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Metro Will Reopen the Blue Line as the A Line on November 2

With increased reliability, enhanced safety systems, and an improved customer experience, the Blue Line will be reopening for full revenue service on Saturday, November 2, between Long Beach and Los Angeles, as the A Line. As Metro is growing, we are adding line letters. We thank everyone for their patience as we near completion. For more details on the project and the reopening, please click [here](#) for the Source post.

To show our appreciation, Metro is offering three days of free rides on the A Line November 2-4 and will be hosting three simultaneous celebrations along the A Line on Saturday, November 2, from 10am to 1pm. For more information about the events, please click [here](#).

Listening to Faith Communities at Gateway Cities Faith Leaders Roundtable

Last Tuesday, October 15, I hosted a Faith Leaders Roundtable with religious leaders and leaders of faith-based organizations from the Gateway Cities region. Approximately thirty leaders participated, eager to learn more about Metro's homelessness outreach effort on our system, the new projects we have planned to benefit communities in Southeast LA County, and the latest about the NextGen Bus Study. This Roundtable is one of many efforts Metro has been working on to manifest my vision to receive input from the faith community so that we may design and improve Metro programs that reflect the needs of communities. I heard substantial and valuable input from leaders on Tuesday and look forward to exploring how we can implement their ideas moving forward.

You can learn more about Metro's Regional Faith Leaders Outreach Initiative by contacting Patricia Soto at sotopa@metro.net.



Open House on Little Tokyo/Arts District Joint Development

Thursday, October 17, Metro Joint Development staff hosted an Open House on the development of the Regional Connector Little Tokyo/Arts District Station Site. In January 2019, Metro received development proposals for the site. After thorough evaluation, four development teams were chosen to advance in Metro's Joint Development process. The open house was an opportunity for attendees to meet the four development teams, learn about their proposals, ask questions, and provide feedback. The event attracted over 200 attendees and was the first of its kind for Metro Joint Development. Congratulations to Metro Joint Development, Marketing, Community and Construction Relations staff on collaborating to deliver a successful event.

Following the open house and final evaluation of the development proposals, Joint Development staff anticipates recommending the Metro Board authorize entering into an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement and Planning Document (ENA) in early 2020 with the highest scoring developer.

More information on this joint development site can be found [here](#). As the proposals are still being evaluated, any questions related to the selection process must be directed to Gina Romo, Principal Contract Administrator at RomoG@metro.net.



Accelerating Private Investment in Infrastructure

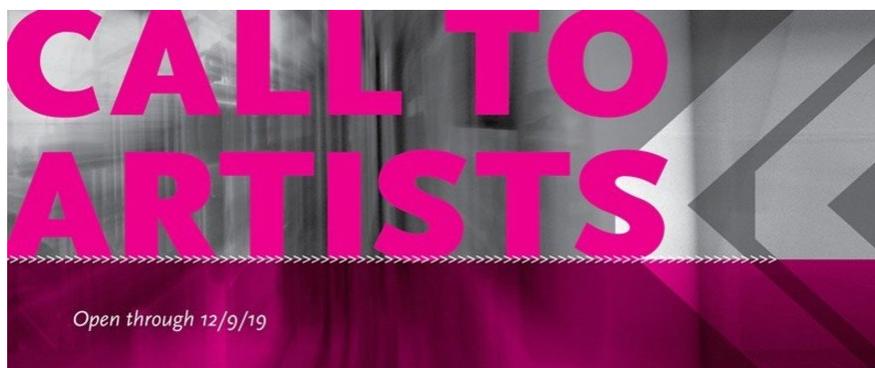
On Friday, Metro in collaboration with the Milken Institute, brought together a cross section of interdisciplinary leaders including government officials, policymakers, financial institutions, and financial market experts to identify potential capital market-based solutions to overcome infrastructure investment challenges. At the

Historic Union Station, discussions explored recent infrastructure developments and new financing vehicles that have been successful in attracting a variety of capital, from corporate investment to pension funds, so that we can begin to leverage innovative ways of funding infrastructure projects throughout the region. Metro Chair and City of Inglewood Mayor James Butts delivered welcoming remarks while I gave the keynote address following lunch. I want to thank the many people involved in organizing this impactful event, including the Metro staff that provided their time to allow participants to tour several Metro projects the day before the event.



A Call to Artists for New Artist Opportunities with Metro

Metro's art program commission's artists to create artworks that improve the transit customer experience and contribute to the artistic vibrancy of the communities we serve. Metro is inviting visual artists to respond to our 2020 Call to Artists to be considered for new artist opportunities. The deadline to respond is 11:59 p.m. (PST) on December 9, 2019. Interested artists are encouraged to learn more at one of our upcoming open house events. Click [here](#) for details.



Procurement Postings

I-405 Visual Screen Panels (IFB) - Small Business Prime

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure a Contractor to furnish, fabricate and install ornamental metal visual screen panel including related materials between the Post Miles of 32.17 to 32.25 along the Route 405 in the City of Los Angeles. The Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy will apply to this Procurement. **This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.** The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, October 21, 2019 through Tuesday, January 7, 2020.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Diana Dai-tsang, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 418-3310.

Direct Fixation Fasteners for Track Maintenance (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure Direct Fixation Fasteners for Track Maintenance. The Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy will not apply to this Procurement. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from October 23, 2019 through February 20, 2019.

Direct Fixation Fasteners for Track Maintenance will be a procurement to maintain the rails for safe Metro Rail operations.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Mona Ismail, Pr. Contract Administrator, ismailm@metro.net, at (213) 922-7376.

Construction Notices: Regional Connector, Orange Line, Purple Line Extension, 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.

Purple Line Extension: Orange Grove Closure at Wilshire Blvd

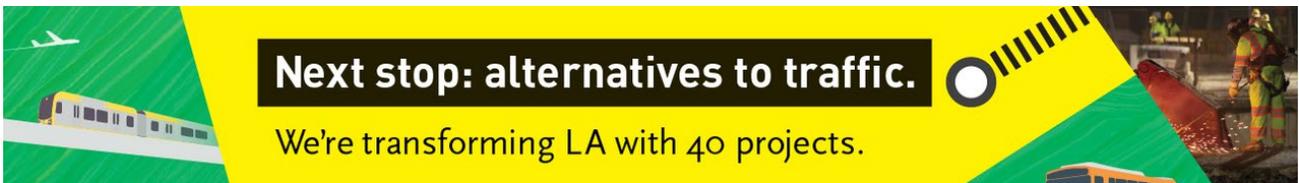
Orange Grove Ave. south of Wilshire Blvd. and north of 8th St. will be closed for 8 months starting Friday, October 18. The existing sound walls will be extended west to surround the closure area, which is required to construct the Wilshire/Fairfax Station. Residents of Orange Grove Ave. will continue to have access.

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

"Every new beginning comes from some other beginnings end."

~ Seneca

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