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APRIL 16, 2008

CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

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**SUBJECT: EXPO PHASE 1 LRT PROJECT
CULVER CITY AERIAL STATION AND STRUCTURE**

ACTION: APPROVE A LIFE-OF-PROJECT BUDGET INCREASE OF \$54 MILLION

RECOMMENDATION

Increase the Life-of-Project (LOP) budget for the Expo Phase 1 LRT Project Culver City Aerial Station and Structure by \$54 million, increasing the LOP budget from \$808.3 million to \$862.3 million.

RATIONALE

As originally planned, the Culver City Aerial Station and Structure would have been designed and constructed during Phase II of the Expo LRT Project. However, the Expo Construction Authority is recommending that the Culver City Station be constructed as part of Phase I of the project to avoid the cost of building an interim at-grade station and to take advantage of State Proposition 1B funds and a contribution from Culver City that have been approved for this purpose.

DISCUSSION

In November 2007, the Board approved the programming of \$50 million in State Proposition 1B Public Transportation, Modernization, Improvement, and Service Enhancement (PTMISEA) funds for the Expo Phase I LRT Project Culver City Aerial Station and Structure. On March 5, 2007, the City Council of the City of Culver City authorized a local contribution of \$4 million toward the construction of the Culver City Aerial Station. These funds were proposed to be used to accelerate the Culver City Aerial Station as part of Phase I of the Expo LRT Project. The work planned for this Culver City Station would include the design and construction of a grade separation and aerial station to address significant traffic concerns with an at-grade crossing of National/Washington in Culver City. The work would save approximately \$10 million in construction costs for the interim at-grade station at Washington/National due to escalation, inefficiencies associated with building the

permanent station around an operating railroad, and the construction/demolition of the interim at-grade station,

On February 22, 2008, the State of California approved our request to provide \$50 million of State Proposition 1B PTMISEA funds for the Expo Phase 1 LRT Project Culver City Aerial Station and Structure.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Should the Board approve this request, the revised LOP budget for the Expo Phase I LRT Project #890001 will be increased to \$862.3 million. The funding for the \$54 million scope increase will be a combination of State Proposition 1B PTMISEA funds (\$50 million) and a contribution from the City of Culver City in the amount of \$4 million. Since this is a multi-year project, the Expo Construction Authority will be responsible for budgeting the cost in future years.

ALTERNATIVE CONSIDERED

The Board could choose not to approve the LOP budget increase for the Expo Phase 1 LRT Project Culver City Aerial Station and Structure. This would result in the need to build an interim at-grade station in Culver City until such time as funding is provided to construct the aerial station as part of Expo Phase II LRT Project.

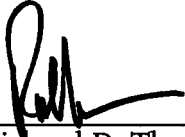
NEXT STEPS

If the \$54 million LOP budget increase is approved by the Board, staff will work with Expo staff to modify the agreements between the two agencies to include this new scope of work. Expo staff will then work with their design-build contractor to incorporate the modifications into their contract.

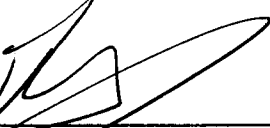
ATTACHMENT

- A. Expo Phase 1 Life of Project Budget Increase
- B. Culver City Letter dated September 18, 2007

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for Roger Snoble
Chief Executive Officer

ATTACHMENT A

EXPO PHASE I LIFE-OF-PROJECT BUDGET INCREASE
\$ In Millions

Scope and Cash Flow

	FY 09	FY 10	TOTAL
Culver City Aerial Station & Structure	\$14	\$40	\$54

Funding

	FY 09	FY 10	TOTAL
State Prop. 1B PTMISEA	\$10	\$40	\$50
Culver City	\$4	\$0	\$4
Total	\$14	\$40	\$54



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Dear Mr. Snoble,

The City of Culver City would like to again affirm its support for the Expo Light Rail Line. We remain committed to cooperatively working with Metro and Expo staff as you strive to complete this important project.

This letter is to inform you that on March 5, 2007 the City Council of the City of Culver City authorized a local contribution of up to \$4 Million in value toward the construction of an aerial station to be located on the right-of-way between Washington and Venice Boulevards as part of Phase 1. Of course, the timing of this contribution will be dependent upon when the Expo Construction Authority can actually build the aerial station.

As you noted during our meeting on August 14, the project faces significant budgetary challenges. Culver City hopes to continue working with you and your staff to identify potential solutions to the funding shortfall. Please keep us informed regarding any new developments or opportunities. As always, should you have any questions, please contact Steve Cunningham at (310) 253-6540.

Sincerely,

Alan Corlin
Mayor

cc: Honorable Members of the City Council
Jerry Fulwood, City Manager
Rick Thorpe, Expo Construction Authority
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