

MOTION

The Metro Board of Directors recently approved a Draft Expenditure Plan on how to grow and improve our region's growing transportation system. If approved, the Plan will be funded through a half-cent sales tax that is expected to generate \$120 billion over 40 years. In addition to 36 major highway and transit projects, the Plan also includes a "Local Return" element that would be allocated to each jurisdiction in the County based on population. Since streets are used by transit users, bicyclists, and motorists, it is appropriate for the City to allocate a significant portion of any Local Return revenue to restoring streets that are currently in "D" and "F" condition. The Board is expected to vote on a final plan in June 2016 for placement on the November 2016 ballot.

The City of Los Angeles has the largest local street and sidewalk network in the country. Together, streets and sidewalks comprise the most basic infrastructure components of our local transportation system, and both are in dire need of improvement. Nearly a third of all streets are in poor condition and a 2013 report from an independent third party, Harris and Associates, estimates the cost to bring all streets into a state of good repair is \$3.86 billion.

The City's current funding of the pavement preservation program, which focuses on less expensive preservation methods like slurry seal, is simply not enough to cover the costs of restoring streets in "poor" condition (grade "D" with a PCI range of 41-55 or "F", PCI range of 0-40.) These streets must be completely reconstructed at a cost as high as \$2.5 million per mile. Without additional funding, it is not feasible to improve the overall pavement condition of our street network within a reasonable timeframe.

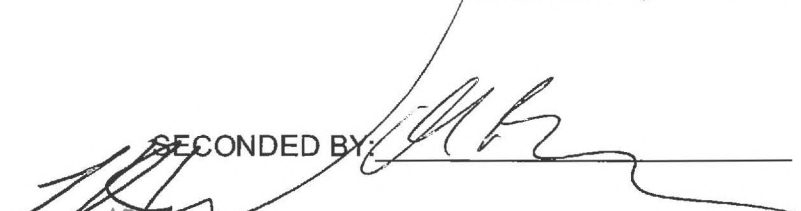
I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council APPROVE and ADOPT a policy that would dedicate at least two-thirds of the City's share of future Local Return funding toward the reconstruction and rehabilitation of the City's streets that are in "D" and "F" condition.

I FURTHER MOVE that the CLA and CAO, in coordination with appropriate departments, be INSTRUCTED to report back with an expenditure and work plan that includes a minimum allocation of two-thirds of the City's share of potential Local Return funding for a capital improvement program for street reconstruction and rehabilitation.

I FURTHER MOVE that the CAO, in coordination with the Department of Transportation, report on the estimated amount of the City's share of the Local Return revenue generated by the proposed half-cent sales tax measure that is anticipated on the November 2016 ballot.

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