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GAIL FARBER, Director

November 01, 2011

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

20 November 1, 2011

Sachi A. Hamai
SACHI A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**INTERSTATE 710 CORRIDOR
FROM STATE ROUTE 60 TO OCEAN BOULEVARD
AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF
GOVERNMENTS AGREEMENT NO. 74393
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 2)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve Amendment No. 6 to Agreement No. 74393 between the County of Los Angeles and the Gateway Cities Council of Governments to allow the County of Los Angeles to continue to participate in the development of an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the Interstate 710 Corridor.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve and instruct the Mayor to sign Amendment No. 6 to Agreement No. 74393 between the County of Los Angeles and the Gateway Cities Council of Governments providing for the County of Los Angeles to pay an annual assessment of \$35,000 in each of Fiscal Years 2011-12 and 2012-13 to finance its proportional share of the administrative and planning activities to be performed by the Gateway Cities Council of Governments' staff toward an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the Interstate 710 Corridor, from State Route 60 to Ocean Boulevard.
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute an additional amendment to extend the term of Agreement No. 74393 for 1 additional year through Fiscal Year 2013-14, if necessary.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to execute the enclosed Amendment No. 6 to the agreement between the County of Los Angeles (County) and the Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG) allowing the County to continue its membership on the Interstate 710 (I-710) Executive Committee, I-710 Environmental Impact Report/ Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) Project Committee and the I-710 Technical Advisory Committee by 2 years and to authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute an additional amendment to continue membership for 1 additional year, if necessary. Amendment No. 6 also provides for the County to pay the GCCOG an annual assessment of \$35,000 in each of Fiscal Years 2011-12 and 2012-13 for its proportional share of the administrative and planning activities to be performed by GCCOG staff toward the EIR/EIS.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3).

The approval of this amendment allows continual collaborative efforts between agencies to proceed with the preparation of the EIR/EIS for the I-710 Corridor that may ultimately result in a project that will improve travel conditions and enhance the safety of motorists traveling on the I-710 Corridor thereby improving their quality of life.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The First and Second Supervisorial Districts' jurisdictional shares of the \$35,000 annual assessment are \$25,000 and \$10,000, respectively. The necessary funds are available in the First and Second Supervisorial Districts' current Road Construction Programs in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 Road Fund Budget. The \$35,000 required for Fiscal Year 2012-13 will be provided for through the annual budget process.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

GCCOG entered into an agreement with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) to complete a Major Corridor Study (Study) on the I-710 Corridor to explore ways to improve travel conditions along the I-710 Corridor from State Route 60 to the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. The goal of the Study was to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the overall transportation system within the I-710 Corridor and, based on results of this evaluation, produce a complete plan to identify a preferred alternative for improvement.

On March 11, 2003, Synopsis 31, your Board approved Agreement No. 74393 providing for the County to become a member of the I-710 Corridor Oversight Policy Committee in order to address the impacts of the Study on the unincorporated County areas along the I-710 Corridor and to pay an amount of \$35,000 for its proportional share of the projected costs of the Study for Fiscal Year 2002-03. Your Board subsequently approved three amendments providing for the County to contribute an additional amount of \$255,000 for its proportional share of the costs of this study.

GCCOG's consultant identified five design alternatives for the improvement of the corridor and

worked with all agencies and communities along the I-710 Corridor in the development of a hybrid alternative that combined appropriate elements from the five alternatives and resulted in fewer impacts on residential and commercial properties.

On January 27, 2005, LACMTA's Board of Directors adopted the Study, which included a Locally Preferred Strategy for the I-710 Corridor. On June 22, 2006, LACMTA's Board of Directors adopted an Alternative Analysis for the I-5/I-710 Interchange, also referred to as the East Los Angeles Mini-Study, and incorporated it into the Study. LACMTA's Board of Directors also authorized its Chief Executive Officer to proceed with the preparation of the EIR/EIS for the I-710 Corridor pursuant to the Study.

On May 6, 2008, Synopsis 52, your Board approved Implementation Amendment No. 4 between the County and GCCOG providing for the County to pay an annual assessment of \$35,000 in Fiscal Years 2007-08, 2008-09, and 2009-10 to finance its proportional share of the administration and planning activities to be performed by GCCOG staff during the preparation of the EIR/EIS for the I-710 Corridor from State Route 60 to Ocean Boulevard. Your Board also authorized the Director of Public Works to extend the term of the Implementation Agreement for 1 additional year, if necessary.

On August 5, 2010, the Director of Public Works used her delegated authority to approve Amendment No. 5 providing for the County to pay an assessment in the amount of \$35,000 for its share of the costs involved with the development of the EIR/EIS in Fiscal Year 2010-11.

The enclosed amendment has been approved by the GCCOG and approved as to form by County Counsel.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed action is not a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is an activity that is excluded from the definition of a project by Section 15378(b)(5) of the State CEQA Guidelines. This proposed action is an administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment. When a commitment to the construction of a project that may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment is made, the EIR/EIS will be given to Caltrans' decision making body for review and approval.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The I-710 Corridor is the principal transportation connection for the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles. It is an essential component in the regional, statewide, and national transportation system, as it serves both goods movement and passenger needs. Improvements to the I-710 Corridor are needed and of general interest to the County.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and an executed original of the amendment to the Department of Public Works, Programs Development Division. The amendment marked COUNTY ORIGINAL is for your files.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gail Farber". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel
Executive Office

AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO AGREEMENT NO. 74393

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO AGREEMENT NO. 74393 (hereinafter referred to as AMENDMENT), made and entered into by and between the GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, a California joint powers authority (hereinafter referred to as GCCOG), and the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a political subdivision of the State of California (hereinafter referred to as COUNTY):

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, GCCOG and COUNTY have heretofore executed GCCOG – COUNTY Agreement No. 74393, dated May 6, 2008 (hereinafter referred to as AGREEMENT), to allow the COUNTY to participate in the development of an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the Interstate 710 Corridor, previously and hereinafter referred to as I-710 EIR/EIS; and

WHEREAS, I-710EIR/EIS is of general interest to GCCOG and COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of AGREEMENT, COUNTY agreed to pay an annual assessment of \$35,000 in Fiscal Years 2007-08, 2008-09, and 2009-10 to finance its proportional share of the administration and planning activities to be performed by GCCOG during the preparation of the I-710 EIR/EIS from State Route 60 to Ocean Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY and GCCOG have heretofore executed an Amendment to the AGREEMENT, on August 5, 2010, to extend the term of the Implementation Agreement to June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the administration and planning activities related to the I-710 EIR/EIS from State Route 60 to Ocean Boulevard are still ongoing; and

WHEREAS, an extension of the term of the Implementation Agreement is beneficial to and in the general interest of GCCOG and COUNTY; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with Section (9) c., of AGREEMENT, GCCOG and COUNTY mutually agree to amend the AGREEMENT as follows:

Section (1) of the AGREEMENT is amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Assessment for Proportional Costs. COUNTY agrees to pay to GCCOG an annual assessment in the amount of Thirty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$35,000.00) in Fiscal Years 2011-12 and 2012-13 upon demand by the GCCOG to finance its proportional share of the projected costs of the planning and administrative activities to be performed by GCCOG staff during the preparation of the EIR/EIS based on the following contribution formula. Said demand will consist of a billing invoice prepared by GCCOG at the beginning of each fiscal year.

\$37,500 (Pop. over 200,000)	\$25,000 (Pop. over 50,000)	\$10,000 (Pop. under 50,000)
Long Beach	Carson Compton Downey Huntington Park Lynwood Paramount South Gate County of Los Angeles (for Unincorporated East Los Angeles)*	Bell Bell Gardens Commerce Cudahy Maywood Vernon County of Los Angeles (for Unincorporated Rancho Dominguez)*

*These assessments are merged into one \$35,000 contribution.

Section (2) of the AGREEMENT is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Section 2. Term: The term of this AGREEMENT shall remain and continue in effect until completion of the I-710 EIR/EIS or June 30, 2013, whichever is earlier.

Section (9), paragraph a., is revised to read as follows:

- a. Notices. All notices which any party is required or desires to give hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when delivered personally or three (3) days after mailing by registered or certified mail (return receipt requested) to the following address or at such other address as the parties may from time to time designate by written notice in the aforesaid manner:

GCCOG: Mr. Richard R. Powers
Executive Director
16401 Paramount Boulevard
Paramount, CA 90723

COUNTY: Ms. Gail Farber
Director of Public Works
Attention Mr. James Yang
Department of Public Works
P.O. Box 1460
Alhambra, CA 91802-1460

In all other respects, the provisions of AGREEMENT shall remain in full force and effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this AMENDMENT to be executed by their respective officers and duly authorized, by the GATEWAY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS on September 14th, 2011, and by the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES on November 1, 2011.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By Mike Antonovich
Mayor, County of Los Angeles

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ANDREA SHERIDAN ORDIN
County Counsel

By Julia Weisorn
Deputy

GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL
OF GOVERNMENTS

By Raymond Dunton
Raymond DUNTON, PRESIDENT

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ADOPTED
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

ATTEST: SACHIA A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By Antal, Deputy

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Sachia A. Hamai
SACHIA A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER



I hereby certify and purport to
Signify to the Government of the
County of this document has been made.

SACHIA A. HAMAI
Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By Antal
Deputy

74393 Supplement No. 5