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### **Chief Information Technology Officer Awarded by Government Technology Magazine**

I want to congratulate Metro Chief Information Technology Officer Bryan Sastokas on being recognized as a Special Districts Program Award Winner for 2020. AT&T and Government Technology Magazine selected Bryan to receive the Technology Innovation Leadership Award and honored him at the 2020 Year In Review & Recognition Summit that took place virtually on December 15. This event presents a unique opportunity to hear from district leaders nationwide, as they share best practices and showcase innovation, in response to adapting to the uncertainties and disruptions of 2020. On behalf of the agency, I congratulate Bryan on this outstanding achievement and thank him for the important ITS work he leads at Metro during this time of mass telecommuting and virtual communications.



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### **Raised on Records Holiday Virtual Concert**

On the Move Riders Program and Metro Art co-hosted their annual holiday edition of Raised on Records Concert Series on Tuesday, December 15. The 90-minute virtual dance party was led by DJ UnieQ, dancer Stephanie Stevenson, and the talented group, The Floor Productions. The event was attended by over 100 older adults and featured a selection of danceable music, dance follow-alongs and holiday sing-alongs. During this time of quarantine it is important for all of us to find creative ways to connect, particularly during the holiday season. We are inspired by the ongoing collaboration of these two Metro programs in demonstrating true holiday spirit and bringing cheer to older adults in our communities.



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### **Celebrating Equitable Transit Access in Los Angeles**

Friday, December 18, marked a significant anniversary for equitable transit access in Los Angeles. 40 years ago this week, Metro's predecessor Southern California Rapid Transit District adopted a policy of equal access for all bus patrons while committing to purchase new buses with wheelchair lifts. The Metro Library records show that this was a first for a U.S. transit agency. This is a great opportunity to celebrate milestones in light of our current efforts at equitable access. To find more information and links to the primary resource documents, please click [here](#).



*RTD Board President Nick Patsaouras (center) honored members of the disabled community and RTD employees at a press conference held December 18. Honorees included disabled community advocates Kim Horton (front, far left) and Sue Ridenour (on left). Back row, from left to right: Division 8 Mechanic Gene Trombley and Division 18 Mechanic Fred Vincelet, Division 18 Operator Ignatius Arellano, Ticket and Reports Clerk Louis Burns, TOS-VO Frank McReynolds, unidentified operator, Telephone Information Supervisor David Ullrich, and TOS-Communications David Woods.*

10 year celebration held in 1990.

## Procurement Postings

### External Investigator Services - Small Business Prime (RFP)

Metro will release a Request for Proposal (RFP) to procure investigative services. **This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.**

The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Wednesday, December 23, 2020 through Thursday, February 25, 2021. MTA seeks neutral fact finders to investigate employee complaints of workplace harassment, discrimination, retaliation and other potential violations of MTA Policy.

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](mailto:zepedav@metro.net).

### Ignition Coil (IFB)

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure ignition coils. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Friday, December 18, 2020 through Friday, April 30, 2021.

This procurement is for the purchase of ignition coils required to maintain the bus fleet and thus 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 [allentm@metro.net](mailto:allentm@metro.net).

#### Transmission Integral Cooler (IFB)

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure transmission integral cooler. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, December 21, 2020 through Friday, May 28, 2021.

This procurement is for the purchase of transmission integral coolers is needed 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](mailto:allentm@metro.net).

#### Metro Orange Line Improvements - CSSC (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure Construction Support Services Consultant. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Friday, December 18, 2020 through Thursday, June 24, 2021.

Metro is seeking a Construction Support Services Consultant (CSSC) to provide support for the Metro Orange Line Improvements Project. The Construction Support Services Consultant (CSSC) will support all aspects of the construction process and ensure that the construction of the project is administered and completed in compliance with contract requirements and government regulations.

This contract is subject to Metro's Medium-Size Business Enterprise (MSZ) program. Metro will entertain proposals from firms that are not medium-sized, only in the event that less than two responsive/responsible proposals are received from MSZ (in which case any size firm may propose). MSZs are defined as firms that are not a subsidiary of another firm and have gross annual receipts of \$25 million – maximum \$250 million averaged over three years with a maximum of 250 employees.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Helen Gates-Bryant, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1269.

#### SBE Prime Program, Fence Repair and Maintenance Services (IFB)

Metro released an Invitation for Bid (IFB) seeking a qualified firm to provide masonry walls, wrought iron, steel picket, welded wire mesh, Cochrane Clear Vu, and chain link fence installation, maintenance, and repair services for all Metro owned rail Right-of-Ways (ROWs), facilities and parcel properties. The procurement blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, December 17, 2020 through Friday, March 5, 2021.

Interested bidders and/or subcontractors performing the work must have a valid State of California C-13 (Fencing Contractor) and C-29 (Masonry Contractor) Contractor Licenses and must have held them for the past three (3) years.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Rommel Hilario, Principal Contract Administrator, (213) 922-4654.

Nortel MAC Software Support - Small Business Prime (RFP)

Metro will release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure software support services.

**This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.** The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Tuesday, December 22, 2020 through Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

Metro is seeking the services of a contractor that can provide support for Cisco Call Manager and Unity voicemail administration, Telstrat Administration, and legacy Nortel PBX and voicemail MAC.,

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](mailto:zepedav@metro.net).

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

Regional Connector Transit Project - Historic Broadway Station Street Restoration

Regional Connector Constructors (RCC) will implement an extended closure of 2nd St between Spring St and Broadway for deck removal and street restoration as early as October 30, 2020 through Summer 2021. To view the notice of work click [here](#).

Purple Line Extension Project: K-Rail Work Zone at Wilshire Blvd./San Vicente Blvd.

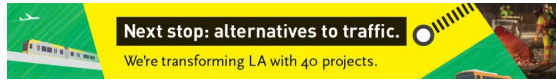
The K-Rail work zone within the center lanes of the Wilshire Blvd./San Vicente Blvd. intersection is anticipated to remain in place through December 2020. The enclosure will support ongoing tunnel and mitigation work underneath Wilshire Blvd. All left turns within the Wilshire Blvd./San Vicente Blvd. intersection will be closed while the K-Rail is in place. To view the notice of work click [here](#).

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

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"That person who helps others simply because it should or must be done, and because it is the right thing to do, is indeed without a doubt, a real superhero."

~ Stan Lee



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