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Faith Leaders Countywide Discuss Partnerships During COVID-19 Recovery

On June 4, I hosted a virtual meeting with faith leaders across LA County to share the latest updates about our response to the COVID-19 crisis. Sixty-five faith leaders representing institutions of major religions throughout almost every region of LA County joined the conversation. We discussed how Metro continues to support the mobility needs of LA County transit riders and how we can collaborate with faith leaders during the recovery from this crisis.

I addressed our recent response to the current civil unrest, the financial impacts Metro is facing due to the loss of ridership and sales tax revenue, and our goals for earning back ridership as we move forward into recovery. Faith leaders offered fresh ideas about how Metro can partner with them to reach more low-income people in need of fare subsidies, create marketing campaigns to encourage ridership, and organize a meeting with construction trades to encourage hiring of minority groups. This meeting is one facet of the engagement program our Community Relations team organizes to

support the Regional Faith Leaders Outreach Program, an initiative to meaningfully engage and collaborate with faith leaders to enhance our service to communities across LA County.



Early Recommendations from Metro's Recovery Task Force

Metro's Recovery Task Force released a progress report today with a dozen early action recommendations to improve mobility in wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Task Force was formed this spring to develop a plan on how Metro can best serve the public moving forward from the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic. We have experienced many challenges and dark days during this pandemic but have also seen byproducts of the safer-at-home orders that have shown progress on some of our region's most intractable problems. Specifically, there has been far less traffic congestion, much improved air quality and safer conditions for walkers and cyclists.

The Task Force's mission is to help Metro respond to and recover from the pandemic while also finding ways to smartly preserve these gains – and to help guide Metro on how to truly best serve those who need us the most. Decisions on whether and how to implement recommendations will be made by a combination of the Board of Directors, Metro's Senior Leadership Team and responsible departments. You can find the full report and more details as posted on [The Source, here](#).

Procurement Postings

Air Dryer Assembly (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bid (IFB) to procure an air dryer assembly. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Tuesday, June 9, 2020 through Friday, October 30, 2020.

This procurement is for the purchase of an air dryer assembly 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 as outlined in the Technical Requirements on an Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract basis.

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 allentm@metro.net.

Coordinated Plan Update (RFP) - Small Business Prime

Metro released a Request for Proposal (RFP) for planning services to update Metro's Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan for 2020–2023. **This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.** The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, June 8, 2020 through Monday, August 10, 2020.

The selected contractor shall update the 2016-2019 Coordinated Plan for 2020–2023. The updated plan will allow Metro to comply with and meet its responsibilities under federal requirements (as detailed in FTA Circular 9070.1G) as the Designated Recipient of Federal Section 5310 funds allocated to large Urbanized Areas (UZAs) within Los Angeles County, which include the selection of projects for funding awards as outlined in the Solicitation.

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.

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

Purple Line Extension Project: K-Rail Work Zone Enclosures

Wilshire Blvd. between San Diego Way and La Jolla Ave. will be reduced to two lanes in each direction. Two K-Rail work zones will be implemented to support ongoing mitigation efforts in the Wilshire Blvd./Crescent Heights Blvd. area starting Monday, May 11, 2020, through Friday, August 14, 2020. Street parking will be restricted. To learn more, click [here](#).

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

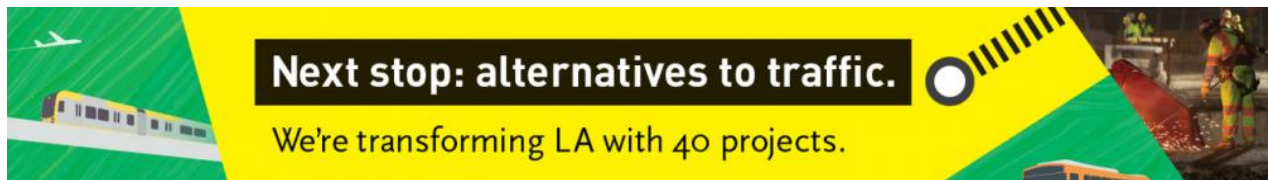
Street restoration at the 1st St and Alameda St intersection is now underway and scheduled to last through August 31, 2020. Plan ahead as lane reductions and road closures will be in place through the summer, as this work will be completed in two stages, each lasting approximately four months.

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](#).

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

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~ Jimi Hendrix



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