

CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE

RESOLUTION NO. 12-32

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE SUPPORTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY BALLOT MEASURE J APPEARING ON THE NOVEMBER 6, 2012 GENERAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, Measure J was placed on the November 6, 2012 ballot by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (“Metro”); and

WHEREAS, Measure J extends by thirty years the provisions of Measure R, passed by the voters in 2008, which established a half-cent sales tax for transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of La Cañada Flintridge recognizes that Measure J would address a critical transportation and air quality need for both the community and for the entire County, in part, because it would accelerate multiple worthwhile public transportation projects, such as the enhancement of the region’s light rail and subway systems, that would help resolve the congestion problem shared by all in the region and would provide an effective and environmentally sound alternative to automobile travel within the region; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Measure J would specifically provide for transportation improvements in the City of La Cañada Flintridge, such as the acceleration of the Arroyo Verdugo Highway Operational Improvement projects, which could include the City’s soundwall project that is necessary to address the existing severe noise pollution that is caused by the 210 Freeway; and

WHEREAS, while the City Council of the City of La Cañada Flintridge is supportive of public transportation projects that responsibly address our future needs, the City of La Cañada Flintridge is also concerned that certain unworthy, costly, and environmentally unsound transportation projects (specifically, the 710 tunnel extension project (also known as the “F-7 Alternative”)) are also currently under consideration by Metro, and, therefore, the City Council of the City of La Cañada Flintridge wishes to ensure that its support of Measure J is in no way construed as an endorsement of the F-7 Alternative (or any other extension of the 710 Freeway to the 210 Freeway) – especially since the City of La Cañada Flintridge and other affected communities have recently called upon the Board of Directors of Metro to eliminate the F-7 Alternative (or any other extension of the 710 Freeway to the 210 Freeway) from further consideration; and

WHEREAS, Metro has previously represented that Measure R “*does not constitute a binding commitment to spend in a particular manner,*” and has currently represented that Measure J does not constitute an obligation or mandate to build the 710 tunnel;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of La Cañada Flintridge supports Measure J.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 15th day of October, 2012.



Stephen A. Del Guercio, Mayor

ATTEST:



Yvette Hall, City Clerk

State of California)
County of Los Angeles) ss.
City of La Cañada Flintridge)

I, Yvette Hall, City Clerk of the City of La Cañada Flintridge, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 12-32 was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of La Cañada Flintridge at a Regular Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2012, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Davitt, Spence, Voss, and Del Guercio.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Olhasso.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.

Dated: October 17, 2012



Yvette Hall, City Clerk