

March 2022 P&P Public Comments

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Sent: Sunday, March 6, 2022 1:20 PM

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Subject: WeHo pushes for subway route expansion

<https://beverlypress.com/2022/03/weho-pushes-for-subway-route-expansion/>

Has anyone considered doing all 3. If done above ground they could be done for the same cost as one underground line and in less time. The purple line is experiencing years of delays and cost overruns, although how much and how long, no one knows. (Do they?)

[REDACTED]

Los Angeles

Letter to LA Times: It is great to get this grant for public transportation. LA needs it badly. But should it all go to a few expensive underground routes, when quicker and cheaper options are available to alleviate congestion? Elevated rails might not be as aesthetically pleasing but would be faster to build. Since they are more politically difficult we are stuck with a few routes that will not be ready for 7-10 years, and only add a few miles in the Westside.

Bangkok has an elevated route that is not pretty but it takes hordes of people through the most congested areas of the city. The focus on Wilshire, which before subway construction was pretty fast, leaves the more dense routes getting worse, as development turns these areas even more dense. Imagine if there was a train from Burbank-Hollywood-Century City-Westwood. This would take so many cars off the streets. The build time would be much less than digging holes in the ground. Metro leadership needs to address alternative means of achieving results now.

[REDACTED]

Los Angeles, CA

In a message dated 5/20/2016 8:40:36 A.M. Pacific Standard Time, [REDACTED] writes:

What Los Angeles needs are elevated trains through congested areas. This would be politically difficult as they are not as aesthetically pleasing and noisier, but faster to build and in the areas most needing rapid transit. Bangkok has an elevated route that is not pretty and I am sure the neighbors complained. But it takes hordes of people through the most congested areas of the city. Imagine if there was a train from Burbank-Hollywood-Century City-Westwood. This would take so many cars off the streets. The build time would probably be much less than digging holes in the ground.

[REDACTED]

Los Angeles, CA

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 9:02 AM

To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>

Cc: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov

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We are currently experiencing major traffic delays on Yosemite & other routes in & out Eagle Rock with the permanent changes that have been made in the past 4 months. Restricting traffic further on Colorado with the existing BRT proposals would further add to the growing traffic delays that were stakeholders are dealing with.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
Date: March 8, 2022 at 7:21:40 AM PST
To: nohopasbrt@metro.net, councilmember.kevin-deleon@lacity.org
Cc: assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov
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From: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] March 8, 2022 6:52 AM

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Primary Concerns: "Refined F1" Option, 1-Lane Design

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Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 6:09 AM

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To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>
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Sent from my iPad

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 11:15 PM
To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>
Cc: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov
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[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 10:47 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov

Subject: BRT - Do the right thing by Eagle Rock residents, by keeping all lanes and parking in Eagle Rock

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This seems like the only and best option that considers the Transit riders, Eagle Rock's parking and traffic concerns, and everyone's safety

Considering how the community has come together in support of recommending an option that Metro did not develop, concerns me. While I understand that providing adequate routes for your ridership is a priority, should that be at the cost to Eagle Rock constituents? The cost will be in time for our residents, financially for our businesses, and potential safety issues for everyone using the Colorado corridor.

I firmly request that the BRT drive in the current mixed flow lanes on Colorado Blvd. Supporting this recommendation will restore my conviction that the constituents are part of this important decision-making process.

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>> Not only that, when there's an accident on the 134 Freeway, cars are re-routed on Colorado Boulevard which is a main artery in our neighborhood.

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>> So please, Metro Board Members, Kevin de Leon, Assemblymember Carrillo.... KEEP COLORADO BOULEVARD AS IS....with traffic flowing through.

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>> NO to BRT. Thank you.

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>> Sincerely,

>> [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 9:14 PM

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To: boardclerk@metro.net; nohopasbrt@metro.net; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov

Bcc: savecoloradoblvd@gmail.com,

Subject: BRT - Keep all lanes and parking in Eagle Rock

Body of email:

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From: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] March 7, 2022 8:03 PM

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Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 7:48 PM

To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>

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[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

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Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 7:28 PM
To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>
Cc: councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
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Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 7:20 PM

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 7:04 PM

To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>

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[REDACTED]

Eagle Rock Resident

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 6:53 PM
To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>
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Subject: savecoloradoblvd@gmail.com

Dear leaders and representatives of Eagle Rock,

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Through the years we've lived here, Eagle Rock has taken pains to protect the historic grace of its history while carefully nurturing its growth into a community where people want to live, to set down roots, to raise their children, to enjoy a grand diversity of friends and colleagues, to worship together, to study and grow, to realize their dreams. Eagle Rock hasn't gotten better by accident. It has blossomed so beautifully through careful stewardship of its soulfulness and unique character. So much injury to this community will result if another unrestricted Colorado Boulevard traffic lane or green median is lost. Please do not let this happen.

Most sincerely,

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 6:43 PM

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Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Residents of Eagle Rock

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 6:29 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; Kevin DeLeon <councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org>; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; Supervisor Hilda L. Solis <firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov>

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Sincerely,

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Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 6:13 PM
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Sincerely,

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Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, March 7, 2022 5:54 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 9:46 AM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov

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Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 11:58 AM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov
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Sincerely,

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 12:33 PM
To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>
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Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 1:06 PM

To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>

Cc: councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 1:18 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>;
councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov;
firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov

Subject: BRT in Eagle Rock

To whom it may concern:

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We might as well change the name of Eagle Rock to Gridlockville, because that's what we'll have. Make the busses fight the traffic in the mixed-flow lanes like the rest of us!

What makes BRT busses so high and mighty as to deserve this special dispensation? Answer me that!

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 3:46 PM

To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov <assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov>; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov

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Sincerely,

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Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

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Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 4:45 PM
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Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 6:00 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov

Subject: Keep All Lanes and Parking in Eagle Rock

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Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 6:32 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: BRT - Keep all lanes and parking in Eagle Rock

Dear Metro Board Clerk,

I have lived in Eagle Rock for many years and seen Colorado Blvd. develop from a string of auto parts stores and repair shops, to an attractive, thriving, community-friendly destination. I request that you direct the Metro BRT Noho-Pasadena staff to study and choose a third option for the BRT in Eagle Rock.

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Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 6:46 PM
To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>
Cc: councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: BRT - Keep all lanes and parking in Eagle Rock

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Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 9, 2022 10:38 AM
To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>
Cc: councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: BRT Through Eagle Rock on Colorado Blvd.

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2) For 4 years, the Stakeholders in Eagle Rock have voiced their opinions against the BRT project since the start. Not once has Metro ever given thought to our needs here in the community. We say No to the current options and put BRT on the 134 Fwy out of Eagle Rock.

[REDACTED]

Eagle Rock Homeowner

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, March 9, 2022 2:09 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov

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Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:34 PM
To: NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>
Cc: councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov; Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
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Sincerely,

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, March 11, 2022 10:55 AM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>; NoHoPasBRT <NoHoPasBRT@metro.net>; councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org; assemblymember.carrillo@assembly.ca.gov; firstdistrict@bos.lacounty.gov
Cc: savecoloradoblvd@gmail.com
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March 2022 RBM Public Comments

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 12:31 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[YOUR NAME]
[YOUR CITY AND ZIP CODE]

Best,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 12:36 PM
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PLEASE adjust the 2023 budget to *reduce* highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike share before board approval in May.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

We are not "all in the same boat." We are in the same storm. Some have yachts; others canoes; and others are drowning. Help when & where you can.

The author of this Email is suffering from TPD (Temporary Pandemic Derangement) Please excuse dangling participles, split infinitives, and other offen . . .

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I urge you to decrease the amount spend on freeway spending and to allocate those funds to transit alternatives instead.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 12:39 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

I am a mom who is desperately worried about both climate change and the awful air in Los Angeles. I want to raise concerns about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending. This comes after last years 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased in 2023.

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Make sure you're registered to vote [here](#).
Request your ballot to vote by mail [here](#).

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From: [REDACTED]

March 23, 2022 12:40 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 12:42 PM
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Thank you,

Adam G Linder
[REDACTED]

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Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 12:54 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

I am deeply concerned about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending. I wish I had known about this earlier, but as I just learned about it now from Streets for All and wanted to react as soon as possible, the rest of my message will largely follow their draft letter - with which I wholeheartedly agree.

This increase comes after last year's 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being *decreased* in 2023. It is hard for me to believe that such an imbalance is seriously being proposed in the middle of the worst climate crisis that we have ever faced.

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 12:55 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3 - Highway widening

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

I am very concerned about the proposed increase in the budget for highways in any way. The climate risks we face from continued reliance on fossil fuels are terrifying, and highways are a huge factor here.

Please do not increase funding for highways, under any label of 'modernization' or 'improvements'. We have been constructing too many highways and spending too much public money trying to make it easier to drive, when we should be doing the opposite.

Thank you for your consideration,

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 12:56 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

I want to raise major concerns about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending.

This comes after last year's 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased in 2023.

I have to use an inhaler living in LA and vehicle trips are the main source of air pollution in Southern California and the largest source of CO2 emissions in the state. More than 1 million Angelenos live within 1,000ft of a freeway, including myself, and breathe toxic air. Highway projects continue a history of disproportionately impacting BIPOC communities while failing to mitigate congestion as promised due to Induced Demand. They are connected to childhood obesity and higher levels of dementia.

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I want to live in a walkable and likable city. Anything less than a full commitment to complete streets over highway prioritization will be seen as a moral failing by our children's generation.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

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Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

Every single one of us calls this beautiful place called Earth home. It is the responsibility of every single one of us to take care of this place! We **MUST** reduce the heavy dependency on singular car usage that is the cause of violence (car crashes) and heavy pollution that is not normal for humanity, other species, or the Earth! Cars should be used for short trips when necessary but building massive freeways so people can go to work in another part of town doesn't make any sense at all!

I want to raise concerns about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending. This comes after last years 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased in 2023. Why would we expand or invest in freeways when we can create a better ride-share system & public transit system? When we can build housing that is closer to jobs, schools, and other basic day-to-day needs. Sitting in heavy traffic taking YEARS off our lives is NOT normal, make this NOT NORMAL again!

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It's **VITAL** that Metro stop spending more on wasteful and harmful freeway projects **as we face the critical threats of climate change, fossil fuel reliance, and traffic violence**. I ask that you adjust the 2023 budget to *reduce* highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike share before board approval in May.

Best,

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
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Thank you,

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Regards,

[REDACTED]

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 1:11 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment for Item #3

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Thank you,

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 1:13 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

I'm writing to share my concerns about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a shocking 30% increase in Freeway spending. This comes after last year's 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased in 2023.

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It is crucial to the human health of our region and our collective future that Metro stop spending more on wasteful and harmful freeway projects as we face the critical threats of climate change, fossil fuel reliance, and traffic violence. **I strongly urge you to adjust the 2023 budget to *reduce* highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike infrastructure before board approval in May.**

It is imperative that Metro take every action possible to ensure safe and sustainable transportation options are available in all communities, and work to reduce our region's reliance on fossil fuels which continue to exacerbate our notoriously unhealthy air, increase our GHG emissions, and maim and kill our most vulnerable community members.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 1:14 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

To Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

I am extremely concerned about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a massive 30% increase in Freeway spending. We already increased freeway spending 80% last year, and at the expense of our public transit funding.

Stop. We've been trying highway expansions for 100 years, and all it has

landed us is an apocalyptic climate crisis and steadily worsening traffic. It does not work. There are countless studies that show freeway expansion just leads to induced demand. It is long beyond the time to try other options, such as investing in transit, which has been proven effective time and time again.

All data conclusively shows vehicle trips are the main source of air pollution in Southern California and the largest source of CO2 emissions in the state. Toxic air from highways directly affects more than 1 million Angelenos, leading to horrific community health costs. The construction of freeways has divided our neighborhoods, and permanently displaced countless communities. Dependence on oil dooms us to unending international crises and environmental disasters. Car-dependent cities are especially difficult on the poor, with forced car ownership trapping them in an endless cycle of poverty.

The 2023 budget must **reduce** highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike share before board approval in May. Our future, our lives, our communities, literally everything depends on it. To support freeway expansion in this day and age is to support violence against fellow Angelenos, especially the low-income. It is an utter shame that I even have to write this email to you, filled with glaringly obvious and demonstrably observable truths you are stubbornly denying by seeking to expand freeways.

Thank you,

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 1:44 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

I am writing to share my concerns about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in freeway spending. This comes after last year's 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased.

As a Los Angeles resident and regular transit rider, I'm asking you to adjust the 2023 budget to reduce highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike share before board approval in May.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

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How we spend our money reflects our values. I urge you to consider the importance of prioritizing safe, climate-friendly transportation over more of the same problematic car-centric approach.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 1:51 PM
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Thank you,

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[REDACTED]

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To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
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Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board:

Growing up in LA, I developed asthma and respiratory conditions despite no family history. I can literally smell the pollution in the air when I go outside.

As someone who cares deeply about delivering positive health outcomes to our community, **I want to raise concerns about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending.**

Instead, **I urge you to adjust the 2023 budget to REDUCE highway spending** below 2021 levels and to **INCREASE spending on improving transit and bike share** before Board approval in May.

The failing air pollution in LA is harming all residents, with **vehicle pollution is the #1 source of local air pollution.** More than 1 million Angelenos live within 1,000 ft of a freeway and breathe toxic air. Highway projects continue a history of disproportionately impacting BIPOC communities while failing to mitigate congestion as promised due to Induced Demand.

It is vital for Metro to stop spending more on wasteful and harmful freeway projects as we face the critical threats of climate change, fossil fuel reliance, and traffic violence. Please reduce highway spending and increase spending on safe, active and shared modes of transportation.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 1:53 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment item 3

Last year you increased the highway budget by 80% and this year 30%, all while decreasing the transit budget. Do the reverse. Invest in transit. Invest in public transportation that serves people who can't afford cars. Invest in infrastructure that serves the needs of the many.

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[REDACTED]

With gratitude,

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[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
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To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

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Thank you,

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Sent from my BlackBerry - the most secure mobile device

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To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

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WHY ARE YOU INCREASING THE FREEWAY BUDGET WHEN EVERYONE IN FAVOR OF HIGH DENSITY IS RELYING ON THESE NEW TENANTS TO BE TAKING THE BUS AND TRAIN OR BIKING? COULD IT BE DEVELOPER MONEY? THESE TWO THINGS DON'T ALIGN SO EITHER YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT WHAT'S BEING BUILT IN YOUR CITY (CHECK WITH CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT, EVERYONE IS GOING TO BE BIKING, WALKING, TAKING PUBLIC TRANSIT (according to all the developer incentives from city planning, no one is going to need a parking space anymore, therefore no one will be taking the freeway and it will be empty as you see above). THE OTHER OPTION IS THAT YOU ARE IN ON THE INDUSTRY THAT YOU ARE GETTING THE MONEY FOR, WHETHER ITS ASPHALT OR SOME GIGANTIC CONTRACT SOMEONE IS BEING SUPPORTED AND ITS NOT THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

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I have asthma. I have a toddler. I don't want him to grow up and have asthma as well. I do want him to grow up in a safe environment and widening freeways is the opposite of safe.

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:09 PM

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Thank you for helping save our planet,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:08 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Please adjust the 2023 budget to **reduce** highway spending below 2021 level and re-allocate this funding to improving public transit and bike share infrastructure. This is so vitally important as we face the critical threats of climate change, fossil fuel reliance, and traffic violence.

It's all about what the city invests in, there is no way to future proof our city, Los Angeles without investing in public transit and bike infrastructure that is attractive and safe!

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:12 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public comment Item 3

Last year you increased the highway budget 80%; this year 30%, all while decreasing the transit budget. Do the reverse.

You're making things worse for people who live in this city!

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:19 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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It's vital Metro stop spending more on wasteful and harmful freeway projects as we face the critical threats of climate change, fossil fuel reliance, and traffic violence. I ask that you adjust the 2023 budget to **reduce** highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving people oriented transit solutions such as trains, buses, bike lanes, and pedestrian only areas before board approval in May.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:20 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

As a physician, I want to raise concerns about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending. This comes after last years 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased in 2023.

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It's vital Metro stop spending more on wasteful and harmful freeway projects as we face the critical threats of climate change, fossil fuel reliance, and traffic violence. I ask that you adjust the 2023 budget to **reduce** highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike share before board approval in May. We need to increase spending on public transit and other infrastructure to create the cities of the future that promote the wellbeing for all citizens.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:25 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

I am distressed and very concerned about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending. This comes after last years 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased in 2023.

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:28 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

This is regarding Metro's draft 2023 budget. It is time to adjust to the new reality, which according to the latest U.N. report is dire and already affecting Southern California, we have a "brief and rapidly closing window' to avoid a hotter, deadly future". So it's clear that we should be acting rationally and start addressing the problem which is that there are too many vehicles and we should be investing in public transportation and not in expanding the freeway system. We owe it to the next generations.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:30 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:37 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:43 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

My name is Anthony Dixon, I am an LA resident. Everyday I ride my bike and take transit across town on my commute to and from work, through sadly perilous and unsafe streets. Everyday I am one distracted driver away from serious injury or death.

I want to raise concerns about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending. This comes after last years 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased in 2023.

It's vital Metro stop spending more on wasteful and harmful freeway projects as we face the critical threats of climate change, fossil fuel reliance, and traffic violence. I ask that you adjust the 2023 budget to **reduce** highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike share before board approval in May to ensure your commitment to prioritizing the safety of commuters like myself and others.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:49 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:50 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:51 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:01 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Cc: transit@groundgamela.org
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

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[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:05 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:06 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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[REDACTED]

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:08 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment on Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

I am contacting you about my concerns on Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending. This comes after last year's 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased in 2023.

Vehicle trips are the main source of air pollution in Southern California and the largest source of CO2 emissions in the state. More than 1 million Angelenos, including myself, live within 1,000 ft. of a freeway and breathe toxic air. Highway projects continue a history of disproportionately impacting BIPOC communities while failing to mitigate congestion as promised due to Induced Demand.

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Thank you,
[REDACTED]

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Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:12 PM
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Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:20 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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The new today still puts Los Angeles as the city with the worst air pollution in the country! Air pollution has killed more people than COVID. The city should be looking at ways to reduce air pollution and reduce costs of living in LA by investing in public transit, bike lanes, and pedestrian infrastructure. This should be a common sense vote especially while other cities are doing the same. Paris is shutting down streets and creating parks in its city center. Please do the right thing for everyone's health and well-being.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

I take the red line and ride a bike.

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Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:20 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:27 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:32 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:32 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment! - Item Number Three

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

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Remember when COVID first hit, and everything temporarily shut down for a few months? The air was cleaner than I've ever breathed in this city. The weather turned beautiful, and the thin brown haze of smog finally had its time to completely dissipate from the air. For the first time, I actually felt hopeful that we could get Los Angeles' air quality under control. Imagine my predictable disappointment when Garcetti and Newsom opened the state back up, and the smog cloud is back in full force.

We had the time to do updated construction on our roads while everyone was working from home, we had plenty of time to implement essential structural changes to make Los Angeles a more commuter-friendly city. We cannot keep increasing a highway budget; having more lanes of traffic has been scientifically proved since the 70s that it DOESN'T reduce the amount of traffic. By instead investing in public transportation infrastructure instead of highway budgets, we can create a Los Angeles that will also be friendly to its future residents.

With the Olympics being held in Los Angeles, increasing the highway budget seems ludicrous. Traffic is GUARANTEED to be insane. Holding the Olympics here will bring a nice chunk of change to Los Angeles' economy, and choosing to invest in public transportation instead of a highway project makes the most sense economically! All of the national and international visitors, athletes, coaches, etc would much rather visit and enjoy a city they can easily get around on by foot, rather than having to rent a vehicle or constantly catch an Uber or Lyft. Think about how many international visitors who would love to RETURN to Los Angeles after the Olympics because of how easy it was to get around! That's one less expense on travel, and one more investment to our awesome, diverse economy. We want to show the world what we're capable of! Los Angeles is an incredible city. It is MASSIVE, it can even be intimidating,

but it is so beautiful and every single place in it is unique. Investing in public transportation instead of highways benefits everybody in the city, and every potential new visitor.

It's vital Metro stop spending more on wasteful and harmful freeway projects as we face the critical threats of climate change, fossil fuel reliance, and traffic violence. I ask that you adjust the 2023 budget to *reduce* highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike share before board approval in May. Instead of thinking only about investors and the money you could potentially make immediately, please please PLEASE consider everybody's future, and the consequences that these sorts of decisions cause. Help make Los Angeles a city that you would be proud to show your children, your children's children, and the future workers of the city.

Thanks!

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:45 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:53 PM
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P.S. ARE YOU STUPID?

WHY DO WE HAVE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THIS VS. ACTING LIKE PEOPLE THAT WANT TO HAVE A PLANET LEFT IN THE NEXT 10 YEARS.

ARE YOU BOARD MEMBERS STUPID???

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 3:50 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public comment - support for item #31 (2022-0180)

To the Metro Board,

The [REDACTED] supports investments in LA River habitat enhancement, stormwater capture, and public access, which the Los Angeles River Path provides. Please approve the motion by Directors Garcetti, Solis, and Najarian for the Link Union Station – LA River Path Connector (item #31 on the March 24, 2022 agenda).

Thank you.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:13 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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The 405 freeway expansion project cost \$1.1 billion and resulted in _increased_ congestion and _decreased_ travel times. The personal automobile became the default mode of travel for many angelenos through a combination of carrots (e.g., "free" parking, mandatory parking minimums, gas prices that do not include externalities such as pollution cleanup and mitigation) and sticks (e.g., defunding of public transit such as streetcars, lack of connected and safe infrastructure for other modes of transportation). To transition away from this system, which is irrational and harmful on so many levels, combinations of carrots and sticks will also be required. Please do not continue with the failed designs and policies of the past.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:19 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: No More Freeways!

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

I'm shocked that in a climate crisis that Metro would consider a 30% increase in Freeway spending. Why do this after last year's 80% increase in freeway spending while decreasing transit spending?

Freeways are an ecological and health disaster causing death through traffic accidents and countless cases of cancer and lung disease.

I ask that you to *reduce* highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike share before board approval in May.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:24 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:24 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: New Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board, to all my fellow Angelinos,

I want to raise concerns about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending. This comes after last years 80% increase in freeway spending (!), and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased (!!) in 2023.

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Hope you make the right choice, for all of us.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:35 PM

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

Blessings and Best,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:44 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Thank you,

[YOUR NAME]
[YOUR CITY AND ZIP CODE]

From: [REDACTED]

To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>

Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

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Vehicle trips are the main source of air pollution in Southern California and the largest source of CO2 emissions in the state. My family and I, along with over 1 million other Angelenos live within 1,000ft downwind of a freeway, forced to constantly breathe it's toxic air. Highway projects continue a history of disproportionately impacting BIPOC communities while failing to mitigate congestion as promised due to Induced Demand.

While I am not opposing maintenance for existing freeway facilities, I am absolutely opposing any expansion projects. It's vital Metro stop spending on wasteful and harmful freeway projects as we face the critical threats of climate change, fossil fuel reliance, and traffic violence. I ask that you adjust the 2023 budget to *reduce* highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike share before board approval in May.

Additionally, you have an opportunity to positively influence our redevelopment policies to promote an equitable distribution of housing (including affordable) and employment (at living wage) in our region such that long distance commuting is reduced year-on-year and a significant percentage of persons be able to avail themselves of alternatives such as: walking, bicycling, local public transit, etc.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 4:50 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
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Thank you,

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 5:00 PM
To: Board Clerk <BoardClerk@metro.net>
Subject: Public Comment - Item #3

Dear Chair Solis, CEO Stephanie Wiggins, and Metro Board,

Metro is not acting like there is a climate emergency.

I want to raise concerns about Metro's draft 2023 budget, which shows a planned 30% increase in Freeway spending. This comes after last years 80% increase in freeway spending, and at the same time as transit expansion funding is being decreased in 2023.

Vehicle trips are the main source of air pollution in Southern California and the largest source of CO2 emissions in the state. More than 1 million Angelenos live within 1,000ft of a freeway and breathe toxic air. Highway projects continue a history of disproportionately impacting BIPOC communities while failing to mitigate congestion as promised due to Induced Demand.

It's vital Metro stop spending more on wasteful and harmful freeway projects as we face the critical threats of climate change, fossil fuel reliance, and traffic violence. I ask that you adjust the 2023 budget to **reduce** highway spending below 2021 levels and increase spending on improving transit and bike share before board approval in May.

Thank you,

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Comment & Speakers List

Board Month: March 2022

NUMBER	NAME	ITEM NUMBER	POSITION (FOR/AGAINST/GENERAL COMMENT/ ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION)
1	Caller 3690	P&P #6	FOR
2	Caller - Valley Industry & Commerce Association	P&P #9	FOR
3	Caller 8255	P&P #9	FOR
4	Caller 1047	P&P #9	FOR
5	Caller	P&P #9	FOR
6	Harlan Levison	P&P #10	ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION
7	Cate Shaffer-Shelby	P&P #10	ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION
8	Spike Whitney	P&P #10	ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION
9	Lora Martinolich	P&P #10	ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION
10	Deneane Fiorentino-Stevenson	P&P #10	ITEM NEEDS MORE CONSIDERATION
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