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## U.S. Congress Adopts Transportation Spending Measure - Fully Funds Eastside Light Rail Line

The U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate moved this afternoon to adopt a conference agreement to fund federal transportation programs for Fiscal Year 2006. The bill also funds the departments of Housing and Urban Development, Treasury and related agencies. The bill provides \$36 billion in obligation limits for the federal-aid highway programs, as authorized by the recently enacted SAFETEA-LU. The spending measure also includes \$8.6 billion for mass-transit programs, \$944 million more than the current funding level. The conference agreement includes \$80 million for the Eastside Light Rail line. President Bush is expected to sign this funding bill into law shortly.

## Metro Rail Ridership Projections

The Los Angeles Times is preparing a story on how ridership projections are made for the various rail lines we build. The reporter interviewed planning staff today as to how they go about calculating ridership projections and how sometimes they under estimate and sometime they over estimate ridership. The reporter seems to be concentrating on ridership projections for the new Metro Orange Line being above what our initial projections were. The Reporter will compare Metro Orange Line with other rail lines such as Red, Gold, Blue and Green. The reporter is preparing the story, however, there is no publication date yet.

## DWP Claim For Damaged Metro Gold Line Transformer

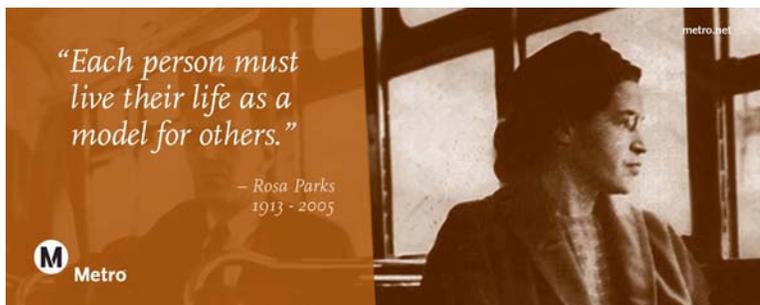
The Daily News inquired today regarding a claim we filed with the DWP for a

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power transformer that was damaged due to the September 12 power outage in the City of Los Angeles. Staff confirmed that we have filed a claim with the DWP for the replacement of a transformer that was damaged at the Metro Gold Line Midway Yard. The reporter is preparing a story to run this weekend on the number of claims that have been filed against the DWP due to the power outage that occurred in September.

### **Rosa Parks event planned for December 1st**

Details are being firmed up for a media event to take place Thursday, December 1 commemorating the anniversary Rosa Parks initiated the civil rights movement by refusing to give up her seat on an Alabama bus. The event is scheduled to take place at Gateway. An interior bus card (below) will be unveiled featuring a quote from Ms Parks and her likeness. The bus card will be placed at the front of each Metro bus to honor her and commemorate her achievements.



### **'Sheriff's Hot Line' being posted in all buses and rail cars**

As part of our continuing efforts to improve system security and customer safety, the 'Sheriff's Hot Line' (phone number) is being posted in all Metro buses and rail cars. Installation has already begun and should be completed in the next two weeks. The 'Sheriff's Hot Line' is fastest and most direct means for our customers to report incidents and get help. The numbers are 888.950.SAFE (7233) and 323.563.5000.

### **CEO Meetings & Events**

Next week I will be meeting with Directors Roberts and O'Conner. I will be out of the office on Tuesday November 22, returning Monday November 28. Carol Inge will be acting on my behalf.

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