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| **Wednesday, November 21, 2012 121121-1**  **In this Issue:**  **Thanksgiving Message**  **Go Metro to the Hollywood Christmas Parade**  **Expo Light Rail Line Construction Notices**  **Procurement Postings for Next Week**  **Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events** |
| **Thanksgiving Message**  On this Thanksgiving, I wish you and your family a happy, healthy and safe holiday along with all of the good things that this day can bring. Have a safe and joyful holiday!  **Go Metro to the Hollywood Christmas Parade**  The Hollywood Christmas Parade is taking place on Sunday, November 25, 2012. The parade will begin in front of Grauman’s Chinese Theatre and travel east along Hollywood Boulevard, south on Vine Street and west on Sunset Boulevard before returning to the starting point. The parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a pre-parade spectacular and the parade, itself, will begin at 6:00 p.m. Curbside seating will be available for free along the parade route and single-seat grandstand tickets will be available for $35, but a $2 discount is offered through Metro. One must use the code RUDOLPH at the time of purchasing tickets. You may take the Metro Red Line to arrive to the parade and exit either the Hollywood/Highland station or the Hollywood/Vine station. To read more about the parade and obtain bus detour information posted on The Source, please click [here](http://thesource.metro.net/2012/11/20/go-metro-to-the-hollywood-christmas-parade-on-nov-25/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=go-metro-to-the-hollywood-christmas-parade-on-nov-25).  [**http://thesource.metro.net/2012/11/20/go-metro-to-the-hollywood-christmas-parade-on-nov-25/?utm\_source=rss&utm\_medium=rss&utm\_campaign=go-metro-to-the-hollywood-christmas-parade-on-nov-25**](http://thesource.metro.net/2012/11/20/go-metro-to-the-hollywood-christmas-parade-on-nov-25/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=go-metro-to-the-hollywood-christmas-parade-on-nov-25)  **Expo Light Rail Line Construction Notices**  Continuation of Utility Relocations – Venice Boulevard  As part of the construction of the Expo Line project, work crews will continue conducting utility relocations in Venice Boulevard in the City of Los Angeles. The sewer and communications work is being managed and performed by the general contractor *Balfour Beatty Infrastructure Inc. (BBII)*, and its subcontractors. The power relocations are being performed by Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP). This construction work is scheduled on Wednesday, November 21, 2012 through Tuesday, April 30, 2013. Work hours are scheduled from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., Sunday through Thursday and from12:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., Fridays (Occasional as needed). Extended daytime work hours are scheduled on Sunday, December 2, 2012 through Sunday, December 16, 2012, from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. To view the complete construction notice, please click [here](http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_671g65v96.pdf).  Relocation of On-Street and Underground Utilities - National, Palms, and Exposition Boulevards  As part of the construction of Phase 2 of the Expo Light Rail Line, work crews will continue the relocation of various existing on-street and underground utilities currently located along National, Palms and Exposition Boulevards in the City of Los Angeles. The work is being managed and performed by the Expo Phase 2 design-build contractor *Skanska-Rados Joint Venture (SRJV),* and its subcontractors. This construction work is scheduled to continue through January 31, 2013. Work hours are scheduled from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. Hours are contingent upon city approval. To view the complete construction notice, please click [here](http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_jkba4tc4ae.pdf).  Relocation of On-Street and Underground Utilities - Sepulveda and Exposition Boulevards  As part of the construction of Phase 2 of the Expo Light Rail Line, work crews will be relocating various existing on-street and underground utilities currently located along Sepulveda and Exposition Boulevards in the City of Los Angeles. The work is being managed and performed by the Expo Phase 2 design-build contractor *Skanska-Rados Joint Venture (SRJV)*, and its subcontractors. This construction work is scheduled to continue from November 2012 through February 15, 2013. Work hours are scheduled from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday. Hours are contingent upon city approval. To view the complete construction notice, please click [here](http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_gba3gpwdxq.pdf).  <http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_671g65v96.pdf>  <http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_jkba4tc4ae.pdf>  <http://www.buildexpo.org/pdf_uploads/cons_gba3gpwdxq.pdf>  **Procurement Postings for Next Week**  Floor Scrubbers (IFB)  Procurement will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure forty (40) Floor Scrubbers. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from November 26, 2012 through December 21, 2012. These floor scrubbers, as described in Technical Specification MA-13-13, are needed to maintain various facilities throughout the agency. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Ruth DeWitt, Contract Administrator, at (213) 922-7106 or [dewittr@metro.net](mailto:dewittr@metro.net).  Wayside Protection Equipment (IFB)  Procurement will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) next week to procure Wayside Protection Equipment. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from November 26, 2012 through December 31, 2012. This procurement is an enhancement to existing equipment that will improve the safety of employees who work near railways. It will alert train operators that there is a wayside restriction such as a Hi-Rail vehicle or worker along the rail right-of-way. Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Ruth DeWitt, Contract Administrator, at (213) 922-7106 or [dewittr@metro.net](mailto:dewittr@metro.net).  **Upcoming CEO Meetings & Events**  Next week, I will attend the Metro State Advocacy Team Briefing and Tour of Metro Transit Highway Projects meeting, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Quarterly Review meeting and the Quarterly Regional Service Council Meet & Confer meeting. I will also have separate meetings with State Advocates for the Expo Line to Culver City, Sarah Catz and Dodgers staff, Jack Bacharach, and Todd Wagner, President of Parsons Transportation Group, Inc. (PTG). In addition, I will meet with Metrolink CEO, Michael D. DePallo, and Metro Board Member, Richard Katz. Finally, I will attend the Mobility 21 meeting, the Regionwide CEO meeting and the Metrolink Agencies’ CEO meeting. | |
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