

## Judge Extends 'Cooling-Off' Period in MTA, Union Contract Talks

(July 25) A Superior Court judge today extended the "cooling-off" period in the MTA's negotiations with its three major labor unions. The injunction now expires at 12:01 a.m., Sept. 5.

Judge Dzintra Janavs' order maintains the status of all union wages, benefits and contract terms with one exception during the period of the injunction. The exception is a cost-of-living adjustment that would have taken effect Sept. 1.

[See metro.net July 6: "Court Issues Restraining Order."](#)

The judge's action covers the period of the Democratic National Convention, scheduled Aug. 14-17, in Los Angeles.

Judge Janavs issued a temporary restraining order, July 6, that blocked any job actions by the unions or a lockout by the MTA. The agency is in contract talks with the United Transportation Union, representing operators; the Amalgamated Transit Union, representing maintenance workers; and the Transportation Communications Union, representing clerical workers.

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