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To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Councilmember Kriss Worthington
Subject: Support for the 2018 ACA 5 State Ballot Measure

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council endorses the 2018 ACA 5 State ballot measure and encourages citizens to support it, for the ballot measure would ensure that taxes on motor vehicles will be directed towards funding transportation-related projects.

BACKGROUND:

As a city striving for transparency and efficiency, dedicating vehicle-related fees to fund transportation projects would not only improve existing infrastructures to lower commuter's cost and time, but also increase the faith and confidence of taxpayers as they are certain of how their fees are spent.

The 2018 ACA 5 State ballot measure would (1) redefine and restrict the destination of taxes on motor vehicles under the Vehicle License Fee Law and (2) set aside said revenue specifically for transportation-related projects. Funds may then be allocated towards street and bridge repair or construction, address years of deferred maintenance on highways and local roads, improve mobility and public transit, and refurbish transportation infrastructure for the benefit of all Californians.

ACA 5 will assure taxpayers that their transportation fee funds are being used appropriately for the specific purpose of transportation-related projects.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Minimal.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY:

Consistent with Berkeley's Environmental Sustainability Goals and no negative impact.

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https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180ACA5

