

# Agenda Report

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL

**DATE:** December 16, 2002

**FROM:** City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and the City of Pasadena for the SR 710 Mitigation Project

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Los Angeles County Transportation Authority (LACMTA) for the SR 710 Mitigation Project funded by Transportation Bill H.R. 5394.

**BACKGROUND:**

In October 2000, the United States Congress passed transportation bill H.R. 5394 that funded transportation projects throughout the nation. The bill specifically earmarked \$46 million for surface transportation improvements to mitigate traffic congestion in the SR 710 Corridor resulting from the freeway gap. The funds are to be shared by the cities of Pasadena, South Pasadena and Los Angeles with a total allocation to Pasadena of \$24.5 million.

On June 17, 2002 the City Council approved a list of eight projects recommended by the Pasadena SR 710 Design Advisory Group and supported by City staff for funding under transportation bill H.R. 5394. These projects were developed based on their potential to improve traffic operations throughout the City but related to the SR 710 Freeway, taking into consideration their compatibility and conformance with the goals of the City's General Plan Mobility Element. A description of the eight projects is provided as an attachment to this report. The total cost estimate of the SR 710 Mitigation projects is \$27,675,000 of which \$24,500,000 (88.53 percent) will be funded under H.R. 5394. The local match of 11.47 percent in the amount of \$3,175,000 is provided by a combination of funds from the LACMTA and the City of Pasadena. LACMTA will provide 10 percent of the required match from Proposition C funds and the City of Pasadena will provide the remaining 1.47 percent. Execution of this MOU is necessary to administer the LACMTA funds for the SR 710 Mitigation projects.

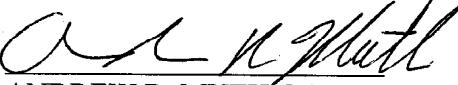
**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Execution of this MOU will allow the City to administer the funds provided by LACMTA for the SR 710 Mitigation projects, which are currently included and budgeted in the adopted FY 2003 Capital Improvement Program.

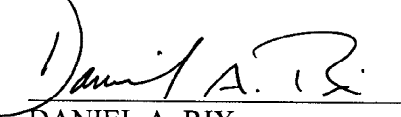
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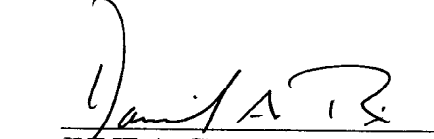
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