



Administrative Report

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Meeting Date: 1/20/2026

To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
From: JOY A. FORD, CITY ATTORNEY

TITLE

APPROVE LETTER TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (METRO) REGARDING THE CITY'S SUPPORT OF THE HAWTHORNE ALTERNATIVE FOR THE PROPOSED C LINE EXTENSION TO TORRANCE PROJECT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This item provides City Council and the Mayor an opportunity to approve and authorize dissemination of a comment letter to be submitted to the Metro board in support of the Hawthorne alternative for the proposed C Line extension to Torrance Project.

BACKGROUND

On January 13, 2026, the City Council (with Councilmember Behrendt abstaining) made a referral to the City Attorney to work with outside counsel to prepare a letter on behalf of the voting members of the City Council regarding the City's viewpoint on the C-Line extension. The letter is attached for City Council's review and approval. Following approval, the updated letter will be submitted to the Metro Board Clerk for the January 22 Regular Board Meeting for the Board's consideration.

COORDINATION

The City Attorney's Office prepared this letter in coordination with the City Manager's Office, Livia Beaudin from Coast Law Group LLP, and Councilmembers Obagi and Kaluderovic.

FISCAL IMPACT

The preparation of this letter is absorbed by the City Attorney's budget for the C line extension.

Submitted by:

Joy A. Ford, City Attorney

ATTACHMENTS

- Draft Letter - Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transport Authority