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AMAC Speaker Series: "From 30,000 Feet Power Talk"

On Tuesday, February 9, I joined the Airport Minority Advisory Council (AMAC) Speaker Series: "From 30,000 Feet Power Talk." The series connects the nation's most influential business and thought leaders with industry professionals, members of the business community, and students and focuses on diverse topics including changes in the business climate and future trends. In a Q&A format moderated by Kelli Kelly, Director of Business Development and Strategy for Aviation and Transit at Kiewit Infrastructure Engineers, I spoke about some of our proudest moments at LA Metro, upcoming agency challenges and opportunities, plenty of words on leadership, pandemic impacts and recovery and much more on transportation industry topics. Furthermore, we held important discussion on today's social justice climate, being a role model for the black community, how to increase opportunities for disadvantage communities, increasing minority-owned business participation on Metro projects and many other similar topics.

The AMAC is the only national, non-profit trade association dedicated to advancing the full participation of minority and women in employment and contracting opportunities throughout the aviation and aerospace industries. AMAC concentrates on eliminating barriers to

minority and women participation in these industries and understands that diversity inclusion fuels innovation and is essential when developing airports of the future. I want to thank AMAC for inviting me to their speaker series and allowing me to share the outstanding work we are doing at LA Metro – the center of transportation excellence.

Metro Bike Share Offering Discounted 365-Day Passes to Essential Workers

I have mentioned since the start of this pandemic that Metro remains committed to the mobility of our local essential workers. Metro Bike Share and the City of Los Angeles want to recognize the incredible sacrifices that many essential workers have made and continue to make on a daily basis. As the need for safe and reliable public transportation options endures through the pandemic, Metro Bike Share is offering a 50 percent discount on its 365-Day Pass (a \$75 value). The 365-Day Pass includes unlimited 30-minute Metro Bike Share rides and waives the Electric Metro Bike unlocking fee for a full year.

Essential workers can sign up for Essential Workers Program on the Metro Bike Share website [here](#). Eligible Bike Share for Business pass holders can redeem this pass by reaching out to business@bikeshare.metro.net. Current Metro Bike Share Passholders who are eligible for the Essential Workers Program, can reach out to support@bikeshare.metro.net to enroll.



Rail to River Segment B Community Meetings

Last week, the Rail to River Segment B Team held two community meetings to elicit feedback on potential ideas to improve the Active Transportation Corridor between the Metro A (Blue) Line and the Los Angeles River that will run adjacent to the proposed West Santa Ana Branch Light Rail Project. The Rail to River Segment B Project will link the Cities of Los Angeles, Inglewood, Huntington Park, Vernon, Maywood, Bell and parts of unincorporated Los Angeles County. The area consists largely of high-density neighborhoods, commercial centers and industrial uses. The Project will provide active transportation facilities that will connect residents and workers to transit, jobs, schools, shopping districts, and parks.

Between both meetings, over 100 people were in attendance, which included a host of

elected officials, their staffs and other notable stakeholders. The next steps for the project are to evaluate the feedback provided and to reach back out to the community in spring 2021. For the most recent information on the Rail to Rail Project, head over to www.metro.net/r2r.

Procurement Postings

Procure 65 Oracle Primavera Unifier Application User Licenses- Small Business Prime-(RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposal (RFP) to procure 65 Oracle Primavera Unifier Application User Licenses. **This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.** The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, February 11, 2021 through Monday, March 29, 2021.

Metro is seeking a contractor to procure 65 Oracle Primavera Unifier Application User Licenses with annual software maintenance. Oracle Unifier licenses are for Metro to continue the use of the Project Management Information System (PMIS) already in place.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Annie Duong, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 418-3048.

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

Regional Connector Transit Project - Closure of Temple St. for Alameda Tunnel Box
Regional Connector Constructors (RCC) implemented an extended closure of Temple St between Alameda St and Garey St for the construction of the Alameda Tunnel Box. The 24/7 closure began on Friday, January 29, 2021 and will continue for approximately six months. To view the notice of work click, [here](#).

Purple Line Extension Project: Utility Relocation on Ashton Ave and Midvale Ave
Metro contractors will conduct utility relocation for the sanitary sewer lines on Wilshire Blvd., Westwood Blvd., Ashton Ave., and Midvale Ave. in preparation for the Purple (D Line) Extension Section 3 project. Work is scheduled to begin on February 10, 2021, and will take approximately 2 months to complete. To view the notice of work click [here](#).

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

"Everything will be okay in the end. If it's not okay, it's not the end."

~ John Lennon



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