

**Your**

**TRANSPORTATION**

**Committee**

**reports as follows:**

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the plans for transporting the Space Shuttle Endeavour through the city of Los Angeles to the California Science Center.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Parks - Perry):

1. INSTRUCT the Department of Transportation (DOT) to work with the Fire and Police Departments, the Bureaus of Street Services and Engineering, and any other appropriate City entity, along with Caltrans and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, and coordinate with the California Science Center on the plans to transport the Space Shuttle Endeavour through the city of Los Angeles to its new location.
2. INSTRUCT DOT, the Fire and Police Departments, the Bureaus of Street Services and Engineering, and any other appropriate City entity to report to the Transportation Committee with an estimated cost and a source of funding for all activities to be undertaken by the City of Los Angeles relating to the transporting of Endeavour through the city, including: traffic and crowd control; the removal and re-installation of traffic signals, wires, and lights; labor and overtime costs; and, any other costs associated with this event.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

On May 9, 2012, Council considered Motion (Parks - Perry) relative to transporting the Space Shuttle Endeavour through the city of Los Angeles to the California Science Center. Motion states that 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 will be moved to Los Angeles in the fall of 2012.

Motion movers go on to state 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. Motion movers recommend that participating agencies report with their plans to transport the

Shuttle Endeavor to its new home. Council referred Motion to the Transportation Committee for consideration.

At its meeting held May 23, 2012, the Transportation Committee discussed this matter with representatives of DOT, the Police and Fire Departments, and the City Engineer. Staff indicated that a unified command structure made up of City agencies, as well as the City of Inglewood and the California Science Center, has been formed to plan and manage the event. It is anticipated that the Shuttle Endeavor will arrive in Los Angeles and be transported to the California Science Center on October 13, 2012. Committee members recommended that Council approve Motion, and that staff report back with a cost estimate for the event and a source of funding for those costs.

Respectfully submitted,

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ROSENDAHL:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
PARKS:	YES
LABONGE:	ABSENT
HUIZAR:	ABSENT

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