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On October 11, 2011, NASA officially transferred title of Space Shuttle Endeavour to the California Science Center Foundation. The California Science Center will construct a hangar at the northwest portion of the museum, with a permanent Air and Space Center to be built in the future. Endeavour is currently located at NASA's Cape Canaveral in Florida and will be moved to Los Angeles in the fall of 2012.

It is expected that, after being flown to Los Angeles International Airport, the shuttle will travel roughly ten miles on city streets to its new home at the California Science Center. To be transported on its belly, the shuttle will exceed five stories high and boast a wingspan of 78 feet. Detailed planning and coordination will be required to find an appropriate route that will avoid freeway overpasses and identify streets that are both wide enough and strong enough to support the Endeavour. It will be necessary for City crews to temporarily relocate overhead wires, street signs and traffic control devices to allow the shuttle to move safely through city streets. Additionally, traffic officers will need to be deployed at various locations along the route to assist motorists where traffic signal equipment has been removed

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the Department of Transportation to work with the Los Angeles Fire Department, Los Angeles Police Department, Bureau of Street Services, Bureau of Engineering and any other appropriate City entity, along with Caltrans and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), and coordinate with the California Science Center on the plans to transport the Shuttle Endeavour through the City of Los Angeles to its new location.

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