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Exposition Metro Line  
Construction Authority

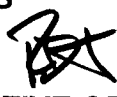
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**TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE LIST OF METRO GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION  
AUTHORITY COMMITTEES**

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and File list of Metro Gold Line Construction Authority committees. The Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority Board operates successfully without committees; however, the Board may want to revisit this issue in the future if circumstances change and a Committee structure becomes necessary to handle the Authority workload.

### **SUMMARY**

At the January 12<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority Board directed staff to report back on the committee structure of the Metro Gold Line Construction Authority. The Metro Gold Line Construction Authority has five committees in addition to a monthly Board meeting. Most of the Committees meet once each month. The five committees include:

- Completion Committee (tasked with close-out of Phase 1 activities and some environmental activities for Phase 2)
- Construction
- Finance
- Management and Personnel
- Joint Development/Real Estate

## **DISCUSSION**

The Committee process can be valuable when there are many items that can be vetted and discussed at the Committee level and then placed on the Consent Calendar at the Board meeting, thereby saving time at these meetings. However, where there are very few agenda items or when most of the agenda items will require discussion at the full Board meeting, the Committee structure is not as beneficial. At the Exposition Board meetings thus far, there have been a small number of items on each agenda and most of the items have been discussed by all of the Board Members. These circumstances may obviate the need for a Committee process at this time.

The Committee process often makes it more difficult to bring items to the Board in a timely manner. At both the Gold Line Construction Authority and the MTA, there is a four to six week cycle to get items to the full Board when they have to go through the Committee process. At this time, such a cycle would be very difficult for the Exposition Light Rail Construction Authority, as the project is on an expedited schedule with constantly changing actions and requirements. Adding another layer would slow down the expedited process that has been established to move this project forward.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

If a Committee process was instituted, there would be additional cost to the Authority for rental of meeting space as well as building and security staff. There would also be additional per diem and administrative costs.

## **NEXT STEPS**

As the Authority becomes more established and the design/build process is underway, the Authority Board may want to revisit this issue. At some point a Committee process may be helpful if there are large numbers of items coming directly to the Authority Board that require lengthy discussion or there are major issues that may benefit from additional attention at the Committee level.

## **ATTACHMENT(S)**

None