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Mr. Kia Mortazavi Orange County Transportation Agency Executive Director of Planning 600 South Main Street Orange, CA 92868

Sent via e-mail

RE: Orange Plaza Paseo Traffic Analysis

Dear Mr. Mortazavi:

As discussed at our virtual meeting this morning, the City of Orange is in the process of retaining an environmental and traffic consultant to analyze potential impacts of a seasonal Orange Plaza Paseo (seasonal closure of Glassell Street.) We expect the analysis to be underway very soon.

While a formal Notice of Preparation will be issued through the City's Community Development Department at the appropriate time, we would like to continue our cooperative effort on this locally significant matter by inviting OCTA staff to assume a proactive role in the traffic analysis. It is our hope that this approach will facilitate expedited review and increase confidence in the resulting findings. To that end, the City's traffic consultant and staff will consult with OCTA at critical analysis milestones. including requesting input over key traffic assumptions, modelling parameters, methodology, and screen check reviews. At the same time, OCTA staff is encouraged to contact the City to discuss any concerns or suggestions.

Larry Tay, City Traffic Engineer, and Doug Keys, Transportation Analyst, will coordinate project activities with OCTA, and can be reached at (714) 744-5537. Please let us know if there is a designated point of contact on your end and feel free to call me with any questions.

Sincerely

Christopher S. Cash Public Works Director

cc: Susan Galvan, Interim Community Development Director

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