



City of Las Cruces

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Council Action and Executive Summary

Item # 23

Ordinance/Resolution# 15-191

For Meeting of _____
(Ordinance First Reading Date)

For Meeting of April 6, 2015
(Adoption Date)

Please check box that applies to this item:

QUASI JUDICIAL

LEGISLATIVE

ADMINISTRATIVE

TITLE A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROCLAMATION OF APRIL 9, 2015 AS
"STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" IN LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO.

PURPOSE(S) OF ACTION:

To support "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY".

COUNCIL DISTRICT: N/A		
Drafter/Staff Contact: Michael Bartholomew	Department/Section: Transportation/Transit	Phone: 541-2537
City Manager Signature:		

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

The American Public Transit Association (APTA), a national advocacy organization for public transit agencies, has called for a "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" on April 9, 2015. The City of Las Cruces is a member of APTA. APTA is asking member entities from across the nation to join together in support of greater federal investment in public transportation infrastructure. The level of participation is voluntary, with some public transit agencies holding major media events and some simply passing resolutions in support of Congress passing dependable long-term transit funding that will address future public transit needs.

APTA members are concerned that congressional leaders have not passed a long-term transportation funding bill and current funding is set to expire on May 31, 2015. Federal transportation expenditures have been operating from one continuing resolution to another therefore, public transit agencies nationwide are not able to make long-term commitments that are needed to address critical future transit infrastructure needs such as vehicle and capital maintenance (for example, bus replacement) and service demands.

APTA has requested any level of support for this advocacy event. The City's Transit Section is asking Council, through adoption of this resolution, to encourage Congress to pass a long-term transportation funding bill that will properly address the nation's future public transportation needs. Getting a long-term transportation funding bill will allow transit agencies to make long-term plans rather than operating year-to-year with short term funding extensions. Stable and

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reliable long-term funding for public transportation infrastructure is just as critical for long-term transit planning as it is for long-term highway infrastructure planning. If Council does approve this measure, a copy of the resolution would be provided to local elected members of Congress.

SUPPORT INFORMATION:

1. Resolution.
2. Exhibit "A", APTA's sample language "Stand Up For Transportation Day" Proclamation.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Is this action already budgeted? N/A	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	See fund summary below	
	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	If No, then check one below:	
	<i>Budget Adjustment Attached</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Expense reallocated from: _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Proposed funding is from a new revenue source (i.e. grant; see details below)		
			<input type="checkbox"/>	Proposed funding is from fund balance in the _____ Fund.
Does this action create any revenue? N/A	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Funds will be deposited into this fund: _____ in the amount of \$ _____ for FY ____.	
	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	There is no new revenue generated by this action.	

BUDGET NARRATIVE

N/A

FUND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:

Fund Name(s)	Account Number(s)	Expenditure Proposed	Available Budgeted Funds in Current FY	Remaining Funds	Purpose for Remaining Funds
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

1. Vote "Yes"; this will declare the City Council's support of "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" and all that this day advocates.
2. Vote "No"; this will indicate the City Council does not support "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" and all that this day advocates.
3. Vote to "Amend"; this would allow the City Council to modify the resolution and would delay City Council's support of "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" and all that this day advocates.

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4. Vote to "Table"; this would allow the City Council to further direct staff and would delay City Council's support of "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" and all that this day advocates.

REFERENCE INFORMATION:

N/A

RESOLUTION NO. 15-191**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROCLAMATION OF APRIL 9, 2015 AS "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" IN LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO.**

The City Council is informed that:

WHEREAS, the American Public Transit Association (APTA), a national advocacy organization for public transit agencies, has called for a "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" on April 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the City of Las Cruces is a member of APTA; and

WHEREAS, APTA is seeking any level of support from the City of Las Cruces for greater federal investment in public transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, national support could encourage Congress to authorize long-term transportation funding allowing transit and highway agencies to update and make long-term infrastructure planning; and

WHEREAS, "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" will be recognized in small, medium, and large communities across the United States, as a day that highlights the critical need for funding transportation infrastructure, both public transportation and highway infrastructure.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the governing body of the City of Las Cruces:

(I)

THAT the City Council proclaims April 9, 2015 as "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" and that the City Council will join with public transportation agencies and businesses across the country to participate in "STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY" to encourage greater federal investment in public transportation infrastructure.

(II)

THAT the City Council declares that quality public transportation services are essential for the economic prosperity of our country, our communities and for individuals.

(III)

THAT City staff is hereby authorized to do all deeds necessary in the accomplishment of the herein above.

DONE AND APPROVED on this _____ day of _____, 20____,

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

(Seal)

VOTE:
Mayor Miyagishima: _____
Councillor Silva: _____
Councillor Smith: _____
Councillor Pedroza: _____
Councillor Small: _____
Councillor Sorg: _____
Councillor Levatino: _____

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



City Attorney

A PROCLAMATION ESTABLISHING
STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY
 (A National Transportation Infrastructure Day)
 IN (Your Location)
 On April 9, 2015

WHEREAS April 9, 2015 marks the STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY, a national transportation infrastructure day that highlights the critical need to invest in updating our nation's transportation infrastructure;

WHEREAS transportation is the economic backbone of our nation's economy and public transportation is an important part of our nation's transportation system, federal funding for public transportation infrastructure needs to increase and Congress needs to pass a long-term, multimodal transportation bill by May 31, 2015;

WHEREAS public transportation is a proven catalyst for economic growth since for every \$1 invested in public transportation, \$4 in economic returns is generated locally, creating economically vibrant and prosperous communities;

WHEREAS public transportation offers millions of Americans access to economic opportunities since nearly 60 percent of the trips taken on public transportation are for work commutes;

WHEREAS STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY will be celebrated in small, medium, and large communities across the United States, as a day that highlights the critical need for funding transportation infrastructure, both public transportation and highway infrastructure;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, (THE OFFICIAL'S TITLE) OF (ENTITY) proclaim April 9, 2015 as STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY (city, county, state) and that (YOUR AGENCY) will join with public transportation agencies and businesses across the country to participate in STAND UP FOR TRANSPORTATION DAY to encourage greater federal investment in public transportation infrastructure;

ALSO BE IT RESOLVED THAT (YOUR CITY, COUNTY) declares that quality public transportation services are essential for the economic prosperity of our country, our communities and for individuals;

ALSO BE IT RESOLVED THAT WHERE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION GOES, COMMUNITY GROWS.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS ___ DAY OF _____, 2015.
 (NAME, TITLE)