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BOARD MOTION OF JUNE 3, 2025, AGENDA ITEM 27, DIRECTIVE 3 INCREASING ACCESS TO THE OLYMPICS, PARALYMPICS, AND WORLD CUP THROUGH LIVE SITE/FAN ZONE ACTIVATIONS AND MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

In accordance with the Board's request on June 3, 2025, specifically for Directive 3, this report summarizes Public Works' approach to identify and implement street improvements within unincorporated areas (UA) near Olympic venues, major transit hubs, and cultural venues. This report also identifies cost-effective, efficient upgrades that can be made, pending additional funding, with regards to safety, universal design, disability access, and multi-modal transportation options in preparation for the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic and Paralympic Games (Games). Finally, this report discusses the progress on a fan zone tool kit being developed in partnership with Public Works by Metro and Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

Current Street Improvement Plan

Public Works has identified 9 UA communities near Games venues, 10 UA communities near cultural venues, and 13 UA communities near major transit stations. The full list of UA communities can be found in Attachment A and also on this [On-Line Games Map](#).¹ Communities that may be significantly impacted are the following:

- Lennox – Near Sofi Stadium, Intuit Dome, and Metro C-Line Station
- West Carson – Near Carson Dignity Sports Park and Porsche Experience Center
- Marina del Rey – Near Venice Beach, Venice Canals, and Abbott Kinney Blvd
- Athens-Westmont – Near Sofi Stadium, Intuit Dome, Metro C-Line, and Watts Tower
- Valinda – Near Industry Mountain Biking venue

¹ <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/218887bdbb434257b7031b6524ba7e3b>

Public Works is planning to deliver nearly 20 street improvement projects, representing close to \$100 million in investments across these communities. With billions of dollars in construction anticipated in the region ahead of the Games—and ongoing uncertainties in the workforce and broader economy—overall costs are projected to rise by 2028. The full list of projects that are expected to be completed by the end of 2027, subject to any potential construction delays, can be found in Attachment B. Below are some highlights of major transportation projects that are expected to be completed prior to the Games.

- Vision Zero - Public Works expects to implement a Vision Zero traffic safety project along the Collision Concentration Corridor in the Lennox community prior to the Games.
- Bicycle Upgrades – The Florence Neighborhood Mobility project plans to install a bicycle boulevard in the Florence-Firestone community before the Games. There are also two bike path repair projects that will be completed before the Games in Marina Del Rey and Santa Monica Mountains.
- Bus Stop Shelters – Public Works will strategically install 225 additional bus stop shelters along transit corridors by July 2028, which will address extreme heat by providing shade and create more comfortable spaces for people waiting for mass transit.
- Pavement Projects – Public Works will perform road preservation work that will include micro-milling and resurfacing to improve road ride-ability and smoother, more finished driving surfaces in the Athens-Westmont, Lennox, and West Carson communities.
- Traffic Signal Synchronization Program (TSSP) – Improves mobility on congested streets by upgrading traffic signals, installing vehicle detectors, and implementing coordinated signal timing across corridors to keep traffic flowing more efficiently. By the end of 2027, the program is anticipated to have implemented 141 TSSP corridors, consisting of over 3,450 signalized intersections. Upcoming projects can be found on this [TSSP Map](https://pw.lacounty.gov/projects/traffic-signal-synchronization-program/)² and are planned for South Whittier community.

Additional Efforts

Currently, with limited transportation funding and competing priorities, it would be challenging to deliver extensive roadway or street improvements to be completed by early

² <https://pw.lacounty.gov/projects/traffic-signal-synchronization-program/>

2028. However, there is an opportunity to integrate smaller, quick-build safety projects or programmatic improvements that can be completed in time for the Games, subject to funding and the identification of specific desired locations. Below are some opportunities:

Preferential Parking Districts

With nearly one million visitors expected to visit Los Angeles in 2028, it will be imperative to reduce the impact to current community members, especially near large venues such as Sofi Stadium where spectator parking may be highly desired and may affect communities such as Lennox or Athens-Westmont. A preferential parking district could be established but would require extensive community engagement.

Accessibility Enhancements

To support Americans with Disabilities Act measures, Accessible Pedestrian Signals and Leading Pedestrian Intervals can be installed at traffic signals to ensure disability access. Additional measures such as curb daylighting can be implemented to improve visibility and safety at intersections.

Extreme Heat Measures

With the Games scheduled for July and August 2028, extreme heat is expected to be a major safety issue. Public Works may be able to support with temporary shade structures, trees, hydration stations, and wayfinding to prevent heat illness issues, subject to funding.

Wayfinding Measures

To support the million visitors expected to visit Los Angeles, additional wayfinding measures such as maps, directions, and identification may be installed near venues.

Fan Zones

Fan Zones are expected to be a viewing party hosted at a venue and can be supported by the closure of adjacent streets for safety purposes. LA28 and SCAG are expected to release guidelines regarding Fan Zones in early 2026. Once potential locations are identified by CEO, Public Works can support the fan zones with potential safety measures including road closures, detours, bike racks, and signage.

Public Works has actively participated in meetings and workshops with Metro, LA28, SCAG, and other partners to plan for fan zones and open street events. LA28's official fan zone guidelines, *Celebrate TwoEight*, are expected to be released in early 2026, along with SCAG's fan zone toolkit, which will outline multi-modal access strategies for both official and unofficial fan zones. Additionally, Metro is developing a mobility hub toolkit and launched a grant program for Games-related open streets on August 25, 2025.

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In conclusion, if any of these options move forward, Public Works will require adequate time and funding, as well as potential adjustments to current priorities. In addition, because Public Works supports more than 20 contract cities that may request services related to the Games, securing sufficient resources and staffing will be critical to ensuring a successful Olympic and Paralympic Games.

If you have any questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Assistant Deputy Director TJ Moon at (626) 476-7164 or tmoon@pw.lacounty.gov.

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Attachment A

Los Angeles County Unincorporated Areas (UA) near Games venues, cultural venues, and major mobility hubs

Venue	UA Community	Supervisory District
Whittier Narrows Dam	Whittier Narrows	1
Industry Hills Mountain Bike Course	Valinda	1
Sofi Stadium, Intuit Dome	Lennox / Athens-Westmont	2
Carson Dignity Health Sports Park	W. Carson	2
Venice Beach	Marina del Rey	2
Santa Anita Park	North El Monte	5
Rose Bowl	East Pasadena / Altadena	5

Cultural Venues	UA Community	Supervisory District
Citadel Outlets, El Mercadito	East Los Angeles	1
Leimert Park Village, Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area	Ladera Heights	2
Porsche Experience Center	West Carson	2
Venice Beach, Venice Canals, Venice Beach Skatepark, Abbot Kinney Boulevard	Marina del Rey	2
Watts Towers State Historical Park, Augustus F. Hawkins Natural Park	Florence-Graham	2
Watts Towers State Historical Park, Magic Johnson Park	Willowbrook	2
The Getty Villa, Malibu Lagoon State Beach	Santa Monica Mountains	3
South Coast Botanic Garden	Palos Verdes Peninsula	4
Huntington Library and Gardens	San Pasqual	5
LA County Arboretum & Botanic Garden	Arcadia	5

UA Community Near Major Metro Mobility Stations	Supervisory District	UA Community Near Major Metro Mobility Stations	Supervisory District
Azusa	1	Westmont	2
Covina	1	South Rancho Dominguez	2
East Los Angeles	1	Ladera Heights	2
Wiseburn	2	Willowbrook	2
Florence-Firestone	2	South Whittier	4
Lennox	2	Monrovia	5
		San Pasqual	5

Attachment B

**Upcoming Transportation Projects in
Los Angeles County UA near
Olympic Venues, Cultural Venues, and Major Mobility Stations**

Community	Project Name	Scope
Altadena	Lincoln Ave over Unnamed Wash Bridge 744	Temporary Bridge Replacement
Altadena Athens East Los Angeles Lennox South Whittier Valinda West LA Willowbrook	Advertising Bus Shelter Replacement Project (Phase 1)	Bus shelter improvements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Altadena (9) • Athens (3) • East Los Angeles (2) • Lennox (1) • South Whittier (8) • West Los Angeles (4) • Willowbrook (4)
Athens - Westmont	110 th St. Et al. Westmont – Denker Ave Et al	Pavement Resurface & Preservation
Covina/Azusa	Lark Ellen Ave Median Improvements et. Al. Phase I	Enhancement to frontage median; vine planting along frontage walls
East Los Angeles	3rd / Dangler Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Bus Stop Improvements	Bus shelters, curb ramp upgrades, sidewalk repairs, curb extensions, and bike boulevard
East Los Angeles	East Los Angeles Monument Improvements	Upgrade and improve existing monuments for better visibility for the community.
East Los Angeles	East Los Angeles Wellness - Whittier Bl and Downey Rd (AHSC)	Bus shelters, active transportation, and safety improvements. Construction of pedestrian path, traffic signal improvements, street and pedestrian lighting.
East Los Angeles	Saybrook Medians Phase III	Construction of landscaped medians
East Pasadena	Michillinda Avenue Intersection Improvements Project	Traffic signal improvements
Florence-Firestone	Florence Neighborhood Mobility (AHSC)	Bus shelters, active transportation, traffic signal, and safety improvements
Florence-Firestone	Southeast Los Angeles Bus Stop Improvements	Bus shelter improvements
Lennox	Vision Zero Traffic Safety Enhancements	Safety Improvements
Lennox	La Cienega Blvd Et. Al	Pavement Resurface

Community	Project Name	Scope
Marina del Rey	Marvin Braude Bike Path at Dockweiler Beach	Bike Path Repair and Realignment
Santa Monica Mountains	Santa Monica Canyon Channel Outlet Restoration and Marvin Braude Bike Trail Repair	Bike Path Repair
South Whittier	Carmenita Rd and Imperial Hwy Intersection Improvements	Traffic signal improvements
Universal City	Ventura Park and Ride Lot Improvements	Parking lot improvements
West Carson	Meyler St. Et al. Marina del Rey – Fiji Et Al	Pavement Resurface & Resurface
Willowbrook	Willowbrook 2 Project (AHSC)	Bus shelters, bike route upgrades, curb extensions, sidewalk repairs, Americans with Disabilities Act compliant accessible curb ramps, intersection improvements, and wayfinding signage