

Monday, June 22, 2020

### In this Issue

- Metro Staff Elected as President of the Institute of Transportation Engineers Southern California Section
- MetroConnect Consultants and Contractors Townhall with CEO
- Emmy Nomination for LA Art Zone Program Featuring Metro Art Tours
- Procurement Postings
- Construction Notices

# Metro Staff Elected as President of the Institute of Transportation Engineers Southern California Section

On June 17, 2020, Edward Alegre, Senior Director - Highway Program, was unanimously voted-in as the President of the Institute of Transportation Engineers Southern California Section (ITE SoCal). ITE is a professional society of more than 15,000 transportation engineers, planners and professionals in 80 countries. The Institute facilitates the application of technology and scientific principles to research planning, functional design, implementation, operation, policy development and management for all modes of transportation. ITE SoCal is comprised of professionals from Los Angeles and Orange Counties and their affiliates and is regarded as one of the largest ITE sections in the United States with over 900 members.

At Metro, Edward manages a number of key freeway and arterial Intelligent Transportation System projects and programs such as integrated corridor management, goods movement technology and connected vehicles. He has over 19 years of experience in the industry and has been with Metro

since 2014. I want to congratulate Edward on this amazing accomplishment and thank him and the Highway Program team for the excellent work they do here at Metro.



#### MetroConnect Consultants and Contractors Townhall with CEO

On June 15, over 600 Metro consultants and current contract holders attended my virtual CEO Town Hall. The "Status of the Agency" was presented to inform and engage the listeners, in light of the pandemic and its affect on Agency revenue. These Town Hall sessions demonstrate again our commitment to transparency and partnership with the many sectors that we serve. Metro remains sensitive to the concerns of the small business community in particular, and that was the main message conveyed while Live Streaming. While the pandemic has affected the sequencing of certain projects, the pause has resulted in a return to the original timetable for Measure M projects. We continue to move forward.

Senior Leadership Team members from Program Management, Office of Extraordinary Innovation, Planning, Operations, and Vendor Contract Management detailed the reasoning and methodology that Metro uses to chart the path forward and the challenges and opportunities that we must address. To review the meeting content, please click <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a>.

#### **Emmy Nomination for LA Art Zone Program Featuring Metro Art Tours**

LA Channel 36's program LA Art Zone--was nominated for a Los Angeles Area Emmy Award concerning their episode 'Art on the Metro Expo Line' which means, in a sense, Metro is nominated for an Emmy Award. The program features an art tour of different stations with artists speaking about their transformations of the visual landscape of our transit system. Winners to be announced July 18. View the episode here.





#### **Procurement Postings**

Oil Filters (IFB)

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure oil filters. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, June 18, 2020 through Friday, October 30, 2020.

This procurement is for the purchase of oil filters required to maintain the bus fleet avoiding 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 <a href="mailto:allentm@metro.net">allentm@metro.net</a>.

### 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 <a href="https://example.com/here-new-more-new

### 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 <a href="here">here</a>.

Caltrans Interstate 5: All Construction Updates here.

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly."

~ Martin Luther King Jr.

Press Room | Project & Programs | Meeting Agendas | Riding Metro | Metro Library



© 2019 Metro, 1 Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90012, United States

## **Bus & Rail Transit information**

323.GO.METRO (323.466.3876) 6:30am - 7pm (Monday - Friday) 8:00am - 4:30pm (Saturday/Sunday)