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November 21, 2017

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

# ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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LORI GLASGOW  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**TRANSPORTATION CORE SERVICE AREA  
APPROVE PUBLIC WORKS PARTICIPATION IN  
TRANSIT INFORMATION SHARING PROGRAMS  
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)  
(3 VOTES)**

**CIO RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE (X) APPROVE WITH MODIFICATION ( ) DISAPPROVE ( )**

## **SUBJECT**

This action is to approve participation in transit information sharing programs and to authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to sign agreements on behalf of the County of Los Angeles with the companies providing transit information services.

## **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find that the action is not a project under the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve Public Works participation in transit information sharing programs that facilitate the sharing of public transit information for bus routes and traffic conditions with companies that provide free access to such information to online users and through web-based applications.
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute standard user and license agreements on behalf of the County of Los Angeles with such companies for these purposes.

## **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to enable the County to participate in transit information sharing programs with various companies that have established a network of partnerships to facilitate the sharing of public transit information. The County will share transit information with companies that provide free access to the information via internet sites or web-based applications. Sharing transit information with these companies at no cost to the companies will provide timely information to end users who want to locate public transportation options, along with other transit related information, such as traffic conditions, map alternate routes, and updated arrival times. The sharing also benefits the County's traffic management systems by enabling more proactive traffic signal timing in response to observed traffic congestion or incidents.

## **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The County Strategic Plan directs the provision of Strategy III.2, Embrace Digital Government for the Benefit of our Internal Customers and Communities; Objective III.2.2, Leverage Technology to Increase Visibility of and Access to Services. The recommended actions will allow our customers to access transit information in a convenient and expedited manner.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

Sufficient funds are included in the Transit Enterprise fund Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget to cover the minor costs of providing digital transit information to various companies. Funds to finance the minor costs for future years will be requested through the annual budget process.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

On April 18, 2017, the Board authorized Public Works to enter into a sublicense agreement with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority on behalf of the County to exchange traffic-related data with Google for its Waze application program. In order for Public Works to participate in other similar programs, on behalf of the County, it is necessary for the Director of Public Works or his designee to have delegated authority to execute user and license agreements containing terms and conditions standard to the public transit industry.

The County Chief Information Office (CIO) has reviewed this Board letter and recommends approval. The CIO determined that the participation in transit information sharing programs does not require any new information technology acquisition. Therefore, no formal CIO analysis is required. The user and license agreements will be reviewed by CEO, CIO, and County Counsel and approved as to form by County Counsel prior to execution. A copy of the user and license agreements will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors, upon execution.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The recommended actions do not constitute a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines because it is an activity that is excluded from the definition of a project by Section 15378(b) of the State of California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines. The proposed ac

tions to enter into agreements are organizational or administrative activities of government that will not result in direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical changes to the environment.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

There will be no impact on other services or projects.

**CONCLUSION**

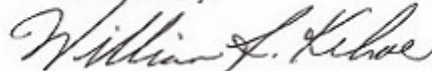
Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Programs Development Division.

Respectfully submitted,



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