RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 307977 DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE FEB 1 3 2013

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO IN SUPPORT OF THE MID-COAST CORRIDOR TRANSIT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego's General Plan calls for smart growth land use that will support the integration of public transit. The City of San Diego desires to further the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG's) Regional Comprehensive Plan and Regional Transportation Plan goals to develop an efficient multi-modal transportation system to improve quality of life for the region's residents, visitors and businesses into the future; and

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2011, the San Diego City Council adopted Resolution

No. 306886, outlining priorities that should guide regional transportation infrastructure planning proposed in the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan, including prioritizing public transportation and mass transit projects and minimizing the expansion of single-vehicle general purpose highway lanes; and

WHEREAS, providing improved mobility options in our neighborhoods will support forecasted growth, avoid increased congestion and gridlock, reduce vehicle emissions and support the viability of our employment centers; and the City of San Diego recognizes the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project as a key component to meet these needs; and

WHEREAS, building the Mid-Coast light rail line has been a long-term goal of the region, and the City previously expressed support on November 27, 1995, with Resolution No. 286634, for a light rail transit line to serve transportation needs between Old Town and University City, and support efforts to secure federal funding necessary to carry out the project; and

WHEREAS, the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project is located wholly within the City of San Diego boundary, and would extend the light rail transit system from the downtown Santa Fe Depot up to the University City community, serving important educational institutions, shopping centers and health care facilities in the region; and

WHEREAS, the SANDAG Board of Directors determined the Locally Preferred

Alternative for a light rail transit system on July 23, 2010, and in partnership with the Federal

Transit Administration, SANDAG is preparing the required environmental review documents for this project; and

WHEREAS, countywide voters approved funding the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project as a high priority Early Action Project as part of the 2004 TransNet half-cent sales tax extension, with the intent that 50 percent of the project cost will be matched through Federal New Starts program funding; and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of the expansion of the light rail transit system, the City of San Diego has encouraged residential and commercial transit-oriented development near the future planned stations along the Mid-Coast Corridor; and incorporates this project into affected planning documents including the Linda Vista, Clairemont, and University City Community Plans; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego commits to work collaboratively and in good faith with the transit planning agencies SANDAG and San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) on the essential steps to proceed with planning of this project, including processing the necessary agreements and documents in a timely manner; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, as follows:

- 1. That the City of San Diego recognizes the necessity of the Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project to address and improve both our immediate and long-term regional mobility needs.
- 2. That the City of San Diego will work collaboratively and in good faith with the transit planning agencies to help ensure the project's design and construction is successfully completed on schedule and within budget, to ultimately benefit the public.

APPROVED: JAN I. GOLDSMITH, City Attorney

By Leglie FitzGerald

Chief Deputy City Attorney

LAF:nja 12/13/12

Or.Dept: District 6 Doc. No. 486661

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of <u>JAN 2.9 2013</u>.

	ELIZABETH S. MALAND
	City Clerk
	By A MIN COORD
	Deputy City-Clerk
Approved: 2/13/13	
	43h Theer
(date)	BOB FILNER, Mayor
(care)	, , , , , , , , ,
Vetoed:	
(date)	BOR FILNER Mayor