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Los Angeles County Curbside Management Symposium

Metro's Countywide Planning & Development Goods Movement team led the way in planning and hosting the Los Angeles County Curbside Management Symposium. This was the first symposium in the County to discuss curbside mobility challenges, including urban deliveries, bus stops, and on-street parking. There were nearly 80 participants from local cities, transit operators, businesses, major employers, transportation network companies, and research institutions. Metro Chief Planning Officer Jim de la Loza delivered opening remarks and highlighted the importance of the curbside to Metro as a multimodal transportation agency.

The symposium provided a broad coverage of emerging activities and challenges illustrating the need to think differently about how curb space is regulated and used. Participants highlighted a need to inventory curb space use cases and analyze utilization rates for each use type and per time of the day, as a first step in rethinking curb space as a critical element in ensuring urban mobility and accessibility. Other potential considerations included initiating a robust research-based partnership with local universities and a formation of regional curbside asset management forum.

The event was made possible through sponsorship from the Federal Highway Administration Office of Freight Management and Operations, in collaboration with the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), cities of Santa Monica, Pasadena, and Los Angeles, and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG). Metro Transportation Associate II Anna Lee and Transportation Planning Manager Akiko Yamagami were instrumental in planning and successfully executing the symposium.



Hispanic Heritage Month Leadership Spotlight: Dolores Ramos & Alain Gomez

In recognition of Latino Heritage Month, we want to spotlight two Metro operations employees for their outstanding leadership.

We want to recognize Chief Administrative Analyst Dolores Ramos, of Mexican descent. Dolores takes pride in working at LA Metro because she is able to see and understand firsthand how our projects and services help shape Los Angeles County. Dolores works in our Service Planning and Development department where she appreciates and enjoys the professionalism and dedication of her colleagues.

The best advice she can give a new employee is to ride our Metro system to understand what our patrons experience and how we can improve. Dolores also believes in taking every opportunity to volunteer for Metro events, it will help you make new contacts and understand the moving parts that contribute to Metro's overall operations. Dolores's free time is spent attending concerts, plays, traveling, and home projects.

We also want to recognize Master Mechanic from bus Division 13, Alain Gomez. He is also of Mexican descent. Alain is an outstanding team player with excellent leadership skills that he uses to mentor new mechanics and is very active in on the job training. Last year, he led a new team of mechanics to second place in the Bus Rodeo competition.

Alain's favorite part about working at LA Metro is the challenge of rapidly changing technology and the family atmosphere and friendships he has developed. The best advice he can give a new employee is to never stop learning and developing skills. Alain's free time is spent with his wife and five children. He is very involved with their sports and other activities.



Procurement Postings

Video Wall System for Traffic Management Center of Metro's ExpressLanes (IFB) - Small Business Prime

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure video wall system and equipment for Traffic Management Center. **This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.** The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Friday, October 11, 2019 through Wednesday, January 29, 2020.

This procurement is for a video wall system and equipment for Metro's Traffic Management Center for ExpressLanes. For further detail please review Statement of Work.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Aryani L. Guzman, Senior Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1387.

Construction Notices: Regional Connector, Orange Line, I-5

Regional Connector: Pile Installation on Alameda St and Temple St

RCC will continue utility investigation in preparation for pile installation along northbound Alameda St, within the Mangrove yard and at Temple St. Anticipate lane reductions on Alameda St and Temple St. Pile installation is anticipated to begin within the Mangrove yard on Monday, July 29, 2019, and continue for approximately four months.

Anticipated work hours are:

- Monday through Friday, from 7 am to 9 pm
- Saturday, from 8 am to 6 pm

Temporary closure of Orange Line North Hollywood Station Bus Terminal to start July 28

Metro plans to convert its entire fleet of buses to zero emission buses by 2030. The first phase of the transition will launch on the Orange Line with the deployment of battery electric buses. To accommodate the new buses, Metro will be installing bus charging stations at the Orange Line North Hollywood Station. Due to this construction activity, the Orange Line North Hollywood bus terminal will be closed beginning Sunday, July 28, through Oct. 31.

The temporary pick up/drop off locations will be relocated to the following:

- Board buses at northwest corner of Lankershim and Chandler.
- Exit buses at southeast corner of Lankershim and Cumpston.

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

"Every moment is an organizing opportunity, every person a potential activist,
every minute a chance to change the world."

~ Dolores Huerta



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