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### Visiting with A Line Division 11 Staff

On Friday, a few of our Senior Leadership Team members and I took a trip over to Metro A Line Division 11 in Long Beach. With the recent reopening of Metro's oldest rail line, we found it beneficial to visit transportation and maintenance staff to have first-hand discussions on the challenges and opportunities for improvements. It was also an opportunity to thank Division 11 for the hard work and efforts on this reopening – we all know it was not an easy job. Metro Interim Chief System Security and Law Enforcement Officer Aston Green joined me to ensure we are doing all we can to keep staff safe at the division and out on their service lines. Also joining me on this visit was Chief Policy Officer Elba Higueros and Chief Risk, Safety and Asset Management Officer Kenneth Hernandez. On the maintenance side, we learned about the need for specific tools and parts, the importance of our workforce understanding latest technologies, and where we need to focus state of good repair efforts. I strive to make it out to a different division at least once a month; hope to see some of you soon.



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### Raised On Records Concert Series: Holiday Edition

Last Thursday, 250 older adults traveled to Union Station to enjoy a holiday concert in the historic ticketing room. The senior-friendly “Raised on Records Concert Series” event was hosted by Metro Community Education’s On The Move Riders Program and Metro Art Presents. The concert featured the doo-wop group, *The St. Jukes*, which had people dancing and twisting. All attendees received invaluable information from On The Move Riders Program, Metro Art, Access Services, Metro’s LIFE program, Metro’s Accessibility Unit and Metro’s Mobile Customer Center and LADOT. A special thank you to Public Relations and Marketing for their support which made the day a huge success. To learn more about how to connect to the On the Move Riders Program, contact Lilly Ortiz at (213) 922-2299.



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### Metro’s MicroTransit Pilot Program Visits Kansas City

On November 14, a delegation of Metro employees working on the MicroTransit Pilot Project visited Kansas City, Missouri, to meet with the Kansas City Area Transit Authority - KCATA. Metro spent the day with KCATA learning about their on-demand operations and took the opportunity to speak with individuals from a variety of departments such as Planning, Finance, Safety, Strategy, Communications and the CEO’s office. KCATA has two on-demand services, Freedom On-Demand and Micro Transit, which operate in separate service areas. The delegation of Metro employees were from OEI, Operations, System Security & Law Enforcement, Marketing and Community Relations. This was a very informative trip that assisted Metro’s MicroTransit team as they begin their next phase into pilot operations.

To learn more about Metro's MicroTransit Pilot Program, visit their page, [here](#). For information about KCATA's on-demand operations, visit their [Freedom On-Demand](#) page or [MicroTransit](#) page.



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### Procurement Postings

#### Sepulveda Transit Corridor Environmental Review and Conceptual Engineering (RFP)

Metro will release a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a qualified architectural and engineering firm to initiate the environmental process for the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Tuesday, December 10, 2019 through Monday, June 8, 2020.

This process shall evaluate environmental impacts and benefits for the Project Alternatives, building upon the recently completed Feasibility Study and the expected predevelopment agreement (PDA) proposals. The Contractor shall have the qualifications necessary to prepare the required technical documents, including, but not limited to demonstrated expertise in transportation planning and engineering, inclusive of Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) and related Advanced Conceptual Engineering (ACE) work.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Lily Lopez, Contract Administration Manager, at (213) 922-4639.

Metro Transportation Library Relocation and Tenant Improvement (IFB) - Small Business Prime

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure a Contractor to provide construction supervision, labor, materials and equipment for tenant improvement and relocation of Metro Transportation Library to ground level space. The Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy will not apply to this Procurement.

**This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.** The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from December 4, 2019 to March 20, 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.

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**Construction Notices: Regional Connector, Purple Line Extension, I-5**

Regional Connector: Street Restoration closures at 1st/Alameda in DTLA

Street restoration at the 1st St and Alameda St intersection is now scheduled to start January 10, 2020. Plan ahead as lane reductions and road closures will be in place through the summer, as this work will be completed in two stages, each lasting approximately four months.

This effort marks the transition into the final phase of construction for the Regional Connector and brings it one step closer to testing and revenue operation. To learn more, click [here](#).

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](#).

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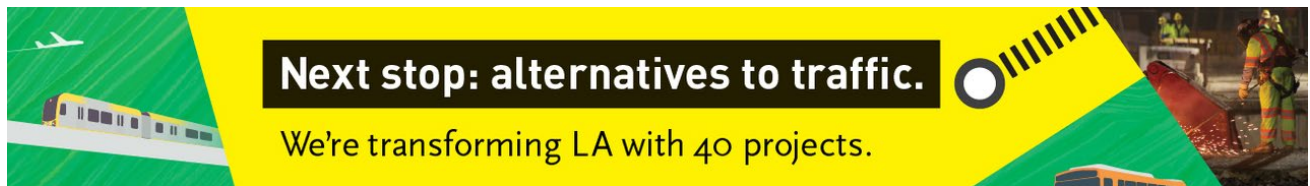
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~ Earl Nightingale

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