RICHARDS MOTION regarding Line 422

WHEREAS, as part of the consent decree between Metro and the Bus Riders Union, Line 422 was created as part of the New Service Plan, beginning operation on February 16, 1998; and

WHEREAS, operational considerations made it more cost-effective for the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to operate Line 422 in conjunction with their own Line 423; and

WHEREAS, Metro has provided an operating subsidy to LADOT for the operation of Line 422, and the Metro Board of Directors has just renewed that subsidy for an additional five year period; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2006, as part of the Metro Connections program, staff identified an offfreeway stop for Line 422 at Universal City Station as an option for those passengers who would find it faster and easier to use the Red Line to connect with Line 422 rather than use slower local bus service to access the stops along the Hollywood Freeway; and

WHEREAS, said option was never brought forward as part of a Metro Connections service change program because the line was operated by LADOT;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Metro San Fernando Valley Service Council considers Line 422 to be a Metro line based upon its creation under the New Service Plan; and

THEREFORE, the Service Council asserts that it has the right to, at the very least, recommend changes to Line 422, as its non-express routing falls within the service area that the Council has responsibility for; and

THEREFORE, the Service Council directs Metro's contracted services staff to communicate to LADOT its desire that the off-freeway stop at Universal City Station be added to Line 422 at the earliest possible time.