

MOTION PUBLIC WORKS & GANG REDUCTION

With the passage of Measure R in 2008 and Measure M in 2016, the City of Los Angeles has seen an immense growth in the construction of transit projects throughout the city. From the Purple Line in Mid-City to the Crenshaw Line in South LA to the Regional Connector in Downtown, every area of the city is experiencing, or will soon be experiencing, the construction of major capital projects in their neighborhood.

While the addition of mass transit is a huge benefit for city residents, the impacts from construction on businesses, residents, and commuters can be immense. Balancing the needs of the community with the need to deliver major projects is a difficult task that must be undertaken with the utmost care.

In order to balance construction with community needs, the city has Peak Hour construction rules and the Holiday Moratorium period. Often times, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority (Metro) requests Peak Hour Exemptions and/or Holiday Moratorium Exemptions in order to deliver their projects in a more expedited manner. Each request must be considered in detail and exemptions should not be granted lightly. Approval by the city departments and concurrence from the affected Council Districts is essential to ensuring this review happens fairly and equitably.

Furthermore, the city executed the Master Cooperative Agreement (MCA) with Metro in 2002 that formalizes the review and approval of these exemptions as well as other technical reviews. Due to the multitude of new Metro projects, the current MCA is out of date and needs to be refined in order to better deliver Metro projects while at the same time protecting the public interest.

I THEREFORE MOVE that all requests by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority (Metro) for Peak Hour Exemptions and Holiday Moratorium Exemptions shall require timely written concurrence by all affected Council Districts in order to ensure that exceptions to existing city policies are given in the best interest of the public; and,

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Public Works and Department of Transportation report back on the existing Master Cooperative Agreement with Metro and the need for a long term extension. This report should include discussion of modifying the agreement as necessary in order to ensure that Metro projects are constructed in an expedited manner while at the same time ensuring that affected communities are treated fairly and equitably.

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