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January 16, 2013

To All Interested Parties:

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The City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under Council file

No. <u>13-1300-S1</u>, at its meeting held <u>January 15, 2013</u> and **REFERRED** to
the <u>Public Works</u> Committee.

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"LOS ANGELES EMERGENCY LOCAL STREET SAFETY AND TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT MEASURE"

More than 8,700 lane miles of streets in the City need rehabilitation. Funding a program of this magnitude would require an additional \$300 million annually for the next 10 years. Due to budgetary constraints and other competing needs, this level of funding for street rehabilitation is infeasible. At the rate the City is currently able to tackle this situation it would take 60 years to finish rehabilitating all 8,700 lane miles, barring any additional lane miles falling into critical disrepair. A General Obligation Bond, approved by the voters, is the only option to secure sufficient funding to accomplish this work within a realistic, 10-year timeframe. At the conclusion of the proposed Bond program all failed, and nearly failed, streets would be rehabilitated and the City could reasonably maintain the entire public street system in good condition through available sources of funding.

A recent report issued by the UCLA Anderson School of Management (attached) states that great cities must be committed to the future by investing in infrastructure needed for continued dynamic growth. Rehabilitating public streets is a critical factor in maintaining and enhancing property values. With interest rates at their lowest in 40 years, now is the time to lock in these low rates for a Street Repair and Safety Bond, especially with the added economic benefit of job training and creation of new private sector jobs. The UCLA Anderson report concludes that although there are numerous forward-thinking initiatives underway in Los Angeles for mass transit, the port, education and urban development, all may be for naught as the most obvious sign of a City's ascendency or decline is experienced while traveling from one place to another via automobile.

Well maintained streets not only enhance property values, but improve the quality of life of our citizens and businesses. A report issued by TRIP a national transportation research group states that vehicle owners driving in Los Angeles on average incur \$750 per vehicle in additional wear and tear due to the poor condition of streets. Poorly maintained roadway conditions slow down rescue ambulances, fire apparatus and police vehicles, increasing response times to emergencies which can be the critical difference between life and death.

WE THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney BE REQUESTED to prepare the necessary Resolutions to place a 20-year \$3 billion Street Repair and Safety General Obligation Bond Program on the May 21, 2013 General Municipal Election Ballot with all work to be performed in 10 years.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the CAO and CLA BE INSTRUCTED to report, with the assistance of the Bureau of Street Services to Council with an analysis of this proposal.

ADOPNED AS amended JAN 15 2013

MITCHELL ENGLANDER

Councilmember, 12th District

LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

SECONDED BY:

JOE BUSCAINO

Councilmember, 15th District

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MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that Council AMEND Motion (Englander – Buscaino – Krekorian – et al.) to include the following recommendations (Item #12, Council file 13-1300-S1) relative to placing a \$3 billion Street Repair and Safety General Obligation Bond Program on the May 2013 General Municipal Election Ballot:

- 1. REQUEST the City Attorney to propose and advise on potential ballot language for a Street Repair and Safety General Obligation Bond Program to be placed on a future ballot yet to be determined.
- 2. REFER this matter to the Public Works Committee to allow more time for study, debate and public input and outreach on this proposal.

PRESENTED BY _	
	JOE BUSCAINO
	Councilmember, 15th District
SECONDED BY	
:	MITCHELL ENGLANDER
	Councilmember, 12th District

January 15, 2013

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