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RITA L. ROBINSON CONFIRMED AS LADOT GENERAL MANAGER

Los Angeles (Dec 4)—On Tuesday, December 3, 2007, the Los Angeles City Council confirmed the appointment of Ms. Rita L. Robinson as General Manager for the Department of Transportation. She was appointed LADOT Interim General Manager by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa on September 28th.

Ms. Robinson is responsible for the day-to-day operations of over 2000 employees whose mission is to provide for the safe and optimal mobility of people and goods throughout the City of Los Angeles to support economic activity and desirable quality of life. Her main focus is to support initiatives that will result in congestion relief, short and long-range local/regional strategic transportation planning and acquisition of funding to implement those projects.

“The Mayor’s transportation initiatives are to increase the convenience, reliability, safety and speed of Los Angeles’ transportation system. This is exactly what we will be concentrating on immediately,” said LADOT General Manager Rita L. Robinson. “I feel blessed being able to continue working with our professional and conscientious City employees,” she stated.

A city employee for over 30 years, Ms. Robinson began her career as a student professional intern and has served in a number of capacities in Los Angeles city government, including the Office of the City Administrative Officer, Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Community Development Department. Before her appointment to the Transportation Department, Ms. Robinson directed the Department of Public Works Bureau of Sanitation, which has 3,000 employees and the mission to protect public health and the environment through legal, efficient and effective collection, treatment, reuse and disposal of liquid and solid wastes.

LADOT is dedicated to moving Los Angeles forward as quickly and safely as possible. Motorists, bus riders, bicyclists, and pedestrians are encouraged to visit LADOT’s web site at: <http://www.lacity.org/LADOT/index.htm> for information about bicycling in the city, and an array of transportation services.

Area commuters can visit <http://trafficinfo.lacity.org/> for real-time traffic information. Real-time traffic reports are a product of LADOT, innovators of Automated Traffic Surveillance and Control System (ATSAC) technology.