

MOTION

As part of the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project (Crenshaw Line), Metro is in the process of obtaining permits to commence construction of the Southwestern Yard operations and maintenance facility located in the City of Los Angeles. The Southwestern Yard will provide vehicle storage and maintenance services for the Crenshaw Line's light rail transit (LRT) vehicles, and the future expansion of the Metro Green Line LRT vehicle fleet. Vehicle maintenance activities are necessary to ensure the daily reliable operation of the LRT vehicles for the Crenshaw Line, an 8.5-mile light-rail line with eight stations that will connect the Metro Expo Line to the Metro Green Line and Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

The Southwestern Yard is a consolidated maintenance facility that will serve multiple light-rail lines and is designed, constructed and equipped to perform service and inspection, heavy repairs, blow-down, body repairs, painting, storage, cleaning and washing of LRT vehicles in the Metro fleet. The Southwestern Yard will also include facilities for Metro staff and other employees engaged in general administration, operations, repair and maintenance, transit security, equipment housing and storage.

The 18-acre site where the Southwestern Yard will be constructed is located in the City of Los Angeles. Metro owns all of the property with the exception of the public right-of-way along Bellanca Avenue from Arbor Vitae Street to its southerly terminus. In order to complete the project, Metro is required to vacate Bellanca Avenue.

Metro has submitted the application for the said street vacation (CF-15-0884), and is currently in the process of completing their street vacation review and approval. However, in order to meet stringent construction milestones, Metro is seeking assistance by the City to expeditiously authorize temporary closure of Bellanca Avenue from Arbor Vitae Street to its southerly terminus in order to proceed with the necessary excavation work and related activities within the public right-of-way for the Southwestern Yard. The closure is necessary for the safety and protection of persons using that portion of the street during excavation work.

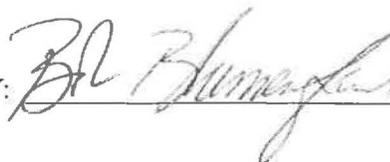
I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council direct the Bureau of Street Services to temporarily close and fence Bellanca Avenue from Arbor Vitae Street to its southerly terminus, subject to Metro satisfying the conditions from the Bureau of Engineering for an Excavation Permit.

PRESENTED BY:


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