

STAFF REPORT
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Date: December 11, 2012

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Brian S. Ludicke, Planning Director

Subject: **Appropriation of Grant Funds from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority**

Recommendation:

Approve the appropriation of \$136,000 in grant funds from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to Revenue Account No. 327-3300-100, and corresponding Expense Account Nos: 327-4520-101 through 137 for staff time, and 327-4520-301 for consultant work.

Fiscal Impact:

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) is making funds available for a one-time grant funding of Measure R 2% System Improvement, Measure R 3% PC10 Metrolink, and TCRP funds. Appropriate \$136,000 in grant funding from LACMTA Measure R funding. A City match requirement is not required for this grant; however, in-kind labor hours will be tracked.

Background:

On March 27, 2012, the City Council authorized staff to apply for a grant from LACMTA under the 2012 Transit-Oriented Development Grant Program.

On October 9, 2012, the City of Lancaster was awarded \$136,000 in grant funds from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority for a one-time grant of Measure R funds for the preparation for adoption regulatory changes that support transit-oriented development by:

- Amending the General Plan to extend the existing boundary of the Downtown Lancaster Transit Village District from a quarter mile to include all the land within a half mile of the Metrolink Station
- Updating the General Plan Land Use Map
- Creating a new TOD Overlay Zone for the identified Planning Areas
- Updating the Zoning Map
- Updating Title 17 - Zoning Ordinance to include TOD Overlay regulations and design standards

Funds are received on a reimbursement basis; staff recommends that the City Council appropriate the grant funds and authorize staff to expend the funds according to the grant agreement requirements.