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Motion by:

HAHN as amended by DUPONT-WALKER

Metro ExpressLanes officially began with a US Department of Transportation Grant in April 2008, which would convert existing High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes into dynamically-priced high-occupancy toll (HOT) lanes. This initial congestion pricing pilot project was specifically designed to reduce congestion along two of the Los Angeles region's most impacted freeways: the I-110 and I-10. Metro ensures the ExpressLanes maintain traffic flow, prevent them from being overloaded, and maintain a federally mandated minimum speed of 45 miles per hour.

Many of Metro's goals - expanding the rail and bus network, investing in active transportation, and connecting us throughout the Los Angeles region, aim to achieve some level of reduced congestion and fewer vehicle miles traveled. Metro is now looking at expanding the ExpressLanes to the I-105 Freeway.

I believe that Metro should continue to review the Express Lanes program and ensure it continues to meet its commitment to ease freeway congestion and improve the quality of life for Los Angeles County residents. Metro should also study toll systems in other large jurisdictions, giving priority to those with similar demographics; and explore ways that the Express Lanes can be made available to more drivers.

SUBJECT: MOTION BY HAHN AS AMENDED BY DUPONT-WALKER FEASIBILITY STUDY ON EXPRESSLANES

APPROVE Motion by Hahn as amended by Dupont-Walker that the CEO report back in 180 days to the Board on:

- A. The current performance of the ExpressLanes;
- B. A comparison of the Metro ExpressLanes system to other major congestion-pricing toll systems in the country; and
- C. The viability of Metro ExpressLanes implementing a "Pay-as-You-Use" model for all drivers.