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SUBJECT: CRENSHAW/LAX ARTWORK

ISSUE

At the January 21, 2016 Construction Committee meeting, Director Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker requested a status report on the Crenshaw/LAX corridor artwork. This memo provides the requested report.

DISCUSSION

Artist Selection Process

The artist selection process for the Crenshaw/LAX corridor was initiated in 2014. Outreach along the corridor included workshops in Inglewood and at the Museum of African American Art and notices were posted in numerous publications and via social media channels. Presentations were made to the Crenshaw Community Leadership Council (CLC), Cities of Inglewood and Los Angeles Council District 8 (CD 8), and at Community Construction Update and other public meetings to solicit input on community resources, artists, potential selection panelists and community engagement venues. A panel comprised of local arts professionals from the community or known for their connection to the Crenshaw/LAX community selected artists for each station in 2015.

Status of the Artwork

The majority of the artwork for the stations is in fabrication. As a result of feedback from CD 8 and some community members on the Hyde Park Station artwork, staff has been working with a group of stakeholders, including staff from CD 8, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas' office, Director Dupont-Walker and the station artist to provide additional input on the station's artwork. As result of these meetings, the artwork has evolved and previous concerns are being addressed. The development of the artwork is going well. All artwork, including the Hyde Park Station, is integrated into the construction documents and will be installed on schedule for the Line's opening.

Corridor Community Events and Activities

The CLC has hosted a series of meet-the-artist events which have been well attended. Staff has coordinated various artist workshops, meet-the-artist events, and youth engagement opportunities in community venues along the corridor. In addition, the Artists have engaged community members in a variety of activities including photo-shoots, interviews, presentations, tours, art-making activities, school visits and more.

To further expand outreach, a series of videos featuring several of the community members and artists involved in the project was created and information has also been shared via social media. The videos have been well received and recently Metro received an international videography award for the series.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will continue working with the community stakeholders on the Hyde Park Station artwork development. Staff will also continue to engage the community in the Metro Art program.