

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, the California High Speed Rail Authority was created in 1996 for the purpose of constructing a high speed train from San Francisco to Los Angeles that will eventually encompass over 800 miles of rail, with up to 24 stations; and

WHEREAS, on September 19, 2018, three refined set of Palmdale to Burbank alignment alternatives were announced including State Route 14 (SR-14), E1, and E2; and

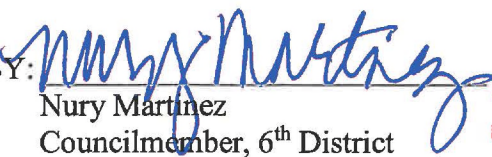
WHEREAS, the SR-14 option follows State Route 14 before going below ground through the San Gabriel Mountains, and later intersecting with route E1 that goes along San Fernando Road through Pacoima and Sun Valley; and

WHEREAS, a refined alternative SR-14 would also add an additional layer of burden on the Sun Valley community with trains running every nine minutes and potentially creating closures of existing intersection as well as additional truck traffic further burdening the community with air pollution during the construction period; and

WHEREAS, while most of the route will run underground, there is a section of the route that will run above ground using the existing Metrolink corridor in the Sun Valley community which already faces several environmental issues including landfills, auto dismantling yards, and heavy industrial uses abutting residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, having the SR14 option operate above ground in the community of Sun Valley, will once again confirm that Sun Valley continues to be left behind by destructive land uses that allow the rest of the city and state to prosper and move forward.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2019-2020 State Legislative Program OPPOSITION to the California High Speed Rail Authority's refined alternative SR-14 unless amended to be underground in the Sun Valley section of the route.

PRESENTED BY: 
Nury Martinez
Councilmember, 6th District

SECONDED BY: 

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