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Employee Town Hall to Inform and Discuss Recent Tragedy

Today, I joined Chief Operations Officer Jim Gallagher, Chief Human Capital & Development Officer Joanne Peterson, and Deputy Executive Officer Ron Dickerson to host an employee Town Hall to discuss the tragic event that occurred over the weekend on the Metro system and other salient topics. This Town Hall was intended to keep employees informed of the situation, instill some sense of calm and provide contact info to counseling if needed. My thoughts and prayers are with the family and colleagues of our Metro employee who tragically lost their life following a verbal confrontation which is still under investigation by LAPD.

I appreciate everyone who was able to listen-in and participate by asking questions. Some of our answers to your questions included that we are increasing security at vulnerable areas and high volume traffic stations like 7th Street/Metro Center Station and that there is no indication that this was a targeted attack on a Metro employee. Other questions surrounded the topics of homelessness, mental illness, Metro security deployment and

other important topics.

Let me remind everyone, our system is safe, but we must remain vigilant and if we see something, say something. As Ron Dickerson mentioned, violent crime has decreased over the past years, we are proud of that and work to continue that trend. Keeping you safe is my – and the Senior Leadership Team's – Number 1 Priority. Metro Human Capital & Development Department recorded this meeting and will have a link to view in the coming days.

Metro Opens New Cesar Chavez Transit Pavilion

Metro has completed the Cesar Chavez Bus Stop Improvements Project that creates a new state-of-the-art transit pavilion as part of the near-term recommendations of Metro's [Union Station Master Plan](#).

The Cesar Chavez Transit Pavilion opened to the public today, October 19 and is located on the southeast corner of Cesar E. Chavez Avenue and Vignes Street adjacent to the east portal entrance to Union Station. The corner is the second most active bus stop in the Union Station campus.

The project improves the customer experience and the safety of bus riders with a new transit pavilion with bus shelters, a bikeshare station and innovative sustainability features that showcase environmental stewardship. The new Cesar Chavez Transit Pavilion is a popular stop for riders on several Metro bus lines which combined, total 6,000 daily boarding passengers.

A video of the new Cesar Chavez Transit Pavilion can be viewed on our Metro Los Angeles YouTube page, [here](#).



New Public Safety Advisory Committee is Seeking Community Members

Metro is creating a new advisory committee known as the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC). Following the recent protests over the death of George Floyd, the Metro Board of Directors sought to reallocate resources and reevaluate current safety

strategies and policing practices to meet the needs of riders on our system. The PSAC will work with Metro's System Security & Law Enforcement, Office of Civil Rights, Office for Equity & Race, and the Executive Officer for Customer Experience in developing a community-based approach to public safety on the transit system.

Metro is seeking 15 community members and three alternates. There will be three internal non-voting members that will be selected through a separate process. Community members that are interested in becoming a member of PSAC are encouraged to attend virtual information sessions on Wednesday, October 28 and Thursday, November 5.

For more information on the qualifications, selection process, and to receive the latest updates on PSAC visit metro.net/psac or call (213) 922-4866.



Bus Shuttles to Replace L Line (Gold) Service between Union Station and Pico/Aliso Station

Starting Saturday, October 24, a free bus shuttle will replace L Line (Gold) service for the next 22 months between Union Station and Pico/Aliso Station due to Regional Connector Transit Project construction. The shuttle will run in both directions. The current Little Tokyo/Arts District Station will also be permanently closed and demolished and replaced with a new underground station that will debut when this closure concludes in 2022.

This is the final push for construction on the Regional Connector, which will connect the A (Blue), E (Expo) and L Lines via a pair of new 1.9-mile light rail tunnels under downtown. The Regional Connector will make light rail trips to and through downtown much quicker and greatly reduce the need to transfer to reach many destinations. For complete details on the bus pickup locations, schedules and maps, please see the The Source article, [here](#).

Procurement Postings

Transit Public Safety Facilitator Services (RFP) - Small Business Prime

Metro released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure transit public safety facilitator services. **This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.** The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, October 19, 2020

through Monday, December 28, 2020.

In response to recent nationwide civil protests and demands for criminal justice reform and finding alternative methods to address public safety issues, Metro is convening a Transit Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) representing Metro's ridership and community. To support the PSAC, Metro is seeking a qualified subject matter expert to facilitate discussions on complex public safety topics that will ultimately lead to recommendations on a community-based approach to public safety on Metro's system.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Greg Baker, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7577.

State Legislative Advocacy Services (RFP) - Small Business Prime

Metro will release a Request for Proposal (RFP) to procure state legislative and advocacy services. **This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.** The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, October 22, 2020 through Monday, January 25, 2021.

Metro is seeking the services of a consultant(s) to provide State government advocacy and legislative services as described in the Scope of Services.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Victor Zepeda, Contract Administrator at zepedav@metro.net.

Kits – Insulation, Exhaust L9N Conversion, Xcelsior, Repower (IFB)

Metro released an Invitation for Bid (IFB) to procure Kits – Insulation, Exhaust L9N Conversion, Xcelsior, Repower. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, October 15, 2020 through Friday, January 15, 2021.

Metro is seeking a qualified vendor to supply Kits – Insulation, Exhaust L9N Conversion, Xcelsior, Repower in support of Metro Bus Operations. Award of a contract will provide a commitment from the supplier to ensure availability as outlined in the Scope of Work 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 Juelene Close, Sr. Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1066.

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

Regional Connector Transit Project - Partial Street Closure Central Av

In place now, through mid-November 2020, is a partial closure of Central Av between 1st St and 2nd St to allow construction of the station's roof and street restoration as the Regional

Connector Transit Project enters its last phase of at-grade construction. To view the notice of work click [here](#).

Purple Line Extension Project: Lane Reductions between La Cienega and San Vicente

Eastbound Wilshire Blvd. between Stanley Dr. and San Vicente Blvd. may be intermittently reduced to a single lane to support ongoing station construction activities occurring between La Cienega Blvd. and San Vicente Blvd. These lane reductions are anticipated to begin on Tuesday, October 13. To view the notice of work click [here](#).

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

"There are three kinds of people in this world: people who make it happen, people who watch what happens, and people who wonder what happened."

~ Tommy Lasorda

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