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The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA), 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 Department of Water and Power and the Department of Public Works should be instructed to study the feasibility of creating an underground wiring district along the proposed *East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor*.


In this manner, local aesthetics can be improved and reinvestment in the community can be expanded.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Water and Power (DWP) and the Department of Public Works (DPW) be requested/instructed to prepare for consideration by the Council, within 90 days, a study detailing the feasibility of creating an underground wiring district along the proposed *East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor (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.

I FURTHER MOVE that the DWP and the DPW coordinate this study with the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and their activity on the *ESFVTC* in order to ensure project efficiencies and management.

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