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Key Congressional Staffer Visits Metro

Ken House, Minority Staff Director of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, was in Los Angeles over the past two days to visit Metro and tour our system. He received a firsthand look at various projects, including the Metro Orange Line, Metro Red Line, Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension and the Expo alignment. He also rode on a Metro Rapid Bus during rush hour and was briefed on Metro's long range transportation plan. House, a Capitol Hill veteran and key player on ISTEA, TEA-21, SAFETEA-LU and other landmark transportation statutes, has worked for Democratic leaders of the House Transportation Committee over the past three decades, including former committee chairmen Glenn Anderson and Norman Mineta.

Metro Security Camera System

KABC Channel 7 is expected to air a story tomorrow on Metro's new security camera system funded by the Department of Homeland Security to help protect transit systems and the commuting public from terrorism and other threats. The station's "first look" at the new video cameras' pan and zoom capabilities demonstrates how accurate the new system is in capturing rail station activity. A second story will focus on L.A. County Sheriff's Department presence on the Metro System, including fare inspectors and bomb sniffing dogs.

Beverly Hills forms Metro Red Line Committee

Yesterday, March 21, Steve Webb was sworn in as the new Mayor of Beverly Hills. In his speech, he discussed the importance of extending the Metro Red Line west and stressed that Beverly Hills must be an active participant in this effort. He announced the formation of a committee "to make a recommendation to the Council with respect to routes and station locations." Former Mayors Allan Alexander and Mark Egerman have been tapped to co-chair the committee.

Councilmembers Jimmy Delshad and Linda Briskman (the immediate past-Mayor) will serve as the City Council liaisons. Each member of the City Council has been asked to appoint 3 members of the community to sit on the committee. All the meetings will be public in order to allow the community to participate and express their views.

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