

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: March 19-20, 2026

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.8b.(3), Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR
LOCALLY-ADMINISTERED ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM PROJECTS,
OFF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM, PER ATP GUIDELINES
WAIVER 26-39**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period of contract award for three locally-administered Active Transportation Program (ATP) projects, for the time periods as identified in the attachment?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the Commission extend the period of contract award for three locally-administered ATP projects, for the time periods as identified in the attachment.

BACKGROUND:

In March and August of 2025, the Commission allocated \$10,623,000 for three locally-administered ATP projects identified in the attachment. The responsible agencies have been unable to award the contract within six months of allocation, per ATP Guidelines (Guidelines). The attachment describes the details of the projects and the explanations for the delays. The respective agencies request an extension, and the planning agencies concur.

Current Guidelines adopted by the Commission, stipulate that the agencies implementing a project may request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of allocation. The Commission may approve a waiver to the Timely Use of Funds deadline, one-time only, for up to 12 months.

Attachment

**Time Extension/Waiver – Contract Award
Active Transportation Program**

Project: 1
Applicant: City of Bakersfield
County: Kern
PPNO: 8070
District: 06
Allocation Amount: \$3,154,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 08/15/2025
Allocation Resolution: FATP-2526-02
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 02/28/2027
Department Recommendation: Support

H Street Corridor (SR-204 to Hwy 58)

The City of Bakersfield (City) requests a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the Construction (CON) phase of the H Street Corridor (SR-204 to Hwy 58) project. The City has experienced delays during the pre-construction period following the CON allocation.

The project proposes to construct curb cuts, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) ramps, high-visibility crosswalks, advanced stop and turn line markings, and pedestrian friendly landscape.

In January 2026, the City held a community engagement event to discuss the project's construction details, phasing, and timeline during which local business owners and residents provided substantive and constructive feedback on the proposed improvements. There were several concerns related to access, circulation, and potential operational impacts, which necessitated design re-evaluation and potential design modifications to appropriately address community needs and minimize adverse effects during and after construction. City representatives spoke with several local businesses about how improvements will eliminate a portion of on-street parking, construction noise and vibrations will affect their business, how the proposed improvements would impact their delivery and emergency vehicle operations, and the impacts to business operations during construction. Addressing the community feedback will require additional coordination among the design team, agency staff, and stakeholders to resolve comments, update project plans, and revise the specifications. The City needs additional time to review and address the community concerns, including curb extensions at key intersections, potential storm drain impacts caused by the project, and construction activities, before advertising and awarding the contract.

Therefore, the City is requesting a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase from February 28, 2026 to February 28, 2027.

Project: 2
Applicant: City of Los Angeles
County: Los Angeles
PPNO: 5579
District: 07
Allocation Amount: \$4,448,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 03/21/2025
Allocation Resolution: FATP-2425-17
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 03/31/2027
Department Recommendation: Support

112th Street and Flournoy Elementary Schools Safety Improvements Project

The City of Los Angeles (City) requests a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase of the 112th Street and Flournoy Elementary Schools Safety Improvements Project. The City has experienced delays with the contract award process.

The project proposes to implement safety improvements, bicycle infrastructure, and speed-reduction measures.

On January 7, 2025, a State of Emergency was declared by Governor Gavin Newsom in response to the devastating fires in Southern California. Following this declaration, on January 8, 2025, the Federal Emergency Management Agency approved a major disaster declaration of the affected areas. As a result of the fires, a significant portion of City staff and partner agencies reallocated resources for emergency response that led to delays in the bidding process. These delays have since been resolved and a bid package was submitted on September 23, 2025. Bids were received on November 26, 2025, and opened on December 1, 2025. The initial review of the bids has been completed, and a secondary review still needs to be completed to award a contract. Additionally, the contract must be approved by the Los Angeles County Board of Public Works before award. The City needs additional time to complete remaining activities and anticipates completion before the extended deadline.

Therefore, the City is requesting a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase from March 31, 2026 to March 31, 2027.

Project: 3
Applicant: City of Anaheim
County: Orange
PPNO: 2196A
District: 12
Allocation Amount: \$3,021,000
Phase: Construction
Allocation Date: 03/21/2025
Allocation Resolution: FATP-2425-17
Number of Months Requested: 12 Months
Extended Deadline: 03/31/2027
Department Recommendation: Support

Citywide Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Gap Closure

The City of Anaheim (City) requests a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase of the Citywide Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Gap Closure project. The City has experienced delays associated with obtaining federal compliance requirements prior to contract award.

The project proposes to construct ADA sidewalk and multi-use trails, as well as construct and re-construct curb and gutter, driveway approaches, ADA compliant curb ramps, and drainage facilities at various locations.

In August 2025, the City received the Authorization to Proceed with construction from the Department. The City was also informed that the Office of Civil Rights (OCR) was still reviewing the project's Contract Goal Methodology and acceptance of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal, which is required prior to advertising the project. Extended OCR review and subsequent changes to DBE requirements prevented the City from advertising the project. In October 2025, the Department notified the City that DBE requirements were suspended per the Interim Final Rule published by the Department. In addition, the project is experiencing on-going delays from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) review process of the Project Labor Agreement (PLA) associated with the federal construction contract requirements. The City and the Department have been waiting for FHWA to provide clarity regarding PLA approval. As a result, the City has not proceeded with advertising and awarding the construction contract. This approval process was substantially impacted by the federal government shutdown in late 2025. The City needs additional time to receive approval from FHWA and proceed with the advertisement and award process.

Therefore, the City is requesting a 12-month time extension for the period of contract award for the CON phase from March 31, 2026 to March 31, 2027.