TO: LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

FROM: COUNCILMEMBER JOE BUSCAINO, CHAIR

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) and COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE relative to street vacation proceedings to vacate portion Butte Street between Santa Fe Avenue and Perrino Place (VAC-E1401147).

Recommendations for Council action:

- 1. FIND that the Council has imposed all the mitigation measures that are within the control of the City as described in the EIR (State Clearinghouse No. 90011169) that are associated with the impacts of the street vacation and that other mitigation measures that are not within the authority of the City, have been or should be imposed as set forth in the Record of Decision of the U.S. Department of Transportation approved May 3, 1996.
- 2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the City Engineer dated November 8, 2012, as the Findings of the Council.
- 3. FIND that the street vacation proceedings pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law be instituted for the vacation of the public right-of-way indicated below and shown colored blue on Exhibit B of the November 8, 2012 City Engineer report and attached to the Council file:
 - a. Butte Street between Santa Fe Avenue and Washington Boulevard.
 - b. Butte Street between Washington Boulevard and its easterly terminus approximately 915 feet easterly of Harriett Street.
- 4. ADOPT the accompanying City Engineer report dated November 8, 2012 to approve the vacation.
- 5. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to set a public hearing date for **JUNE 25, 2013**.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The City Engineer reports that the petitioner has paid a fee of \$9,463.86 for the investigation of this request pursuant to Section 7.42 of the Administrative Code. Any deficit fee to recover the cost pursuant to Section 7.44 of the Administrative Code may be required of the petitioner.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on May 8, 2013, the Public Works Committee Chair considered the recommendations of the City Engineer as contained in its November 8, 2012 report. The City Engineer reports that the area sought to be vacated is a portion of Butte Street between Santa Fe Avenue and Perrino Place (a map of the area is included as Exhibit B in the November 8, 2012 City Engineer report and is attached to the Council file). The petitioner plans to expand the rail traffic in connection with the Alameda Corridor Project which will link the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to the railroad yards of Central City North. The future use of the vacation area would be for the freight railroad traffic corridor. This vacation procedure is being processed under procedures established by Council on March 5, 2002 as detailed in

Council file No. 01-1459.

After having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee Chair moved to recommend approval of the recommendations as contained in said City Engineer report and detailed above in Recommendation Nos. 1-5. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER JOE BUSCAINO, CHAIR PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE
BUSCAINO: YES
KREKORIAN: ABSENT
GARCETTI: ABSENT

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