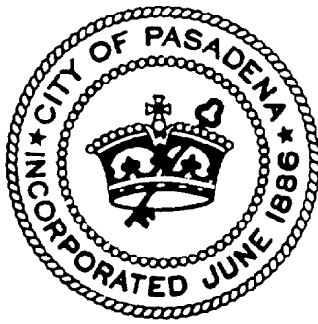




Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: NOVEMBER 13, 2000

FROM: CITY CLERK

SUBJECT: QUALIFICATION OF PETITION FOR "AN INITIATIVE
ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA FAVORING
COMPLETION OF THE 710 FREEWAY"

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Receive and accept the City Clerk's certification that, based upon the examination and verification of signatures by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder's Office, the petition submitted for "AN INITIATIVE ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA FAVORING COMPLETION OF THE 710 FREEWAY", contains a sufficient number of valid signatures to place the proposed initiative on the March 6, 2001 ballot.
The City Council may either:
 - (a) Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9215, introduce the ordinance, without alteration, at the regular meeting in which it is presented, and adopt the ordinance within 10 days after its presentation;
 - OR
 - (b) If the ordinance is not passed without alteration by the legislative body, it shall be submitted to the voters at the next regular municipal election (March 6, 2001) occurring not less than 88 days after the order of the legislative body.
- (2) If the City Council decides not to adopt the ordinance, and elects to place it on the March 6, 2001 ballot, it is recommended the City Council:
 - (a) Adopt a resolution calling and giving notice of a Special Municipal Election, to be consolidated and held with the City District Primary Election and the Pasadena Unified School District Primary Nominating Election on Tuesday, March 6, 2001, for the purpose of submitting to the voters of the City of Pasadena an initiative ordinance favoring completion of the 710 Freeway.
 - (b) Adopt a resolution setting priorities for filing written arguments pertaining to the measure, and directing the City Attorney to prepare an Impartial Analysis.

- (3) It is recommended that a journal voucher be approved authorizing the Director of Finance to appropriate \$16,000 from the Unappropriated General Fund balance to the City Clerk's Election Account 8114-101-263000.

BACKGROUND:

On October 2, 2000, Mr. Nat Read, proponent of the Initiative, timely filed with the City Clerk's Office the above-referenced petition. A copy of the proposed ordinance text and the City Attorney's ballot title and summary is attached for reference. On October 3, 2000, the petition was delivered to the County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder's Office for signature verification as provided for in Sections 9114 and 9211 of the California Elections Code. Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9114, the City Clerk is required to certify the results of the signature verification to the City Council.

Verification Results

The results of the signature verification are set forth in the attached certification by the City Clerk. Based on these results, the City Clerk is certifying that the petition meets the 10% valid signature requirement of registered voters to place the measure on the next regular municipal election ballot.

Election Timing

California Elections Code Section 9215 provides that if an initiative petition is signed by not less than 10% of the voters of the city, and if it is not passed without change by the legislative body, then the ordinance, without alteration, shall be submitted to the voters at the next regular municipal election occurring not less than 88 days after the order of the legislative body. The initiative petition has been filed, verified, and presented to City Council in time to meet the December 11, 2000 deadline to place the measure on the March 6, 2001 ballot.

Ballot Arguments

Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9219, the person filing an initiative petition may file a written argument in favor of the ordinance, and the legislative body may submit an argument against the ordinance. Elections Code Section 9280, *et seq.*, establishes procedures for the submittal and priority order for submitting ballot arguments. The City Council may wish to designate itself, or certain Councilmembers, to file an argument against the measure. If a majority of the City Council does not wish to submit a ballot argument against the

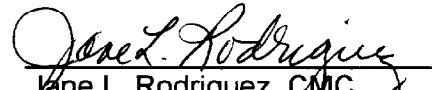
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measure (and assuming the proponent will submit a ballot argument in favor), the next priority order for submitting a ballot argument against the measure would fall to a bona fide association of citizens, followed by individual voters who are eligible to vote on the measure.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of the Registrar-Recorder's signature verifications is estimated to be approximately \$8,000. The cost in placing this measure on the regular municipal election ballot is an additional \$8,000, for a total fiscal impact of \$16,000. It is recommended that a journal voucher be approved authorizing the Director of Finance to appropriate \$16,000 from the Unappropriated General Fund balance to the City Clerk's Election Account 8114-101-263000.

Respectfully submitted,


Jane L. Rodriguez, CMC
City Clerk

Reviewed by:


Michele Beal Bagnaris
City Attorney

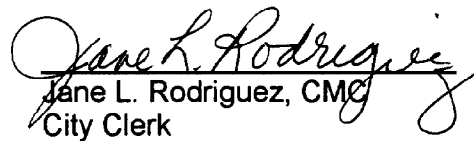

Jay M. Goldstone
Director of Finance

**CERTIFICATE OF RESULTS
EXAMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL SIGNATURE VERIFICATION**

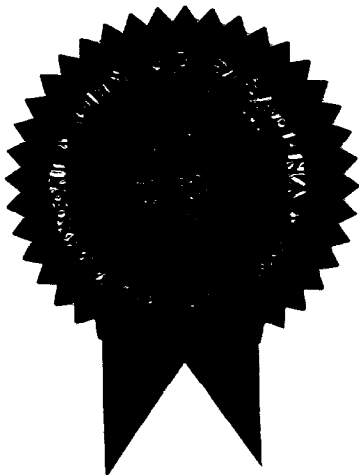
I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have caused to be examined and verified by the Office of the Registrar-Recorder of Los Angeles County, the signatures on the Petition for Submission to Voters "AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA IN FAVOR OF COMPLETING THE 710 FREEWAY", filed with the City Clerk on October 2, 2000, with the following results:

Total Number of Signatures Filed	12,112
Total Number of Signatures Verified	10,414
Total Number of Signatures Found Sufficient	7,997
Total of Number of Signatures Found Not Sufficient	2,417
Number of Registered Voters in the City (Last report of registration at the time the Notice of Intention was published; County Clerk's report dated February 7, 2000)	70,242
Number of Signatures Needed to Qualify (10%)	7,024

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the petition for a proposed "UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA IN FAVOR OF COMPLETING THE 710 FREEWAY", qualifies for the next regular municipal election scheduled for March 6, 2001.


Jane L. Rodriguez, CMC
City Clerk

Dated: November 7, 2000

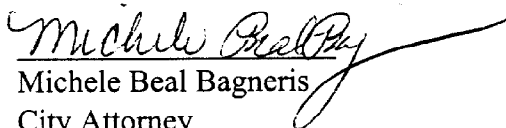


TITLE AND SUMMARY

“AN INITIATIVE ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA FAVORING
COMPLETION OF THE 710 FREEWAY.”

This initiative measure would declare the policy of the City of Pasadena to be in favor of completing the 710 Freeway extension between the I-210 and I-10 Freeways. The policy of the City would be established through an ordinance, which could not be amended or repealed without a vote of the people.

Date: August 17, 2000


Michele Beal Bagneris
City Attorney

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**AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA
IN FAVOR OF COMPLETING THE 710 FREEWAY**

WHEREAS: It is important that the voters of the City of Pasadena set City policy favoring completion of the 710 Freeway between the I-210 Freeway and the I-10 Freeway. Such a policy is important to the future of the City. With such a policy the City can commit energies and resources to the completion of the 710 Freeway. Such a policy will also communicate to elected officials and staff at the County, State and Federal levels the will of the people of Pasadena to complete the 710 Freeway.

The People of the City of Pasadena ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. The policy of the City of Pasadena favors completion of the 710 Freeway between the I-210 Freeway and the I-10 Freeway.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall not be repealed or amended except by a vote of the people.

SECTION 3. If passed, this ordinance shall be considered as adopted upon the date that the vote is declared by the legislative body, and shall go into effect 10 days after that date.

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