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Los Angeles City Council Transportation Committee Opposes SB 1507 (Margett) Metro Board Restructuring Bill

The Los Angeles City Council Transportation Committee today voted to oppose SB 1507 (Margett), which would change the existing Metro Board composition. Both the City's Intergovernmental Relations Committee and the full City Council are scheduled to hear the item this Friday morning.

Director Roberts Appreciation Dinner

The Lancaster City Council is holding an Appreciation Dinner for Director Frank Roberts on Monday May 15 at 7 p.m. at the Essex Convention Center located at 44916 N. 10th Street West in Lancaster. The attached event flyer contains additional details.

Metro Bike To Work Day May 18

Media Relations issued a news release today promoting the 12th annual Bike To Work Day on Thursday, May 18. In addition, Metro will offer free rides that day to bicyclists on Metro Buses and Metro Rail Trains throughout Los Angeles County. Metro will be offering several commuter bikes and bike accessories to those who register in advance online at <http://www.metro.net/biketowork/riders.htm> and pledge to be part of the solution to gridlock by pedaling to work, school or other destinations on that day.

http://www.metro.net/news_info/press/metro_055.htm

Metro Receives AQMD Grant For Clean-Air Buses

Metro has been awarded \$405,000 in grant funds from the Air Quality Management District (AQMD) to help pay for 75 clean-fuel, compressed natural gas (CNG) buses. With the purchase, the Metro Fleet is now 88 percent CNG buses, keeping it in the lead as the largest CNG fleet in North America. Media Relations distributed a news release today AQMD grant award. The release notes that by 2008, Metro plans to have nearly 100 percent of the fleet running on CNG.

http://www.metro.net/news_info/press/metro_058.htm

Fiesta Broadway Is Sunday, April 30

Fiesta Broadway will be held this Sunday in downtown Los Angeles. Media Relations issued a news release today encouraging people to use the Metro system to attend the event and avoid traffic, parking hassles and save on gasoline. Several Metro Bus Lines will be rerouted in the downtown Los Angeles area and some service delays are expected.

http://www.metro.net/news_info/press/metro_059.htm

Artists Creating Murals On Metro Gold Line Construction Fences

Media Relations issued a news release today regarding three local artists commissioned to paint murals on construction fences at key intersections of the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension project. Man One and his crew of notable hip-hop artists will spend 10 weeks turning a mundane wall barrier at First and Soto Street into a neighborhood asset. One Man was selected from more than 20 applicants by a panel of community members and arts professionals and commissioned through Metro Art. The artist chose four elements – family, faith, work and history – to represent the spirit of the East Los Angeles community.

http://www.metro.net/news_info/press/metro_060.htm

Historic El Monte Busway Gets A Makeover

Two El Monte Transitway bus terminals and the historic El Monte Station have undergone a makeover in recent months. Stations at Cal State LA and Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center, just east of downtown Los Angeles, have undergone \$2 million in modernization and security improvements and been repainted and enhanced with beautiful tile murals designed by Los Angeles artists known for their public art projects. The project was spearheaded by Metro.

The El Monte Station has been newly landscaped, repainted and, of prime importance to riders, additional berths have been added to accommodate more buses. The El Monte Station project was spearheaded by Foothill Transit.

Media Relations distributed a news release announcing the completion of the

makeover. http://www.metro.net/news_info/press/metro_061.htm

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