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## Public Comment: C/K Line Extension Alignment – SBCCOG Transportation Committee

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**From** Alex Fineman

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**To** David Leger <davidl@southbaycities.org>

Dear SBCCOG Transportation Committee,

My name is Alex Fineman, and I am a resident of Redondo Beach. I am submitting this comment regarding the C/K Line extension alignment decision to be included in the record for tomorrow's meeting.

While some may view the recent shift to the Hawthorne Blvd. alignment as a victory, I am writing to express my concern regarding the the lack of transparency in the selection process and the long-term challenges and risks this decision imposes on our community.

This decision was an eleventh-hour pivot that blindsided Metro staff and disregarded years of study and analysis. Furthermore, it ignored the consistent voices of a broad coalition of both local and countywide organizations who advocated for the certification of the LPA/ROW alignment.

The Hawthorne alignment is not a simpler path. It introduces massive complexity, requiring far more interagency approval and the acquisition of 13 properties which generate significant local tax revenue. This alignment will still impact many residents and commuters, and businesses along Hawthorne Blvd. are going to struggle during the long and expensive construction process. A station in the median of a busy eight-lane road is also risking transit riders' lives. The ROW alignment would have avoided all of this.

The Metro Board's suggestion that the Hawthorne alignment could be completed on a similar timeline to the ROW alignment is unrealistic. As the project moves into the design phase, the logistical and approval issues inherent to this route will inevitably lead to significant budget overruns and timeline delays. The South Bay deserves a project based on realistic plans, not political maneuvering. The manner in which this alignment switch was executed does not inspire confidence. It signals that the Board is prioritizing specific interests over a transparent, stakeholder-driven process.

As a South Bay resident, I expect a higher standard of transparency and accountability. I will continue to watch the updated budget estimates and timelines closely and will continue to hold the decision makers accountable for their choices. They are, of course, more than welcome to correct me at the Hawthorne Blvd. station's opening by or before 2036 if they can manage it.

Sincerely,  
Alex Fineman