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Sector Governance Council Public Hearings Scheduled for February

- New Metro Rapid, Rapid Express Lines being considered

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(Jan. 24, 2007) Metro's five service sector governance councils will hold public hearings in early February to receive community comment on proposed Metro Bus service modifications and enhancements.

Approved changes, following the hearings and formal adoption by the governance councils, will become effective June 24 or later.

Service enhancements being considered include implementation of a new Metro Rapid line along Santa Monica Boulevard, the implementation of a new Rapid Express service on Wilshire Boulevard and the creation of two new lines in the San Fernando Valley.

Metro also is seeking public input as it begins studying a possible express line that could operate between the North Hollywood Metro Red Line and Orange Line stations and the Metro Gold Line with stops in Burbank and Glendale.

The proposed service modifications are designed to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the bus system through better use of resources.

The governance council public hearings are scheduled in the:

- San Fernando Valley Service Sector, 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 7, at the Marvin Braude Constituent Service Center, 6262 Van Nuys Blvd., Van Nuys.
- Gateway Service Sector, 5 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 8, at The Gas Company, 9240 Firestone Blvd., Downey. the governance council's monthly meeting will begin at 2 p.m.
- South Bay Service Sector, 9:30 a.m., Friday, Feb. 9, at the Carson Community Center, Room 209, 801 E. Carson, Carson.
- San Gabriel Valley Service Sector, 5 p.m., Monday, Feb. 12, at the sector offices, 3369 Santa Anita Ave., El Monte. The governance council's monthly meeting will begin at 5 p.m.
- Westside/Central Service Sector, 5 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 14, at the La Cienega Tennis Center, Sunset Room, 325 S. La Cienega Blvd., Beverly Hills.

