



CITY OF COMMERCE AGENDA REPORT

TO: Honorable City Council

Item No. _____

FROM: City Administrator

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES MAYOR, ERIC GARCETTI— MEASURE M
PRESENTATION

MEETING DATE: October 4, 2016

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Council will receive a presentation by City of Los Angeles Mayor, Eric Garcetti, on the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Measure M ballot measure scheduled for the 2016 November 8, 2016 election.

BACKGROUND:

Measure M on the November 2016 ballot would raise the Los Angeles County sales tax by one-half-percent, and would continue another earlier one-half-percent increase in perpetuity, which would have otherwise expired. The Measure requires a two-thirds vote to pass and has already been the subject of controversy.

If Measure M passes, taxpayers in about 50 communities representing at least 3 million residents will be paying for Measure M forever, but won't see any traffic relief on their freeways and roads for decades.

On March 24, 2016, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority released a draft Expenditure Plan as a part of the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan Ordinance. This initial plan identified the I-5 Freeway Expansion Project (north of the I-605 to I-710) for funding and starting construction in the year 2041, over twenty (20) years following the completion of the southern segment.

On June 23, 2016, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board approved a Transportation Expenditure Plan for the general election scheduled for the November 8, 2016 ballot.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Provide staff with further direction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This activity may be carried out without additional impact on the current operating budget.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC GOALS:

This item before the City Council is applicable to the following Council 2012 Strategic Goals:

- *Grow revenues to ensure all expenses are being met so that we can remain fiscally responsible and continue to provide services to the residents*
- *Improve and maintain infrastructure and beautify our community*
- *Develop a tangible environmental mitigation plan.*

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