

BOARD ACTION UPDATE: JUNE 22

Board Items to Watch

Free Fares, Transit Corridor Recommendation Approved by MTA Board at June Meeting

(June 22) A free fare demonstration for disabled passengers and transit services for the Eastside, Mid-City and San Fernando Valley corridors were two of the measures approved by the MTA Board at the June meeting, Thursday.

Free Fare Demonstration, Item 45: APPROVED by full Board. The motion asks approval for a two-year demonstration project, beginning Sept. 1, 2000, that would allow persons eligible to use Access Services to ride all Metro Bus and Metro Rail lines without paying a fare. The motion also covers the personal care attendants of the eligible riders.

Transit Corridor Projects, Item 48: APPROVED AS AMENDED by full Board. The motion includes recommendations to approve light rail as the preferred mode of transportation for the Eastside corridor and to discontinue consideration of the busway alternative. It also recommends Bus Rapid Transit for the San Fernando Valley and Wilshire Boulevard corridors.

DBE Annual Goal, Item 37: APPROVED by full Board. The motion calls for the committee to adopt a DBE (disadvantaged business enterprise) goal of 20 percent for the federal fiscal year of 2001. The MTA's current DBE goal is 23 percent. The move to change the goal to 20 percent comes with the reduction in MTA rail construction activity and changes in federal DBE requirements.

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