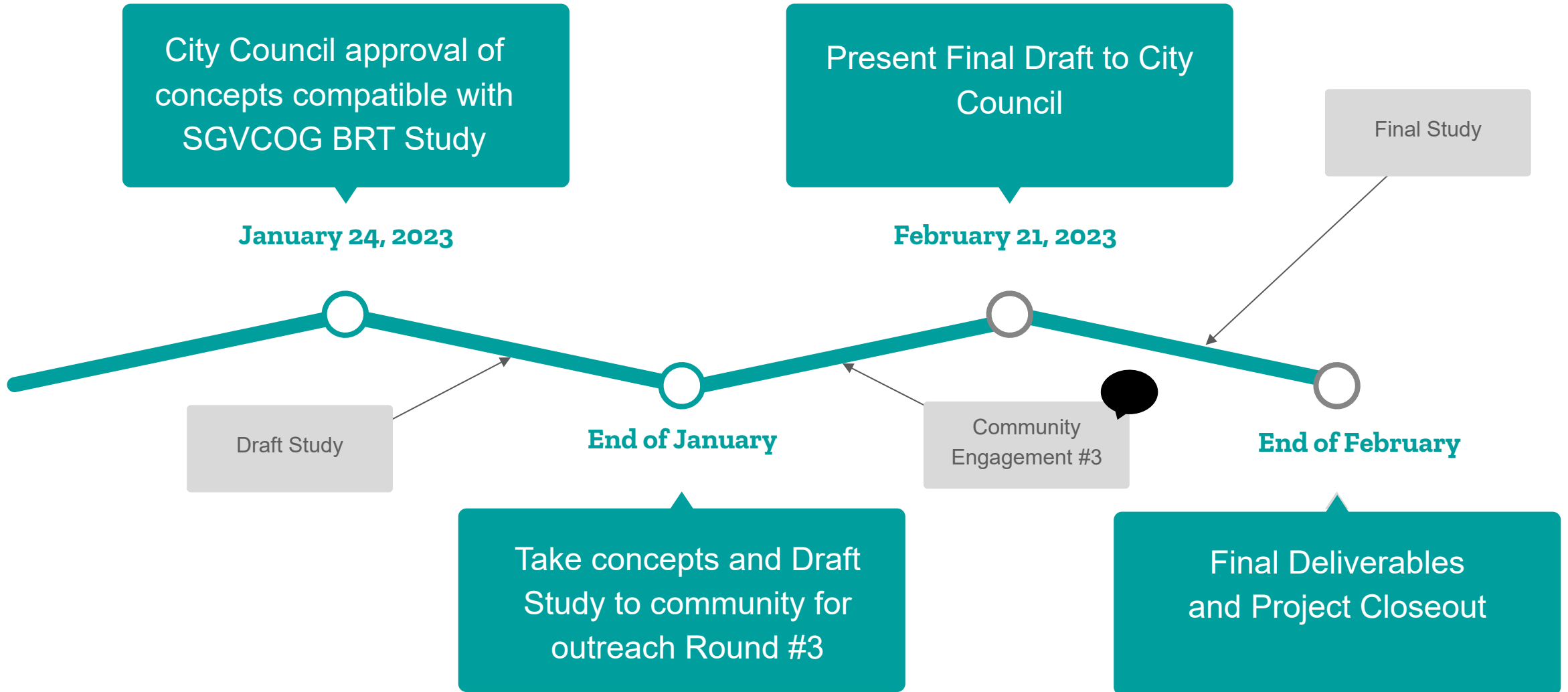
- Active Transportation Program (ATP)
- SGVCOG BRT / Metro

Federal and State

- Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program
- Neighborhood Access and Equity Grants
- California Transportation Commission Local Partnership Program (LPP)
- Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants

Local and Regional

- SCAG Sustainable Communities Program (SCP)
- Multi-Year Pavement Program
- Safe and Clean Water Program: Measure W





City Council Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 5.a.

DATE: February 22, 2023

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

APPROVED BY: Rene Salas, City Manager

SUBMITTED BY: Rene Salas, City Manager

SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING FOR METRO FISCAL YEAR 2023
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FISCAL/FINANCIAL IMPACT: There is no immediate fiscal impact associated with this action. If successful in securing Federal Section 5310 funds, staff will include this project for consideration as part of the FY 2023-2024 City Budget.

DISCUSSION: The goal of the Section 5310 Program is to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available when public transit is insufficient, inappropriate, or unavailable

On January 24, 2023, the City Council approved Resolution No. 23-12 calling for a public hearing on February 22, 2023 to identify nonprofit organizations readily available to provide services for public transportation projects under the federal transit administration section 5310 enhanced mobility of seniors and individuals with disabilities program, as a required part of the grant application process to certify that there are no nonprofit organizations readily available in the area to provide transportation services for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

The City of South El Monte advertised notice of a Public Hearing in the January 23, 2023 publication of the San Gabriel Valley Tribune. Notices were also placed in the City's Community Center and Senior Center on January 23, 2023 detailing the time and place of the Public Hearing, February 22, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. or thereafter in the City Council Chambers at South El Monte City Hall, 1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, California 91733.

If any agency or operator comes forward stating that they wish to provide the services for which the grant application is seeking funds, no later than February 27, 2023 , the City is to afford them the opportunity to do so.

If no agency or operator comes forward, the City of South El Monte can certify the same and proceed with the application process to receive funding from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 grant program.

Staff report prepared by Andrés González, Senior Services Supervisor.

ATTACHMENT(S):

None