

**University
Neighborhood
Association**

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**Memo To: Riverside County Transportation Commission,
Riverside County Supervisors, Riverside City Council,
City Manager and Planning Director, all other interested parties**

From: Wendy Eads, UNA Co-Chair *Wendy Eads*

**Re: Location of proposed new Metro Link Station in Ward One
of Riverside, for Perris Valley Line Project**

This is to again inform you that the membership of the University Neighborhood Association, acting upon the greatly researched recommendation of it's standing advisory committee on trains, has by an overwhelming majority vote decided to officially oppose the placement of either of the two proposed new Metro Link stations in our residential University Heights/University Hills neighborhood, at either proposed location, on the corner of Spruce Street and Watkins Drive , or on Watkins Drive at Valentia Hill. In addition, we wish to inform you that we instead support placing the location of a new Metro Link Station in Highgrove (if one should be ever be built anywhere nearby our neighborhood), to serve UCR, and the surrounding area comprising both wards one and two, and the city's sphere of influence in nearby locations. Barney Barnett has identified a prime site on a roughly 35 acre parcel that is already appropriately zoned, and is developable land without the multitude of insurmountable obstacles that exist in our neighborhood. UCR can run it's Highlander Hauler the roughly two miles to and from the site daily, as it currently does to the downtown Metro Link station, and "claim" the station as its own. Call it the UCR-North Riverside Station. Barney Barnett, a member of UNA train Committee, has been appointed our official representative on this issue of potential new station location, as he is an expert on it, and has full awareness and understanding of our overwhelming concerns and opposition to placement of a station anywhere in our neighborhood. He is our spokesman to all official parties on the subject of the proposed new Metro Link Station location in Highgrove, which we support. Please give his plan and his suggestions your full attention and all due consideration. This letter does not in any way imply any support by our membership of the Metro Link Perris Valley Line Extension Project.

Barney Has already spoken to most of you, but you may reach him by phone at (951) 683-4494, by FAX at (951) 683-7258, and by email at highgrovenews@adelphia.net