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As part of the Southern California Optimized Rail Expansion Program, the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink) is advancing the Marengo Siding Extension Project. The new rail infrastructure would be constructed along the existing San Bernardino Line and entirely within Metrolink's right-of-way near the Los Angeles County + USC Medical Center and west of the Metrolink Cal State LA Station.

The project would maintain the existing main track and construct new siding track to the north which would end near the railroad right-of-way near the curve at Fowler Street. The project would also extend existing siding track to the east by 3,325 feet and increase the total siding track length to approximately 10,250 feet. Environmental and design reviews began in summer 2020 are expected to be completed in winter 2023. Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2024, with completion expected in fall 2025.

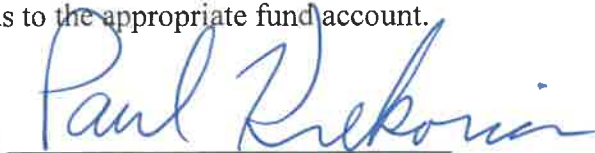
Improvements included in the Marengo Siding Extension Project will increase train and passenger capacity by enabling more frequent train service at least every 30 minutes in both directions. The project will minimize the distance of the single-track territory in this area, providing more space where trains can pass one another. The station improvements and track updates will allow Metrolink to provide passengers with more reliable and safer service and allow passengers to make quicker transfers.

In order for Metrolink to begin construction for this project, it needs a temporary construction easement for construction laydown and work area along Chelsea Street. Metrolink also needs a permanent easement to construct a permanent wall between the railroad tracks and the City's public right-of-way to protect an existing storm drain and create a barrier between the railroad and residential properties to the north of the project location. The temporary construction easement is a 370-foot-long, 7-foot-wide strip running along the south side of Chelsea Street that measures 2,590 square feet. The permanent easement is a 370-foot-long, 3-foot-wide strip which also runs along the south side of Chelsea Street that measures 1,110 square feet. The common street addresses for the subject properties are 2601- 2675 Chelsea Street.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering, with the assistance of the City Attorney, be authorized to negotiate, enter into a purchase and sale agreement, and prepare the transactional documents necessary to execute an approximately 2,590 square feet Temporary Construction Easement and an approximately 1,110 square feet Permanent Easement in favor of the Southern California Regional Rail Authority for the above described Marengo Siding Extension Project.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Administrative Officer be instructed to identify the fund account where proceeds will be deposited and to AUTHORIZE the Board of Public Works, Office of Accounting to receive and deposit sale proceeds to the appropriate fund account.

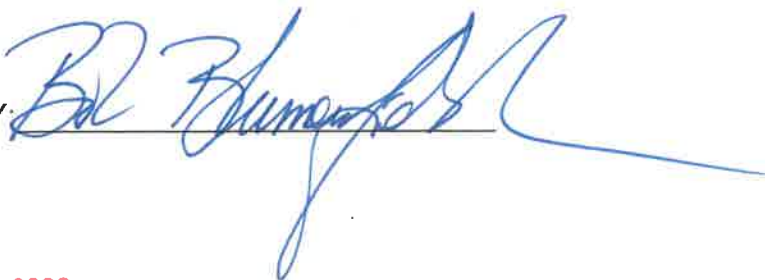
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