



*Committee on  
Transportation & Road Works*



**MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Monday, July 25, 2011, 7:00 PM**

Conference Room, Fire Station 43, 3690 Motor Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90034

**AGENDA**

**OLD BUSINESS**

- 1) DWP Lighting Project survey plan for Palms

Report on Outreach Results from Committee Members

- 2) Beach Bus Line on Venice

Report on Meeting with MVCC and VNC

*MOTION: The PNC supports the leveraging of the existing Venice Blvd. Rapid Bus Line to mirror the service frequencies of the Metro Exposition Light Rail Line, with rebranding and promotion to connect Expo Line riders with the community and its recreational and business opportunities, while simultaneously promoting use of the Exposition Light Rail Line to Westside residents.*

- 3) PNC Annexation of Orphaned Areas update

- 4) WRAC Motion Concerning LAX Expansion

*MOTION: WHEREAS LAX enhances tourism and economic growth in the entire region. The PNC urges that any revised LAX Master Plan Elements should reduce freeway traffic and discourage traffic flow into local neighborhoods; improve Central Terminal Area accessibility, including signage, physical roadway, multi modal passenger drop off and pick up; and include a consolidated Rental Car Facility, and light rail system connection.*

- 5) Expo Line Palms Station Issues

Updates on potholing efforts and Urban Design Committee progress

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) North-South Rail Line Endorsement

Guest Bart Reed from The Transit Coalition

*MOTION: Whereas, the I-405 Freeway has the highest amount of average annual daily traffic (374,000 trips) of any highway in the nation (Source: U.S. Department of Transportation); Whereas, congestion on the I-405 Freeway takes a heavy toll on commuters, with 580,000 hours of delay for vehicles passing Getty Center Drive (Source: Caltrans); Whereas, Westside and San Fernando Valley stakeholders need a fast and reliable alternative to getting stuck in traffic on the I-405 Freeway; Whereas, currently there is no effective alternative corridor or transit line for the Sepulveda Pass for people going to and from the San Fernando Valley and the Westside, as shown by pleas from elected officials to "stay home" while the I-405 Freeway was closed in July 2011; Whereas, the Metro Red Line subway has reduced the growth of congestion on the 101 Freeway between the San Fernando Valley and Downtown by carrying over 144,000 passengers daily (Source: Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, "Metro"); Whereas, other regions of the County, such as the Westside, South Central LA, and the San Gabriel Valley, are lobbying hard to get more funds and to push their transit projects forward;*

*Whereas, Measure R has set aside \$1 billion for a transit project to connect the San Fernando Valley with the Westside, plus additional funds to connect the north and south San Fernando Valley;*  
*Whereas, the federal government has provided a 60% match in funding for another Measure R rail transit project;*

*Whereas, Metro has yet to define the type of project, such as rail, bus, or toll lane / auto toll tunnel;*  
*Whereas, the I-405 Transit Project is the final project in the Measure R timeline;*

*Be it therefore resolved that,*

*1. The Palms Neighborhood Council strongly supports the development of a contiguous rail transit line from the Sylmar Metrolink Station to the Expo Line, to the intersection of Sepulveda and Venice, and eventually to LAX as the plan for the I-405 Transit Corridor;*

*2. The Measure R Sepulveda Pass and Van Nuys transit projects should be studied and developed together as one integrated project, rather than two disjointed projects;*

*3. Further, the PNC supports a rail tunnel from Sherman Oaks to UCLA and Westwood as the mode of transit, versus the use of project funds for busways or conversion of High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes to toll lanes for this project;*

*4. Finally, the PNC calls upon the Mayor, the City Council, the County Board of Supervisors, legislators, Members of Congress, and Metro to take action to accelerate the timeline and obtain federal matching funds for this project so that Westside and San Fernando Valley stakeholders can enjoy its benefits as soon as possible.*

## **2) Toll Lanes on Freeways in Los Angeles**

*MOTION: The Palms Neighborhood Council opposes efforts underway to add toll lanes to the I10 and I110 Freeways and encourages the Los Angeles Mayor and Los Angeles City Council to end this pilot program and focus on transportation congestion solutions for the city that do not create separate roadways for those of different economic means.*

## **3) Open Floor**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

## **NEXT MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2011, 7:00 PM**

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