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## Board Report

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 27, 2022**

**SUBJECT: MINUTES**

**RECOMMENDATION**

APPROVE Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held September 22, 2022.



## **MINUTES**

**Thursday, September 22, 2022**

**10:00 AM**

### **Board of Directors - Regular Board Meeting**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

**Ara J. Najarian, Chair**

**Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker, 1st Vice Chair**

**Janice Hahn, 2nd Vice Chair**

**Kathryn Barger**

**Mike Bonin**

**James Butts**

**Fernando Dutra**

**Eric Garcetti**

**Paul Krekorian**

**Sheila Kuehl**

**Holly J. Mitchell**

**Tim Sandoval**

**Hilda Solis**

**Gloria Roberts (Interim), non-voting member**

**Stephanie Wiggins, Chief Executive Officer**

**CALLED TO ORDER: 10:00 A.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

1. APPROVED Consent Calendar Items: 2, 10, 12, 13, 16, 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 28, 31, 32\*\*, 33\*\*, 34, 35\*\*, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41 and 47.

Consent Calendar items were approved by one vote unless held by a Director for discussion and/or separate action.

\*\*Item required 2/3 vote

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AN
Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

2. **SUBJECT: MINUTES** **2022-0653**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held August 25, 2022.

3. **SUBJECT: REMARKS BY THE CHAIR** **2022-0654**

RECEIVED remarks by the Chair.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

4. **SUBJECT: REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** **2022-0655**

RECEIVED report by the Chief Executive Officer.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
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KB = K. Barger	FD = F. Dutra	SK = S. Kuehl	HS = H. Solis
MB = M. Bonin	EG = E. Garcetti	HJM = H.J. Mitchell	
JB = J. Butts	JH = J. Hahn	AJN = A.J. Najarian	
JDW = J. Dupont Walker	PK = P. Krekorian	TS = T. Sandoval	

LEGEND: Y = YES, N = NO, C = CONFLICT, ABS = ABSTAIN, A = ABSENT, P = PRESENT

**9. SUBJECT: UPLIFTING ARTS, CULTURE, AND RECREATION DURING 2022-0643  
THE 2028 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES MOTION**

APPROVED Motion by Directors Solis and Garcetti as amended by Butts and Najarian that the Board of Directors direct the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. As part of the 2028 MCP, identify funding and develop recommendations to launch a special grant program dedicated to transforming our streets and transportation facilities into temporary centers of art, culture, and recreation to engage the local communities in the spirit of the Olympic Games before and/or during the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games;
- B. Collaborate with the Los Angeles County Department of Arts and Culture, Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation, the City of Los Angeles (including the Los Angeles Department of Transportation and Department of Cultural Affairs), and LA28 to provide input to Metro on the development of guidelines for the new grant program;
- C. Engage with the California Department of Transportation related to opportunities for new and restored murals on the State Highway System;
- D. Consider how to uplift local and community-based arts organizations as part of the above directives; and
- E. Report back on the above directives in March 2023.

<b>JDW</b>	<b>JH</b>	<b>KB</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>JB</b>	<b>FD</b>	<b>EG</b>	<b>PK</b>	<b>SK</b>	<b>HJM</b>	<b>TS</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>AJN</b>
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**10. SUBJECT: MEASURE M MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAM & 2022-0452  
MEASURE R TRANSIT INVESTMENTS PROGRAM  
UPDATE - SOUTH BAY SUBREGION**

A. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 1. Programming of an additional \$12,334,189 within the capacity of Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) - Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 50),
- 2. Programming of an additional \$23,168,000 within the capacity of Measure M MSP - South Bay Highway Operational Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 63),

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- 3. Inter-program borrowing and programming of an additional \$6,375,000 from Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 50) to Measure M MSP - Transportation System and Mobility Improvements Program (Expenditure Line 66),
- 4. Programming of an additional \$4,000,000 within the capacity of Measure R South Bay Transit Investments Program, and;

B. AUTHORIZED the CEO or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and/or amendments for approved projects.

**12. SUBJECT: WEST SANTA ANA BRANCH TRANSIT CORRIDOR PROJECT**

**2022-0464**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. AUTHORIZING AND DELEGATING authority to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements between Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and the Gateway Cities Council of Governments (Gateway Cities COG) to fund the Gateway Cities Consultant to support the WSAB City Manager TAC efforts for a one-year term; and
- B. RECEIVING AND FILING the project update on the West Santa Ana Branch (WSAB) Transit Corridor Project.

**13. SUBJECT: I-405 COMPREHENSIVE MULTIMODAL CORRIDOR PLAN (CMCP)**

**2022-0552**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR adoption of the I-405 Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan.

**14. SUBJECT: GROUP INSURANCE PLANS**

**2022-0530**

AUTHORIZED the Chief Executive Officer to renew existing group insurance policies covering Non-Contract and AFSCME employees, including long term disability coverage for Teamster employees, and life insurance for all full time Metro employees, for the one-year period beginning January 1, 2023.

<b>JDW</b>	<b>JH</b>	<b>KB</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>JB</b>	<b>FD</b>	<b>EG</b>	<b>PK</b>	<b>SK</b>	<b>HJM</b>	<b>TS</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>AJN</b>
Y	C	C	C	Y	Y	C	A	Y	C	Y	Y	Y

**16. SUBJECT: CRENSHAW/LAX (K LINE) AND REGIONAL CONNECTOR 2022-0413**  
**FARE COLLECTION EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE**  
**SUPPORT SERVICES, CUBIC TRANSPORTATION**  
**SYSTEMS, INC.**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. EXECUTE Modification No. 155.01 to Contract No. OP02461010-MAINT with Cubic Transportation Systems, Inc., (Cubic) for maintenance support services of fare collection equipment at Metro stations related to the Crenshaw/LAX (K Line) Transit Project and Regional Connector Project, in the amount of \$1,054,539 from \$383,998,282 to \$385,052,821; and
- B. NEGOTIATE the contract modification value based on final Revenue Operation Dates of both projects in an amount not-to-exceed \$200,000 above \$1,054,539.

**17. SUBJECT: MEASURE R SHORT-TERM BORROWING PROGRAM 2022-0466**

ADOPTED a resolution that authorizes the Chief Executive Officer and/or other Designated Officers to renew and/or replace the existing direct-pay letter of credit ("LOC") with respect to the Measure R Short-Term Borrowing Program.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
Y	C	C	C	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**18. SUBJECT: LABOR COMPLIANCE MONITORING SERVICES BENCH 2022-0189**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. AWARD ten-year bench Contract Nos. PS75942001 through PS75942009, with firms listed in Attachment B, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$20,000,000 for the five-year base term, effective November 1, 2022, through October 31, 2027, plus \$6,000,000 for the first, three-year option term and \$4,000,000 for the second, two-year option term, for a combined total not-to-exceed amount of \$30,000,000, subject to resolution of protest(s), if any;
- B. ADD qualified firms to the Bench, as necessary, prior to exercising option 1 through the issuance of a competitive solicitation; and
- C. EXECUTE individual task orders under these Contracts for up to \$5,000,000 per task order.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
Y	Y	C	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	C	Y	Y	Y

**19. SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT SERVICES BENCH**

**2022-0276**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to:

A. AWARD sixteen (16) task order-based bench Contract Nos. PS85397000 through PS85397015, for Communications Support Services, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$32,000,000 for a four-year term, effective October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2026, subject to resolution of protest(s), if any, with the following firms:

1. Arellano Associates
2. Communications Lab
3. Community Connections
4. Costin Public Outreach Group
5. Dakota Communications
6. Del Sol Group
7. Lazar Translating & Interpreting
8. Lee Andrews Group
9. MBI Inc.
10. Murakawa Communications
11. Natively Fluent
12. Northstar Alliances
13. Pacific Graphics Inc.
14. Redwood Resources
15. The Robert Group
16. VMA Communications

B. EXECUTE Task Orders under these Contracts for communications support services not exceed \$5,000,000 each.

<b>JDW</b>	<b>JH</b>	<b>KB</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>JB</b>	<b>FD</b>	<b>EG</b>	<b>PK</b>	<b>SK</b>	<b>HJM</b>	<b>TS</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>AJN</b>
Y	Y	C	Y	A/C	Y	C	C	A	C	Y	Y	Y

**20. SUBJECT: APPROVE METRO'S 2022 TITLE VI PROGRAM UPDATE**

**2022-0566**

ADOPTED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the 2022 Title VI Program Update.

**23. SUBJECT: SURVEY OF SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE)**

**2022-0525**

**CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS AND EXPLORING OPPORTUNITY FOR RECIPROCITY (REPORT NO. 22-AUD-05)**

RECEIVED AND FILED Office of the Inspector General (OIG) Final Report on the Survey of Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Certification Programs and Exploring Opportunity For Reciprocity.

<b>JDW</b>	<b>JH</b>	<b>KB</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>JB</b>	<b>FD</b>	<b>EG</b>	<b>PK</b>	<b>SK</b>	<b>HJM</b>	<b>TS</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>AJN</b>
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**25. SUBJECT: CROWN CASTLE FIBER LLC UTILITY COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT** **2022-0501**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute the Utility Cooperative Agreement (UCA) between Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Metro (Metro) and Crown Castle Fiber LLC (Crown Castle).

**26. SUBJECT: METRO G-LINE WATER INFILTRATION AND QUALITY PROJECT** **2022-0507**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. ADOPTING the Final Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND), and the recommended Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP), pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and
- B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer or her designee to file a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) for the Project with the Los Angeles County Clerk and State of California Clearinghouse.

**28. SUBJECT: THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION** **2022-0521**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute an annual expenditure budget plan for the FY23 Annual Work Plan for the City of Los Angeles.

**31. SUBJECT: WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES** **2022-0410**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award an indefinite delivery indefinite quantity Contract No. OP809690008370, for the North and South Regions, combined, to Consolidated Disposal Service, L.L.C. dba Republic Service, to provide systemwide waste management services. The contract not-to-exceed amount is \$7,107,207 for the five-year base period, and \$2,950,875 for the one, two-year option term, for a combined not-to-exceed amount of \$10,058,082, effective November 1, 2022, through October 31, 2029, subject to resolution of protest(s), if any.

<b>JDW</b>	<b>JH</b>	<b>KB</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>JB</b>	<b>FD</b>	<b>EG</b>	<b>PK</b>	<b>SK</b>	<b>HJM</b>	<b>TS</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>AJN</b>
Y	C	Y	Y	A/C	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y



**32. SUBJECT: P3010 AUXILIARY CONVERTER SPARES**

**2022-0527**

APPROVED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to award a 24-month firm fixed unit price Contract No. SP88119000, to Powertech Converter Corporation (Powertech) for the purchase of ten (10) new Auxiliary Converters in support of the P3010 Light Rail Vehicle (LRV) fleet for a total contract amount of \$977,586.52; and
- A. FINDING that there is only a single source of procurement for the item(s) set forth in Recommendation A above and that the purchase is for the sole purpose of duplicating or replacing supply, equipment, or material already in use.

**33. SUBJECT: P3010 LIGHT RAIL FLEET FRICTION BRAKE AND AIR COMPRESSOR OVERHAUL**

**2022-0425**

APPROVED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to award a 60-month, Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity Contract No MA78165000 to Knorr Brake Company (KBC) for component overhaul services of the P3010 light rail vehicle (LRV) friction brake and air compressor system, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$29,427,487; and
- B. FINDING that there is only a single source of procurement for the item(s) set forth in Recommendation A above and that the purchase is for the sole purpose of duplicating or replacing supply, equipment, or material already in use.

**34. SUBJECT: ENGINE PISTON KITS**

**2022-0456**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA85347000 to Cummins, Inc. the responsive and responsible bidder for Engine Piston Kits. The contract's one-year base amount is \$581,774 inclusive of sales tax, and the one-year option amount is \$596,330, inclusive of sales tax, for a total contract amount of \$1,178,104, subject to resolution of protest(s), if any.

**35. SUBJECT: METRO B (RED) LINE PROGRAM STATION STOP SYSTEM**

**2022-0474**

APPROVED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to award a firm-fixed-price contract, Contract No. OP 86946-2000, to B&C Transit to replace the existing Metro B (Red) Line Program Station Stop (PSS) system in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,281,500, inclusive of sales tax; and
- B. FINDING that there is only a single source of procurement for the item(s) set forth in Recommendation A above and that the purchase is for the sole purpose of duplicating or replacing supply, equipment, or material already in use.

**36. SUBJECT: AUTOMATED PUBLIC TOILETS ROUTINE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES**

**2022-0483**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award a sole source firm fixed price Contract No. OP850488370000 for Automated Public Toilets (APTs) maintenance services with Public Facilities and Services, Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,393,540 for the contract five-year base period, effective December 1, 2022.

**37. SUBJECT: ENGINEERING SUPPORT FOR TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE**

**2022-0485**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute Contract Modification No. 7 to Contract No. PS46172000, with Gannett Fleming Transit & Rail Systems, for engineering support of transit infrastructure maintenance to increase the total contract not-to-exceed spending authority by \$5,000,000 from \$26,000,000 to \$31,000,000.

<b>JDW</b>	<b>JH</b>	<b>KB</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>JB</b>	<b>FD</b>	<b>EG</b>	<b>PK</b>	<b>SK</b>	<b>HJM</b>	<b>TS</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>AJN</b>
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**38. SUBJECT: IGNITION CONTROL MODULE**

**2022-0394**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award a two-year, Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. MA86135000 to Cummins, Inc., who was the responsive and responsible bidder, for ignition control modules. The contract's first-year base amount is \$548,316 inclusive of sales tax, and the one-year option amount is \$562,024, inclusive of sales tax, for a total contract amount of \$1,110,340, subject to resolution of protest(s), if any.

**39. SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP ON METRO'S SAN GABRIEL VALLEY SERVICE COUNCIL** **2022-0512**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR nominee for membership on Metro's San Gabriel Valley Service Council.

**40. SUBJECT: AGENCY ENTERPRISE SECURITY ARCHITECTURE ASSESSMENT** **2022-0511**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award a professional service firm-fixed price Contract No. PS77693-3000 to Regents & Park, in the amount of \$1,259,400, subject to resolution of protest(s), if any.

**41. SUBJECT: TECHNICAL AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE P2000 LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE OVERHAUL/MIDLIFE MODERNIZATION PROGRAM** **2022-0459**

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute Modification No. 19 to Contract No. PS20113000, a cost plus fixed-fee contract with CH2M Hill, Inc. for technical and program management support services in support of the P2000 Light Rail Vehicle (LRV) Overhaul/Midlife Modernization Program to increase the Not-To-Exceed (NTE) contract price by \$1,231,187.71 from \$5,829,626 to \$7,060,813.71 to support project activities for 9 months, through June 30, 2023.

**45. SUBJECT: ORAL REPORT ON MICROTRANSIT** **2022-0424**

RECEIVED oral report on MicroTransit service update.

<b>JDW</b>	<b>JH</b>	<b>KB</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>JB</b>	<b>FD</b>	<b>EG</b>	<b>PK</b>	<b>SK</b>	<b>HJM</b>	<b>TS</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>AJN</b>
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**47. SUBJECT: FINDINGS REQUIRED TO CONTINUE TO MEET VIA TELECONFERENCE IN COMPLIANCE WITH AB 361 WHILE UNDER A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND WHILE STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS CONTINUE TO PROMOTE SOCIAL DISTANCING** **2022-0672**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR making the following findings:

Pursuant to AB 361, the Metro Board, on behalf of itself and other bodies created by the Board and subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act, including Metro's standing Board committees, advisory bodies, and councils, finds:

The Metro Board has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency, and that:

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- A. The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person, and
- B. State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

Therefore, all such bodies will continue to meet via teleconference subject to the requirements of AB 361.

**48. SUBJECT: I-710 SOUTH CORRIDOR TASK FORCE**

**2022-0330**

APPROVED the I-710 South Corridor Project’s recommendations for:

- A. Vision Statement,
- B. Guiding Principles and Goals,
- C. Pre-Investment Plan Opportunity, and
- D. New Project Name: The Long Beach-East LA Corridor Mobility Investment Plan

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**49. SUBJECT: RELATED TO ITEM 48: 710 SOUTH CORRIDOR PRE-INVESTMENT PLAN OPPORTUNITY MOTION**

**2022-0674**

APPROVED Motion by Directors Hahn, Solis, and Dutra to provide the Chief Executive Officer authority to include a local funding match from available non-bus and rail operations-eligible funds for those grant applications submitted through the remainder of calendar year 2022 for the above-identified Pre-Investment Plan Opportunity initiatives, and to report back to this Board after such action has been taken.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**50. SUBJECT: FARE CAPPING UPDATE**

**2022-0664**

RECEIVED oral report on Fare Capping Update.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

**51. SUBJECT: VERMONT TRANSIT CORRIDOR MOTION**

2022-0676

APPROVED Motion by Directors Dupont-Walker, Najarian, Mitchell, Solis, and Butts that the Board direct the CEO to:

- A. Advance the Vermont Transit Corridor with a three-pronged strategy, completing immediate-term quick-build improvements as soon as is practicable, a medium-term BRT project opening for revenue service no later than FY27, and a longer-term rail transit project thereafter;
- B. Evaluate the medium-term BRT project for a federal Small Starts application;
- C. Of the \$425 million included for the Vermont Transit Corridor in the Measure M Expenditure Plan (line item 17; 2015\$), reserve no less than ten percent for the development of the long-term rail transit project. If it ever becomes necessary for Metro to recommend this funding for a shortfall on the Vermont BRT project, Metro will work with the subregion to identify replacement funds that ensure the rail transit project continues to meaningfully advance;
- D. Identify a strategy to make the Vermont rail project shovel-ready consistent with voter- and Board-adopted Measure M project sequencing or acceleration priorities (Measure M Project Evaluation Readiness Tool). Without affecting existing voter- and Board-adopted project sequencing or acceleration priorities (except as allowed by the Measure M decennial process), make the Vermont rail project a first priority for any future new capital funding;
- E. Explore new opportunities to optimize bus service offered by municipal operators on the Vermont corridor, including evaluation of overlapping and connecting lines and schedule coordination to allow for seamless timed transfers; and
- F. Include an extension south of 120th Street in Metro's forthcoming list of future strategic unfunded projects, building off of the recently-completed Vermont Transit Corridor South Bay Extension Feasibility Study.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

**52. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION**

2022-0673

A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - G.C. 54956.9(d)(1)

1. Ruth Hernandez v. LACMTA, Case No. 19STCV40334

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$7,686,769 toward an overall settlement of \$17,250,000.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	C	Y

2. David Sarabia Ortiz v. LACMTA, Case No. BC661233

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$2,850,000.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

3. Richard Smith v. LACMTA, Case No. BC57164

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$250,000.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

4. Kirk Waters v. LACMTA, Case No. 21STCV05211

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$1,000,000.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

5. LACMTA v. Talgo, Inc., Case No. 22STCV30100

NO REPORT.

B. Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation-G.C. 54956.9(d)(4)

Significant Exposure to Litigation (Three Cases)

NO REPORT.

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C. Conference with Real Property Negotiators - G.C. 54956.8

Property: 13729 Rosecrans Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

Agency Negotiator: Craig Justesen

Negotiating Parties: 13729 Rosecrans LLC, Sky Climbers, and Kaiser Transportation

Under Negotiations: Price and Terms.

APPROVED the settlement of just compensation and business goodwill, the details will be made available after the agreements are signed by the parties.

JDW	JH	KB	MB	JB	FD	EG	PK	SK	HJM	TS	HS	AJN
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

**ADJOURNED AT 4:00 P.M.**

Prepared by: Mandy Cheung  
Administrative Analyst, Board Administration



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Collette Langston, Board Clerk



# City of Whittier

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August 29, 2022

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Jessica Martinez  
Mayor Pro Tem

Fernando Dutra  
Council Member

Cathy Warner  
Council Member

Octavio Martinez  
Council Member

Brian Saeki  
City Manager

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## **Re: Eastside Transit Corridor – Phase 2: Draft Environmental Impact Report**

Dear Chair Solis and Members of the Metro Board of Directors:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Eastside Extension (Phase 2) of the L Line. The City of Whittier, as a future terminus station for the extended L Line continues to be supportive of light rail transit expansion throughout the Gateway Cities. We are nearing completion on a County-funded First-Last Mile study of the Lambert/Washington Station, we have participated in an economic impacts analysis study through the Washington Boulevard Coalition, and the City adopted a new General Plan that encourages transit-oriented development around the station.

While the City continues to advocate for the full nine-mile extension of the project, we also look forward to working closely with Metro staff to ensure appropriate security on the train and in the station, as well as for sensitive planning for parking at the terminus station. The DEIR notes that the initial scoping period noted traffic, parking, safety, and security are all controversial aspects of the project, and the comments during the public review of the DEIR continue to point out these concerns. Whittier looks forward to continued discussions with Metro staff to ensure adequate planning for security and safety, both in and around the station, and for passengers on the train as it travels to and from Whittier. With regard to the DEIR, Whittier has the following specific comments:

Section 3.11 notes a finding of “no impact” of construction noise at the Lambert station, while west of Lambert is generally commercial/industrial, there are sensitive receptors, in the form of single and multifamily homes, just east of Lambert for whom mitigations should be evaluated both during construction and once the train is in operation. Section 3.11.2.4 states that Metro is not required to conduct activities consistent with the City’s noise ordinance; is there a process or arbitration that can be initiated if there is a disagreement about construction noise?



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In Section 3.11.16 there is a discussion of using FTA criteria noise levels; Whittier would ask that Metro study/research the level of noise caused by the 30 train passes anticipated between 8pm and 4:30am, perhaps using data from the Pasadena and/or Crenshaw/LAX lines; similarly in Section 3.11.17 there is a discussion of the noise from warning devices for at-grade crossings; it should be noted that this is an ongoing impact for any nearby residential uses.

Section 3.14, Transportation and Traffic, discusses construction impacts of the project but neglects to mention the Whittier Police Department, which serves both the City of Whittier and the City of Santa Fe Springs, in its contemplation of future coordination with public safety agencies.

The references to "Fred C. Nelles Youth Correctional Facility" should refer to "The Groves Whittier", a 750 dwelling unit and 140,000 square foot commercial redevelopment site under the Lincoln Specific Plan."

The Whittier Boulevard Specific Plan will shortly be dissolved and replaced with Mixed Use 1, 2, and 3 zones as well as Innovation, Medical, Commercial with Housing Overlay, and R-5 zones, as noted in the City of Whittier *Envision* General Plan adopted in October 2021.

In the future design phase, it should be noted that the at-grade tracks in Whittier must be designed not only to ensure pedestrian and traffic safety, but also to avoid any potential for unauthorized access to track and station areas, which poses a security and safety risk as well as adverse impacts to health and cleanliness. The Whittier Municipal Code expressly prohibits the use of chain-link fencing and wire/mesh fencing with similar appearance; our Community Development staff look forward to working with Metro to ensure fencing and exterior treatments for the track and the station are in keeping with the Municipal Code requirements.

The DEIR notes various station amenities per Metro's Systemwide Station Design Standards Policy, and that details for station area planning will be evaluated and determined at a later phase. Nevertheless, Figure 2.13, the conceptual site plan for the Lambert Station lacks acknowledgement of critical infrastructure such as the extensive parking and drop off/pick up ("kiss and ride") areas necessary for the station. The City of Whittier must emphasize that adequate parking infrastructure as well as security and safety policies and operational plans are critical to the success of the L Line. It is crucial that station design sensitively consider drop-off and pick-up locations such that the "Ubers" and "Lyfts" of today, and future service innovations, do not disrupt traffic and parking near or within the station footprint. Moreover, the park-and-ride facilities contemplated for the terminus station must be designed to avoid disruption of existing commercial and healthcare businesses both in their siting and in the design to avoid overflow into already-impacted parking facilities in the immediate vicinity of the future Lambert Station. Adequate parking facilities, including parking structures as well as discussion of paid and secured parking, will be essential to ensure that the influx of future L Line riders do not adversely impact the community.

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As a terminus station which, in reverse, is the embarking station for commuters travelling from the eastern end of Los Angeles County, Orange County, and beyond, the City also strongly advocates for additional consideration from Metro with regard to a unique architectural style that is safe, secure, convenient, accessible, and appropriate for our community, in addition to the mitigations for the parking, arrival, departure, and general traffic impacts noted in the above comment. Moreover, Whittier advocates for orientation of the tail track to ensure that a future connection through Orange County can be constructed with minimal additional disruption to the surrounding community.

The DEIR document depicts the Lambert Station and tail tracks on land that is now commercial business. Whittier respectfully requests displaced businesses be relocated to other locations within the City of Whittier, in similar proximity to PIH Health Hospital. Moreover, there will likely be substantial impact to a large nearby business, the Home Depot, during the construction process; we would likewise request assistance to make that business whole during construction.

The City is looking forward to continuing to participate in the L Line extension planning process and is appreciative of the opportunity to provide comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report.

Thank you for your consideration,



Brian Saeki  
City Manager  
City of Whittier

CC: Washington Boulevard Coalition  
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SUBJECT: Letter of Opposition to the Los Angeles County/Los Angeles Metro-proposed  
Land Banking Pilot Program

Dear Honorable Supervisor/Director Hahn:

As an advocate for the Gateway Cities priority light rail projects, the Eastside Extension of the L Line (former Gold Line) and the West **Santa Ana Branch (WSAB) project, the City of South Gate is extremely concerned about** the inclusion of the Metro's WSAB project as part of the Land Banking Pilot Program ("Land Banking Program"). The joint proposal from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the Los Angeles County Metro Board (County/Metro) would allow for the acquisition and retention of property within corridor cities to facilitate the construction of housing. While the discussion has centered around a pilot program, Metro Board Deputies have indicated the intent is to expand the program across all future light rail projects without respect to existing municipal zoning or adopted Housing Elements. Therefore, South Gate is opposed to this Land Banking Program explicitly because the program threatens land use control and decision making of local municipalities.

To successfully transform under-developed and/or under-performing property to its highest and best use around station locations, corridor cities must be able to retain local land use control. Preserving local land use control empowers city officials to guide the creation of station area plans that are specifically designed to meet the unique needs of the community and residents they were elected to serve. Accordingly, mixed-use developments comprised of retail-commercial, office, hotel and residential uses will emerge around station areas that are reflective of the character and rich culture found in each community. Additionally, the conversion of existing land uses to modern-day transit-oriented developments (TOD) will help to generate the long-term revenue required to offset the cost of infrastructure improvements and the ongoing provision of municipal services and programs to support the influx of new residents. For these reasons, the reuse of existing property along the WSAB corridor, and future light rail corridors, as well as around station locations, must be controlled by local municipalities and completed in accordance with existing land use/zoning regulations guided by city-approved station area plans.

South Gate has long supported regional transportation projects and has worked in good faith with Metro over the years to continue to advance the Gateway Cities light rail projects.

However, Metro Board's recent decision to partner with the County to pursue and/or explore the potential for land banking opportunities along the light rail corridors without first consulting the affected corridor cities, threatens South Gate's trust in the County and in the Metro transit development process. This was underscored by statements made by a Metro Board Deputy that asserted the County as a sovereign authority and not be subject to local zoning regulations. This places cities such as South Gate, which are on the edge of the County and historically underserved by Metro transit investments, with a terrible choice between abandoning support for future projects such as the L Line extension, or permitting all future reuse, zoning, and development decisions along future corridors to, effectively, be made by Metro.

Cities are required to construct their fair share of housing pursuant to State housing law. Cities are required to construct an allocated number of very-low, low, moderate, and above-moderate income housing units in accordance with the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) process and as determined by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). South Gate, like most Gateway Cities, is currently in the process of obtaining Housing Element approval from the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), effectively certifying plans for satisfying these housing requirements. To further ensure that cities do their part to facilitate the development of housing, Housing Elements are required to identify properties that are deemed by cities to be most suitable and realistic for reuse as housing. Housing Elements are also required to include specific details about prospective residential development, including the total number of units to be constructed on each subject property and their designate income categories. Lastly, local municipalities are required to re-zone each subject property to accommodate residential uses within a period of three (3) years thereby providing for by-right housing development.

The County/Metro-proposed Land Banking Program will directly conflict with State Certified Housing Elements and Station Area Plans because cities intend to reuse property around station locations for economic development and revenue generating purposes - not for the provision of high-density, low-income housing. Cities have been led to believe that light rail projects would facilitate the development of new retail-commercial, office and hotel developments around station areas and would support the creation of jobs and the generation of tax revenue to support infrastructure improvements and the provision of essential municipal services and programs. Instead, the Land Banking Program is designed to facilitate the construction of high-density low-income housing around station areas regardless of a city's desire and need to utilize these locations for the development of new revenue generating uses. Specifically, sales tax, transient occupancy tax (TOT), and ground rent revenue generated by station area development is imperative to facilitate the construction of housing in other more suitable areas of the city and to fund the provision of essential municipal services and programs for new residents.

Should the County/Metro elect to pursue the proposed Land Banking Program despite the opposition expressed by the City of South Gate and cities along the WSAB corridor, south Gate respectfully requested that the following terms and conditions be stipulated in the WSAB Master Cooperation Agreement and future light rail corridor Master Agreements, as well as the Land Banking Program's guidelines:

- County/Metro proposed Land Banking Program shall only be employed within the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County and shall exclude all areas located within the jurisdictional boundaries and sphere of influence of incorporated local municipalities.



- Any properties acquired by either the County/Metro for the purpose of facilitating the construction of the WSAB project shall be subject to the following:
  - Transfer of County/Metro-owned Properties to Corridor Cities - properties purchased to facilitate the construction of the WSAB project, L Line extension, or future transit projects, by the County/Metro shall be transferred free of charge to the municipality within which the subject property is located for use in promoting local economic development; or

Corridor cities should be entitled to receive their fair share of Measure M funding for facilitating local economic development in association with the WSAB project because said funding is derived from sales tax revenue of which a portion is generated directly by corridor cities. As proposed, property purchased by the County/Metro with Measure M funding should be transferred to corridor cities for economic development and revenue generating purposes to help offset the expenses incurred by corridor cities associated with infrastructure improvements, mitigating adverse impacts and funding 3% of a light rail project's cost.

To effectively reduce the long-term impacts of the WSAB project, the L Line extension, and future transit projects, such as traffic, parking, and safety, corridor cities must be able to generate ongoing revenue to fund the implementation of mitigation measures. This can be accomplished by converting existing under-developed and/or under-performing property to new tax revenue generating retail-commercial and hotel uses. The revenue generated from sales tax and transient occupancy tax (TOT) will be necessary for corridor cities to afford the implementation of mitigation measures, pay for costly infrastructure improvements, and fund the Measure M required 3% contribution from corridor cities.

In addition to generating tax revenue, transferring ownership of County/Metro-owned properties to corridor cities would provide for the generation of ground rent revenue. Leasing city-owned property to private developers for reuse as tax revenue generating uses in accordance with station area plans would significantly increase the revenue generated by corridor cities. In the end, the revenue produced by sales tax, TOT, and ground rent combined would support the production of housing pursuant to State Certified Housing Elements and help corridor cities fund the provision of municipal services and programs for new residents.

- First Right of Refusal Granted to Corridor Cities - first right of refusal to purchase any property acquired by the County/Metro for the construction of the WSAB project, the L Line extension and future transit projects, shall be granted to the municipality within which the subject property is located; and
- County/Metro-Owned Properties Neither Granted to Corridor Cities nor Purchased by Corridor Cities - any County/Metro-owned properties that are neither granted to corridor cities, nor purchased by corridor cities under the right of first refusal, shall be developed in collaboration with the municipality within which the subject property is located and in accordance with existing zoning and land use regulations, development standards, and station area plans.



The motion approved by the Metro Board of Directors calls for Metro staff to report back on all the motion's directives in October 2022. Accordingly, the city requests that this letter of opposition be made part of the official public record and made available to the Board of Supervisors/Metro Board for reference in advance of the meeting.

The City of South Gate opposes the County/Metro-proposed Land Banking Program because it serves to take land use control and decision making away from local elected officials, city administrators and professional city staff, and ignores the interests of residents, property and business owners who are vested in the betterment and economic vitality of their respective communities. The City strongly urges the Board of Supervisors/Metro Board to eliminate the L Line extension, the WSAB project, and future Gateway Cities light rail projects, from the proposed Land Banking Program, and instead work with corridor cities to create station area plans that facilitate local economic development and new housing construction in accordance with State Certified Housing Elements and existing zoning and land use regulations. Thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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RE: Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART)

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

I am a small business owner in Chinatown.

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART). Chinatown businesses could see significant economic benefits due to increased transit access and foot traffic brought on by the project.

Chinatown is home to many unique and diverse small businesses that were significantly impacted by restrictions put in place to fight the spread of COVID-19.

LAART will run during all Dodger home games and events at Dodger Stadium, and is also anticipated to operate daily to serve community members, park visitors, and tourists. By increasing transit access to Chinatown, the project could provide a significant economic boost to small businesses year around.

It is exciting to see a proposal for a project that could bring more visitors to Chinatown at a time when it is needed more than ever. I strongly support this project and hope to stay engaged as it moves through the planning and development process.

Sincerely,

Gaohui Li

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Gaohui Li', written in a cursive style.

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RE: Los Angeles Arial Rapid Transit Project (LAART) 空中快速交通項目

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

我是唐人街的小企業/商鋪擁有人 [業務描述]。

我寫信表達我對洛杉磯空中快速交通項目 (LAART) 的支持。由於這項目增加了交通通道和人流量，可以讓唐人街企業/商鋪有顯著的經濟效益。

唐人街擁有許多獨特而多樣化的商鋪，這些商鋪為了對抗疫情傳播而實施商業限制，因此受到重大影響。

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這個令人興奮的項目，可以為唐人街帶來更多遊客。我強烈支持這個項目，並希望參與它的規劃和開發過程。

真摯地，

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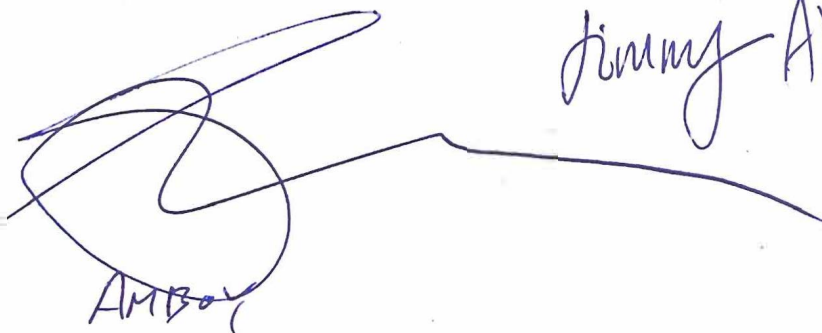
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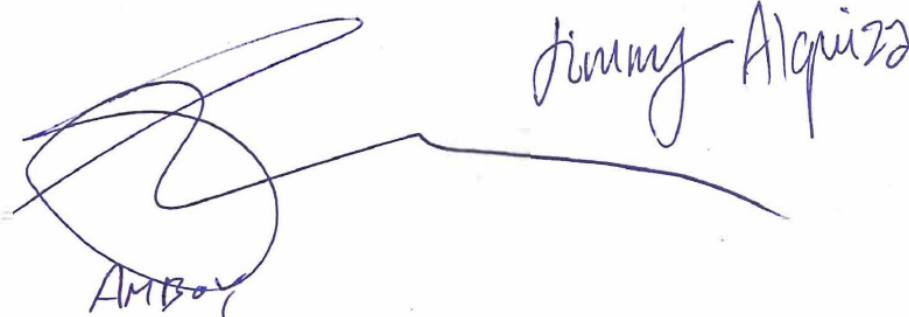
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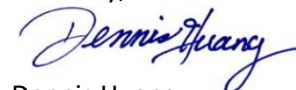
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The emissions reductions from this permanent transit link, with its game-day capacity of 10,000 to 12,000 Dodger Stadium visitors, could benefit local communities by replacing up to 3,000 existing car trips before and after each Dodger game and Stadium event. In addition, the project's year-round operation opportunities can increase transit access for underserved communities and increase access to parks.

Projects like these are important in addressing climate change and as an opportunity to create local jobs and economic opportunities for our communities, which is critically important as we look to move into the pandemic recovery phase and toward the future, including planning for the 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles.

**We are pleased to support the LA ART project**, recognizing the significant benefits potential from a successful project.

Sincerely,



Dennis Huang  
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RE: Support for Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LA ART)

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We strongly encourage approval of this contract so Los Angeles can continue moving towards becoming a more sustainable city. Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at [RDhillon@breathesocal.org](mailto:RDhillon@breathesocal.org) or at (323) 935-8050 x233. Thank you for your consideration.

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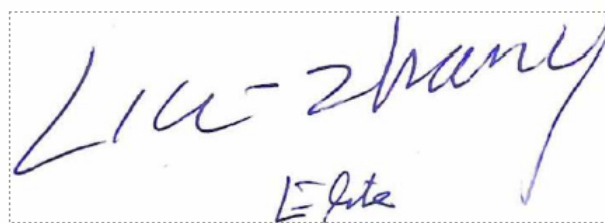
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September 14, 2022

Honorable Ara J. Najarian, Chair  
Stephanie Wiggins, Chief Executive Officer  
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
One Gateway Plaza  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: EMC Agenda September 15, 2022 - Item #21 Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project

Dear Board Chair Najarian and CEO Wiggins:

Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit (LA ART) would provide the first permanent transit connection to Dodger Stadium, one of the only stadiums in Major League Baseball lacking a permanent transit connection. Dodger Stadium brings all of Los Angeles together, and fans travel from across the County to attend games. The project could eliminate the need for thousands of car trips per game, with goals to transport 8,000 to 10,000 fans to Dodger Stadium in the two hours before game-time. Rather than sitting in traffic near local neighborhoods, to avoid congestion and air quality impacts, fans will be able to enjoy an emissions-free scenic ride from downtown to Dodger Stadium in just seven minutes. Working in partnership with Metro, this innovative new emission-free mode of public transportation aims to help to move our City's and Metro's climate goals forward and can contribute to our regional goals to increase overall ridership in public transportation. We are also excited to have begun our work with Climate Resolve's new nonprofit, Zero Emissions Transit, and the recently announced nonprofit commitment for the LA ART project.

After a lengthy Notice of Preparation process in 2020 and 2021, and extensive community outreach, detailed information will be available for public review through the release of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the project. During this unprecedented time of COVID-19, we have spent the last few years engaging virtually and, when safe, in-person, with the community, numerous stakeholders, and in community meetings across the neighborhoods along the proposed project route. In response to robust outreach by the project team, deliberate changes have been made to the project to address the needs and feedback from stakeholders interested in zero emission transit. As our outreach efforts continue, we look forward to the release of the DEIR to pursue additional informed community outreach through several informational workshops and community hearings in the next few months. Outreach and engagement continue to be pivotal to the success of this project and a priority for the project team.

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We appreciate Metro staff and all their efforts in guiding us through this public process, which has been conducted based on community outreach plans prepared in conjunction with Metro staff, as summarized in staff's report included on the agenda for the September Executive Management Committee (EMC) meeting of the Board. As the Board knows, the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic made us all shift strategies and rely heavily on virtual interactions. Abiding by strict County health regulations and ensuring the safety of all residents, LA ART abided by and also adopted safety protocols. The project has several meetings with direct stakeholders, including meetings in person with many small groups, as appropriate given the local neighborhoods that surround the approximately 1 mile project route, over the last two years. Like Metro's Board meetings, LA ART also took advantage of virtual platforms, hosting two large community meetings with attendance in the hundreds. In addition, our team walked door to door to over 22,000 homes near the Project route. We have attached several maps that highlight the extensive local community outreach conducted.

We have also sent direct mail to over 15,000 homes and over 1 million emails from the Los Angeles Dodgers and MLB with information on the project. We have also opened a cabin display at Dodger Stadium to provide information directly to the most likely riders of the project – Dodger fans – and have interacted with hundreds of Angelenos from across the region at Dodger Stadium. The project has an energetic social media presence that aims to publish frequently asked questions and educational information on the project.

The project has worked hard to propose benefits to the surrounding communities, including additional pedestrian improvements, access to Los Angeles State Historic Park and Elysian Park, and reduced congestion and the resulting reduction in emissions and pollution in these impacted communities. Despite the challenges presented by COVID-19, LA ART, with Metro staff help, has been able to develop new strategies to create robust community engagement. We are very proud to report that, as a result of our outreach, over 7,000 local individuals have expressed support for the project. Our business outreach from Union Station to Dodger Stadium has resulted in 500 individual businesses supporting the project. Our support also includes two of the largest constituencies along the proposed project route: Cathedral High School and the residents of William Mead Homes.

Many residents, employers, and employees are excited about the connection the gondola makes between Metro's transportation system at Union Station and along the L Line (Gold). Our Community Fares Program includes an easy and free transfer to the gondola system using a Metro Tap card, enabling connections to the community, the Los Angeles State Historic Park, Elysian Park, and to Dodger Stadium in 7 minutes or less.

Business owners in support welcome an operational LA ART station in Chinatown to increase foot traffic to their business districts and will have a positive economic impact for them in the future, especially as we work towards functional "ride & visit" partnerships so Dodger fans can easily patronize local businesses before games, and our planning includes incentives to visit local businesses.



**LAART**

As the project continues to move through its public process, we will continue to conduct robust outreach across several platforms ensuring there is transparent and accessible information for all residents.

Through the release of the DEIR, the project will be hosting public information workshops – both virtual and in person in the community – to ensure the community understands the content included in the DEIR. In addition, the project will also host public hearings to allow community members to provide public comment.

We look forward to continuing to work with the community, receiving feedback, and answering questions people may have through the public process.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Rivera  
Vice President, External Affairs

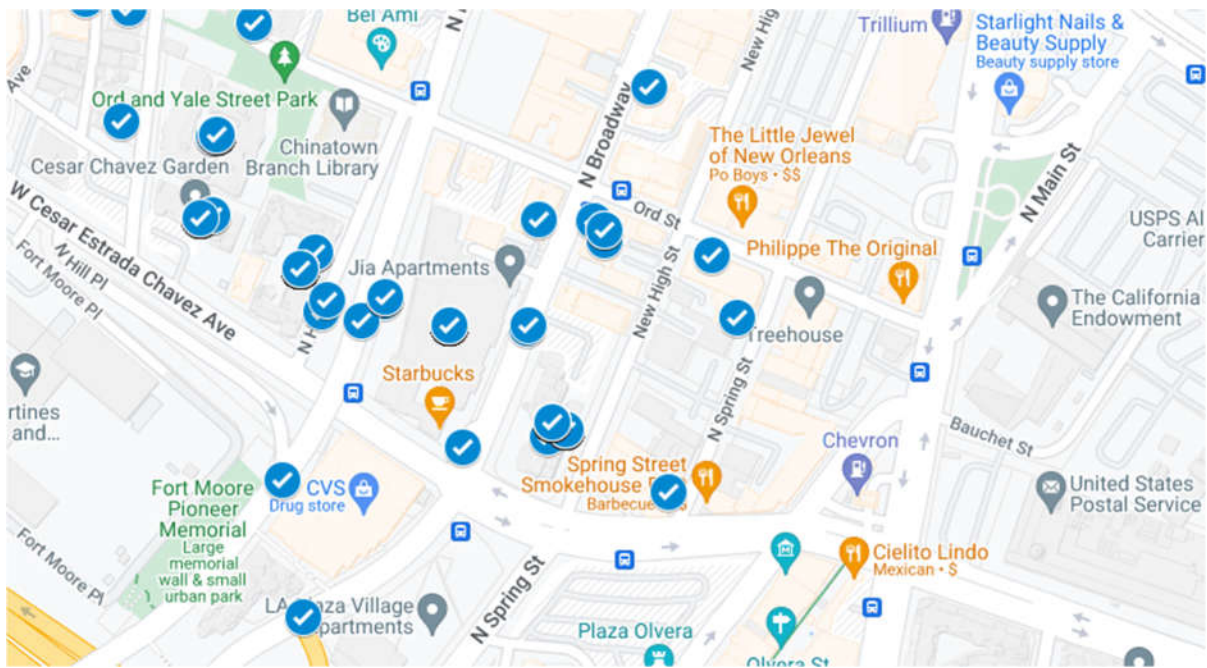
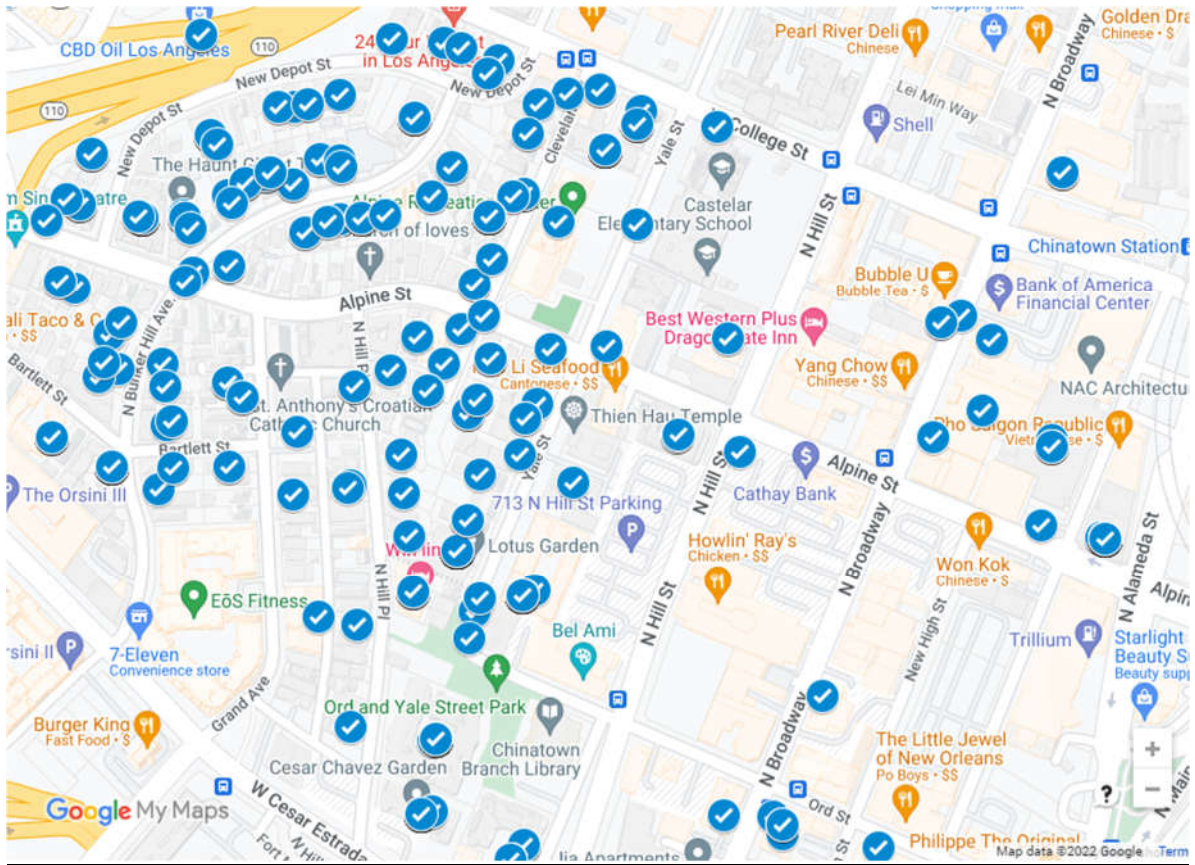
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Cc: Metro Board Members  
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Anthony Crump, Metro  
Michael Cortez, Metro  
Jordan Lang, LA ART  
Dave Schapiro, LA ART  
David Grannis, Zero Emissions Transit, pointC  
Cindy Starrett, Latham & Watkins  
Beth Gordie, Latham & Watkins

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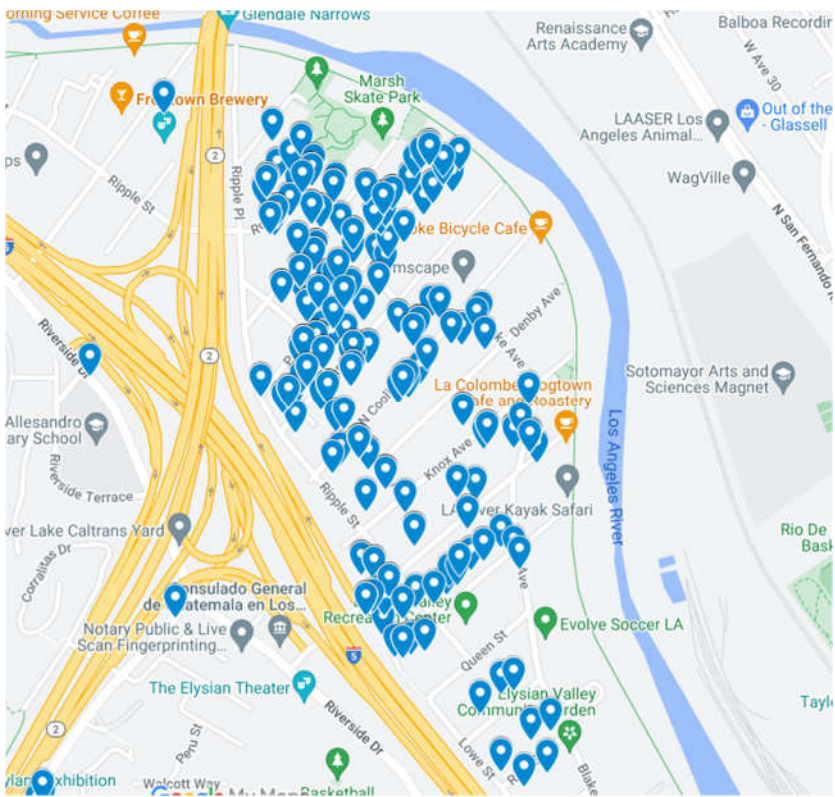
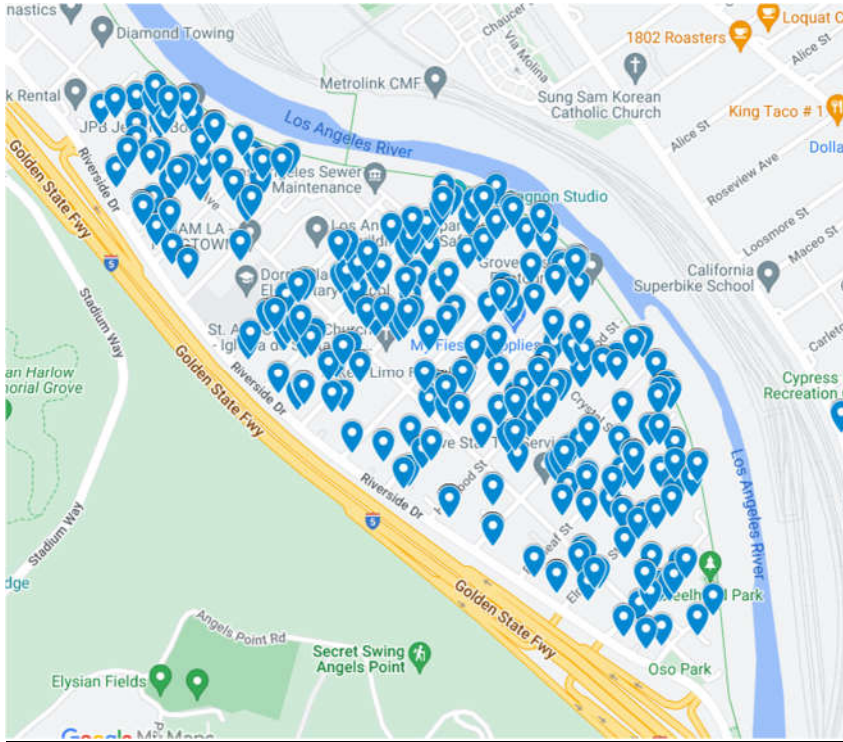
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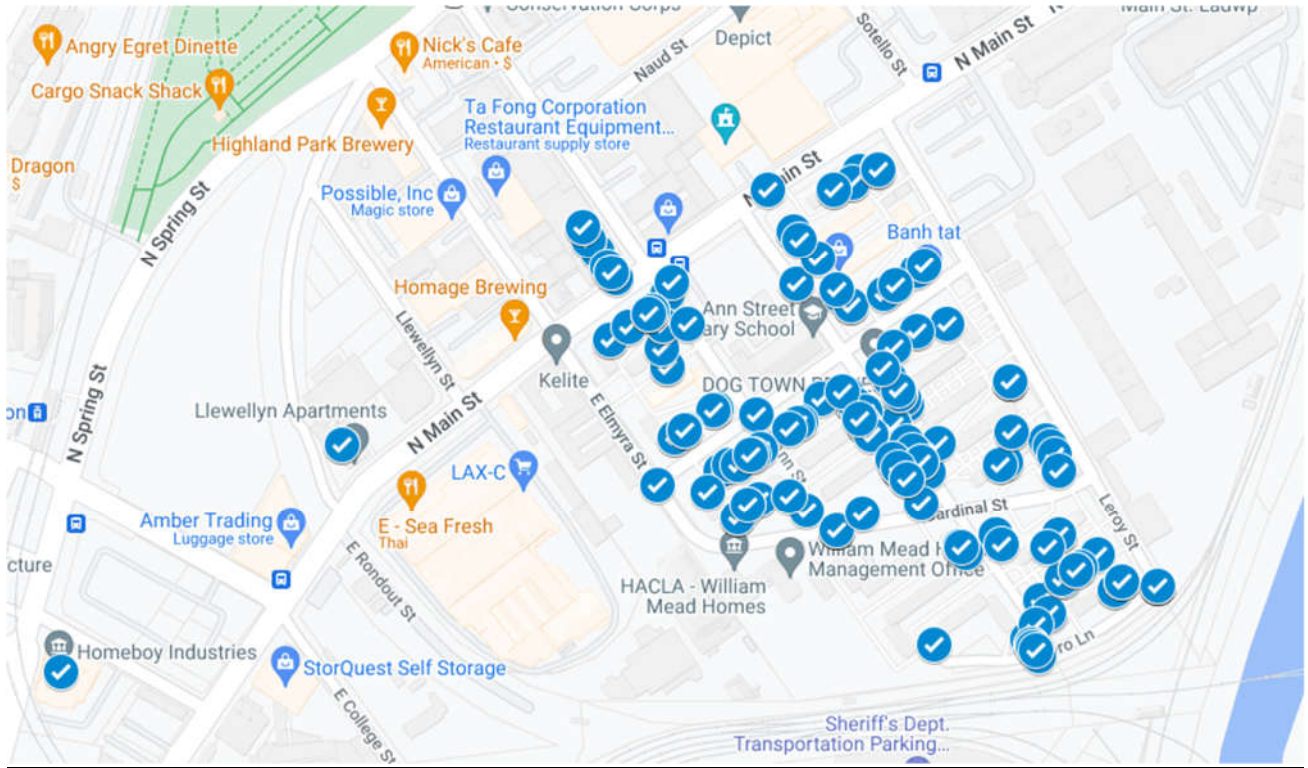




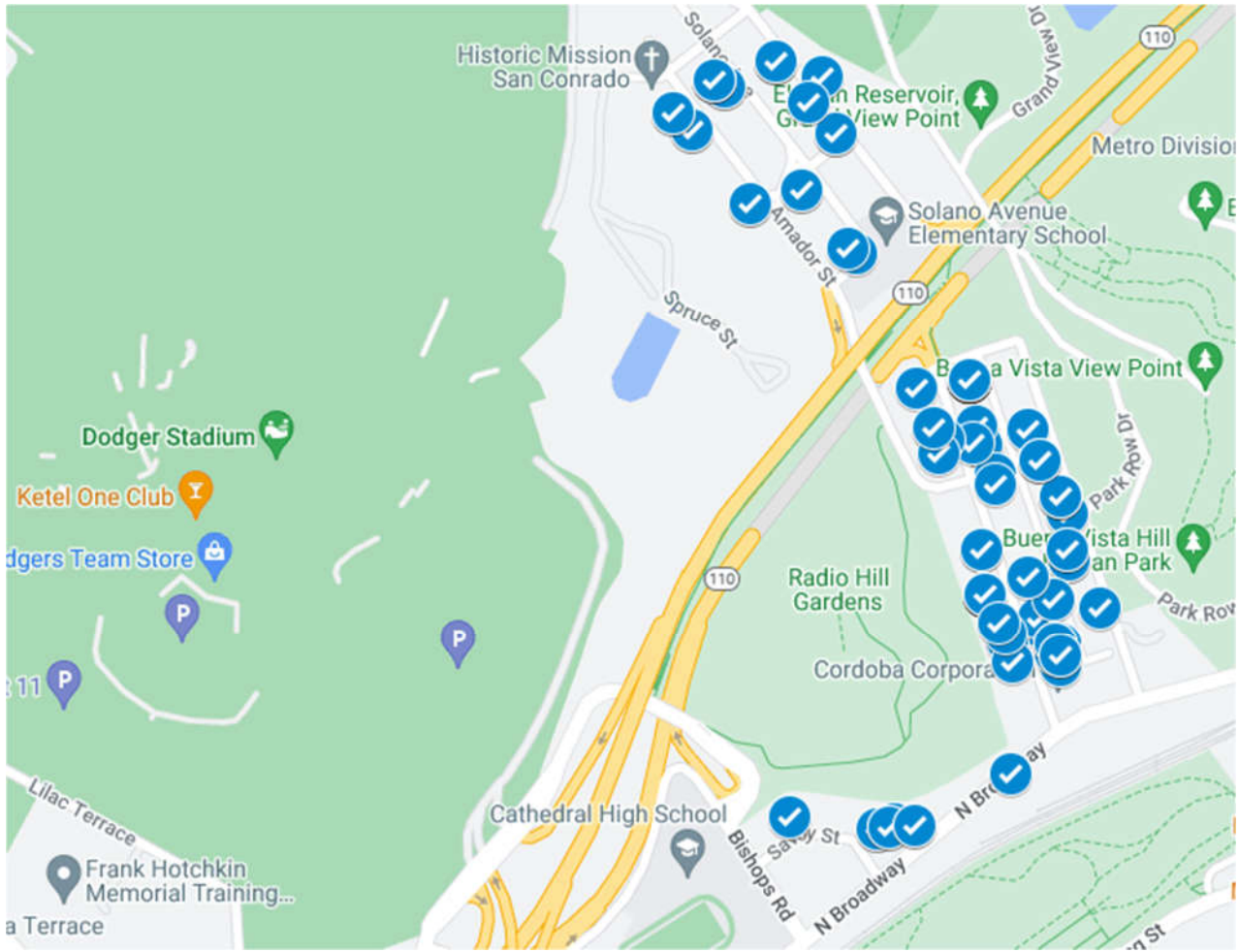
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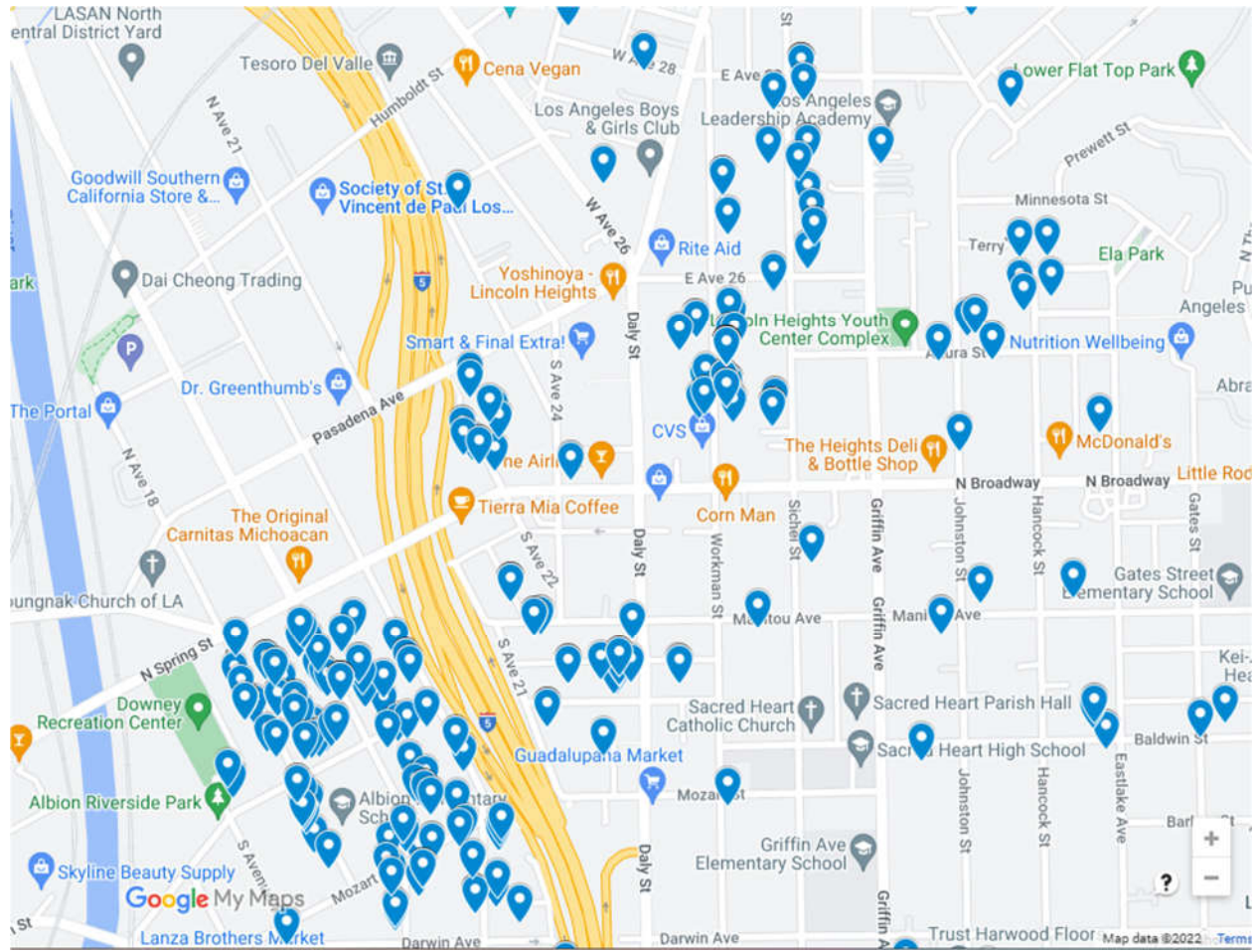
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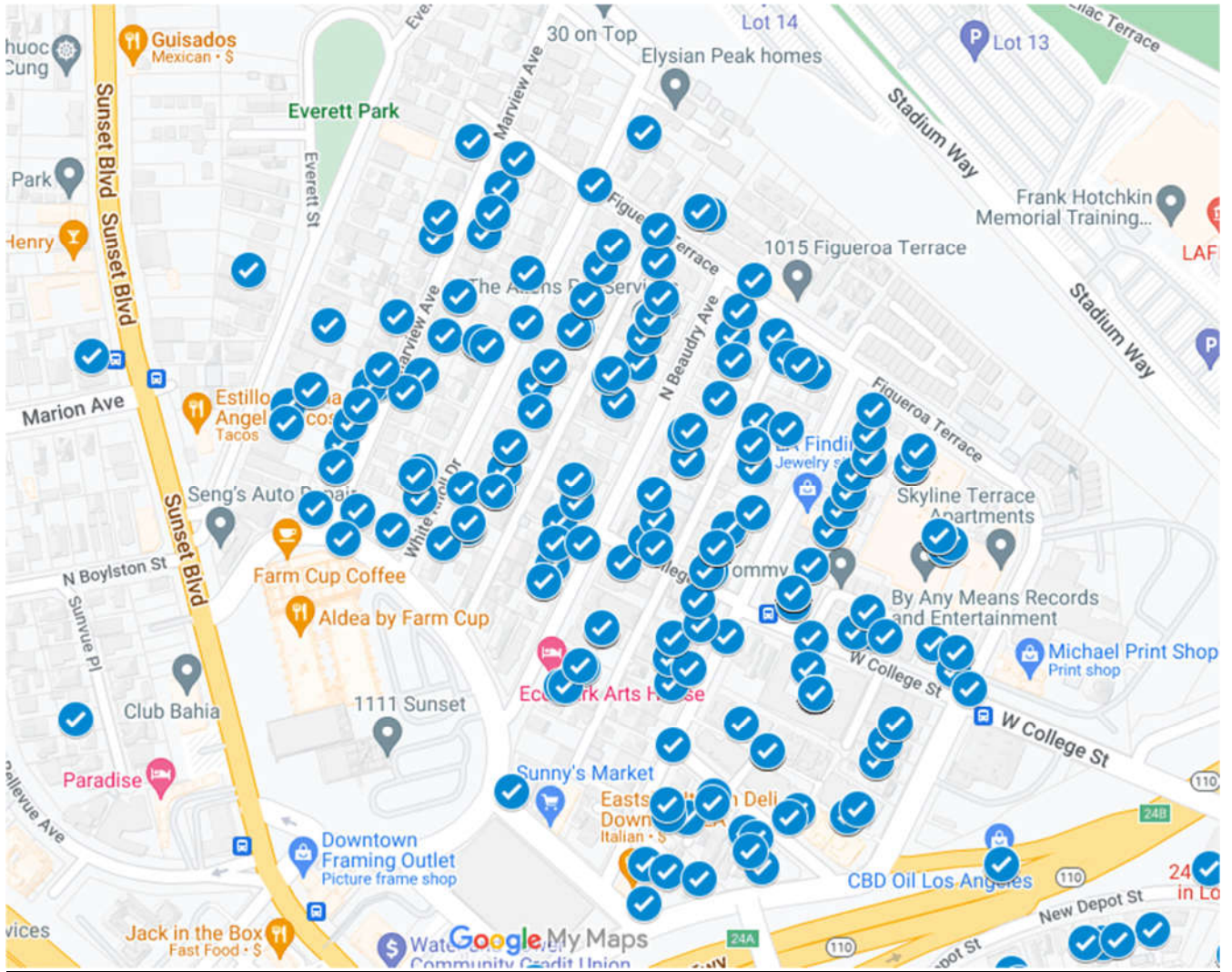
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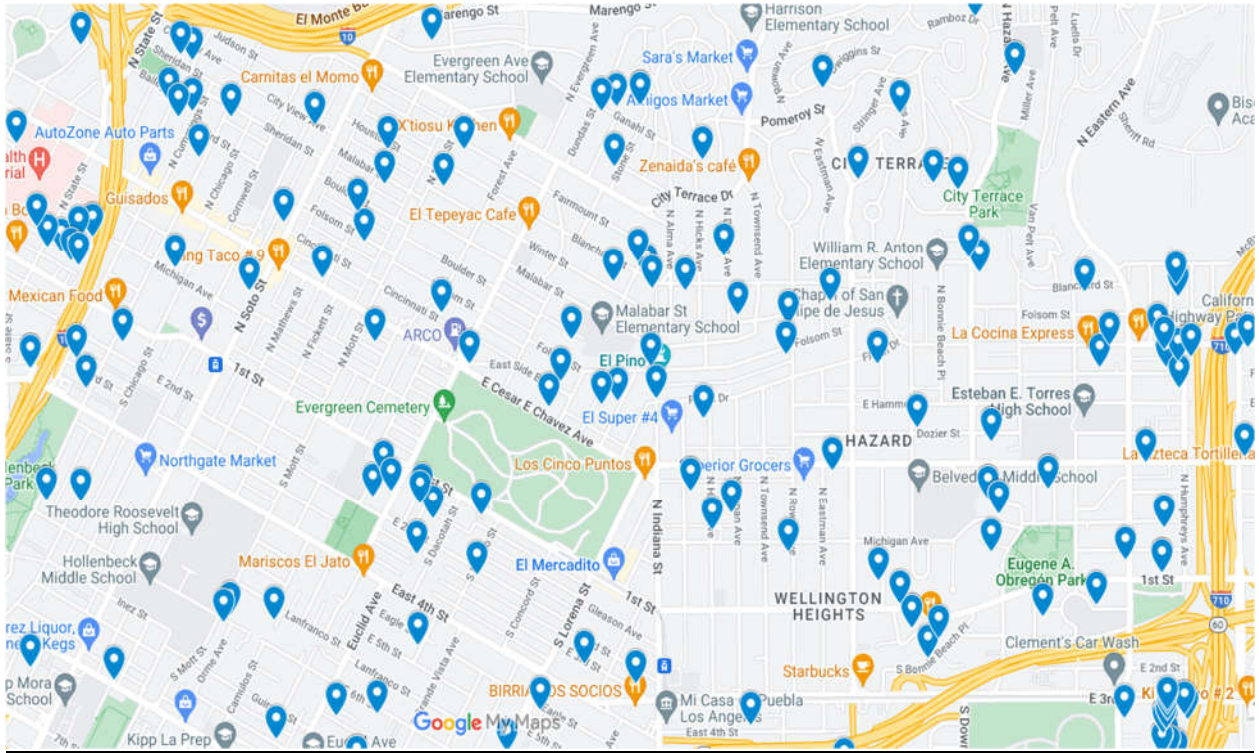
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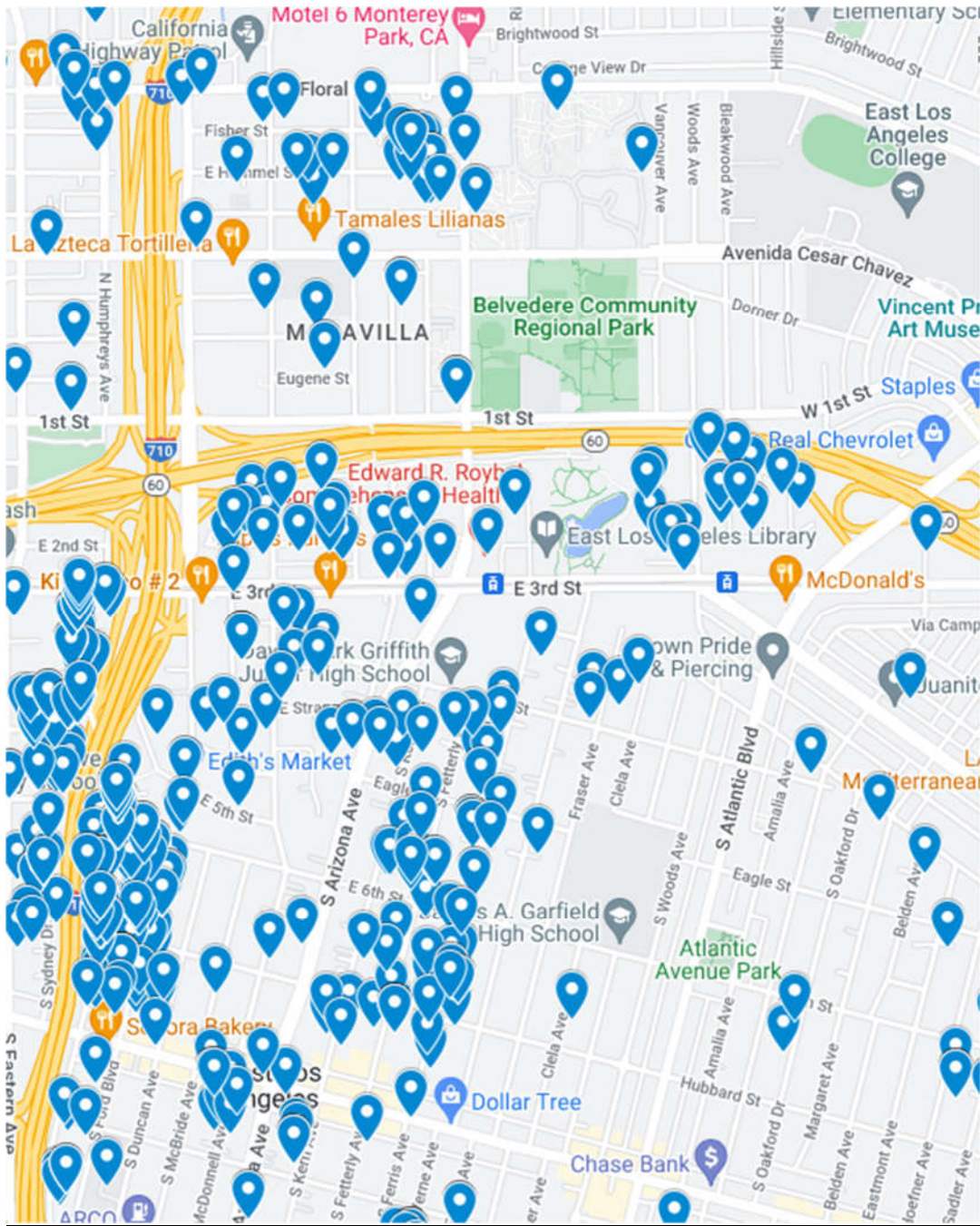
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**1,931 homes visited**



**Boyle Heights**  
**1,138 homes visited**



**East Los Angeles**  
**5,934 homes visited**



Aug 12, 2022

Stephanie Wiggin, CEO Metro  
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Ara Najarian  
Metro Board Chair  
500 West Temple  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LA ART)

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Ara Najarian:


On behalf of the Firecracker Board of Directors, I am writing to express our support for the proposed zero-emission Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LA ART), connecting Union Station to Chinatown to Dodger Stadium. LA ART offers significant potential benefits to the City of Los Angeles and specifically the community of Chinatown by increasing access to public transit, improving air quality by removing cars off the road, and highlighting the businesses and culture in the area.

This project will improve mobility and increase access to opportunity for the local community. The LA ART represents a zero-emission permanent transit link that would provide game-day capacity of 10,000 to 12,000, replacing up to 3,000 trips before and after each Dodger game and Stadium event. It would also provide year-round operation opportunities to increase transit access for underserved communities and parks.

In addition, by connecting Union Station to Chinatown, LA ART would create a cultural landmark that will enhance the visibility of Chinatown and increase visitors to the business corridor. The project represents an opportunity for businesses along Broadway and across Chinatown to create partnerships with LA ART to highlight and learn more about the attractions, culture, history, and events in Chinatown.

I appreciate LA ART's diligence in working with Metro and the community to bring to life a vision for a safe, accessible transit option for the community and urge you to support this important investment for Chinatown.

Sincerely,



Raymond Su  
President, Board of Directors  
Los Angeles Chinatown Firecracker Run Committee, Inc.





## List of Signatures in support for the proposed zero-emission Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LA ART)

#	Name	Title	City
1	Michelle Jong	Past President, Chinese Family History Group	Long Beach
2	clayton frech	CEO and Founder, Angel City Sports	Los Angeles
3	David Kent Gold	President, Bicycle Angels	Redondo Beach
4	Evelyn Lee	President, Chinese Family History Group	Long Beach
5	Jose J. Hernandez	Principal, Ann Street Elementary	Los Angeles
6	Lisa Loo	Director - Community Services	San Gabriel
7	Jorge Parra Jr.	Educator	Los Angeles



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**RESTAURANT**

Supervisor Hilda Solis  
Metro Board Chair  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART)

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

I am the owner of Foo Chow Restaurant in Chinatown. I am writing to express my support for the proposed zero-emission Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART). By increasing access to public transit and improving air quality, the project offers significant benefits to local residents, employees of businesses and visitors to Chinatown.

The Chinatown/State Park Station offers a short walk to many Chinatown businesses and could help to increase visitors to the area. In addition, LAART has proposed the creation of a Community Access Program for local residents and businesses to use the LA ART system. This would provide many who live and work in Chinatown with first and last mile transit service connections to the Metro system for the same cost as riding the Metro.

By taking cars off the road, LAART has the potential to substantially reduce traffic congestion, fuel consumption, and emissions, improving air quality and quality of life for the Chinatown community.

I look forward to staying informed about the project team through the planning and development process and to supporting a successful project.

Sincerely,

Daniel Lin

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Metro CEO  
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Supervisor Hilda Solis  
Metro Board Chair  
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RE: Los Angeles Arial Rapid Transit Project (LAART) 空中快速交通項目

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

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Supervisor Hilda Solis  
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RE: Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART)

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

I am the owner of Full Moon House Restaurant in Chinatown. I am writing to express my support for the proposed zero-emission Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART). By increasing access to public transit and improving air quality, the project offers significant benefits to local residents, employees of businesses and visitors to Chinatown.

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Sincerely,

*Benny Li*  
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Stephanie Wiggins  
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RE: Los Angeles Ariel Rapid Transit Project (LA ART)

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair Hilda Solis:

I am writing in connection with the proposed zero-emission Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LA ART), connecting Union Station to Dodger Stadium. The concept offers significant potential benefits to the City of Los Angeles and the broader communities of Los Angeles County by removing cars off the road, increasing access to public transit, and improving air quality. It is also a key example of next generation transportation systems that will be critically important for LA's clean air future, which will require revolutionizing transportation on a scale not seen since the introduction of automobiles. LA ART has the potential to substantially improve traffic safety and facilitate mobility, while reducing traffic congestion and fuel consumption.

The emissions reductions from this permanent transit link, with its game-day capacity of 10,000 to 12,000 Dodger Stadium visitors, could benefit local communities by replacing up to 3,000 existing car trips before and after each Dodger game and Stadium event. In addition, the project's year-round operation opportunities can increase transit access for underserved communities and increase access to parks.

Projects like these are important in addressing climate change and as an opportunity to create local jobs and economic opportunities for our communities, which is critically important as we look to move into the pandemic recovery phase and toward the future, including planning for the 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles.

I am pleased to support the LA ART project, recognizing the significant benefits potential from a successful project, and hope the approvals can be completed in time to realize the LA ART project's potential for delivery in time for the 2028 Olympics.

Sincerely,

Gene Hale

GLAAACC Chairman

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**Golden Crown**

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Supervisor Hilda Solis  
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART)

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

I am the owner of Golden Crown business in Chinatown. I am writing to express my support for the proposed zero-emission Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART). By increasing access to public transit and improving air quality, the project offers significant benefits to local residents, employees of businesses and visitors to Chinatown.

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I look forward to staying informed about the project team through the planning and development process and to supporting a successful project.

Sincerely,



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May 18, 2022

Stephanie Wiggins  
Chief Executive Officer  
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority One Gateway Plaza, Mail Stop 99-22-6  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

The Honorable Hilda Solis, Metro Chair  
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority One Gateway Plaza, Mail Stop 99-3-1  
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RE: Support for Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LA ART)

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Chair Solis,

Healthy Air Alliance supports the proposed zero-emissions Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LA ART), that would connect Union Station to Dodger Stadium. Healthy Air Alliance believes there are ways to immediately reduce air pollution and we must act on opportunities that reduce our emissions, improve health in our most vulnerable communities, and make cleaner and more affordable transportation solutions available to all.

The LA ART project is an important towards improving air quality by promoting public transit and reducing our dependence on fossil fuels. This project will serve disadvantage communities in the 99<sup>th</sup> percentile of the CalEnviro Screen, upholding our values for environmental justice in areas where too many families are disproportionately impacted by poor air quality.

Innovative transportation options, including the proposed LA ART project, are critical in not only reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving local air quality, but also in helping the state meet its climate goals. The emissions reductions from this permanent transit link, with its game-day capacity of up to 10,000 Stadium visitors, could benefit local communities by replacing up to 3,000 existing car trips before and after each Dodger game and Stadium events. In addition, the project's year-round operation opportunities can increase transit access for underserved communities and increase access to parks, which can play a role in improving the health of its surrounding communities.

We strongly encourage approval of this project so Los Angeles can continue moving towards becoming a more sustainable city.

Sincerely,

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Jim Kennedy  
Executive Director  
Healthy Air Alliance



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RE: Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART)

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

I am a small business owner in Chinatown.

I am writing to express my support for the proposed Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART). Chinatown businesses could see significant economic benefits due to increased transit access and foot traffic brought on by the project.

Chinatown is home to many unique and diverse small businesses that were significantly impacted by restrictions put in place to fight the spread of COVID-19.

LAART will run during all Dodger home games and events at Dodger Stadium, and is also anticipated to operate daily to serve community members, park visitors, and tourists. By increasing transit access to Chinatown, the project could provide a significant economic boost to small businesses year around.

It is exciting to see a proposal for a project that could bring more visitors to Chinatown at a time when it is needed more than ever. I strongly support this project and hope to stay engaged as it moves through the planning and development process.

Sincerely,

WARREN QUANG



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我是唐人街的小企業/商鋪擁有人 [業務描述]。


我寫信表達我對洛杉磯空中快速交通項目 (LAART) 的支持。由於這項目增加了交通通道和人流，可以讓唐人街企業/商鋪有顯著的經濟效益。

唐人街擁有許多獨特而多樣化的小商鋪，這些小商鋪為了對抗疫情傳播而實施商業限制，因此受到重大重創。

LAART 纜車服務將在道奇體育場比賽和活動期間運行，預計還會每天運行，為社區人士和遊客提供服務。因為有了通往唐人街的新通道，這項目可以為唐人街商鋪提供顯著的經濟增長。

這個令人興奮的項目，可以為唐人街帶來更多遊客。我強烈支持這個項目，並希望參與它的規劃和開發過程。

真摯地，



WARREN QUANG



Josh Danganan  
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eat at our local restaurants before heading up to the stadium. On non-  
la could help attract additional tourists to the area.

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我們唐人街商鋪為了阻止疫情傳播，因此蒙受巨大經濟損失。隨著城市開始重開，我們希望疫情恢復階段，甚至將來，包括規劃2028年洛杉磯奧運會，LAART 纜車服務可以幫助增加唐人街的人流量，並恢復唐人街商鋪的活力。

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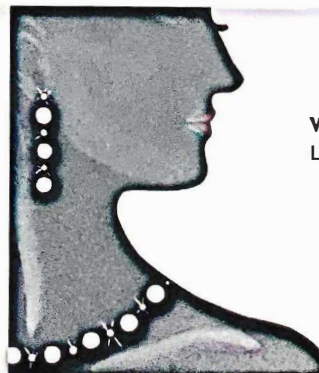
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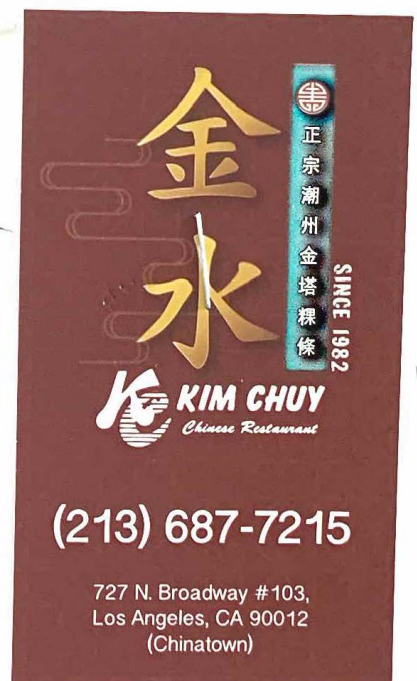
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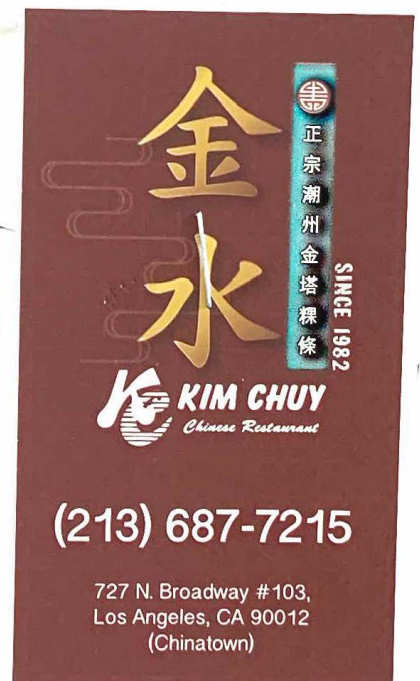
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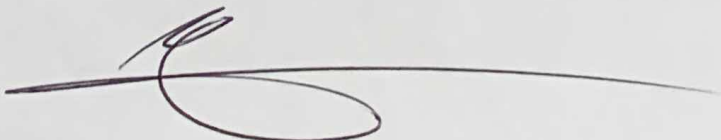
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## Faith and Community Empowerment

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9/23/2021

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LA ART offers significant potential benefits to the the broader communities of Los Angeles County by

- \* removing cars off the road,
- \* increasing access to public transit, and
- \*improving air quality.

FACE's mission is to advance the Asian American community's participation and contribution and influence through faith and community partnerships. The LA ART project is consistent with our mission in increasing transit access for underserved communities including the Asian American community and increase access to parks that is sorely needed in LA.

Investing in the next generation transportation systems will be critically important for LA's clean air future. LA ART has the potential to substantially improve traffic safety and facilitate mobility, while reducing traffic congestion and fuel consumption.

We are pleased that the emissions reductions from this permanent transit link, with its game-day capacity of 10,000 to 12,000 Dodger Stadium visitors, could benefit local communities by replacing up to 3,000 existing car trips before and after each Dodger game and Stadium event. Projects like this creates local jobs and economic opportunities for our communities, which is critically important to our communities.

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Hyepin Im  
President & CEO

November 22, 2021

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Los Angeles CA, 90012

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Founded in 1888, the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce is the oldest and largest business association in the region. We represent 1,400 members, 650,000 employees, and the interests of over 500,000 businesses throughout the five counties we serve. The Chamber's mission is to advance opportunities and solutions for a thriving regional economy that is inclusive and globally competitive.

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Projects like these are important in addressing climate change and as an opportunity to create local jobs and economic opportunities for our communities, which is critically important as we look to move into the pandemic recovery phase and toward the future.

I am pleased to support the LA ART project and hope the approvals can be completed in time to realize the project's potential for delivery in time for the 2028 Olympics. For questions

regarding this letter of support, please contact Harry Semerdjian, Senior Public Policy Manager,  
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*Maria S. Salinas*

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The Chinatown/State Park Station offers a short walk to many Chinatown businesses and could help to increase visitors to the area. In addition, LAART has proposed the creation of a Community Access Program for local residents and businesses to use the LA ART system. This would provide many who live and work in Chinatown with first and last mile transit service connections to the Metro system for the same cost as riding the Metro.

By taking cars off the road, LAART has the potential to substantially reduce traffic congestion, fuel consumption, and emissions, improving air quality and quality of life for the Chinatown community.

I look forward to staying informed about the project team through the planning and development process and to supporting a successful project.

Sincerely,

*Helen Huang*





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Metro CEO  
One Gateway Plaza, Mail Stop 99-22-6  
Los Angeles CA, 90012

Supervisor Hilda Solis  
Metro Board Chair  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Los Angeles Arial Rapid Transit Project (LAART) 空中快速交通項目

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

我是唐人街 [企業/商鋪名稱] 的 [擁有人/經理/僱員]。我寫信表達我對零排放洛杉磯空中快速交通項目 (LAART) 的支持。增加公共交通和改善空氣質量，這項目為唐人街居民、企業/商鋪員工和遊客帶來巨大的好處。

州立歷史公園距離唐人街商鋪僅幾步之距，有助於帶來更多遊客。此外，LAART 還提議為唐人街居民和企業/商鋪創建一個社區接駁計劃，以使用空中纜車服務，費用與乘坐輕軌相同，這將為許多在唐人街生活和工作的男士提供接駁到四通八達的輕軌路線。

空中纜車項目取代汽車在路上行駛，LAART 可以大幅減少交通擁堵、燃料消耗和排放，改善唐人街社區的空氣質量和生活質量。

我期待透過規劃和開發過程能了解這個項目情況，並支持這個項目取得成功。

真摯地，

Welen Huang





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LAART's preferred route, the "Broadway Alignment," features an intermediate station within walking distance to many Chinatown businesses. On game days, this could mean more Dodger fans grabbing a bite to eat at our local restaurants before heading up to the stadium. On non-game days, the gondola could help attract additional tourists to the area.

We have all done our part and suffered great losses to stop the spread of COVID-19. As the City begins to rebuild, LAART has the potential to increase foot traffic in the area and help restore vibrancy to the Chinatown business corridor. This is critically important as we look to move into the pandemic recovery phase and toward the future, including planning for the 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles.

I hope to stay engaged and work with the project team to ensure a successful project.

Sincerely,

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April 14, 2022

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One Gateway Plaza, Mail Stop 99-22-6  
Los Angeles CA, 90012

Supervisor Hilda Solis, Metro Board Chair  
500 West Temple  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**RE: Los Angeles Ariel Rapid Transit Project (LA ART)**

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

On behalf of the Los Angeles Business Council, I am writing to express our support of the proposed zero-emission Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LA ART), connecting Union Station to Dodger Stadium. Our members represent business and civic leaders from all industry sectors who are focused on promoting progress in the Los Angeles region in the areas of sustainability, housing, transportation, and economic development.

LA ART offers significant potential benefits to the City of Los Angeles and the broader communities of Los Angeles County by removing cars from the road, increasing access to public transit, and improving air quality. It is also a key example of next generation transportation systems that will be critically important for LA's clean air future, which will require revolutionizing transportation at an unprecedented scale. LA ART has the potential to substantially improve traffic safety and facilitate mobility, while reducing traffic congestion and fuel consumption, which is essential to LA's GHG reduction goals.

The emissions reductions from this permanent transit link, with its game-day capacity of 10,000 to 12,000 Dodger Stadium visitors, could benefit local communities by replacing up to 3,000 existing car trips before and after each Dodger game and Stadium event.

Projects like these are important in addressing climate change, creating economic opportunities for our communities, and moving us towards a more equitable economic recovery and prosperous future.

I am pleased to support the LA ART project, recognizing the significant benefits potential from a successful project, and hope the approvals can be completed in time to realize the LA ART project's potential for delivery in time for the 2028 Olympics.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Leslie". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mary Leslie  
President  
LABC

July 27, 2021

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Metro CEO  
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Los Angeles CA, 90012

Supervisor Hilda Solis  
Metro Board Chair  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**RE: Los Angeles Ariel Rapid Transit Project (LA ART) - SUPPORT**

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Mayor Garcetti:

On behalf of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC), a champion and catalyst for a more robust, equitable, sustainable, and resilient economy, I am pleased to offer our support for the Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LA ART). The LAEDC believes that the LA ART Project, which would build a next generation transportation system connecting Union Station to Dodger Stadium, would offer significant benefits to the City of Los Angeles and the broader communities of Los Angeles County.

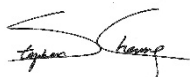
The proposed zero-emission LA ART Project serves as a key example of sustainable urban transit that will be critically important for LA's clean air future, which will require revolutionizing transportation on a scale not seen since the introduction of automobiles. LA ART has the potential to substantially improve traffic safety and facilitate mobility, while reducing traffic congestion and fuel consumption. The successful construction of this project would remove cars off the road, increase access to public transit, and improve air quality.

The emissions reductions from this permanent transit link, with its game-day capacity of 10,000 to 12,000 Dodger Stadium visitors, could benefit local communities by replacing up to 3,000 existing car trips before and after each Dodger game and Stadium event. In addition, the project's year-round operation opportunities can increase transit access for underserved communities and increase access to parks.

The investments that would come from this project would also create economic opportunities for many stakeholders throughout Los Angeles County. Projects like these are important in addressing climate change and as an opportunity to create local jobs and economic opportunities for our communities, which is critically important as we look to move into the pandemic recovery phase and toward the future, including planning for the 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles.

For all the above reasons, the LAEDC seeks your support on this and offers its endorsement for the approval of the construction of the Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project and its potential for delivery in time for the 2028 Olympics.

Sincerely,



Stephen Cheung - COO & EVP

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Metro CEO  
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Supervisor Hilda Solis  
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Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

我是唐人街的小企業/商鋪擁有人 [業務描述]。


我寫信表達我對洛杉磯空中快速交通項目 (LAART) 的支持。由於這項目增加了交通通道和人流，可以讓唐人街企業/商鋪有顯著的經濟效益。

唐人街擁有許多獨特而多樣化的商鋪，這些商鋪為了對抗疫情傳播而實施商業限制，因此受到重大重創。

LAART 纜車服務將在道奇體育場比賽和活動期間運行，預計還會每天運行，為社區人士和遊客提供服務。因為有了通往唐人街的新通道，這項目可以為唐人街商鋪提供顯著的經濟增長。

這個令人興奮的項目，可以為唐人街帶來更多遊客。我強烈支持這個項目，並希望參與它的規劃和開發過程。

真摯地，



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Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART)

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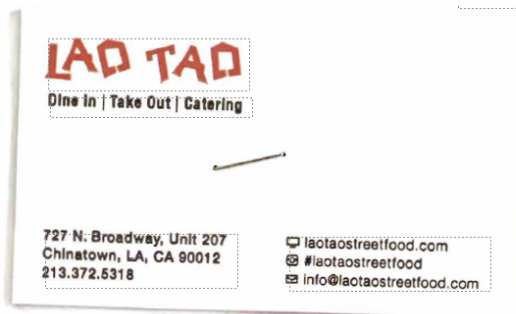
Chinatown is home to many unique and diverse small businesses that were significantly impacted by restrictions put in place to fight the spread of COVID-19.

LAART will run during all Dodger home games and events at Dodger Stadium, and is also anticipated to operate daily to serve community members, park visitors, and tourists. By increasing transit access to Chinatown, the project could provide a significant economic boost to small businesses year around.

It is exciting to see a proposal for a project that could bring more visitors to Chinatown at a time when it is needed more than ever. I strongly support this project and hope to stay engaged as it moves through the planning and development process.

Sincerely,

David Wang





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Respectfully,

  
Darrel Saucedo  
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The business community of Lincoln Heights would welcome the potential increase in visitors to our business district due in part to the LA ART project. The proposed Chinatown station is approximately 1.5 miles from our business district, thus making it convenient for riders of the gondola to visit Lincoln Heights via public transport.

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I look forward to working with you in the future to get this wonderful project moving forward.

Sincerely,



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Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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*(818) 613 1266*



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*John Mtz*

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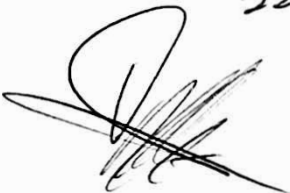
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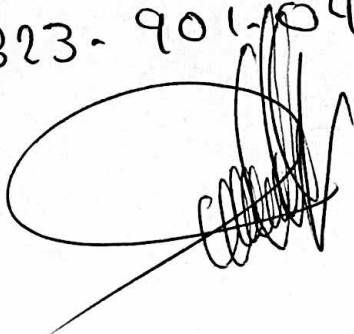
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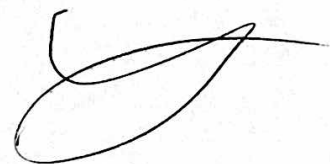
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Sincerely,

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September 14, 2022

Honorable Ara J. Najarian, Chair, LA County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
Stephanie Wiggins, Chief Executive Officer, LA County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
One Gateway Plaza  
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Dear Board Chair Najarian and CEO Wiggins:

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Jonathan Parfrey. I serve as executive director of Climate Resolve, a environmental nonprofit organization that focuses on building and advancing equitable solutions on climate change across California. I'm proud to report that Climate Resolve has developed on-the-ground climate resilience projects in Pacoima, Boyle Heights, Compton, and other communities hard hit by climate change. We also worked to help pass Measure M in 2016, and more recently, helped develop a tree policy for the agency.

Climate Resolve recently launched a new nonprofit subsidiary organization called Zero Emissions Transit (ZET) focused on developing zero emission infrastructure and transit solutions. The Dodger Stadium Gondola Project is being donated to ZET as its first project. Under this new ownership, the Dodger Stadium Gondola will be a nonprofit project for the public's benefit. The aerial gondola project is the first of what will be many more zero-emission innovations.

Serving on ZET's board will be Suja Lowenthal, City Manager of Hermosa Beach and Climate Resolve board member and Felix Aguilar M.D., Chief Medical Officer with the Chinatown Service Center Community Health Center. Bryn Lindblad, Deputy Director at Climate Resolve, who has worked with Metro on a number of transit projects and co-chairs Metro's Sustainability Council, will also work closely with ZET on the gondola project and other zero emission ventures.

Before formally taking on the Gondola project, our organization looked carefully at every component of the project. Gondola systems across the world are today proving to be safe and cost-effective zero-emission transit solutions. We saw that this is exactly the kind of zero-emission, community-focused transit option we need in California. As part of the donation, we will continue working with the experienced technical experts who have been part of this project since its inception. This includes continuing partnership with SJC Alliance, the world's premier gondola construction and engineering experts.

At Climate Resolve, it is our mission to ensure that those communities most impacted by climate change should be the first beneficiaries of climate solutions.

The Dodger Stadium Gondola aligns with our social equity goals. Once built, the Gondola will reduce emissions in some of the region's most congested neighborhoods, and help connect residents to the LA transit system. The Dodger Stadium Gondola will increase access to parks and serve as a last mile solution that will help transport people across the region, not in their cars but on public transit.

Local residents, locally-owned businesses, and individuals and organizations throughout Los Angeles have voiced enthusiasm and support for the project. Angelenos want less traffic, improved safety, cleaner air, quieter public spaces and expanded mobility options that connect to the region – all of which are attributes of the Gondola Project.

All of us at Climate Resolve and ZET look forward to working with Metro – as well as all community stakeholders – to ensure the Dodger Stadium Gondola provides the maximum benefits to the community residents, the Los Angeles region and the environment.

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions. You can reach me at (213) 634-3790 x 101.

best ~

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Jonathan Parfrey  
Executive Director

cc:

All Metro Board Members  
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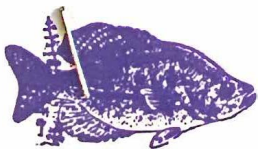
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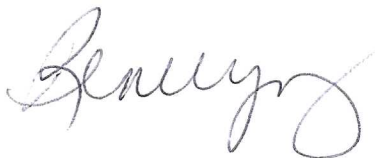
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The emissions reductions from this permanent transit link, with its game-day capacity of 10,000 to 12,000 Dodger Stadium visitors, could benefit local communities by replacing up to 3,000 existing car trips before and after each Dodger game and Stadium event.

Projects like these are important in addressing climate change and as an opportunity to create local jobs and economic opportunities for our communities, which is critically important as we look to move into the pandemic recovery phase and toward the future, including planning for the 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles.

I am pleased to support the LA ART project, recognizing the significant benefits potential from a successful project, and hope the approvals can be completed in time to realize the LA ART project's potential for delivery in time for the 2028 Olympics.

Sincerely,



Renee Young  
President  
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Like many other areas of Los Angeles, Chinatown has had gentrification forced upon it. Families that once had a thriving business now face the reality that their business will never recover. These families are sitting on properties where the land value is worth more than the buildings. Having no choice but to sell, new projects are coming online from developers with no connection to the Chinatown community.

Many outside developers all know that Chinatown is the last bastion of affordable land that they can piece together to develop high end residential over commercial retail. I don't think this will ever stop, it's an unfortunate evolution of older neighborhoods having to change to survive. However, it need not be an inevitable one.

I believe that the Gondola project will inject economic stimulus for the remaining businesses. Hopefully others will see those businesses thrive and incentivize previous business owners, as well as other local and community interests, to re-invest in Chinatown.

This project has reached out to local people such as myself, to find out what we would like to see from them. There are many companies that never reach out to Chinatown and only reach out to us as an after thought.

I just finished a meeting with the Los Angeles Street Car project. They presented a plan to have the street cars run between 11st street to 1<sup>st</sup> street. On Hill and Broadway. I asked them why they didn't run the street cars to Little Tokyo, Olvera Street and Chinatown. If the plan was to encourage people to shop, eat and not drive cars. Then why weren't any of these three districts included? Why, because everyone forgets about us.

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Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance regarding this project or future developments in Chinatown or surrounding areas.

Best Regards,

*Peter Kwong*

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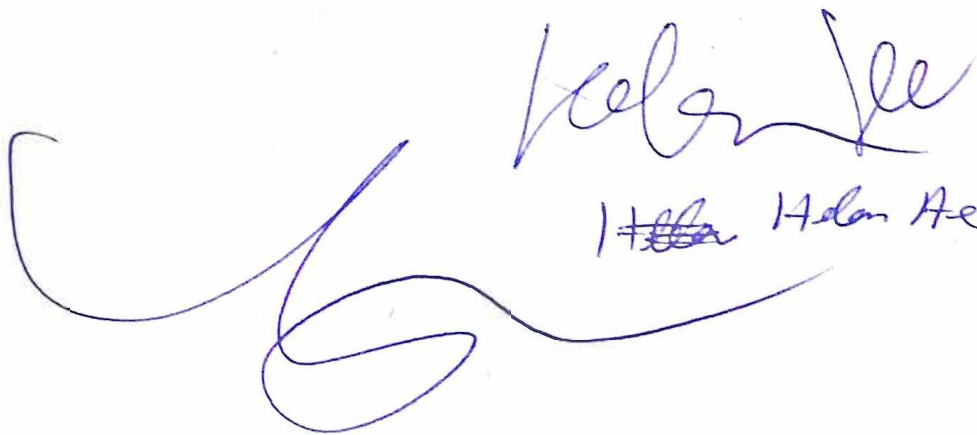
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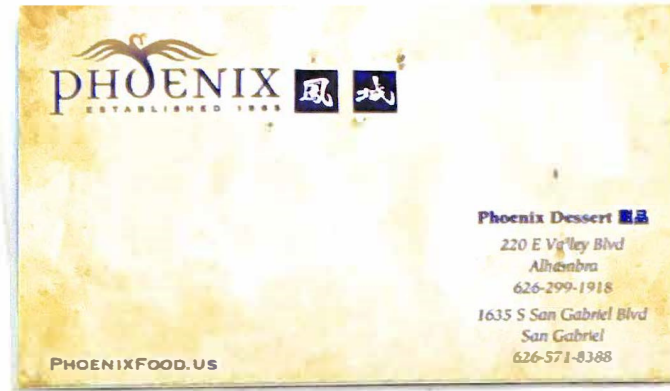
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**RE: Los Angeles Ariel Rapid Transit Project (LA ART)**

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

In connection with the LA ART project referenced above, I am honored to submit this letter on behalf of the Regional Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (RHCC) in support of the Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LA ART) a proposed zero-emission project. This project connects two Los Angeles landmarks Union Station to the south and Dodger Stadium nestled in the north in Chavez Ravine.

The RHCC is committed to all small businesses and its community; in particular, the growing Hispanic/Latino business community in Southern California. Our efforts of entrepreneurial education, opportunity and small business advocacy has a positive impact on small businesses and the communities they serve, The LA ART project is consistent with these goals and an increase of transit access for all communities, in particular the underserved, and provides access to open spaces and parks.

LA ART project offers significant potential benefits to the broader communities of Los Angeles County by increasing access to public transit, improving air quality and decreasing car traffic on our streets and freeways. It is a Generational Opportunity in the field of transportation systems and urban planning with a result of cleaner air in our Angeleno skies.

Projects like these are important in addressing economic development as it will create local jobs and economic opportunities for our local business, which is critical as Los Angeles moves into the pandemic recovery phase and toward the future, including the planning for the 2028 Olympics.

The RHCC is pleased to support the LA ART project, recognizing the significant benefits potential from a successful project, and hope the approvals can be completed in time to realize the LA ART project's potential for delivery in time for the 2028 Olympics.

Sincerely,

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MAX A. ORDONEZ  
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*Executive Secretary*

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Mayor Eric Garcetti  
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RE: Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART)

Dear Mr. Washington and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Mayor Garcetti:

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In my role as Executive Secretary of the Los Angeles/Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council, I work closely with developers that build projects throughout the region to ensure that they have an appropriately trained, local workforce to build their projects. Our organization represents more than 140,000 skilled and trained women and men that have a long history of working throughout Los Angeles, and as you know all you need to do is look at the partnership the Building Trades and its affiliates have with the City of Los Angeles and Metro both are shining examples of what can happen when we work together.

The LAART represents a zero-emission permanent transit link that would provide game-day capacity of 10,000 to 12,000, replacing up to 3,000 trips before and after each Dodger game and Stadium event. In addition, provide year-round operation opportunities to increase transit access for underserved communities and to parks.

We'd like to thank LA ART for reaching out to us and look forward to participating in the review process. We appreciate these efforts to advance sustainable transportation options and jobs opportunities for Los Angeles workers.

Sincerely,

Ron Miller  
Executive Secretary

**Chris Patterson**

**Owner**



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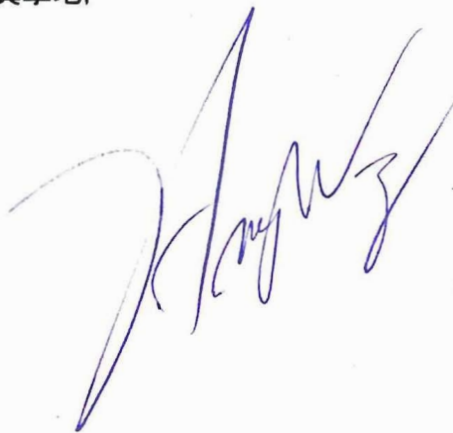
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這個令人興奮的項目，可以為唐人街帶來更多遊客。我強烈支持這個項目，並希望參與它的規劃和開發過程。

真摯地，



HENRY WANG



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Chinatown is home to many unique and diverse small businesses that were significantly impacted by restrictions put in place to fight the spread of COVID-19.

LAART will run during all Dodger home games and events at Dodger Stadium, and is also anticipated to operate daily to serve community members, park visitors, and tourists. By increasing transit access to Chinatown, the project could provide a significant economic boost to small businesses year around.

It is exciting to see a proposal for a project that could bring more visitors to Chinatown at a time when it is needed more than ever. I strongly support this project and hope to stay engaged as it moves through the planning and development process.

Sincerely,



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Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

我是唐人街 [企業/商鋪名稱] 的 [擁有人/經理/僱員]。我寫信表達我對零排放洛杉磯空中快速交通項目 (LAART) 的支持。增加公共交通和改善空氣質量，這項目為唐人街居民、企業/商鋪員工和遊客帶來巨大的好處。

州立歷史公園距離唐人街商鋪僅幾步之距，有助於帶來更多遊客。此外，LAART 還提議為唐人街居民和企業/商鋪創建一個社區接駁計劃，以使用空中纜車服務，費用與乘坐輕軌相同，這將為許多在唐人街生活和工作的男士提供接駁到四通八達的輕軌路線。

空中纜車項目取代汽車在路上行駛，LAART 可以大幅減少交通擁堵、燃料消耗和排放，改善唐人街社區的空氣質量和生活質量。

我期待透過規劃和開發過程能了解這個項目情況，並支持這個項目取得成功。

真摯地，

CHUN MIN TAN

Stephanie Wiggins  
Metro CEO  
One Gateway Plaza, Mail Stop 99-22-6  
Los Angeles CA, 90012



Supervisor Hilda Solis  
Metro Board Chair  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART)

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

As a business owner in Chinatown, I am writing to express my support for the proposed zero-emission Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project (LAART), connecting Union Station to Dodger Stadium. By increasing transit access to Chinatown, the project could provide a significant economic boost to small businesses that have been hard hit by the COVID-19 pandemic.


LAART's preferred route, the "Broadway Alignment," features an intermediate station within walking distance to many Chinatown businesses. On game days, this could mean more Dodger fans grabbing a bite to eat at our local restaurants before heading up to the stadium. On non-game days, the gondola could help attract additional tourists to the area.

We have all done our part and suffered great losses to stop the spread of COVID-19. As the City begins to rebuild, LAART has the potential to increase foot traffic in the area and help restore vibrancy to the Chinatown business corridor. This is critically important as we look to move into the pandemic recovery phase and toward the future, including planning for the 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles.

I hope to stay engaged and work with the project team to ensure a successful project.

Sincerely,

真摯地,

  
Michelle Liu

7-16-2021



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Supervisor Hilda Solis  
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RE: Los Angeles Arial Rapid Transit Project (LAART) t t i lj §

Dear Ms. Wiggins and Honorable Metro Board Chair, Supervisor Solis:

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真摯地，

Michelle Li

7-16-2021

## September 2022 Public Comments on Los Angeles Aerial Rapid Transit Project

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 15, 2022 10:46 AM  
**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>  
**Subject:** mta gondola public comment

Greenwashing doesn't work! It's a scam, green gentrification! overuse of minerals, bs jobs, we must do less

Buried under the blue shows these neighborhood to build the stadium taken by force and violence, La Loma and Bishop!

Sports are a psychological operation on the masses, a religion if you will and therefore another opiate of the masses. Watch Gematria Effect News spelled out, showing how sports and items in the news are part of Jesuit propaganda for control of the masses perhaps via unseen and non human forces...

Why are we so desperate for sports when we have homeless and a suffering globe?

Bread and circuses

Free housing for all... abolish work

If people are too mad will take by force



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 15, 2022 10:50 AM  
**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>  
**Subject:** Public Comment, Board Meeting, 9.15.22, Agenda Item, #21 LAART- Gondola

Re: 9.15.22 Metro Board Meeting Agenda Item #21,  
LAART, Gondola Presentation

Dear Metro Directors:

My name is [REDACTED], Executive Director of LA River State Park Partners, the nonprofit support organization for LA State Historic Park.

Our organization builds upon the decades long, hard fought grassroots efforts that led to the creation of the park. In solidarity, we thus now oppose the intended use of the park's land, airways, and viewsheds for the private gondola enterprise. The gondola's massive structures would alter significant portions of the park's southern and middle sections and their mature native landscapes, as well affect the peaceful, quiet, open skies of the *entire park*. Siting the gondola within the park would severely impact this vital respite of health and wellness for the historically underserved and park poor surrounding communities.

I'm not here to comment on the wisdom of the gondola enterprise, but simply to insist that taxpayer funded, public park land **not be commandeered for its use**. I also ask the Board to ensure that future gondola planning is more transparent and responsive to the community, given the significant public interest and public resources at stake.

Thank you,  
[REDACTED]

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Kathleen Johnson  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 15, 2022 10:56 AM  
**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>  
**Subject:** LAART at EMC Metro Meeting

Hi Directors,

As the Vice President of Cathedral High School, I wanted to express our support of the LA ART gondola project. We will be located across the street from the project's junction on its way to Dodger Stadium and look forward to having new innovative transportation next door to us. In addition, this project will also contribute to a new bridge at Los Angeles State Historic Park, connecting North Broadway to the Park, making it much more accessible for our students who ride public transportation. LA ART has done great outreach to us and our neighbors and we are happy to support this project.

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[REDACTED]  
[Cathedral High School](#)

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 15, 2022 10:57 AM  
**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>  
**Subject:** 9/15/22 Agenda Item #21 public comment "AGAINST "

My name is [REDACTED] I'm a property owner in Chinatown and I live in the neighborhood of the proposed Broadway Junction. I am "AGAINST" this project (*Item #21 LA ART/gondola on 9/15/2022 agenda; was waiting in the phone queue during this morning's meeting*).

LA ART has consistently misled stakeholders and withheld details about the breadth of the project and its impacts on Chinatown residents. They reassured us that it would only travel over the public right-of-way, but finally had to concede that the gondola's path would indeed cross OVER private homes.

The Broadway Junction was a late surprise. It is not "just" a pivot point. It is to be set in a residential neighborhood with its mechanical equipment operating continuously to move the gondola cabins all day and night. The gondola and Broadway Junction would introduce constant background noise, possibly for more than 18 hours per day.

Metro, please listen. We want peace and security in our homes – no more vague reassurances from LA ART. Stop the gondola project now.

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Thursday, September 15, 2022 11:13 AM  
To: Board Clerk <[BoardClerk@metro.net](mailto:BoardClerk@metro.net)>  
Subject: 9/15 Metro Exec Management - Gondola Public Comment.

I was waiting on the phone to provide public comment, but did not make the cutoff. Here is my public comment:

Hi my name is Tonya, and I'm a resident of LA and a volunteer with the StopTheGondola coalition.

I'm firmly against this project. It's an impractical way to move thousands of people in and out of Dodger Stadium. It just gives Frank McCourt a so-called transit stop on his property, so he can realize his dreams of a mega-development.

Here's just a few of the things I've heard while petition gathering:

1. Folks don't trust Frank McCourt, and there's no way he's using his own money.
2. By transferring this project to a nonprofit, it looks like he's figured out how to not pay for it. But It's still his project.
3. For over 2 years, LA ART claimed this would be 100% privately financed and gathered signatures off of that promise. What happens to that so-called support now?
4. After 4 years of being cagey around ticket prices, they suddenly can make tickets free for people attending Dodger games, but they haven't explained how or where the money is coming from.

There are too many unanswered questions. The lack of information this far into the environmental review is a real tragedy.

Also the air space above the historic park is sacred and a bird migration path, is this not important?

Please stop this ill-conceived project.

Thank you.

[REDACTED]  
Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Thursday, September 15, 2022 12:13 PM  
To: Board Clerk <[BoardClerk@metro.net](mailto:BoardClerk@metro.net)>  
Subject: Gondola

Hello ,

I am a resident of Chinatown near the proposed Broadway junction.

Best Regards,  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 15, 2022 12:17 PM  
**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>  
**Subject:** Agenda Item 21 LA ART Gondola Public Comment

Hello,

I called in for public comment during this morning's board meeting, but did not make the 10:40 cut off. My name is Elise Dang and my family owns a small business in Chinatown. I am also the manager of the LA River Farmers' Market and an organizer with Chinatown Community for Equitable Development.

I have many concerns about LA ART's proposed gondola project. I was upset to hear many board members in today's meeting minimize the impacts of gentrification in Chinatown and Northeast LA, especially Mayor Garcetti's comment basically saying since the city had already contributed to gentrification in Chinatown by building the Goldline Station without protections for tenants and affordable housing, what's the harm in furthering gentrification with the gondola. Chinatown and NELA residents are continuing to be priced out of their homes leading to mass displacement and a quickly growing number of unhoused tenants in Chinatown. Will there be any protections for tenants whose landlords will be increasing their rents when the gondola is built? I am not hopeful there will be any protection for tenants with affordable housing covenants expiring all throughout LA City and the discontinuation of the COVID-19 eviction moratorium at the end of this year. Additionally, the gondola will not be serving the majority low-income population of the Chinatown/NELA area who cannot regularly afford to go to Dodger's games. The gondola is clearly made to only serve wealthier Angelenos and tourists.

Lastly, the Chinatown stop for the gondola is proposed to sit right on top of the LA River Farmers' Market. In addition to spoiling the landscape Chinatown and NELA residents had fought for at LA State Historic Park, the gondola will be displacing one of the few sources for fresh produce and groceries in the neighborhood. Chinatown is a food desert that has been without a full-service grocery for 3 years now. Though street vendors and mini marts are able to provide some access to fresh produce, many of them do not accept EBT which is utilized by many low-income residents in the area. The farmers' market is not only one of the few places where EBT is accepted in Chinatown, but also the only place that provides an additional incentive for EBT users. The farmers' market currently provides a free additional \$15 to EBT customers every week to allow for their EBT to go further. Displacing the market and preventing EBT incentives from being distributed in the community is just another way the proposed gondola project will disproportionately impact low-income residents in the area.

A majority of what I heard from board members and the presenter was rather dismissive of the concerns of low-income residents in Chinatown and NELA. As the second poorest neighborhood in LA City, I believe the focus of the gondola's impact study must concern the multitude of ways low-income residents will be affected by its construction. Additionally, I believe the public hearings need to include an option for Chinese, Vietnamese, and Khmer speakers to give input as 60% of Chinatown residents speak one of these three languages and it is extremely unjust to not consider their concerns as well. As a stakeholder in this community, I will not allow for the construction of the gondola unless it is coupled with community centered development and protections put in place for low-income tenants. In a neighborhood that has been without a grocery store, hospital, laundromat, and many other essential business for years, aerial transit should not be the priority.

Thank you, [REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Thursday, September 15, 2022 12:28 PM

**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

**Subject:** Metro Board Mtg, 9.15.22, Agenda Item #21, LAART-Gondola AGAINST

Metro Board Mtg, 9.15.22, Agenda Item #21, LAART-Gondola **AGAINST**

Dear Metro Directors,

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I'm not here to comment on the wisdom of the gondola enterprise, but simply to insist that taxpayer funded, public park land **not be commandeered for its use**. I also ask the Board to ensure that future gondola planning is more transparent and responsive to the community, given the significant public interest and public resources at stake.

Thank you.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 15, 2022 3:45 PM  
**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>  
**Subject:** Item #2022-0316 AGAINST LA-ART (Gondola)

Hello,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit additional written public comment against Frank McCourt's Gondola Project (Item #2022-0316).

My name is Monica, and I'm with Ground Game LA. Metro is supposed to support projects that help our communities, not harm them. Frank McCourt and his company have already shown the community they can't be trusted. The community engagement and public comment on this project is a sham. Our community has requested information about the project's safety, long-term costs, and details on who will pay for repairs and ongoing maintenance. He won't give us any information unless we sign a non-disclosure agreement. We deserve answers.

I live on Scott Ave at Glendale Blvd, so I know the traffic issues etc. that arise around the stadium. Safety, cost, privacy, traffic and gentrification are all very real concerns for me. But, this is our home, our neighborhood we're talking about. We're not willing to let a billionaire impose his pet project on us just to make a profit. Frank McCourt hasn't given us proof that the gondola will actually reduce traffic and improve air quality. We have seen no scientific evidence to back up his claim that the gondola will reduce trips to the stadium. As LA ART's own traffic study shows, it's more likely that traffic will simply be relocated to other neighborhoods like Chinatown.

Hasn't LA had enough of Frank McCourt's schemes? Frankly, no one asked for this project and the community doesn't want it. The gondola is a pet project of Frank McCourt to the benefit of Frank McCourt, not the community.

Best,

[REDACTED]

Stay Housed LA Coalition  
Ground Game--Los Angeles  
[monica@groundgamela.org](mailto:monica@groundgamela.org)



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 15, 2022 4:26 PM  
**To:** Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>  
**Subject:** Item #2022-0316 AGAINST LA-ART (Gondola)

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Thank you,  
[REDACTED]



September 21, 2022

Via Electronic Mail

Ara Najarian, Chair  
anajarian@glendaleca.gov

Clerk of the Board  
BoardClerk@metro.net

**Re: Items #48 & #49 I-710 South Corridor Task Force and Pre-Investment Plan  
Opportunity Motion- GENERAL COMMENT**

Dear Chair Solis and Members of the Board:

On behalf of the undersigned members of the Coalition for Environmental Health & Justice (“CEHAJ”), we write to share our concerns regarding the process used for selecting the Pre-Investment Plan Opportunity (“PIPO”) projects before you, as well as the development of the Vision and Guiding Principles presented in Item #48. We also offer recommendations for improving the Task Force, Community Leadership Committee (CLC), and Working Groups as Metro moves forward with developing a comprehensive strategy for the Long Beach-East LA Corridor Mobility Investment Plan.

Metro Staff has recommended four projects for your endorsement. These include: 1) Huntington Park Safe Routes for Seniors and Students; 2) I-710 Integrated Corridor Management (ICM); 3) Southeast LA Transit Improvement Program; and 4) Humphreys Avenue Bike/Pedestrian Crossing over I-710 in East LA. It’s worth noting that three out of these four projects were not presented as part of the most recent PIPO list provided to the CLC and the Task Force for consideration in August. While we do not oppose these initiatives, we unfortunately lack sufficient information about these projects to support them. This lack of transparency is just one of the many concerns about the Task Force process that we outlined in our August 8, 2022 letter to Metro and Caltrans staff which is currently in the Board Materials for Item #48.

Given the decisions now being made concerning Metro’s endorsement and funding of I-710-related projects, we feel compelled to reiterate some of the concerns we have with the way the Task Force and CLC are proceeding. We offer the following observations and recommendations

in the hopes that our concerns might be addressed as investment plans are developed moving forward.

- **Community-Centered Project must be the Focus of Future planning**

We caution against Metro's endorsement of projects that offer none of the guarantees against displacement of residents and small businesses along the I-710 corridor or that otherwise deviate from community-centered principles that aim to deliver direct benefits to corridor residents. While we are not opposed to the four recommendations before you, there are several projects on the broader PIPO list that deviate from the equity principles and community-repair work agreed to by the Task Force. Some PIPO projects, for example, focus squarely on accommodating industry needs, either at the ports or elsewhere, along the corridor. And while these projects could serve an important economic role regionally, they are not delivering the types of direct benefits that several community groups have been demanding for decades. These projects are also likely to proceed independently and do not require Metro's endorsement.

Our coalition has consistently called for equity-centered projects and commitments to the following: community-driven zero-emissions investments; mobility investments in the form of city-level projects that deliver long overdue improvements for local residents; targeted and local hire as well as workforce development commitments for projects funded or supported through Metro initiatives; and illness prevention initiatives that target the removal of air pollution and promote the health and well-being of local community members.

Metro has an opportunity to use its leverage to support projects that will improve the lives of corridor residents at the ground level. The projects staff is recommending may very well serve that purpose, but more should be done to ensure that community voices have an adequate opportunity to weigh in and fully understand the details of a proposed project.

Metro also has a potentially helpful tool to ensure greater community engagement through its Equity Planning & Evaluation Tool (EPET). The EPET could help participants of the CLC and the Taskforce more adequately engage with decisions being made on projects and discern which projects have the greatest potential to advance equity and meet community goals. We have observed, however, that these tools are not deployed to their fullest potential during discussions of the PIPO projects. We ask that Metro recommit to using this tool in all future investment planning and decision making.

- **Metro Must Recommit to Not Support Projects that Will Cause the Displacement of Residents or Small Businesses**

This Board already made a commitment to ensure that 710 projects will not cause displacement and the Task Force similarly committed to no displacement by the ZE Truck Program. However, of the long list of PIPO projects submitted, there does not appear to be the same unequivocal guarantee from the project proponents. More specifically, there is no guarantee that the separate

municipalities, government agencies, or other sponsoring organizations will honor the same promise not to pursue projects that could displace residents and small businesses along the I-710. Moving forward, Metro should establish explicit anti-displacement commitments from project proponents before offering endorsements or funding.

It is important to highlight that the Motion by Directors Dutra, Solis and Hahn, currently before the Board as Item #49, does not specify whether the Board will be endorsing and potentially funding any project on the PIPO list or whether it is only calling for endorsement of the four specific projects listed in the staff's recommendations. Because of the potential that some of the 35 projects on the PIPO list could lead to displacement along the I-710, the motion should be clarified to limit Board's approval to only those four recommended by staff. Moreover, before a vote is taken, staff should be asked to confirm whether the four projects recommended were already vetted for possible displacement outcomes.

- **Metro Should Require Applicants Seeking its Endorsement to Provide Greater Details about the Potential Impacts of any Project along the I-710**

If Metro is unable to conduct its own analysis on the impact of proposed projects within the I-710 South Corridor, then project proponents should be asked to provide more information on project specifics and potential impacts. The CLC and CEHAJ have repeatedly asked for greater clarity concerning potential impact of projects that are goods movement oriented. Unfortunately, this information was not made available by applicants in their project descriptions—thus not allowing for thorough consideration of these projects. This information is vital to maintaining transparency and giving community groups a fair opportunity to weigh in on important decisions affecting their neighborhoods.

Metro should ask for applicants to share as much information as possible about a project, including: existing studies done about the project impacts, community engagement plans, environmental review documents, fact sheets, and any information that highlight what potential impacts are still being investigated. This will allow community groups to assess a project more meaningfully.

- **Metro Should Center the Concerns of the CLC when deciding which future projects to endorse**

As we pointed out in our August 8 letter, the CLC was not provided with enough information about the PIPO projects to make a meaningful decision about the list of proposals. Often the presentations were done quickly and without adequate time for community members to process the information that was provided, engage in discussion, or have questions answered. Often, when questions were asked by CLC members, these questions went unanswered.

CEHAJ called for staff to pause the PIPO nomination process until these information gaps were resolved to allow the CLC to fully weigh in on projects being proposed. Instead, staff decided to present the list to the Board and ask for endorsement of four projects that were not fully considered

at the CLC. It's worth noting here that none of the projects on the PIPO list were actually voted on or endorsed by either the full CLC or the Task Force.

Moving forward, the CLC's input must be prioritized as Metro develops the next phase of the Long Beach-East LA Corridor Mobility Investment Plan. The CLC is comprised of members of the very communities that will be most impacted by these projects. Providing them with the information needed to make informed decisions will be vital to maintaining the equity principles the Task Force and Metro have espoused as part of this process. More importantly, the CLC's input should not only be documented, but incorporated into future proposals and decisions that will influence Metro's future role along the corridor.

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Metro defines equity as “both an outcome and **a process** to address racial, socio-economic and gender disparities, to ensure fair and just access- with respect to where one begins and the capacity to improve from that starting point- to opportunities, including jobs, housing, education, mobility options, and healthier communities.” Everything about this declaration from Metro's equity webpage reinforces the urgent need to prioritize community-centered solutions before any other priority or request is considered. Only by centering equity in its decision-making can Metro begin to repair the harmful legacy that past policies have foisted upon the residents and communities along the corridor. This is the very reason why our coalition has held steadfast in asking for community-centered projects that bring immediate and tangible benefits to corridor residents who have long suffered the burdens of freight impacts from the 710 and resisted the efforts by some to divert focus towards regional economic considerations.

The residents along the I-710 South Corridor have lived through the shameful history of being told by those in power to ‘sacrifice’ for the economic good of the region. This dynamic has played out for decades—often fueled by land use and planning decisions rooted with racist underpinnings that painted these communities as “sacrifice zones”. Fortunately, Metro has a real opportunity to do something different this time around by endorsing strategies that will put community needs at the center of the Long Beach-East LA Corridor Mobility Investment Plan. We are hopeful that Metro can redouble its commitment to the equity principles and genuinely turn to community participants as co-designers of the next phase of planning.

Sincerely,



Fernando Gaytan  
Earthjustice  
*On behalf of the members of CEHAJ*

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Metro Board Clerk (BoardClerk@metro.net)



September 21, 2022

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
One Gateway Plaza  
Los Angeles, California 90012-2952  
*Via email to BoardClerk@metro.net*

**Re: Support for land banking at LA Metro**

Dear Metro Board of Directors:

The Alliance for Community Transit - Los Angeles (ACT-LA) is an LA County-wide coalition of 42 community-focused organizations that strives to create just, equitable, and sustainable transportation systems and neighborhoods, placing the interests of low income communities and communities of color first as we create a more sustainable region. ACT-LA members advocate for the preservation and creation of healthy, affordable housing options for working class families and people who routinely ride public transit in LA. Many of ACT-LA's community members are among the 62% of Metro's ridership earning less than \$20,000 a year.<sup>1</sup> For these residents and families, historical unjust policies have undercut the provision of both affordable housing and dependable public transit, which are both necessities of living in LA.

ACT-LA appreciates Directors Solis, Najarian, Kuehl, and Mitchell for recently introducing Metro's land bank motion ([Motion 49 in June 2022<sup>2</sup>](#)) to improve affordable housing access for low-income transit riders. This motion calls on Metro staff to pilot a land bank that would be a major public benefit for LA County residents for generations to come.

ACT-LA supports Metro's effort to secure public land for affordable housing along transit as the Board of Supervisors is poised to do with public land along the LA River. This motion is an important opportunity to implement [Metro's Transit-Oriented Communities \(TOC\) policy<sup>3</sup>](#), which the Board adopted in 2018. In the TOC Policy, Metro recognized the major impacts - both positive and negative - its Measure M investments continue to have on communities and committed to pursue multiple strategies to decrease displacement and maximize affordable housing along its transit routes. Land banking along transit can enable a strategic partnership

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<sup>1</sup> Metro 2019 Onboard Customer Satisfaction Survey; and LA Times: <https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2022-09-12/amid-blistering-heat-bus-riders-wait-in-search-of-shade>

<sup>2</sup> <https://boardagendas.metro.net/board-report/2022-0422/>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.dropbox.com/s/i1s1e84axj0xaih/2018-Transit-Oriented-Communities-Policy.pdf?dl=0>

between Metro and city leaders to develop affordable housing in ways that both advance local land use priorities and bolster transit ridership.

Land banking can strengthen governments collective leverage to deliver affordable housing solutions and protect the common good. It is also an important strategy to confront widespread land speculation by companies in the private sector that actively and routinely buy and hold onto land along public infrastructure investments, including public transit projects. When private companies buy and hold onto land along public infrastructure projects, they deny both governments and nonprofits the opportunity to maximize the positive, collective impact of public investments in transit, parks, affordable housing, and other infrastructure. Nonprofit affordable housing developers have the mission and expertise to build affordable housing for people earning little to no income. With land banking, nonprofit affordable housing developers can work in tandem with governments, including LA Metro, to ensure everyone in LA benefits from the public's investment in the LA transit system.

The land banking pilot and program created by Metro's land bank motion (Motion 49) catalyzes equitable land development that preserves affordable housing, produces affordable housing next to transit, and prevents resident (and transit rider) displacement. LA County needs regional solutions including land banks to meaningfully address our region's lack of affordable housing, a vexing issue widely felt by residents in every city and neighborhood throughout the LA region.

We urge Metro's Board of Directors to support land banking at Metro and also to ensure that Metro staff's forthcoming land bank proposal accounts for the goals in [Metro's TOC Implementation Plan](#)<sup>4</sup>, previously adopted in June 2021.

Sincerely,

Alliance for Community Transit - Los Angeles

CC:

- Metro CEO Stephanie Wiggins

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<sup>4</sup> <https://media.metro.net/2020/Metro-TOC-Implementation-Plan-Final.pdf>