

Daily Brief

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Metro Wins Visionary Award

Last night, the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) of Greater Los Angeles honored Metro as the first recipient of the Visionary Award. The award was presented at BOMA's 21st Annual TOBY (the Office Building of the Year) Awards gala held at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. The Visionary Award was presented to Metro in recognition of the profound impact our projects have made within the community, and for our consistent evolution to meet Los Angeles' ever-growing need for regional mobility. The criteria for recognition included cityscape enhancement, the use of public/private partnerships, cultural enrichment, and economic impact. In addition to celebrating individual projects, the Visionary Award recognizes the passionate, dedicated and far-sighted individuals who make development a reality.

Patsaouras Transit Plaza to Close Temporarily for Reinstallation of Pavers

Patsaouras Transit Plaza will be closed from Monday, October 2nd through Monday, October 16th for repairs and the installation of replacement pavers. This ten-day period (Phase One of a two phase project) will begin at 9:00am on October 2nd to allow for an avoidance of morning traffic. Fliers will be posted throughout the Plaza detailing the closure and directing patrons to alternate boarding locations. Metro Bus Operations Control staff will also be on-hand to assist operators and customers throughout the first day of construction.

The work, which will be conducted by ProLogis (formerly Catellus), will consist of paver replacement and repair at the top of the Plaza's bus ramp in Phase One. Phase Two will include spot repairs, as necessary, and the replacement of pavers on other areas of the bus plaza. Closure dates for Phase Two of the repaving project have not yet been determined. However, patrons, Board

Members and Gateway and Union Station employees will be notified as soon as this information has been finalized.

Metro Challenges Reporters to Try Driving Buses

Numerous media outlets participated this morning at a Media Relations preview of the Metro Bus Roadeo being held tomorrow in the Santa Anita Race Track parking lot. KTLA, KTTV and Ch. 52 conducted "live" broadcasts with their reporters actually driving Metro Buses through the race course. Also attending today's event were reporters with the *Daily News*, the *San Gabriel Valley Tribune*, the *Sing Tao Daily*, KABC-TV, Ch. 54 and KFI Newstalk radio. Stories are expected to air tonight and throughout the weekend.

San Fernando Valley Bus Service Changes

Earlier today, the *Daily News* inquired about bus service changes that will shortly be made in the San Fernando Valley as part of the Metro Connections Program. Several line modifications are scheduled to go into effect as part of the December 2006 "Shake-Up." Metro San Fernando Valley Service Development staff reported that the sector's governance council helped to refine the agency's service change recommendation at its meeting earlier this month. Changes are intended to reduce duplications of service, improve efficiency and provide faster commute times for Metro passengers. Several of the agency's bus lines will be shortened, with enhanced connectivity to regional transit hubs. The story is expected to run this weekend.

Upcoming CEO Meetings and Events

Next week I will be meeting individually with Supervisors Michael Antonovich and Yvonne Burke and Director David Fleming. I will also be speaking with Director Pam O'Connor. In addition, I will participate in the Metro Mid-City/Exposition Line Groundbreaking Event.

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