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The Honorable Holly Mitchell  
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors  
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RE: Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project

Dear Supervisor Mitchell,

Serving the communities of Westchester, Marina del Rey, Playa Vista, Playa del Rey, Ladera Heights, and surrounding areas of Los Angeles, the LAX Coastal Chamber of Commerce promotes business and enhances the vitality of our community through member services, educational programs, strategic partnerships, community outreach, and legislative advocacy.

Our LAX Coastal Chamber of Commerce is writing to express our strong support for the Sepulveda Transit Corridor (STC) Project alternatives and goals of the STC4All Coalition that include a direct, on-campus station at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and a seamless connection to the Metro Purple (D) Line in Westwood Village.

We urge Metro to select an alternative that maximizes equity and ensures accessibility. Commuters between the San Fernando Valley and the Westside face chronic congestion with limited transit alternatives. Current public transit options are limited to routes necessitating multiple transfers, which often results in commuters using their personal vehicle if they have access to one. This negatively impacts our quality of life, harms our regional economy and limits our ability to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Metro's ridership projections clearly show that the alternatives with the highest use include a direct stop at the UCLA campus and a seamless connection to the D line. A UCLA station is projected to be the busiest non-transfer station in Metro's network when it opens. To motivate people to consider using public transit instead of their vehicles, the future STC needs to go directly to the destinations where the overwhelming majority of people are heading while limiting transfers. Public transit is more appealing to commuters when: there is no need to transfer, it is affordable, and it is fast.



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Selecting an alternative that includes an on-campus station at UCLA and a seamless connection to the D Line is key to ensuring Metro can achieve all the goals of the Sepulveda Transit Corridor. The ridership projections of approximately 120,000 boardings per day for several of the alternatives demonstrate this is a project with the potential to transform our region by providing fast and reliable transportation for Angelenos and visitors. The alternatives including an on-campus station at UCLA will provide what our region desperately needs – effective and accessible public transit in one of the most congested corridors in the nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chad Maender', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Chad Maender  
President/CEO  
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**CC:**

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