

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the feasibility of creating an underground wiring district along the proposed East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor (ESFVTC) Project.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Martinez - Rodriguez - Krekorian):

REQUEST the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) and INSTRUCT the Department of Public Works (DPW) to:

- a. Prepare for consideration by the Council, within 90 days, a study detailing the feasibility of creating an underground wiring district along the proposed ESFVTC Project consisting of the Van Nuys Metro Orange Line Station running north along Van Nuys Boulevard to San Fernando Road; proceeding northwest along San Fernando Road to the Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink Station.
- b. Coordinate the study with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and their activity on the ESFVTC in order to ensure project efficiencies and management.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On June 19, 2018, your Committee considered a Motion (Martinez - Rodriguez - Krekorian) relative to the feasibility of creating an underground wiring district along the proposed ESFVTC Project. According to the Motion, the Metro, in coordination with the cities of San Fernando and Los Angeles, is in the process of pursuing a major mass transit project along Van Nuys Boulevard and San Fernando Road. The proposed project area known as the East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor would consist of the Van Nuys Metro Orange Line Station running north along Van Nuys Boulevard to San Fernando Road. From that point, the project would proceed northwest along San Fernando Road to the Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink Station - a distance of 9.2 miles.

The key elements of the proposed transit corridor include the development of infrastructure for dedicated bus rapid transit services and light rail services. These components will significantly improve transit options for the local community and region. In addition, the proposed project will serve as a major catalyst for reinvestment in the local community. To maximize public benefit associated with this project, the City should consider the removal of overhead power distribution facilities and power lines along the transit corridor. To initiate this effort, the LADWP and the DPW should be instructed to study the feasibility of creating an underground wiring district along the proposed East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendations contained in the Motion as detailed in

the above recommendation. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY CLIMATE CHANGE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
MARTINEZ:	YES
KORETZ:	YES
KREKORIAN:	YES
CEDILLO:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES

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