

Chamber Group Favors Area Monorail System

SEPULVEDA — Development of a Los Angeles-wide monorail system by private enterprise is favored by the North and East Valley Associated Chambers of Commerce.

The general membership of the association unanimously called for formation of a private rapid transit system by voice vote at a Monday night meeting after hearing a talk by a spokesman for the Alweg Corp., a private monorail firm seeking a franchise to develop the system.

The vote was taken by delegates from North and East Valley chambers after representatives of Alweg outlined a plan under which the firm would build a 44-mile monorail system.

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The Alweg spokesman told the delegates the monorail could be built with \$185 million in revenue bonds paid for out of the fare box.

He said the Alweg proposition calls for an all-monorail line that would cost about \$3 million a mile. It would not include any subway lines which, the spokesman said, would cost from \$11 to \$12 million a mile, if not more.

The association board of directors is scheduled to

take a stand on the controversial monorail proposition at its Oct. 21 meeting.

In other action the general membership urged the City Planning Commission to cancel a scheduled October meeting to consider adoption of a West Valley Master zoning plan until all complaints and suggestions from area groups and residents have been considered more fully.