

# Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond

FY24 Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program:  
Implementation Grants General Competition

April 1, 2024

## Letters of Commitment



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The following attachments demonstrate strong, long-term involvement throughout the project from the LA Metro Transit Coalition project partners.

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# MAYOR REX RICHARDSON

March 20, 2024

Metro Transit Coalition  
One Gateway Plaza, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952  
Ernesto Chaves, Senior Executive Officer, Office of Strategic Innovation

**RE: Letter of Commitment for the Metro Transit Coalition Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program**

Dear Mr. Chaves,

On behalf of the City of Long Beach (City), I write to support the Metro Transit Coalition in their application for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program: Implementation Grants General Competition for the application entitled "Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond."

The City is a leader in efforts to mitigate against climate change. Our City Council adopted the Long Beach Climate Action Plan (LB CAP) in August 2022, and transportation is the biggest source of emissions, which can only meaningfully be addressed at the regional level. The City has participated in the regional partnership as a member of the Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) Steering Committee. The City understands the need to take a regionwide approach to address climate change, and this project is one step closer to reaching that goal.

The Metro Transit Coalition has a goal of expanding mobility, increasing access to opportunities, advancing environmental stewardship, and prioritizing equity. Addressing our region's PCAP Transportation Measures, we believe that the CPRG Program Application will thoughtfully and strategically combat climate change and reduce our region's carbon footprint by expanding investments in transit and active transportation. We are committed to supporting the three transportation measures in the PCAP: T2: Decarbonize Passenger Transport; T5: Expand the Active Transportation Network; and T6: Expand the Transit Network and Increase Ridership.

With the 2028 Olympics and the City's Elevate 28 Plan, the City will be an integral part of the planning and development of infrastructure to support the Olympics and the region, in 2028 and beyond. In collaboration with the Metro Transit Coalition, the City is excited to deliver two complete streets projects creating a better active transportation network and multimodal system. The first, the City's Long Beach Blvd. Complete Street project will help expand the active transportation and multimodal network with the addition of nearly three miles of bus and bike lane infrastructure on Long Beach Blvd., between Ocean Blvd. and 27<sup>th</sup> Street. The second, the Ocean Blvd Complete Street: Rails to Sails project, will expand pedestrian space and add bike lanes to the 1.2 mile downtown corridor between the LA River and Alamitos Ave. Ocean Blvd. is currently a barrier between the 1<sup>st</sup> Street Transit Mall where the Metro A Line Light Rail terminates and the waterfront where there will be Olympic venues in 2028. These projects will expand the active transportation network and create a crucial connection for the Olympics and beyond. They will add to the creation of better active transportation and bicycle network expansion and allow the Metro Transit Coalition to perform the project effectively by addressing our regions T5 measure in the PCAP.

The City of Long Beach appreciates the Metro Transit Coalition's CPRG Program Application to advance our environmental priorities to address GHG emission reductions and health-related benefits to our communities. Thank you for your consideration of this critical project.

Sincerely,

Mayor Rex Richardson  
City of Long Beach

## OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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Date: March 18, 2024

CAO File No. 0220-06201-0000

Council File No. None

Council District: All

To: The City Council

From:  Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer

Reference: March 11, 2024 request from the Mayor's Office, Council District 2 and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation

Subject: **AUTHORITY TO APPLY FOR THE CLIMATE POLLUTION REDUCTION GRANTS PROGRAM (CPRG)**

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### RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council, subject to approval of the Mayor:

1. Authorize the General Manager of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), or designee, to collaborate with Metro to prepare and submit grant applications for the proposals outlined in the Attachment 1; and,
2. Instruct the General Manager of LADOT, or designee, to report back if the City is awarded the grants, to request authority to accept the grant awards, and confirm any additional required match and/or front funding.

### SUMMARY

The Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program (CPRG), overseen by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), is a competitive initiative designed to allocate funds to eligible entities, including states, municipalities, air pollution control agencies, and tribes. These funds are intended for the execution of programs, policies, projects, and measures aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions (GHG), as outlined in a Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) developed through a CPRG planning grant. Applications for this grant cycle must be submitted by April 1, 2024. Grant recipients can anticipate award announcements by October 2024.

The 2022 Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) established the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) program which provides funds in two distinct phases:

1. Planning grants: \$250 million is aimed at states, U.S. territories, municipalities, air pollution control agencies, tribes, and other relevant groups to facilitate the development of strategies for mitigating greenhouse gas emissions. The initial focus will be on the Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP), which serves as the primary requirement for recipients of the CPRG planning grants; and,

2. Implementation grants: \$4.6 billion is designated for competitive allocation among eligible recipients to execute programs, policies, projects, and measures aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Eligible applicants include states, municipalities, tribes, and territories that have directly received a CPRG planning grant. Moreover, municipalities, air pollution control agencies, and tribes that have not directly received planning grants but are seeking funding to implement specific greenhouse gas reduction measures outlined in an applicable Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP), submitted to the EPA by March 1, 2024, are also eligible to apply.

There is no restriction on the number of projects that each agency can submit. This Office received three project proposals from LADOT for Council consideration. LADOT will collaborate with Metro and act as a subrecipient for the proposed projects. All three proposals are seeking implementation grants and include:

- Transit Priority Upgrades for NextGen;
- LADOT Sylmar Bus Yard Electrification; and,
- Venice Blvd (between National and Arlington) Bus and Bike Improvements.

#### Cost Sharing and Matching Fund

No cost sharing/matching funds or leveraged resources are required as a condition of eligibility under this competition. Funds awarded under this program cannot be used to meet the matching funds requirement under another federal grant program.

#### Evaluation Criteria (Attachment 2)

Applications will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- Overall Project Summary and Approach;
- Impact of GHG Reduction Measures;
- Environmental Results – Outputs, Outcomes, and Performance Measures;
- Low-Income and Disadvantaged Communities;
- Job Quality;
- Programmatic Capability and Past Performance; and,
- Budget and Timely Expenditure of Grant Funds.

This Office convened meetings with the LADOT and Metro to assess whether the grant proposals align with the scoring criteria established for the grants. Upon evaluation, it has been determined that the projects satisfy the intended purposes, eligibility requirements, and the specified evaluation criteria of the grant.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

There is no General Fund impact from the recommendations in this report.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT  
CITY CLERK

PETTY F. SANTOS  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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CALIFORNIA



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MAYOR

OFFICE OF THE  
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**OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL**

**Council File No.:** 24-0337  
**Council Meeting Date:** March 22, 2024  
**Agenda Item No.:** 28  
**Agenda Description:** COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (CAO) relative to authorizing the Los Angeles Department of Transportation to apply for the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program, in collaboration with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro).  
**Council Action:** COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER - ADOPTED FORTHWITH

**Council Vote:**

YES	Blumenfield	ABSENT	de León	YES	Harris-Dawson
ABSENT	Hernandez	YES	Hutt	YES	Krekorian
YES	Lee	YES	McOsker	YES	Padilla
ABSENT	Park	YES	Price Jr.	ABSENT	Raman
ABSENT	Rodriguez	YES	Soto-Martínez	YES	Yaroslavsky

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT  
CITY CLERK

Adopted Report(s)Title  
Report from City Administrative Officer dated 3-18-24

# THE CITY OF POMONA

Planning Division

Development  
Services Department



March 13, 2024

Metro Transit Coalition  
One Gateway Plaza, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952  
Ernesto Chaves, Senior Executive Officer, Office of Strategic Innovation

**Re: Letter of Commitment for the Metro Transit Coalition Climate Pollution  
Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program Application**

Dear Mr. Chaves:

On behalf of the City of Pomona, we write to support the **Metro Transit Coalition** in their application for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program: Implementation Grants General Competition for the application entitled "*Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond.*"

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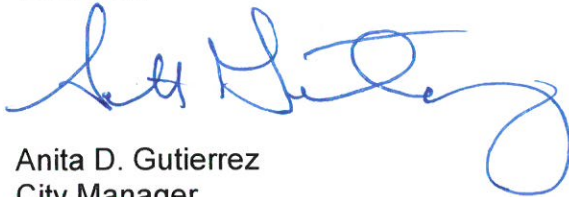
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measures in the PCAP: T2: Decarbonize Passenger Transport; T5: Expand the Active Transportation Network; and T6: Expand the Transit Network and Increase Ridership.

The City of Pomona adopted a Pomona Corridors Specific Plan in 2014, which is a form-based zoning code that applies to the first-last mile corridor of Garey Avenue adjacent to the future Metro line. This codified plan, along with additional guidance from Metro's recent first-last mile recommendations for the area, will serve as the basis to implement critical improvements to Garey Avenue streetscape and right of way to support transit-oriented development and safe first-last mile mobility. The 2028 Olympics Games provides a unique opportunity to fully realize the vision of both Pomona's General Plan and Metro's strategic plan.

The City of Pomona appreciates the **Metro Transit Coalition's** CPRG Program Application to advance our environmental priorities to address GHG emission reductions and health-related benefits to our communities. We appreciate and look forward to the EPA's consideration of this regionally meaningful project.

Sincerely,



Anita D. Gutierrez  
City Manager

CC: Arnold Dichosa, City Engineer  
Ata Khan, Deputy Director of Development Services





March 26, 2028

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Ernesto Chaves, Senior Executive Officer, Office of Strategic Innovation

**Re: Letter of Commitment for the Metro Transit Coalition Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program Application**

Dear Mr. Chaves:

On behalf of *San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG)*, we write to support the ***Metro Transit Coalition*** in their application for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program: Implementation Grants General Competition for the application entitled "*Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond.*"

With the opportunity to demonstrate the region's commitment to transportation sustainability and greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction through Regional Transportation Measures identified for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games, we can have achievable progress towards a 100% zero-emission fleet and support environmentally-friendly transportation systems. We will showcase what is possible in choosing public transit, walking and rolling, to significantly reduce GHG emissions both in the near and long-term.

The ***Metro Transit Coalition*** has a goal of expanding mobility, increasing access to opportunities, advancing environmental stewardship, and prioritizing equity. Together, we are committed to bettering the overall health of our communities and understand reductions in fine particulate matter directly equate to greater health benefits including lowering new-onset asthma in children as well as substantial reductions in heart disease, cancer, obesity and diabetes.

Addressing our regions' Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) Transportation Measures, we believe that the CPRG Program Application will thoughtfully and strategically combat climate change and reduce our region's carbon footprint by expanding investments in transit and active transportation. We are committed in our support of the three transportation measures in the PCAP: T2: Decarbonize Passenger Transport; T5: Expand the Active Transportation Network; and T6: Expand the Transit Network and Increase Ridership.

San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments  
1333 S. Mayflower Avenue, Suite 360, Monrovia CA 91016

*San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments* will lead the next phases of the Project, which will include Environmental, Project Definition, Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, and construction of the proposed transit enhancement improvements and funding and support from Metro's Transit Coalition will be critically needed to perform these necessary tasks.

*San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG)* appreciates the ***Metro Transit Coalition***'s CPRG Program Application to advance our environmental priorities to address GHG emission reductions and health-related benefits to our communities. We appreciate and look forward to the EPA's consideration of this regionally meaningful project.

Sincerely,



Marisa Creter  
Executive Director  
San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

BOARD

Vincent Chang

March 21st, 2024

David Diaz

Metro Transit Coalition  
One Gateway Plaza, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952

Rafael Gonzalez

Ernesto Chaves, Senior Executive Officer, Office of Strategic Innovation

Stephanie Ramirez

**Re: Letter of Commitment for the Metro Transit Coalition Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program Application**

Wesley Reutimann

Dear Mr. Chaves:

Chris Tran

On behalf of Active San Gabriel Valley (ActiveSGV), we write to support the *Metro Transit Coalition* in its unique and innovative application for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program: Implementation Grants General Competition. Their application, titled "Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond," stands out for its focus on the 2028 Olympics and its commitment to reducing climate pollution.

With the opportunity to demonstrate the region's commitment to transportation sustainability and greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction through Regional Transportation Measures identified for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games, we can have achievable progress towards a 100% zero-emission fleet and support environmentally-friendly transportation systems. We will showcase what is possible in choosing public transit, walking and rolling, to significantly reduce GHG emissions in the near and long term.

The *Metro Transit Coalition* has a goal of expanding mobility, increasing access to opportunities, advancing environmental stewardship, and prioritizing equity. Together, we are committed to bettering the overall health of our communities. The reductions in fine particulate matter that this project will bring about directly equate to greater health benefits, including lowering new-onset asthma in children and substantial reductions in heart disease, cancer, obesity, and diabetes.

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strategically combat climate change and reduce our region's carbon footprint by expanding investments in transit and active transportation. We are committed to our support of the three transportation measures in the PCAP: T2: Decarbonize Passenger Transport; T5: Expand the Active Transportation Network; and T6: Expand the Transit Network and Increase Ridership.

ActiveSGV was launched in 2010 by a group of concerned community members who shared a vision of a cohesive network of people-friendly streets in the San Gabriel Valley. Since then, ActiveSGV's team has dedicated thousands of hours of service to communities across the San Gabriel Valley to fund and effect policy, program, and environmental change. ActiveSGV's mission is to support a more sustainable, equitable, and livable San Gabriel Valley. We are committed to supporting the growth and safe use of zero-emission, electric-assist bikes, by purchasing e-bikes to expand our existing e-bike lending library, implement a program to educate community members on e-bike safety, and provide vouchers to support program graduates interested in purchasing their own e-bike.

Active San Gabriel Valley appreciates the *Metro Transit Coalition's* CPRG Program Application to advance our environmental priorities to address GHG emission reductions and health-related benefits to our communities. We appreciate and look forward to the EPA considering this regionally meaningful project.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

david@activeSGV.org



City of Anaheim  
**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

March 21, 2024

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One Gateway Plaza, 24th Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952  
Ernesto Chaves  
Senior Executive Officer  
Office of Strategic Innovation

**Re: Letter of Commitment for the Metro Transit Coalition Climate Pollution  
Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program Application**

Dear Mr. Chavez:

On behalf of the City of Anaheim, we write to support the Metro Transit Coalition in their application for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program: Implementation Grants General Competition for the application entitled "Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond."

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The City of Anaheim has worked closely with the Orange County Transportation Authority to invest in Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) infrastructures that can be leveraged to implement advanced technology solutions. The Harbor Boulevard Connected Bus Project presents another innovative effort to leverage this investment by integrating existing and new ITS devices at signalized

intersections to improve safe and efficient travel for all transportation modes. This will improve safety, reduce travel time, and enhance estimation for travel time arrivals, and benefit historically disadvantaged communities. The City is committed to partnering with OCTA and neighboring jurisdictions to implement this project on OCTA's busiest bus line, and one of Anaheim's main north/south arterials. Harbor Boulevard is also one of two corridors selected as part of the City of Anaheim's recently awarded FY2023 US DOT Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) grant. The SMART grant award will allow the City to test the effectiveness of signal priority and red-light violation warning use cases at intersections along this corridor. The proposed project will leverage the technology implemented through the SMART grant, as well as the data collected through the testing protocols.

The City of Anaheim supports the Metro Transit Coalition's CPRG Program Application to advance our environmental priorities to address GHG emission reductions and health-related benefits to our communities. We appreciate and look forward to the EPA's consideration of this regionally meaningful project.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 714-765-4991 or by email at [rcobian@anaheim.net](mailto:rcobian@anaheim.net).

Sincerely,



Rafael Cobian, TE, LEED GA  
City Traffic Engineer  
City of Anaheim

c: Rudy Emami, Public Works Director  
Carlos Castellanos, City Engineer  
John Thai, Principal Transportation Planner





March 21, 2024

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Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952  
Ernesto Chaves, Senior Executive Officer, Office of Strategic Innovation

**Re: Letter of Commitment for the Metro Transit Coalition Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program Application**

Dear Mr. Chaves:

On behalf of the City of Fountain Valley, we write to support the ***Metro Transit Coalition*** in their application for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program: Implementation Grants General Competition for the application entitled "*Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond.*"

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The City of Fountain Valley and the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) have made investments in intelligent transportation system (ITS) infrastructures that can be leveraged to implement advanced technology solutions. Thus, the Harbor Boulevard Connected Bus project (Project) will implement a cloud-based Transit Signal Priority (TSP) system integrating existing and new ITS devices along with enhanced ITS devices at signalized intersections capable of identifying potential intersection modifications that can improve safe travel for all modes through the intersection. This enhances on-time arrivals, improves safety, reduces travel time, and benefits historically disadvantaged communities. With an innovative approach requiring fewer resources and leveraging recent local agency investments, the project fosters cross-jurisdictional improvements throughout Orange County's core.



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The City of Fountain Valley appreciates the **Metro Transit Coalition's** CPRG Program Application to advance our environmental priorities to address GHG emission reductions and health-related benefits to our communities. We appreciate and look forward to the EPA's consideration of this regionally meaningful project.

Sincerely,

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Temo Galvez, P.E.  
Deputy Public Works Director/City Engineer

cc Scott Smith, Public Works Director  
Kyle Knoke, Engineering Associate





## CITY OF FULLERTON

Public Works Department – Engineering Division

March 12, 2024

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Ernesto Chaves, Senior Executive Officer, Office of Strategic Innovation

### Re: Letter of Commitment for the Metro Transit Coalition Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program Application

Dear Mr. Chaves:

On behalf of the City of Fullerton, we write to support the **Metro Transit Coalition** in their application for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program: Implementation Grants General Competition for the application entitled "*Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond.*"

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The City of Fullerton and the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) have made investments in intelligent transportation system (ITS) infrastructures that can be leveraged to implement advanced technology solutions. Thus, the Harbor Boulevard Connected Bus project (Project) will implement a cloud-based Transit Signal Priority (TSP) system integrating existing and new ITS devices along with enhanced ITS devices at signalized intersections capable of identifying potential intersection modifications that can improve safe travel for all modes through the intersection. This enhances on-time arrivals, improves safety, reduces travel time, and benefits historically disadvantaged communities. With an innovative approach requiring fewer resources and leveraging recent local agency investments, the project fosters cross-jurisdictional improvements throughout Orange County's core.

Fullerton appreciates the **Metro Transit Coalition's** CPRG Program Application to advance our environmental priorities to address GHG emission reductions and health-related benefits to our communities. We appreciate and look forward to the EPA's consideration of this regionally meaningful project.

Sincerely,

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Stephen Bise  
Director of Public Works

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March 15, 2024

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Ernesto Chaves, Senior Executive Officer, Office of Strategic Innovation

**Re: Letter of Commitment for the Metro Transit Coalition Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program Application**

Dear Mr. Chaves:

On behalf of City of Garden Grove, we write to support the ***Metro Transit Coalition*** in their application for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program: Implementation Grants General Competition for the application entitled "*Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond.*"

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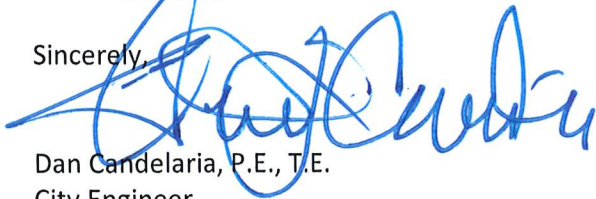
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The City of Garden Grove and the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) have made investments in intelligent transportation system (ITS) infrastructures that can be leveraged to implement advanced technology solutions. Thus, the Harbor Boulevard Connected Bus project (Project) will implement a cloud-based Transit Signal Priority (TSP) system integrating existing and new ITS devices along with enhanced ITS devices at signalized intersections capable of identifying potential intersection modifications that can improve safe travel for all modes through the intersection. This

enhances on-time arrivals, improves safety, reduces travel time, and benefits historically disadvantaged communities. With an innovative approach requiring fewer resources and leveraging recent local agency investments, the project fosters cross-jurisdictional improvements throughout Orange County's core.

The City of Garden Grove appreciates the ***Metro Transit Coalition***'s CPRG Program Application to advance our environmental priorities to address GHG emission reductions and health-related benefits to our communities. We appreciate and look forward to the EPA's consideration of this regionally meaningful project.

Sincerely,

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Dan Candelaria, P.E., T.E.  
City Engineer



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Ernesto Chaves, Senior Executive Officer, Office of Strategic Innovation

### Re: Letter of Commitment for the Metro Transit Coalition Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program Application

Dear Mr. Chaves:

On behalf of City of Santa Ana, we write to support the *Metro Transit Coalition* in their application for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program: Implementation Grants General Competition for the application entitled "*Metro Transit Coalition to Reduce Climate Pollution for the 2028 Olympics and Beyond.*"

With the opportunity to demonstrate the region's commitment to transportation sustainability and greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction through Regional Transportation Measures identified for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games, we can have achievable progress towards a 100% zero-emission fleet and support environmentally-friendly transportation systems. We will showcase what is possible in choosing public transit, walking and rolling, to significantly reduce GHG emissions both in the near and long-term.

The *Metro Transit Coalition* has a goal of expanding mobility, increasing access to opportunities, advancing environmental stewardship, and prioritizing equity. Addressing our regions' Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) Transportation Measures, we believe that the CPRG Program Application will thoughtfully and strategically combat climate change and reduce our region's carbon footprint by expanding investments in transit and active transportation. We are committed in our support of the three transportation measures in the PCAP: T2: Decarbonize Passenger Transport; T5: Expand the Active Transportation Network; and T6: Expand the Transit Network and Increase Ridership.

The City of Santa Ana and the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) have made investments in intelligent transportation system (ITS) infrastructures that can be leveraged to implement advanced technology solutions. Thus, the Harbor Boulevard Connected Bus project (Project) will implement a cloud-based Transit Signal Priority (TSP) system integrating existing and new ITS devices along with enhanced ITS devices at signalized intersections capable of identifying potential intersection

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modifications that can improve safe travel for all modes through the intersection. This enhances on-time arrivals, improves safety, reduces travel time, and benefits historically disadvantaged communities. With an innovative approach requiring fewer resources and leveraging recent local agency investments, the project fosters cross-jurisdictional improvements throughout Orange County's core.

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Sincerely,



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The Katella Avenue Pedestrian Bridge is a central feature of the active transportation circulation design for the OCVIBE master planned, transit-oriented development located within the Platinum Triangle in the City of Anaheim. Our 100-acre, mixed use campus includes new dining, office, entertainment venues, greenspace and residential spaces surrounding Honda Center (publicly owned venue) and the Anaheim Regional Transportation Intermodal Center (ARTIC) – a future terminus of the California High-Speed Rail Project. The Katella Avenue Pedestrian Bridge will remove pedestrian traffic from a high-traffic road and create a safer route connecting existing and future communities (including disadvantaged neighborhoods) to the regional transit system at ARTIC and new OCVIBE amenities. It will also provide a direct connection for riders arriving by Metrolink/Amtrak trains for events at the Honda Center – an approximately 18,000 arena that is the home to the Anaheim Ducks Ice Hockey team, a

venue for major concerts and events, and the host site for 2028 Summer Olympic Volleyball. OCVIBE is actively engaged with the City on the design of this important first/last mile connection serving workers and future residents onsite at OCVIBE (more than 2,000 housing units including affordable housing) and the surrounding area. The bridge will be a public facility (owned by the City of Anaheim), and OCVIBE will design its connecting amenities – including The Porch (an elevated trail that will continue from the south end of the Bridge to ARTIC's front door) and the OCVIBE South Plaza (connecting from the north end of the bridge to the venue, as well as the OC Riverwalk and other amenities within OCVIBE including a residential community). Our unique public-private partnership with the City of Anaheim will help to ensure the seamless flow of active transportation to transit services – increasing equity, reducing vehicle miles traveled, and supporting the efforts of the Metro Transit Coalition to significantly reduce GHG emissions.

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