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THE BEVERLY HILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SUPPORTS OPTION FOR A SECOND SUBWAY PORTAL ON NORTH BEVERLY DRIVE

BEVERLY HILLS, California (September 30, 2020) – The Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors has voted to recommend North Beverly Drive (just north of Wilshire) as the best option for a second entrance/exit to the Wilshire/Rodeo Subway Station in Beverly Hills.

The City of Beverly Hills is considering three potential options for a second entrance and exit to the Wilshire/Rodeo Subway Station (“North Portal”) being constructed as part of the LA Metro Purple Line Subway Extension.

The Chamber believes the North Beverly Drive option will be the most centralized location to access our business district, provide a convenient location to utilize the subway and provide a great amenity for our community.

The Chamber recommends the following elements be included in this portal option:

- (1) There be provisions for a second escalator to access the station;
- (2) Provisions for bathrooms;
- (3) A southbound shared right turn lane or elimination of the right hand turn lane at North Beverly Drive and Wilshire; and
- (4) Provisions for multiple transportation options, including a shuttle bus to take people to and from the Wilshire/Rodeo station to other points in the City.

These provisions are important to make sure a North Portal is as effective and attractive as possible for residents, businesses and visitors traveling to and from our City.

The Chamber is aware that the North Beverly option will result in a multi-year closure of North Beverly Drive between Wilshire Blvd. and Beverly Canon Gardens. Therefore, the Chamber is supportive of exploring ways, in partnership with the City and partner organizations, to mitigate the effects of such a closure.

About the Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce:

The Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce serves as the voice of the Beverly Hills business community. The Chamber is committed to supporting local businesses and advocates for Beverly Hills' economic vitality. The Chamber's diverse members form a community of savvy innovators and business leaders who are committed to ensuring that the Beverly Hills economy thrives.

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