

Communication from Public

Name: Gerry Hans

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Comments for Public Posting: January 25, 2023 Honorable Metro Board of Directors, Most importantly, please do not approve the TCN Program on the consent calendar, and instead, send it to Los Angeles City for public hearings which have been so seriously deficient during this process. - The City's 2002 Sign Ordinance with a ban on new off-site billboards is being ignored. - The FEIR is severely flawed and incomplete. - Safety of drivers is of great concern, as driver behavior is altered; attention is drawn away from traffic, a proven fact. - The reduction of property values associated with nearby billboards is understated and not adequately addressed. - Light disturbance on wildlife, especially nocturnal migrating birds, is mostly disregarded, especially with such heights and light intensity. As is, the TCN Program is obviously an advertising/business venture, not a transit program. Please see the light. Oppose. Thank you, Gerry Hans

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Metro Board of Directors

January 25, 2023

via email

Re: Item #7 TCN Program - OPPOSE

Dear Metro Board:

The Hillside Federation, representing 46 resident and homeowner associations spanning the Santa Monica Mountains, opposes Metro's Transportation Communications Network program (TCN).

TCN is not about either transportation or communications. It's about digital advertising — on 97 huge billboards located along freeways and commercial corridors. It jeopardizes the City of Los Angeles 2002 Sign Ordinance which has been upheld in the courts numerous times.

Item #7 TCN must be pulled from the consent agenda and sent to the City of Los Angeles for properly noticed public hearings. Since all of the billboards are to be installed in the City of Los Angeles, it is the proper venue for approval.

Furthermore Los Angeles has many newly elected officials who must be give time to review the proposal and evaluate the impact it will have on their communities so that they can make an informed decision.

The Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) is fatally flawed and cannot be approved. It will never hold up in court. The City of Los Angeles and Metro entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) before the completion of CEQA analysis. The MOA also grants Metro the right to modify structures at a later time. CEQA requires a definite project description before the impact of a project can be properly analyzed in an EIR. Allowing changes to be made constitutes piecemealing which is illegal under CEQA.

The EIR did not adequately analyze the impact of billboards in areas of heavy traffic. Numerous studies have shown that accidents increase at intersections that have digital billboards with their constantly changing flashing lights.

The Hillside Federation urges you to reject this ill-conceived TCN project.

Sincerely,

Charley Mims

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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly OPPOSE Item #7 on the Metro Board of Directors' agenda (Transportation Communication Network) for the 10AM meeting this Thursday, January 26, 2023 for the following reasons: • The final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) is fatally flawed and therefore should NOT be approved. • There has been no community outreach. • It clearly undermines the City of Los Angeles's 2002 Sign Ordinance and the City's ban on new off-site billboards. • Newly elected City and County officials have not had time to evaluate the program and its impact on their communities. • The TCN Program is NOT a transit program; the TCN program is an advertising program. I respectfully request the TCN be pulled from the consent calendar and sent to LA City for public hearings. Sincerely, Kevin Miller 7554 Devista Drive Los Angeles, CA 90046-1712