SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 3, 2010

ADDENDUM TO THE AGENDA

MAJOR ITEM OF BUSINESS

Recommendation No. 23: Resolution in Support of the “30/10 Plan” for Measure R Transit Projects
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SUBJECT: RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE “30/10 PLAN” FOR MEASURE R TRANSIT PROJECTS

Whereas, The Los Angeles region faces severe unemployment and severe congestion in our transportation system, congestion that inhibits our economy;

Whereas, Our nation and our county needs the thousands of jobs and the environmental benefits that come from the development of a sustainable transportation system with a robust, modern public transit system;

Whereas, In November, 2008, LA County voters spoke with a clear voice about their priorities when they approved Measure R, a 1/2 cent sales tax that will raise nearly $40 billion for local transportation over 30 years;

Whereas, Nearly 70% of Measure R funds will go for transit projects and programs including 12 transit projects such as the Wilshire subway and multiple light rail and bus rapid transit projects. Measure R includes 25% for transit operating costs;

Whereas, The timing of these projects is driven overwhelmingly by the timing of cash flow, not by planning, environmental review, or construction requirements or timelines;

Whereas, Our community and our nation should not have to wait 30 years for these projects to be completed, not when jobs, traffic congestion relief and clean air are needed now;

Whereas, With the help of the federal government in the form of grants, low interest loans, and interest rate subsidies on private loans, and other mechanisms, these 12 transit projects can be completed in 10 years; Whereas, This proposed “30/10 Plan” would accelerate the delivery of these 12 Measure R transit projects from their current 30-year schedule to 10 years;

Whereas, The “30/10 Plan” projects are part of a regional consensus approved by voters in Measure R. They were unanimously adopted by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority’s Board of Directors as part of its 2009 Long Range Transportation Plan;

Whereas, The “30/10 Plan” seeks federal government support for LA Metro’s federal program in the form of New Start grants, low interest loans and interest rate subsidies on private loans;

Whereas, With strong federal partnership as envisioned in the “30/10 Plan” the 12 Measure R transit projects can be developed much more quickly saving as much as $4 billion in avoided cost escalation;

Whereas, The “30/10 Plan” will create over 160,000 construction jobs over the next decade and at least 2,800 permanent jobs operating and maintaining an expanded transit system, jobs that can support a family;
Whereas, The 30/10 projects will run on clean natural gas and electricity. They will remove over 500,000 pounds of air pollution and greenhouse gases from the Los Angeles air basin;

Therefore, We the undersigned organizations and individuals strongly support the LA Metro “30-10 Plan”, commend Mayor Villaraigosa for initiating and championing the 30-10 Plan, and urge Senators Boxer and Feinstein and all of the Los Angeles County Congressional delegation to join in strongly supporting the “30-10 Plan”.

Therefore, We urge the President of the United States, Congress and the agencies of the federal government to vigorously support the "30/10 Plan" and create mechanisms for its implementation that might serve as models for national infrastructure development.

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Organizations Signing the “30-10 Plan” Petition: 7-26-2010

Move LA
Los Angeles County Federation of Labor
LA/OC Building and Trades Council
LA Area Chamber of Commerce
Los Angeles Business Council
Los Angeles Business Federation
Valley Industry and Commerce Association (VICA)
Central City Association
Environment Now
Natural Resources Defense Council
Sierra Club Angeles Chapter
Global Green
Transportation for America
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Los Angeles County Museum of Art LACMA
AFSCME DC 36

IBEW local 11
Ironworkers Local 416
Laborers' Local 300
Painters and Allied Trades, District Council 36
Teamsters Local 396
Teamsters Local 986
United Food & Commercial Workers 1442
Sprinkler Fitters UA Local 709
TCU/IAM Local 1315
Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce
InfraConsult LLC
Jacobs Engineering
Miracle Mile Chamber of Commerce
URS Corporation

Van Tilburg, Banvard & Soderbergh, AIA
American Lung Association in California
Breathe CA of LA
Tree People
Center for Energy Efficiency & Renewable Technologies
Calpirg
Clean Air Now
Coalition for Clean Air
FAST Fixing Angelenos Stuck in Traffic
Southern California Transit Advocates

Subway to the Sea Coalition
Transit Coalition
AIA Los Angeles
American Jewish Committee/Los Angeles LAANE
Southern California Public Health Assoc.
Vision Los Angeles
DSO
Thomas Safran & Assoc.
Walter N. Marks Realty Company
Urban Dimensions
Hatch Mott & MacDonald
Art Meets Technology
Assemblywoman Julia Brownley
Aurora Development
B. Szabo Inc
Bldg. Owners & Mgrs. Assoc. of Greater LA
Bombardier Transportation
Bruins for Traffic Relief
C.T. & F., Inc.
Carde Ten Architects
Church in Ocean Park
City of Bradbury
Coast Surveying, Inc.
Corin L. Kahn, Attorney
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Downtown LA Neighborhood Council
Earth Day Los Angeles
HDBID
Forte Green Strategies
Greater Lakewood Chamber of Commerce
Hardwood Floors
Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin, Metz & Associates
Beverly Hills Mayor’s Transit & Subway Committee
HNTB
Hollywood Chamber of Commerce
Endangered Habitats League

JMB Realty Corporation
JSM Capital, LLC
Killefer Flammang Architects
Koning Eizenberg Architecture
Kull & Hall LLP
Locando del Lago
Los Angeles Streetcar, Inc
Los Angeles Walks
Mercury Air Group, Inc.
Media & Policy Center
Mid City West Community Council
MSL Consulting
Northrop Grumman
Ocean Conservation Society
Pacific Lighting Sales, Inc.
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Shannon & Wilson, Inc.
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Shimmick Construction Co. Inc.
Sieroty Company
Silver Lake Neighborhood Council
Solutions International
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The Jewish Journal
The Luzzatto Company, Inc
JSM Capital, LLC
The River Project
The Robert Group
Togo Systems, Inc.
Urban & Environmental Policy Institute, Occidental College
American Planning Students Association-Cal Poly Pomona Chapter
Wagner Engineering & Survey, Inc
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