



# MTA LEGISLATIVE BRIEF

January 22, 1998

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**TO: JULIAN BURKE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
MTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**FROM: SHARON WOODSON-BRYANT**

On Wednesday, January 21, 1998, the Los Angeles City Council adopted unanimously (13 ayes) the Alarcon-Bernson motion relative to establishing a San Fernando Valley Transportation Zone. The motion contained Los Angeles Department of Transportation's (LADOT) recommendations to:

- Initiate discussions with Los Angeles County and adjacent jurisdictions including but not limited to the cities of Agoura Hills, Burbank, Calabasas, Glendale, Hidden Hills and San Fernando about the benefits, costs, and feasibility of establishing a transportation zone;
- Instruct LADOT to initiate the analysis needed to create a transportation zone and work with the MTA to agree upon methodology and assumptions for conducting the study;
- Authorize consultants to conduct an analysis of the service area including zone borders, number of routes, service hours and other financial data necessary as part of a San Fernando Valley transportation zone application;
- Examine transit zone governance options, and;
- Report back to the L.A. City Council's Transportation Committee within 45 days with preliminary findings on the above information.

On a related matter, the San Gabriel Council of Governments (SGCOG) is considering a motion to create an independent San Gabriel Transit Authority. The motion, introduced by SGCOG Vice President Harry Baldwin, directs the executive director to:

- Prepare a staff report regarding the issues and procedures involved in establishing a new and independent San Gabriel Valley Transit Authority, and
- Asks the Board President to have the SGCOG's Transportation Committee review that report and present the matter for full Board discussion at the February 19 meeting.

If you need further information regarding City of L.A. issues, contact Wilbur Babb, Jr. at (213) 922-2267, and SGVCOG issues contact Michael Turner at (213) 922-2122.