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FTA New Starts Projects Quarterly Review Meeting Agenda

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) New Starts Projects Quarterly Review meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday August 30, 2006 at 10 a. m. in the Metro Gateway Conference Room. The <u>agenda</u> includes opening remarks by the FTA, an item on the 2550 Rail Vehicle Program and a construction project management overview with reports on the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension and the Mid-City/Exposition LRT Project.

New York Times On Metro Ridership

A reporter from the New York Times requested information today on Metro ridership figures for a nationwide story on gas prices and increase use of public transit. Metro staff provided the weekly increase in ridership on Metro bus and rail (7.8%) for the first half of 2006 compared to the same period in 2005. A story is expected to run in tomorrow's edition.

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