

January 21, 2004

Honorable Mayor and Members of
the Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular Meeting of
January 27, 2004

**APPROVE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE
COASTAL CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE**

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE COASTAL CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE".

Summary:

The South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) has requested that each South Bay City join in passing a resolution supporting the Coastal Corridor Transportation Initiative. The approved resolutions will be included in a package to be submitted to the area's elected officials at the state and federal levels. This package will seek funding for the region as part of TEA-21 (Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century) reauthorization. SBCCOG will also use the package to show support for regional transportation projects so that SCAG (Southern California Association of Governments) and the MTA will include the Coastal Initiative in the Regional Transportation Plan and the Long Range Plan.

Attachment: Draft Resolution

Respectfully submitted,

Concur:

Richard D. Morgan, P.E.
Director of Public Works/City Engineer

Stephen Burrell
City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 04-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE COASTAL CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, the Coastal Corridor Transportation Initiative is a cooperative effort by the South Bay Cities COG and the West Side Cities, in partnership with regional transportation agencies and the private sector; and

WHEREAS, a safe and efficient functioning multi-modal transportation system is essential to the quality of life and economic vitality of the South Bay cities; and,

WHEREAS, for the purposes of this initiative, the SBCCOG, in consultation with West Side cities and regional transportation agencies, selected a focused study area along the South Bay coastal corridor area, generally bounded by the I-10 Santa Monica Freeway to the north, from I-10 to Slauson Avenue, east on Slauson Avenue to Arlington Avenue, south on Arlington Avenue to I-105, east on I-105 to Western Avenue, south on Western Avenue to Pacific Coast Highway. This area was determined to include the heart of the South Bay transportation system as well as areas beyond its boundaries that influence mobility within the South Bay; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Coastal Corridor Transportation Initiative is to develop a “portfolio” of projects which constitutes a comprehensive and strategic approach to matching transportation investments and policies to expected growth and changing land use patterns in the Coastal Corridor; and,

WHEREAS, Phase 2 of the Coastal Corridor Transportation Initiative has identified approximately \$300 million of improvements needed to address current and projected system deficiencies and includes projects identified from other SBCCOG initiatives such as the Rosecrans Corridor and I-405 studies; and

WHEREAS, this “portfolio” of project was developed in a “bottoms-up” approach that included participation by all the cities in the Corridor; and,

WHEREAS, this “portfolio” of projects is comprised of a multi-modal array of projects, including: locally-identified arterials; freeway and freeway ramp; transit; grade-crossings; and bikeways; and,

WHEREAS, grouping these improvements together into the “Coastal Corridor Transportation Initiative” will better enable the SBCCOG, its member cities and the Westside Cities to compete for Federal, state and regional transportation funding:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Hermosa Beach, California, hereby expresses its support for the Coastal Corridor process and the Coastal Corridor Transportation Initiative; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Hermosa Beach, California, requests that the Coastal Corridor Transportation Initiative be included in the 2004 SCAG Regional Transportation Plan, as well as the next update of the MTA Long Range Plan; and

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Hermosa Beach, California, supports a request to the South Bay and West Side Cities Congressional delegation to include \$5.3 million in TEA-21 reauthorization to begin implementation of the Coastal Corridor Transportation Initiative, with the understanding that these funds will be used to develop funding strategies and to coordinate and advance specific corridors and projects within the Coastal Corridor

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 27th day of January, 2004

PRESIDENT of the City Council and MAYOR of the City
of Hermosa Beach, California

ATTEST:

_____, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

_____, CITY ATTORNEY