

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: May 24, 1999

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Relocation of the Pasadena Transportation Center located between Arroyo Parkway and Raymond Avenue just North of Del Mar Boulevard.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

1. Approve the relocation of the structure and entry/exit of the Pasadena Transportation Center, as shown on Exhibit "A" attached, to a location totally on Metro Pasadena Blue Line Construction Authority property.
2. Direct the City Manager to cease the acquisition process of a portion of private property at 171 South Arroyo Parkway, Public Storage Properties, Inc.
3. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate a modification to a Memorandum of Understanding, covering the construction, development, and operation of the Pasadena Transportation Center area, between the Construction Authority and the City of Pasadena.

BACKGROUND:

The Light Rail Station Review Committee accepted the Pasadena Transportation Center Charrette on August 13, 1996. Subsequently, on August 25, 1997 the City Council: (1) accepted the Pasadena Santa Fe Transportation Community Charrette (Community Planning Process); (2) authorized construction of a 600 car subterranean parking facility; and (3) approved a Memorandum of Understanding with the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) covering the development of the Pasadena Transportation Center area. Subsequent State Legislation has transferred the MTA property to the Construction Authority.

The major portion of the Pasadena Transportation Center garage was to be built on MTA property and the northerly part was to be built on property owned by Public Storage Properties, Inc. The Public Storage property to be acquired was the most southerly piece on Arroyo Parkway on which a separate structure exists as a garage extension of the main Public Storage building. After

extensive negotiations with Public Storage, it was determined the property could not be acquired for a reasonable cost and within a reasonable time frame. The price under a condemnation alternative was projected to be in excess of \$1,000,000 over the \$2,500,000 budgeted for the acquisition of the property.

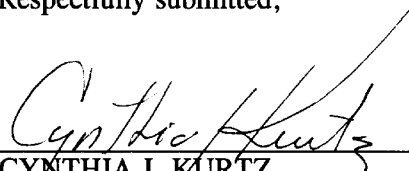
International Parking Design (I.P.D.), the design company for the garage, was asked to explore alternative ideas that would shift the entry/exit to a location fully on Construction Authority property. I.P.D. developed concepts that would preserve most of the current garage design, provide an entrance/exit from Raymond Avenue rather than Arroyo Parkway, and not require the off-site street improvements as in the original design. In addition, the relocated garage would be in substantial conformance with the planning Charrette and still allow development on the site. It is anticipated that construction would start in April, 2000 with completion in December, 2000.

At a future time the City Manager will present to the City Council a formal proposal by I.P.D. for a modified design of the Transportation Center Garage.

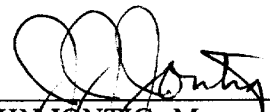
FISCAL IMPACT:

There is sufficient funds in Budget Account 75442 for the construction of the Pasadena Transportation Center.

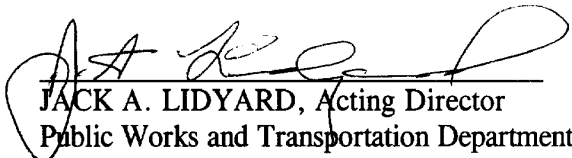
Respectfully submitted,


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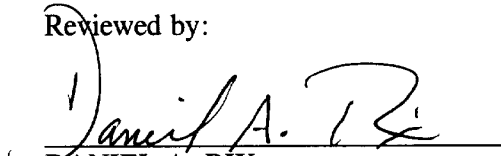
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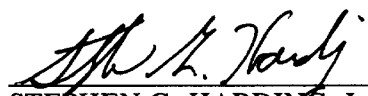

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