

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority



Striving for Transit Oriented Communities *Creating a TOC Policy and LRTP Policy Paper*



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Where we have been – the TOC Demonstration Program

- New program under direction of the CEO, launched October 2015
- Explore a more expansive approach to integrating transit into communities
- Implemented through two key areas:
 - Changes to the JD Process/Policy
 - The “TOC Toolkit”
- 8 demonstration sites/programs across LA County
- Quarterly reports to the Board on progress



What we have explored: The TOC Toolkit

- Affordable Housing Policies
- MATCH Loan Fund
- Coordination of public funding sources
 - ✓ ATP Grant assistance
 - ✓ Lobbying on funding guidelines
- Joint Ventures with other public agencies
- Active Transportation & First/Last Mile planning
- TOD Planning Grant Program
- Toolkit for Transit Supportive Planning
- WSAB TOD Strategic Implementation Plan (FTA) grant

What we came up with: TOC Concepts

Transit Oriented Communities:

- maximize access to the transportation network as a key organizing principle.
- promote equity and sustainable living by offering a mix of uses (ie housing, jobs, services and amenities) that supports households
- reflect appropriate densities, parking policies and design orientation



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Where we are headed – TOC Policy & LRTP Policy Paper

- Policy – part of Measure M Guidelines development. Will define and seek Board approval of:
 - Metro’s TOC goals and objectives
 - What is considered a “Transportation Purpose” (required for spending Measure M funds)
 - Define “TOC activities” that can be funded with Local Return
- TOC LRTP Policy Paper – part of the LRTP update, will define more broadly what Metro’s TOC objectives are and tie into long range planning and the transit corridor planning process

TOC Policy - Next Steps and Targeted Timeline

- Form PAC Working Group (target representation from each constituent group)
- Jan – May 2018: Twice monthly meetings (more if needed/appropriate)
 - Metro staff will prepare materials and agendas and send ahead of each meeting
- Check ins/reports to larger PAC as appropriate
- April 2018 - Draft TOC Policy presented to PAC and Metro Board
- June 2018 – Recommend final TOC Policy to the Board

L RTP TOC Policy Paper - Next Steps and Timeline

- Jan – Mar: Procure Consultant Support
- Spring 2018: PAC Working Group meetings / drafting
- Completion by Fall 2018
- Initial framing questions for the Policy Paper:
 - How do we define the concept of TOCs?
 - How do we identify the goals and objectives of Metro’s approach to enabling TOCs?
 - What TOC activities can be considered a “Transportation Purpose”?
 - How do we differentiate between projects and programs that are appropriate for the 1/2 mile radius walk-shed and 3 mile radius bike-shed?
 - How can Metro work with local land use authorities to incentivize their implementation of TOC principles?



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