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Delegation information

Committee you want to address
Executive Policy Committee

Agenda item you want to address (number and title)
Public Works Addendum Report 1. North Garage Replacement Project Status

Support or oppose recommendations
I am opposed to the recommendations

Submit comments in writing checkbox
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Comments
That we would cut spending to essential public transportation infrastructure in ways that would increase operational costs, limit our ability to implement our transportation plans, and slow our progress towards sustainability both environmentally and financially is truly absurd. We as a city cannot afford not to have an excellent public transportation service in the decades to come and the north garage project is key to quickly and effectively implementing some of the most important changes needed to get there. Choosing to fail at this point is extremely irresponsible. We cannot continue this madness of treating Transit like it isn't worth investing in.

I understand that the financial position of the city is not ideal, and that taking on additional debt to complete this project as designed is not a decision to be taken lightly. This is the root of my concern with option 3; it will increase the operating expenses for transit every year hereafter and thus will continue to drive us toward deficit. Please, fund this project to help get us on the path towards affordable, reliable, desirable transportation options that don't leave us adding another lane year after year.

I strongly support option 1, though understand that option 2 may be the best viable option at this time.

Public engagement (optional)

I consent to being contacted to participate in potential public engagement related to this matter.
Yes

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