RESOLUTION NO. 2014-022

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ANA COMMITTING TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT THE SANTA ANA - GARDEN GROVE STREETCAR PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF 10 PERCENT NET OF FAREBOX FOR THE COST OF STREETCAR OPERATIONS

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Ana (City) is the fourth most densely populated city in the United States with a large transit-dependent population; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Ana partnered with the City of Garden Grove to participate in the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Go Local Program initiated in 2006 as a process to provide transportation options which are conceived at the local level; and

WHEREAS, that partnership between the City of Santa Ana and the City of Garden Grove led to promoting the Santa Ana - Garden Grove Fixed Guideway, a transportation system referred to as the "Streetcar" project; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 2009, Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) authorized development of alternatives analysis and a draft environmental impact report (DEIR); and

WHEREAS, the Streetcar Project would provide "last mile" transportation for individuals traveling from the transportation hubs to employment and activity centers in the heart of Orange County, directly connecting Santa Ana travelers with many OCTA bus routes and the Garden Grove International West tourist corridor; and

WHEREAS, the City supports the development of a cohesive and connected regional network between the City Santa Ana and the City of Garden Grove, and with the entire Orange County region; and

WHEREAS, the Streetcar Project will serve Santa Ana's historic downtown area, including government offices; federal, state, and local courthouses; unique restaurants and shops; the artists' village, several colleges, and a variety of community enrichment organizations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Garden Grove resolved on January 28, 2014 to be a supporting partner of the Streetcar with Santa Ana and Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), and underlines its interest to participate in the Project as approval and funding is secured; and

WHEREAS, the City has prepared an Alternatives Analysis which investigates possible transit options and identified three feasible alternatives that include a modern streetcar transit route from Santa Ana to Garden Grove; and

WHEREAS, the City has prepared a draft environmental impact report to investigate all impacts that could be attributed to the streetcar construction and operations; and

WHEREAS, Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) staff is recommending to their Executive Committee and to their Board to develop a proposed financial plan to fund capital, operations, and maintenance of the Streetcar Project that is consistent with maximizing the use of state and federal funding sources by leveraging Measure M2 revenues: and

WHEREAS, adopting this Resolution would help propel the project to the design and delivery phase by extending Santa Ana's financial commitment for streetcar operations which is important for Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) to formalize the project financial plan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The City Council of the City of Santa Ana commits to a ten percent (10%) annual net of farebox financial participation in the Streetcar operations, estimated at \$500,000 to \$600,000 annually.
- The City Council designates the City Manager as the Project Director and City authority to interact and provide direction to Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and to all related City consultants.

ADOPTED this 6th day of May, 2014.

Miguel A. Pulido

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: Sonia R. Carvalho, City Attorney

Jose Sandoval

Chief Assistant City Attorney

AYES: Councilmembers: Amezcua, Benavides, Martinez, Pulido, Reyna Sarmiento, Tinajero (7)

NOES: Councilmembers: None (0)

ABSTAIN: Councilmembers: None (0)

None (0)

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTATION AND ORIGINALITY

I, MARIA D. HUIZAR, Clerk of the Council, do hereby attest to and certify the attached Resolution No. 2014-022 to be the original resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Ana on May 6, 2014.

Date: May 8, 3014

NOT PRESENT: Councilmembers:

Mana D-Hingay
Clerk of the Council
City of Santa Ana