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Community Impact Statement



TITLE: CF 18-0244-S10 DASH Fare Collection

COMMITTEE: Transportation, Infrastructure, and Sustainability (TI&S) Committee

POSITION: Oppose Implementation of Fares on DASH Buses

THE MOTION: The MVCC issues the following Community Impact Statement regarding CF 18-0244-S10. "The MVCC opposes the resumption of fare collection on DASH buses. The nominal fee to be charged is not worth the extra costs of enforcement and potential for excluding riders of limited means or without electronic payment methods readily available. Additional fee enforcement would lead the LAPD to spend time on DASH buses enforcing the payment of fees rather than addressing safety issues. This could also lead to a reduction in ridership across metro because of the loss of convenience for all riders."

BACKGROUND:

- The Council approved a motion asking LADOT to issue a report regarding the resumption of DASH fares. LADOT issued that <u>report</u> on 6/20/2025. Based on the report, the resumption of fare collection would be counterproductive.
- LADOT projects to collect \$2.5 million in DASH fare revenue annually. In comparison, LA METRO collected a total of \$134.8 million in fare revenue in FY24. DASH is a last mile transit service, meant to bring travelers from metro hubs to their final destination in high density areas like downtown. Operating as a free service currently, it encourages people to use METRO and other transit services for commuting, because even if a train does not include a stop right next to their workplace, a free DASH bus can take them there. Reinstating DASH fares changes the cost analysis for riders and may make it less appealing for them to use transit at all. It is even possible this would have a negative effect on overall revenues.

DIRECTED TO: LADOT

Katy Yaroslavksy and CD5

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ACTION/VOTE COUNT:

MVCC T&I Committee meeting, September 2nd, 2025

Motion of support moved by Spencer, seconded by Jakob

Motion of support approved by MVCC TI&S Committee 8-1-1

MVCC Board Meeting, September 18, 2025

Motion of support moved by Director XXX, seconded by Director XXX

Motion of support approved by the MVCC Board XX-XX-XX