# Agenda

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

# GATEWAY CITIES SERVICE SECTOR COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

The Gas Company 9240 Firestone Blvd. Downey, CA 90241

## Call to Order

## Council Members:

Samuel Peña (Chair)
Bonnie Lowenthal (Vice Chair)
JoAnn Eros-Delgado
Larry R. Nelson
Jacqueline Rynerson
Wally Shidler
Cynde Soto

### Officers:

Richard Rogers, General Manager
Dave Hershenson, Community Relations
Manager
Cathy Manzo, Community Relations Officer
Sharon Sterling, Council Secretary



- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call/Self Introductions
- 3. Public Comment

# COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC INTEREST WITHIN COUNCIL'S SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION

- 4. APPROVE **Minutes** of December 18, 2003 Council Meeting
- 5. RECEIVE oral report of General Manager
- 6. RECEIVE oral report on **MTA Route Promotion** by Donna Lafont, Senior Communications Officer, Marketing (Approx. 15 20 minutes).
- 7. RECEIVE oral report on **State Legislative Update and Government Relations Overview** by Michael Turner, Government Relations Manager (Approx. 15 20 minutes).
- 8. RECEIVE oral report on **Upcoming Gateway Cities Service Changes** by Dan Ngyuen, Gateway Cities Schedules Manager, and Michael Sieckert, Gateway Cities Transportation Planning Manager (Approx. 15 20 minutes).
- 9. RECEIVE oral report on **California State Auditor Report on MTA Service Sectors** by Carolyn Flowers, Executive Officer Operations (Approx. 15 20 minutes).
- 10. Councilmember's Remarks
- 11. Chairman's Remarks
- 12. Consideration of Items not posted on the Agenda

Consideration of items not on the posted agenda, including: items to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff; items to be placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Council; and/or items requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Council subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE GATEWAY CITIES SECTOR OFFICE AT (562) 658-0241. NOTIFICATION 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING WILL ENABLE THE SECTOR TO MAKE REASONABLE ACCOMODATIONS TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY TO THIS MEETING.

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#### METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY SERVICE SECTOR COUNCIL RULES

#### **PUBLIC INPUT**

The Service Sector Council meetings are open to the public. A member of the public may address the Council on agenda items, before or during the Council's consideration of the item for up to 5 minutes per item, or at the discretion of the Chair. A request to address the Council should be submitted in person at the meeting to the Council Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.

The public may also address the Council on non-agenda items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the MTA Service Sector during the public comment period, which will be held at the end of each meeting. Each person will be allowed to speak for one minute and may speak no more than once during the Public Comment period. Public Comment will last a maximum of 30 minutes, or as otherwise indicated by the Chair. Speakers will be called according to the order in which the speaker request forms are received until the Public Comment period has expired. Elected officials, not their staff or deputies, may be called out of order and prior to the Council's consideration of the relevant item.

At the discretion of the Chair, the Council may limit public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Council.

In the interest of hearing from as many members of the public as possible, if at the time your name is called, your issue has been addressed or your opinion expressed by a previous speaker, please simply state that fact and your name for the record.

In accordance with State Law (Brown Act), all matters to be acted on by the Council must be posted at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. In case of emergency, or when a subject matter arises subsequent to the posting of the agenda, upon making certain findings, the Council may act on an item that is not on the posted agenda.

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- a. Disorderly behavior tending to interrupt the due and orderly course of said meeting.
- b. A breach of the peace, boisterous conduct or violent disturbance, tending to interrupt the due and orderly course of said meeting.
- c. Disobedience of any lawful order of the Chair, which shall include an order to be seated or to refrain from addressing the Council; and d. Any other unlawful interference with the due and orderly course of said meeting.

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