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RULES, ELECTIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, existing law creates the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and establishes the composition of the Board of Directors as having 13 voting members and one non-voting member appointed by the Governor, which includes four members who represent the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, the current Board of Directors structure was developed from a locally-derived consensus and reflects the longstanding process to develop consensus on major issues through a collaborative process; and

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2014, Assemblymember Holden introduced AB 1941 that would expand the Metro Board of Directors to 16 members by adding two voting members who would be appointed by the Speaker of the State Assembly and the State Senate Committee on Rules; and


WHEREAS, approximately 82% of Metro's funding comes from local sources and only 5% come from the State and this amount is likely to diminish further as Proposition 1B funds expire next year; and

WHEREAS, with the State's declining investment in the transportation system, it is unclear how additional appointees from the State would positively affect decisions relative to the region's programs and projects; and


WHEREAS, additional appointees to the Metro Board would diminish the City's influence and lead to less effective representation on major transportation policies and projects directly affecting the residents of the City of Los Angeles;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2013-14 State Legislative Program OPPOSITION to AB 1941 (Holden), and other legislation that would change the composition of, or dilute City of Los Angeles' influence on, the Metro Board.

PRESENTED BY:   
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