

MEETING DATE:

December 14, 2009

AGENDA ITEM:

Adoption of Respective Resolutions Endorsing the Local Taxpayer, Public Safety and Transportation Protection Act of 2010, a Proposed Constitutional Amendment for Potential Placement on California's November 2010 Statewide Ballot.

ATTACHMENTS

RESOLUTIONS OF THE OF THE CULVER CITY CITY COUNCIL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY IN SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL TAXPAYER, PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION PROTECTION ACT OF 2010.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2009-R

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE
LOCAL TAXPAYER, PUBLIC SAFETY AND
TRANSPORTATION PROTECTION ACT OF 2010.

WHEREAS, California voters have repeatedly and overwhelmingly passed
separate ballot measures to stop State raids of local government funds, and to dedicate
the taxes on gasoline to fund local and state transportation improvement projects; and

WHEREAS, these local government funds are critical to provide the police
and fire, emergency response, parks, libraries, and other vital local services that residents
rely upon every day, and gas tax funds are vital to maintain and improve local streets and
roads, to make road safety improvements, relieve traffic congestion, and provide mass
transit; and

WHEREAS, despite the fact that voters have repeatedly passed measures to
prevent the State from taking these revenues dedicated to funding local government
services and transportation improvement projects, the State Legislature has seized and
borrowed billions of dollars in local government and transportation funds in the past few
years; and

WHEREAS, this year's borrowing and raids of local government,
redevelopment and transit funds, as well as previous, ongoing raids of local government
and transportation funds have lead to severe consequences, such as layoffs of police, fire
and paramedic first responders, fire station closures, stalled economic development,
healthcare cutbacks, delays in road safety improvements, public transit fare increases and
cutbacks in public transit services; and

1 WHEREAS, State politicians in Sacramento have continued to ignore the will
2 of the voters, and current law provides no penalties when state politicians take or borrow
3 these locally-dedicated funds; and

4 WHEREAS, a coalition of local government, transportation and transit
5 advocates recently filed a constitutional amendment with the California Attorney General,
6 called the Local Taxpayer, Public Safety, and Transportation Protection Act of 2010, for
7 potential placement on California's November 2010 statewide ballot; and

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9 WHEREAS, approval of this ballot initiative would close loopholes and
10 change the constitution to further prevent State politicians in Sacramento from seizing,
11 diverting, shifting, borrowing, transferring, suspending or otherwise taking or interfering with
12 tax revenues dedicated to funding local government services, including redevelopment, or
13 dedicated to transportation improvement projects and mass transit.

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15 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Culver City, DOES
16 HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

17 1. The City Council of the City of Culver City formally endorses the Local
18 Taxpayer, Public Safety and Transportation Protection Act of 2010, a proposed
19 constitutional amendment.

20 2. The City Council hereby authorizes the listing of Culver City in support
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1 of the Local Taxpayer, Public Safety and Transportation Protection Act of 2010 and
2 instructs staff to fax a copy of this Resolution to campaign offices at 916.442.3510.
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4 APPROVED and ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2009.
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8 ANDREW WEISSMAN, MAYOR
9 City of Culver City, California

10 ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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13 MARTIN R. COLE, City Clerk
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15 CAROL A. SCHWAB, City Attorney
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14 NOW, THEREFORE, the Culver City Redevelopment Agency DOES
15 HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:
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17 1. The Agency formally endorses the Local Taxpayer, Public Safety and
18 Transportation Protection Act of 2010, a proposed constitutional amendment.

19 2. The Agency hereby authorizes the listing of the Culver City
20 Redevelopment Agency in support of the Local Taxpayer, Public Safety and Transportation
21 Protection Act of 2010 and instructs staff to fax a copy of this Resolution to campaign
22 offices at 916.442.3510.
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MICHEÁL O'LEARY, CHAIR
Culver City Redevelopment Agency

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ALICE PRASAD, Agency Secretary

MURRAY O. KANE, Agency General Counsel

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