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City Council Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: U.S. 50 CORRIDOR MAJOR INVESTMENT STUDY

# LOCATION/COUNCIL DISTRICT:

Area surrounding the Highway 50 freeway corridor, including Districts 3, 4, 5, & 6

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

This report recommends that Council approve the resolution of support for the U.S. 50 Corridor Major Investment Study (50 MIS).

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FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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## **SUMMARY:**

This report provides a brief description of the 50 MIS, its purpose, findings, and the issues relevant to the City. Council is being asked to approve a resolution of support for the MIS and its findings.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Over three years ago, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) began a process to discuss, analyze, and build consensus about future transportation improvements in the U.S. 50 Corridor. The 27-mile long corridor links downtown Sacramento with the

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counties of Sacramento and El Dorado. This process has produced the 50 MIS which includes evaluation of:

- light rail extensions;
- high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes;
- increases in bus service; and
- transportation management strategies.

The goals of the MIS are to maintain mobility and provide travel choices in the corridor. Technical and Policy Advisory Committees, as well as a public outreach program, provided comments and guidance for the MIS 50. The strategy takes a mid-to-long range view of the transportation future for the Highway 50 Corridor. It sets priorities for projects over the next 25 years, grouping projects into two tiers.

City of Sacramento projects in the MIS 50 include:

- grade separation at Folsom Blvd. and Howe/Power Inn Rd. Tier 1;
- bicycle lanes on Folsom Blvd. Tier 1;
- M Street overlay or Bicycle Boulevard Tier 1;
- bike undercrossing of UPRR tracks from California State University, Sacramento to Elvas Avenue - Tier 1; and
- a segment of the HOV lane between Downtown Sacramento and Mayhew Road, including drop ramps - Tier 2.

These projects are all part of the strategy for improvements on the Highway 50 corridor, with the HOV lane segment being planned farther into the 25 year timeframe, due to the project-related issues that will need to be resolved.

## FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

In supporting the MIS 50, the Council is not making any financial obligation.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

Under Section 15262 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), environmental review is not required at this time because this action involves only a planning study for possible future actions which the Council has not approved, adopted, or funded.

## **POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

The MIS 50 includes the major transportation projects, from Sacramento to El Dorado County, that should be considered for funding over the next 25 years. It is important that

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the City's projects be included in the strategy. The MIS will help guide the next update of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, which is the region's long range transportation plan. The MIS will also assist the policy boards of the region in making funding decisions over the next several years.

## MBE/WBE:

Not applicable.

Respectfully submitted:

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RECOMMENDATION APPROVED;

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Approved:

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Director of Public Works

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