

RICHARDS/WRIGHT Motion
Regarding Metro Express Service to Westwood

WHEREAS, the Service Councils for Metro San Fernando Valley and Metro Westside/Central have, since July 2007, advocated for the replacement of Line 761 Rapid service between Sherman Oaks and Westwood with a separate, expedited express line; and

WHEREAS, the San Fernando Valley I-405 Corridor Connection Project included in the Measure R project list will not likely begin construction until 2018, with operation in 2022 at the earliest; and

WHEREAS, the proposed express line is a logical interim step to improving service between the Valley and the Westside, and can be operated with little or no infrastructure beyond the HOV lanes on the 405 freeway which are scheduled to be open by the end of 2013;

THEREFORE, the Metro San Fernando Valley and Metro Westside/Central Service Councils direct Metro Staff to conduct the preliminary evaluation and research necessary to establish the proposed new express service at the earliest possible date, and bring forward a proposal for consideration as part of the December 2013 service change program.

(A map of the proposed route and stops is provided on the reverse side of this document.)

