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Memorandum

TO: Commission

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FR: Legislation Committee

W. I.: 1131

RE: Committee Recommendations

The Legislation Committee met on Oct. 10 and referred positions on two November 2008 ballot measures to Commission.

a. **Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Parcel Tax Measure VV**

Measure VV would double AC Transit's existing parcel tax of \$48 per parcel for ten years. It will be on the ballot in every city where AC Transit provides service (except Union City and Fremont) and certain unincorporated areas of Contra Costa and Alameda Counties. The parcel tax increase would raise an additional \$14 million annually, helping to address an estimated \$20 million deficit without a fare increase.

Committee Recommendation: Support

b. **Measure KK in the City of Berkeley: Voter Approval of Bus Rapid Transit**

Measure KK – appearing on the ballot in the City of Berkeley – would require voter approval before the city could dedicate a public street or lane to “bus-only, transit-only, or high occupancy vehicle-only use.” The measure, titled the “Voters Right to Approve Certain Transportation Changes,” is specifically aimed at requiring voter approval for the implementation of one of MTC's highest priority transit expansion projects – AC Transit's bus rapid transit (BRT) project from International Boulevard in Oakland to Telegraph Avenue in Berkeley. This project is a top regional priority in MTC's Transit Expansion Program (Resolution 3434).

Committee Recommendation: Oppose