

**Board Report**

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Motion by:**DIRECTORS HAHN, BUTTS, AND KREKORIAN****Dodger Stadium Express**

Metro's Dodger Stadium Express serves fans of the World Series Champion Dodgers, who travel to Chavez Ravine from throughout LA county. This service reduces emissions, eases traffic congestion, and increases transit ridership.

In addition to its Union Station route, the Dodger Stadium Express's South Bay route connects Harbor Gateway Transit Center and four Silver Line stations along the I-110 Harbor Freeway with a single-seat ride to Dodger Stadium for every Dodgers home game, offering the South Bay with a convenient and affordable alternative to driving.

Since 2010, as transit ridership has declined throughout LA County, the Dodger Stadium Express has been a public transit success story, with ridership doubling in that time. Thousands of Dodgers fans now rely on the Dodger Stadium Express to get them to the game safely and on time. This includes riders with disabilities, families with small kids perhaps taking the bus for the first time, and people who are using transit to get home safely after a night out at the ballgame.

Funding for the Dodger Stadium Express remains a challenge, even as it gets more and more people to take transit in LA County in a cost-effective way. Ten years in, the Dodger Stadium Express is a proven success that deserves a permanent funding source.

SUBJECT: DODGER STADIUM EXPRESS**RECOMMENDATION**

APPROVE Motion by Directors Hahn, Butts, and Krekorian that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to report back in 60 days with funding recommendations to ensure the Dodger Stadium Express will be permanently, fully funded.

Solis Amendment: The funding recommendations should consider utilizing next year's LCTOP funding, which can be used for operational expenditures that increase transit mode share.