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metro.net**REVISED****OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
JULY 16, 2009****SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED SILVER LINE FARE****ACTION: AUTHORIZE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING****RECOMMENDATION**

Authorize the publication of a Notice of Public Hearing (Attachment A) to consider a proposed fare for the Metro Silver Line.

ISSUE

The proposed Metro Silver Line is a proposed premium service combining the express portions of four existing bus lines operating along the Harbor Transitway and El Monte Busway providing continuous service connecting the Artesia Transit Center, El Monte Transit Center, downtown Los Angeles and other intermediate points. The local portions of existing Metro bus lines 444, 446-447, 484 and 490 will continue to operate along with the Silver Line.

The service is planned for December 2009 operation. A map of the affected corridors, is provided in the attached Notice. The buses used for this service will be painted in the California Poppy color scheme. A separate fare structure is proposed for this service that may result in an increased price for a small number of riders of existing services in the affected corridor. Under such circumstances, the LACMTA's Administrative Code requires that a public hearing be held to provide an opportunity for riders to comment on the proposed fare.

DISCUSSION

The proposed hearing would be conducted during the regularly scheduled September meeting of the Board of Directors on September 24 17, 2009. Attendance is expected to be small as the overwhelming majority of riders in the affected corridor will experience the same, or a reduced, fare from what is applicable today.

NEXT STEPS

Upon approval, the proposed Notice of Public Hearing will be published at least 30 days prior to the date of the proposed hearing in accordance with the LACMTA's Administrative Code. Following the conduct of the hearing, it is anticipated that a summary of comments and staff responses will be presented together with a recommended Silver Line fare structure during October, 2009.

ATTACHMENT

A – Proposed Notice of Public Hearing

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ATTACHMENT A

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

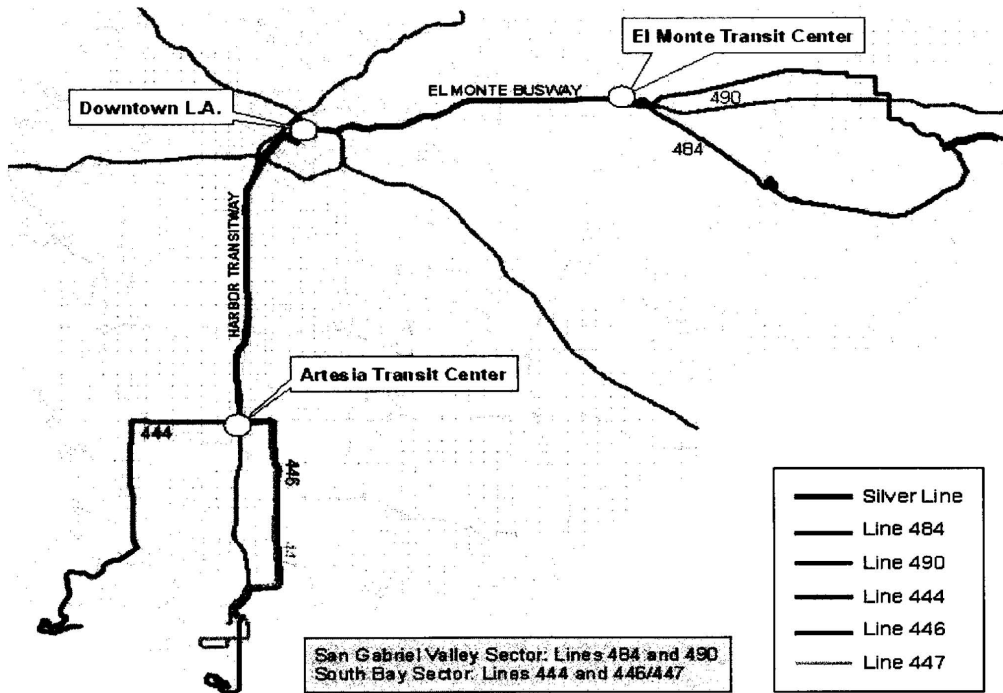
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority will hold a public hearing in September 2009 to receive community input on the **proposed tariff structure to be adopted for new Line 910 (the Silver Line)**, which is proposed to begin operation later this year. Approved changes will become effective December 6, 2009 or later. Details of the hearing date, time, and location are shown below.

The upcoming public hearing is being held in conformance with federal public hearing requirements outlined in Section 5307 (d) 1 of Title 49 U.S.C., and public hearing guidelines adopted by Metro's Board of Directors in 1993, as amended.

The Silver Line is a proposed premium service (See Figure 1) combining the express portions of four existing bus lines operating along the Harbor Transitway and El Monte Busway providing continuous service connecting the Artesia Transit Center, El Monte Transit Center, downtown Los Angeles and other intermediate points. The local portions of existing Metro bus lines 444, 446-447, 484 and 490 will continue to operate along with the Silver Line.

Figure 1 – Metro Silver Line



While the Silver Line has been the subject of numerous prior public meetings, and has been approved for implementation, a fare structure for the service has not been established by the Board of Directors. Listed below is the fare structure proposal for this line to be considered at the hearing. The proposed fare structure will improve the efficiency of the operation by recovering more of the cost of operation and require less taxpayer subsidy to sustain the service.

PROPOSED FARE STRUCTURE NEW LINE 910

<u>FARE TYPE</u>	<u>PROPOSED FARE</u>
Base Cash Fare	\$2.45
Senior & Disabled Peak Cash Fare	\$1.15
Off-Peak Cash Fare	\$0.85
Day Pass Or Senior/Disabled Day Pass	honored as full fare
Weekly Pass	\$1.20 co-payment required
Monthly Pass Or E-Z Pass	\$1.20 co-payment required
Monthly + 1-zone Pass Or E-Z Pass + 1-zone	\$0.60 co-payment required
Monthly + 2-zone Pass Or E-Z Pass + 2-zones	honored as full fare
<u>FARE TYPE(cont.)</u>	<u>PROPOSED FARE(cont.)</u>
Discounted Monthly Pass Incl. Senior, Disabled, Student & College/Vocational	honored as full fare

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE

~~10:00am~~ **9:30am**
Metro Headquarters Building
~~September 17, 2009~~ **September 24, 2009**
Board Room
One Gateway Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90012-2932

Additional details about these proposals will be available for public review after **August 1, 2009**. To obtain this information contact the address listed below, or visit your nearest Metro Customer Relations Center. Information can also be accessed at: www.metro.net

Note these proposals may be approved in whole or in part at a date following the public hearings. Approved changes may also include other alternatives derived from public comment. Interested members of the public are encouraged to attend the upcoming hearing and provide testimony on the fare proposals under consideration. Persons unable to attend the hearings may submit written testimony postmarked through midnight, September 17, 2009, the close of the public record. All written testimony should be addressed to:

Metro Customer Relation:

Attn: Proposed Line 910 Fare Structure
One Gateway Plaza, 99-PL-4
Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952

Comments can also be sent via e-mail with **"Proposed Line 910 Fare Structure"** as the subject to:

customerrelations@metro.net
Facsimile at: 213-922-6988

Upon request, foreign language translation, sign language interpretation, materials in alternative formats and other accommodations are available to the public for MTA-sponsored meetings and events. All requests for reasonable accommodations must be made at least three working days (72 hours) in advance of the scheduled meeting date. Please telephone (213) 922-4600 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.