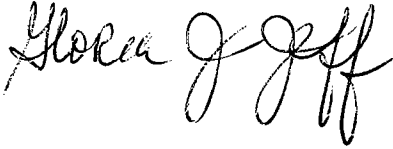


CITY OF LOS ANGELES
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: August 24, 2006

To: The Honorable City Council
c/o City Clerk, Room 395, City Hall
Attention: Honorable Wendy Greuel, Transportation Committee

From: Gloria J. Jeff, General Manager
Department of Transportation 

Subject: **CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP)**
2006 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT (LDR)

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council approve and transmit the attached 2006 CMP Conformance Self-certification Resolution and Local Development Report to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) to meet compliance requirements of the CMP.

DISCUSSION

Since its inception in 1992, the Department of Transportation (DOT), as assigned by the City Council, has been the lead in ensuring City compliance with the state-mandated Congestion Management Program (CMP). It includes the requirement for a countywide Deficiency Plan, which was incorporated into the CMP in 1993. The CMP requires local jurisdictions to submit to MTA an annual Local Implementation Report (LIR) enumerating all development activity and all traffic mitigation projects/programs benefitting the CMP transportation network. Since 1994, the City of Los Angeles has maintained a positive balance of transportation improvement "credits" over new development "debits" to preserve compliance with the CMP. To date, the City has accumulated 2,107,508 in net credit points.

For the current reporting period, June 1, 2005 to May 31, 2006, the LIR has been replaced with the new Local Development Report (LDR). Reporting of traffic mitigation projects/programs has been suspended indefinitely while a Countywide Nexus Study is underway. The purpose of the Nexus Study is to evaluate if a Countywide Traffic Impact Fee could substitute for debits and credits. The City's 2,107,508 total credit points accumulated from 1994 to 2003 will remain intact. However, all new development activity must continue to be reported annually in the new LDR to meet CMP compliance. Failure to comply would risk the loss of eligibility to receive gas tax funds allocated by Section 2105 of the California Streets and Highways Code as well as other state and federal funds

for transportation projects (totaling approximately \$15 to \$20 million annually for the City).

The Deficiency Plan requires local jurisdictions to comply through the following:

1. Adopt a Transportation Demand Management Ordinance (City Council action completed March 26, 1993)
2. Adopt a Council Resolution annually to comply with the CMP
3. Conduct biennial traffic counts and calculate the Level Of Service (LOS) for forty-seven selected intersections within the City to comply with the CMP Highway and Roadway System monitoring requirement
4. Transmit an annual Local Development Report (LDR) for all new development activity between June 1 and May 31 of the following year (due on September 1st of each year)

This report must be submitted to the MTA by September 1, 2006 in order to comply with CMP requirements. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call Miles Mitchell at (213) 972-8475.

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Attachments

cc: Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa
Attn: Jaime De La Vega

