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### **COUNCILMEMBERS PADILLA, CHICK WIN APPROVAL FOR CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO STUDY CREATION OF SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TRANSIT ZONE**

**LOS ANGELES** B Councilmembers Alex Padilla and Laura Chick won approval for their motion directing the City of Los Angeles to enter into an interim Joint Powers Authority to establish a San Fernando Valley Transportation Zone. The City of Los Angeles will have four members on the proposed nine-member Joint Powers Authority Board, and will provide funding to study the proposed establishment of the new transit zone. Los Angeles joins eight other Valley cities and the County of Los Angeles with seats on the Joint Powers Authority Board.

"Today, the City of Los Angeles has taken a positive step forward in expanding and improving bus service in the San Fernando Valley," said Councilmember Padilla. "The transportation needs of the Valley are diverse. Freeways are important, but for the sake of mass transit and the region's economy, we must improve bus service."

"We must look at all possible ways to improve public transportation services in the Valley," said Councilmember Chick. "The Joint Powers Authority will give us substantive recommendations on how to provide the best possible service to transit riders to, from, and in the San Fernando Valley."

The Interim Joint Powers Agreement is between the cities of Los Angeles, Burbank, Glendale, San Fernando, La Canada-Flintridge, Calabasas, Agoura Hills, Westlake Village, Hidden Hills and the County of Los Angeles.

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