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Metro's Chief of Vendor/Contract Management Receives the Corporate Leader of the Year Award

Last week, I attended the 15th Annual Latinas in Business Awards Gala, honoring “Women of Excellence” hosted by the LA Chapter of the National Latina Business Women Association-Los Angeles. Our very own Debra Avila, LA Metro's Chief of Vendor/Contract Management, was nominated and won the Corporate Leader of the Year Award. This award recognizes a leader who is a catalyst for driving innovation and organizational change. The award winner must guide, nurture and inspire the people around her, within her organization, her community and in the interactions of her daily routine. And, the winner must be accountable to a shared vision of success and models commitment.

Debra has been a member of our Senior Leadership Team for over two years now and is a true asset to Metro. She has made a difference and continues to be an exemplary leader for our organization. Congratulations Debra on receiving this honorable award. I am confident that you will continue with even more successes in the future.



Officials Mark Transit Milestone for Planned Light Rail Line in the San Fernando Valley

Last week, I joined Los Angeles Mayor and immediate past Metro Board Chair Eric Garcetti and Los Angeles City Council Member and Metro Board Member Paul Krekorian as well as a host of local and state officials to celebrate Metro's Board approval of a light rail line as the locally preferred alternative for the East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Project. With this accomplishment, the project will now move from the draft to the final environmental review stage. If the final environmental document is certified by the Metro Board early next year, construction could begin in 2021, with the rail line opening in 2027 ahead of the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games in the Los Angeles area. Officials from the California State Transportation Agency and California Transportation Commission presented Metro with an honorary check of \$407 million in SB-1 funding for the project.

It is important to move this project forward in order to meet our expected completion date and to provide mobility alternatives to this corridor which has the highest north-south transit boardings in the San Fernando Valley and has the 7th highest transit boardings in the entire Metro system.



Metro's Veterans Summer Slam Employment Fair Takes Place at Union Station

Metro officials welcomed hundreds of attendees, both veterans and non-veterans, at Metro's Annual Veterans Summer Slam Employment Fair that was held in the Ticketing Concourse at Union Station for military veterans looking for work. Job seekers received assistance with strengthening their resumes, interviewing skills, network building and other tips prior to meeting face to face with the forty public and private sector employers that participated in recruiting and hiring during the job fair. Metro staff was available to explain the kind of positions and benefits that the agency has to offer and encouraged veterans to seek career opportunities within our agency to help fill Metro's future hiring needs.

I would like to thank Chief of Systems Security & Law Enforcement Alex Wiggins, Chief of Human Capital and Development Joanne Peterson, Veterans Program Manager Dennis Tucker and Metro staff for participating and coordinating this successful event.





Metro Hosts the First Public Private Partnership (P3) for DBEs Forum

Metro Vendor/Contract Management Department hosted the first Public Private Partnership (P3) for DBEs Forum on Wednesday, June 27, to educate small and disadvantaged businesses on the similarities and differences of a Public Private Partnership procurement and how the small business community plays a key role in the success of a P3. The Forum also offered information on the status and planning of the West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor that is being contemplated as a P3.

In addition, Metro staff shared information about Metro's Contractor Bonding Assistance Program and how small businesses can be a part of that opportunity when competing for work among other larger firms. The successful event hosted hundreds of attendees and Metro plans to host future Forums on P3 as the West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor continues to advance and develop. I would like to thank the speakers who shared their message and vision for the future of P3.





Metro Board of Directors Adopts Vision 2028

On Thursday, June 28, the Metro Board of Directors adopted a bold and ambitious agency-wide strategic plan, the Metro Vision 2028 Plan (Plan). This Plan intends to marshal the creativity, resources, and political will to shape our mobility future and unleash Los Angeles County's unparalleled economic and social promise over the next ten years. The Plan is the result of more than 17-months of research, discussion, and internal and external outreach by Metro's Office of Extraordinary Innovation.

I want to thank everyone who has been involved in this process. Particularly, your feedback on the Metro Team Survey helped shape the goal and initiatives about our organization under Goal 5 (Provide responsive, accountable, and trustworthy governance within the Metro organization). The Plan builds on some key initiatives already underway now at Metro — and includes strategic actions that go well beyond the status quo. It establishes Metro's mission, vision, and goals and sets the principles for our agency to make decisions and conduct business over the next ten years. It will align all Metro plans, programs, and services under one umbrella to achieve a unified vision. For example, the already in progress Long Range Transportation Plan update and the NextGen Bus Study will start to operationalize and take a more detailed focus on how we will accomplish goals in Vision 2028. I encourage each of you to read the Plan, which can be accessed [here](#) or at metro.net/Vision2028. Together, we will transform mobility in LA County.

Metro Graduates from Mineta Transportation Institute

I want to congratulate Metro employees who recently graduated from the Mineta Transportation Institute (MTI) at San Jose State University. Metro Business Interruption Fund Program and Services Manager Paula Carvajal-Paez and Transportation Planning Manager Adelaida Felix both worked hard to earn their Masters of Science in Transportation Management (MSTM). Paula's capstone project was Helping Small Businesses during Construction: An Evaluation of Financial Support Programs and Best Practices while Adelaida completed her project, Car Sharing: An Evaluation of Transit Agencies.

Working full time and taking challenging MTI classes in the evening is an incredible accomplishment by both of these ladies. I am sure they will go on to advance their careers at Metro and help us achieve the ambitious goals we have set for us. Congratulations Paula and Adelaida.

As a reminder, our Tuition Reimbursement Program is available to both Contract and Non-Contract employees who are partaking in educational and training programs leading to a college degree or certification

from a 2 year college, 4 year college or through a certificate training program. Click [here](#) for more info.

Metro Board of Directors Adopts the Transit Oriented Communities Policy

Last Thursday, the Metro Board of Directors voted to adopt the Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Policy. This Policy is the first of its kind and will serve to formalize Metro's role and commitment to lead, enable and incentive holistic land use and community development policies that maximize equitable access to our growing multi-modal network. The Policy establishes a set of goals for supporting the creation of TOCs and defines TOC activities, which are projects, programs, and policies that support, enable, and incentive TOCs. Through the adoption of the TOC Policy, these activities are deemed transportation purposes and are thus eligible for Measure M Local Return Funds, as well as other state, local and federal funds that are not otherwise obligated or restricted.

Development of the TOC Policy reflected a broader commitment to transparency and deep community engagement. Policy development occurred through a working group made up of members of the Measure M Policy Advisory Council, over a 6-month period. Staff will continue to work closely with the working group members to develop the TOC Implementation Plan, which will include performance metrics, along with establishing a TOC Annual Report, and will report back to the Board in 18 months.

Procurement Postings

Surge Tank Assembly (IFB)

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure Surge Tank Assemblies. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Tuesday, June 26, 2018 through Thursday, September 20, 2018.

This procurement is for the purchase of engine radiator surge tank assemblies required to maintain the bus fleet and thus avoid disruption in service. Award of a contract will provide a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability at a fixed, competitive price.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Juelene Close, Senior Contract Administrator, at (213) 922-1066.

Ignition Control Module (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure Ignition Control Module. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Tuesday, July 3, 2018 through Friday, November 30, 2018.

This procurement is for the purchase of ignition control modules required to maintain the bus fleet and thus avoid disruption in service. Award of a contract will provide a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability at a fixed, competitive price.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Tanya Allen, Procurement Planning Administrator at (213) 922-1018.

Breather Assembly Crankcase (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure Breather Assembly Crankcase. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Tuesday, July 3, 2018 through Friday, November 30, 2018.

This procurement is for the purchase of breather assembly crankcases required to maintain the bus fleet and thus avoid disruption in service. Award of a contract will provide a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability at a fixed, competitive price.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Tanya Allen, Procurement Planning Administrator at (213) 922-1018.

Metro Predictive Analytics Study for Bus Operator Assessment Testing (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to obtain the services of an experienced consultant to review bus operator assessment testing. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Wednesday, June 27, 2018 through Wednesday, September 26, 2018.

Metro is seeking services from an experienced analyst to gather, review, and make recommendations with respect to the bus operator assessment testing that is currently used at Metro.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Marc Margoni, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1304.

Construction Notices: Crenshaw/LAX, Regional Connector, I-5

Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project: Full Northbound and Southbound Street Closure for Street Restoration

As part of Metro's Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project, Walsh-Shea Corridor Constructors (WSCC) will be working on the restoration of Crenshaw Bl. Restoration will begin at the three underground station areas along Crenshaw Bl. Restoration activities include removal of concrete panels, permanent placement of utilities, backfill and road repaving. Work at each station will be performed separately as three phases in progression from south to north. A separate notification will be sent out for the other two phases prior to the commencement of the work.

The first phase will implement a closure at the Leimert Park Station area. This phase will require the closure of Crenshaw Bl between 48th St and 43rd St/Homeland Dr. The closure will begin at 6am June 15, 2018 through 6pm July 27, 2018.

Regional Connector: Utility Investigation Activities on Flower St and 7th St

Regional Connector Constructors (RCC) will begin utility investigation in order to install a future train-way power duct bank on Flower St between 6th St and 7th St. Potholing will continue along 7th St between Flower St and Figueroa St. Work is anticipated to begin on Monday, July 2, 2018, and continue for seven months. Anticipated work hours, weather permitting, are Monday through Sunday, from 9 am to 3:30 pm.

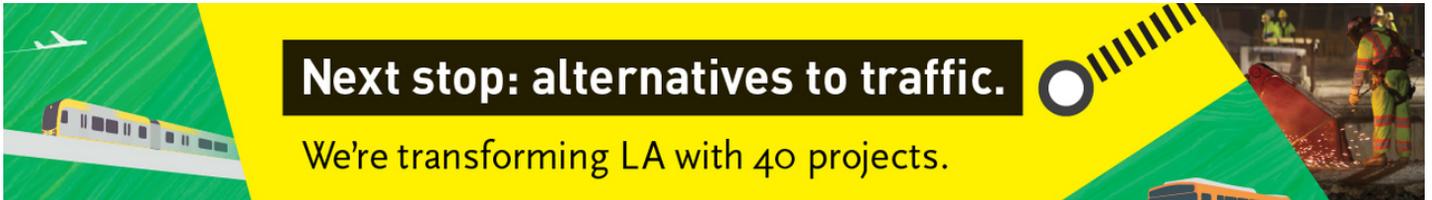
- Lane reduction on southbound Flower St between 6th St and 7th St.
- Lane reductions on both eastbound and westbound Wilshire Bl between Figueroa St and Hope St.
- Lane reduction on westbound 7th St between Figueroa St and Hope St.

Caltrans Interstate 5: All Construction Updates [here](#).

"If you are working on something exciting that you really care about, you don't have to be pushed.
The vision pulls you."

~ Steve Jobs

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