

RESOLUTION NO. 7693

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE
REQUESTING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSIT
AUTHORITY TO FUND ECO-RAPID TRANSIT AND ITS MEMBERS TO
ENGAGE IN PREDEVELOPMENT TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING**

WHEREAS, the City of South Gate (“City”) is a member of the Orangeline Development Authority, doing business as Eco-Rapid Transit, whose mission is to pursue the development of an environmentally friendly and energy efficient transit system; and

WHEREAS, the system is designed to enhance and increase transportation options and expand economic growth; and

WHEREAS, each member is dedicated to the improved quality of life of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the State’s EnviroScreen administered by CalEPA has designated the corridor cities as “Disadvantaged Communities” in response to state legislation: SB 535 (De Leon, Chapter 830, Statutes of 2012); and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority is undertaking environmental studies in preparation for the development of the West Santa Ana Branch transit project; and

WHEREAS, the development and operations of transit affects and encompasses all land within a two-mile radius of the transit corridor; and

WHEREAS, predevelopment planning for this corridor needs to be undertaken to adopt broadly supported comprehensive plans that can reduce risk, mobilize diverse stakeholder support, and ensure a project ready transit corridor that will more likely serve multiple economic, environmental and social equity interests; and

WHEREAS, Eco-Rapid Transit has a positive track record of working with the cities, Southern California Association of Governments and Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority to complete studies with community engagement; and

WHEREAS, Eco-Rapid Transit has established a city working group composed of planning and public works directors as well as city managers to work with Eco-Rapid Transit staff on the development of transit corridor guidelines and the West Santa Ana Branch refinement study; and

WHEREAS, the West Santa Branch Transit corridor has been identified as a high priority transit project by the Gateway Cities Council of Governments Strategic Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, Eco-Rapid Transit is dedicated to and demonstrated the support of the cities and the involvement of private sector partners in planning of the transit corridors;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

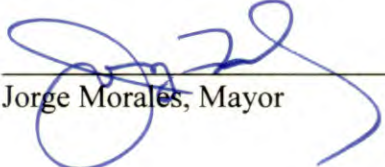
SECTION 1. The City Council hereby requests that the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority provide \$15 million to Eco-Rapid Transit and its member cities to undertake predevelopment planning activities along the transit corridor in coordination with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority's environmental studies and predevelopment activities.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby authorizes City staff to communicate its request to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority, Eco-Rapid Transit and other interested parties.

SECTION 3. The City Clerk shall certify the adoption of this Resolution which shall be effective upon its adoption.

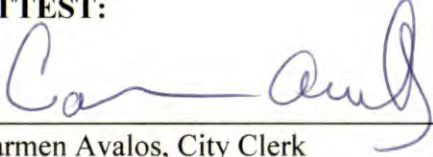
PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 23rd day of February, 2016.

CITY OF SOUTH GATE:



Jorge Morales, Mayor

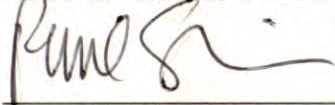
ATTEST:



Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney

RESOLUTION CERTIFICATION PAGE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS

CITY OF SOUTH GATE)

I, Carmen Avalos, City Clerk of the City of South Gate, California, hereby certify that the whole number of Members of the City Council of said City is five; that Resolution No. 7693 was adopted by the City Council at their Regular Meeting held on February 23, 2016, by the following vote:

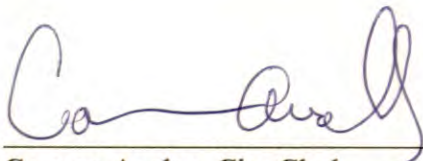
Ayes: Council Members: Morales, De Witt, Davila, Bernal and Hurtado

Noes: Council Members: None

Absent: Council Members: None

Abstain: Council Members: None

Witness my hand and the seal of said City on February 24, 2016.



Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
City of South Gate, California