

## MOTION

**By Director LaBonge**

The 1.5-mile long Harbor Freeway Transit Project was developed to alleviate traffic congestion on one of the regions most traveled corridors. This elevated high occupancy vehicle facility down the center of the existing eight-lane freeway was an effective solution that addressed the need to increase highway capacity for transit and carpool vehicles.

This project, however, cannot be fully optimized until it is fully integrated into the surrounding transportation network, particularly with the Metro Blue Line, Metro Red Line and other Los Angeles transit service and facilities. Moreover, the recent and ongoing development in downtown Los Angeles, such as Staples Center, the Convention Center, improvements along the Figueroa Corridor and numerous other planned development, call for a detailed analysis of extending the Harbor Freeway Transitway from its current Twenty-Third Street terminus to Route 101 near downtown Los Angeles.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the Board direct staff to report on the status of any efforts to examine improvements to the Harbor Freeway Transit Project that would connect it to the surrounding transit network.

