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# Daily Brief

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### **Eastside Review Advisory Committee Meeting**

The Eastside Review Advisory Committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 10, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. and will be held at the Boyle Heights Senior Center. At the meeting, staff will provide updates to the overall project, Metro Jobs Program, Community Relations and discuss the release of the RFP for Joint Development sites. Construction Progress will include an update on the Ramona Opportunity High School and the East Portal - Los Angeles County Crematorium site.

### **Mobility 21 - LA County Moving Together: 4th Annual Countywide Transportation Summit**

Join transportation, business, community leaders and elected officials to build consensus and take action to address Los Angeles County's transportation challenges. The summit is scheduled for Monday, November 14, 2005 at 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. and will be held at the Long Beach Convention Center. This year's summit will focus on transportation's role in a vibrant economy, quality of life and homeland security. The luncheon keynote speaker is Leon Panetta, former Chief of Staff to President Clinton and former U.S. Congress Member. More information is available online at: <http://www.mobility21coalition.com/>

### **Los Angeles City Council Transportation Committee Meeting Agenda**

The Los Angeles City Council Transportation Committee meeting for this Wednesday includes several Metro related items. The committee will consider the Councilmembers Bill Rosendahl and Wendy Greuel motion to suspend the Wilshire Bus Lane between Federal Avenue and Centinela Avenue until other jurisdictions have agreed to implement the project from Downtown Los Angeles

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to Downtown Santa Monica. This item was continued from the previous committee meeting of October 26. The committee will also consider a Department Of Transportation (LADOT) report on the Transit Priority Lanes Study.

Finally, the Transportation Committee will meet jointly with the City's Public Safety Committee on a motion by Councilmembers Greuel, Alex Padilla, Jack Weiss, Dennis Zine and Tom LaBonge requesting that Metro, LADOT, LAPD and LASD report on the preliminary findings from the three Metro Orange Line traffic accidents and present recommendations regarding the development and implementation of a "Virtual Railroad Crossing Warning System" for Metro Orange Line Rapidway intersections. Link to motion:  
[http://clkrep.lacity.org/councilfiles/05-2256-s1\\_mot.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/councilfiles/05-2256-s1_mot.pdf)

### **Tagger Sentenced to State Prison**

Michael Encinas, aka "THOR", from the tagging crew "TC" (the craziest) was sentenced to two and one-half years in state prison on Friday. This was his second felony vandalism conviction by Transit Service Bureau deputies, with one other prior felony vandalism conviction from South Gate Police. Mr. Encinas was also ordered to pay restitution and a hearing is scheduled for December 16. The vandalism cases include the Metro Red and Green Lines and buses out of Divisions 1, 2 and 18. The damage total is not yet known.

### **Of Note**

On this day in 1899, Los Angeles Railway opened Division 1 at 6<sup>th</sup> and Central with ten tracks capable of holding 210 streetcars. Post World War II, Los Angeles Railway's "yellow car" streetcar routes were changed over to motorbuses and many of those routes have been passed down to LACMTA through Los Angeles Transit Lines (1945-1958), the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority (1958-1964), and the Southern California Rapid Transit District (1964-1993).

On August 3, 1947 the first electric trolley buses in Los Angeles began operating out of Division 1. Streetcar rail service was discontinued in 1951, leaving the division with electric trolley buses only until March 31, 1963 when they were replaced with diesel powered motorbuses. In 1986 Division 1 became the first division to be equipped with a methanol storage/fueling system and in 2000, it was the third division selected for CNG fueling capability. Today the division operates 211 natural gas buses for Metro's Gateway Cities Service Sector.

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