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| **Monday, April 7, 2014 140407-1**  **In this Issue:**  **Metro Officials Participate in Sunday CicLAvia Press Conference** |
| **Metro Officials Participate in Sunday CicLAvia Press Conference**  On Sunday morning, Lindy Lee, Deputy Chief Executive Officer for Metro, joined Board Director Zev Yaroslavsky and a host of city and other officials in a press conference commemorating “CicLAvia – Iconic Wilshire Boulevard.”  Lindy reported that Metro has been a strong supporter of the event since its inception. The popular event provides a growing number of Los Angeles residents with an opportunity to reclaim their streets and have a truly car-free day by taking transit, walking and biking. Metro now plays a key role in funding future open streets events throughout Los Angeles County. The agency will provide $2 million per year to cities through a new “Open Streets” Competitive Grant Program. Metro plans to go to the Board of Directors in June 2014 with a recommendation to award the program’s very first grant recipients. Metro also initiated the first-ever intergovernmental “Ciclavia Challenge” at the press conference. More than 60 Metro employees and family members joined the challenge, making Metro the ostensible winner that day. Thank you to the Metro staff who participated in the challenge. | |
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