METRO SAN GABRIEL VALLEY GOVERNANCE COUNCIL June 8, 2004

SUBJECT: JUNE 2004 MINOR SERVICE CHANGES

ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE

BACKGROUND

The June 2004 Service Change Program is scheduled for implementation on Sunday, June 27, 2004. The program is comprised of both major and minor changes. This report focuses on minor changes that were not subject to the February 10, 2004 Public Hearing process. Council authorized the implementation of all major changes earlier this year.

These changes are being accomplished through a cost neutral approach. Existing resources have been reallocated within and between lines to improve schedule reliability, travel transit speeds and to provide all day service on New Soto Street Rapid Bus Line 751.

SUMMARY OF MINOR CHANGES

The changes are summarized in the following and shown in more detail as part of the attachment.

- Reroute Line 251 (103rd Street-Soto Street-Avenue 26) in the vicinity of County USC Medical Center from State Street, Zonal Avenue and North Broadway to Daly Street and Marengo Street.
- Extend the route of Line 252 from the existing terminal at Soto Street and Whittier Boulevard to Soto Street and Olympic Boulevard.
- Modify the route of New Limited Line 376 (Valley Boulevard Limited) to operate along Valley Boulevard (Valley Mall) and Santa Anita Avenue in the City of El Monte. Note: The limited stop concept was approved as part of a public hearing process.
- Establish a new terminal for restructured Lines 484 and 490 in the vicinity of Cal Poly Pomona. Note: Ending the line in the vicinity of Cal Poly was approved as part of the public hearing process earlier this year.
- Establish Valley Boulevard and Temple Avenue as the routing for new Line 684 in the vicinity of Cal Poly Pomona. Note: Restructuring of the line to end in the vicinity of Cal Poly was approved as part of the public hearing process earlier this year.

Other changes include:

- Relocate the bus layover zone for Lines 78-79 (LA-Arcadia via Huntington Drive/Main Street-Las Tunas Drive) from Grand Avenue to Olive Street in Downtown Los Angeles to address complaints from Los Angeles Trade Tech College.
- Discontinue Line 180-181 (Hollywood-Glendale-Pasadena) service to selected closely spaced and low demand stops along Colorado Boulevard to improve on-time performance and operating speeds.
- Improve the operating speed for Limited Line 370 by expanding the limited stop operation to include the route segment of the line between Eastern Avenue and City Terrace Drive and Garvey Avenue and Atlantic Boulevard.

Other Issues

The Consent Decree does not prohibit managing the bus system to ensure an efficient and effective operation. Efforts have been taken to minimize impacts to riders affected by the staff proposals.

Attachments - Maps (251-252-751, 376, 484, 490, 684)

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