

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-237

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

April 4, 2006

REAFFIRMING OPPOSITION TO THE HIGHWAY 50 HOV LANE PROJECT AND ESTABLISHING A PRIORITIZED LIST OF COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENTS THAT THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO WILL REQUEST BE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE HIGHWAY 50 HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE (HOV) LANE PLUS COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT.

BACKGROUND

- A. The State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) sent the City of Sacramento a letter dated January 9, 2006 asking for a list of prioritized community enhancements that the City of Sacramento wants included in Highway 50 High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lane plus Community Enhancements Project. Enhancements were defined as beyond the mitigations and improvements normally expected as part of a highway project. The letter suggested the list total approximately \$5 million.
- B. The Highway 50 HOV Lane Project is included in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan approved by the Sacramento Area Council of Governments and in the Measure A Transportation Sales Tax Expenditure Plan, which was approved by Sacramento County voters in 2004.
- C. On July 24, 2001 Council voiced their opposition to the Highway 50 HOV Project.
- D. A list of prioritized enhancement projects has been developed. The City of Sacramento community still has issues and concerns about the Highway 50 HOV Project

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The Sacramento City Council reaffirms its opposition to the Highway 50 High Occupancy Vehicle Lane Project. The project has been consistently opposed by the Sacramento City Council and they have raised issues of community concern. We underscore the negative effect of the Highway 50 High Occupancy Vehicle Lane Project on communities within the City of Sacramento.
- Section 2. The Prioritized List of Community Enhancements that the City of Sacramento will request be included as part of the Highway 50 High

Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lane plus Community Enhancements Project is approved. These are items for inclusion that the City of Sacramento is aware of at this time. They are submitted without prejudice as to other projects that we may become aware of at a later date, especially upon review of the project environmental document.

Section 3. Staff is directed to respond to the Caltrans letter dated January 9, 2006 and include the approved Prioritized List of Community Enhancements.

Section 4. Staff is directed to request the environmental review period be extended to a minimum of 90 days to ensure adequate time for staff and public review.

Section 5. Staff is directed to work with Caltrans and SACOG to conduct a public charette meeting on the Highway 50 HOV Lane plus Community Enhancements project.

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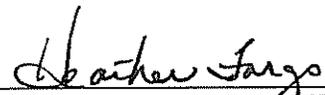
Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on April 4, 2006 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Cohn, Fong, Hammond, McCarty, Pannell, Sheedy, Tretheway, Waters and Mayor Fargo.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.



Mayor Heather Fargo

Attest:



Shirley Concolino, City Clerk