

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official 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, in late 2013, Congressman Karen Bass was successful in reforming federal local hire rules to allow the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to implement local hire policies for construction and operations projects; and

WHEREAS, prior to these changes, the government banned federally-funded companies from recruiting locally; and


WHEREAS, on November 16, 2015, Congressman Bass introduced H.R. 4005 "The Local Hire Bill" that seeks to amend titles 23 and 49 of the United States Code to allow local hiring for transportation projects; and


WHEREAS, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) has embarked on a major transportation infrastructure building program that is predominantly funded through local sales taxes; and

WHEREAS, major transit projects can stimulate significant economic activity in a community and H.R. 4005 will ensure that those new positions benefit the communities where there is new construction and spur local job-creation;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2015-16 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for H.R. 4005 that would allow local hiring for transportation projects.

PRESENTED BY: 
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Councilmember, 11th District

SECONDED BY: 

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