

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 (Metro Board) 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, Senator Mendoza has introduced SB 1472 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, 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

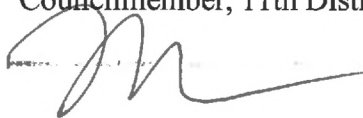
WHEREAS, this bill sets a dangerous precedent for state control of local government decision making; and

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 2015-16 State Legislative Program OPPOSITION to SB 1472 (Mendoza).

PRESENTED BY: 
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SECONDED BY: 

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