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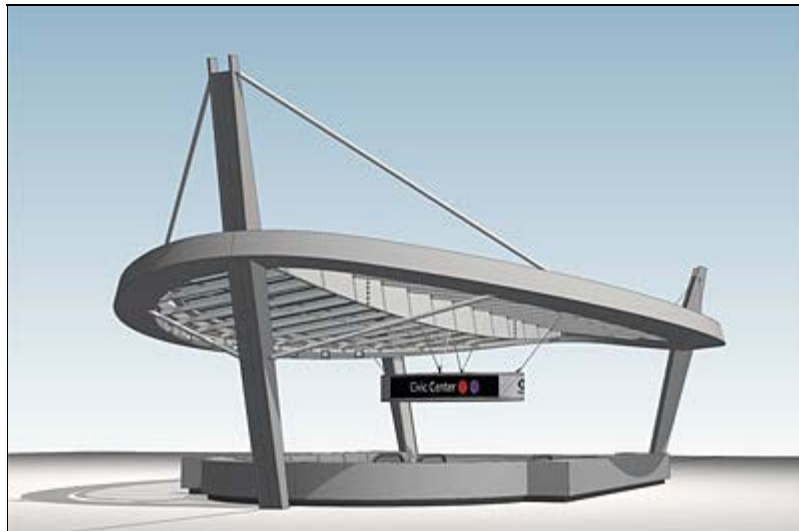
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November Agendas

Board Committees to review next steps for Metro Red Line Station Canopies, Meeting State Mandates to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Prop 1B Funds



Stainless steel canopies with overhead glass panels are planned for the entrances to 14 Metro Red/Purple Line stations.

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By GAYLE ANDERSON

(Nov. 18, 2008) During their November meetings, Board committees review programming recommendations for State Proposition 1B State and Local Transportation Partnership Programs (SLTPP) and Transit Modernization Funds, amend a contract to allow for construction of 14 new canopies for the Metro Red Line and line up the Bus/Rail interface in anticipation of the opening of the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension among some 43 items up for consideration.

On the Planning and Programming committee agenda is Item 10, a motion by Directors Yvonne Burke, Pam O'Connor and Zev

November Committee Meetings

Wednesday, Nov. 19
1 p.m. – Planning and Programming

Yaroslavsky to join the Los Angeles Regional Climate Change Collaborative.

The collaborative of local public agencies, businesses and utilities is a culmination of efforts spurred by State mandates to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by more than 25 percent by 2020. Through the collaborative, agencies and organizations can join together to develop, share and communicate best practices in reaching sustainability goals.

2:30 p.m. – Finance and Budget
3:00 p.m. – Ad Hoc Congestion Pricing
Thursday, Nov. 20
9:00 a.m. – Executive Management and Audit
10:30 a.m. – Construction
12 noon – Operations
Thursday, Dec. 4
9:30 a.m. – Regular Board Meeting

Item 6: Bicycle Locker Rental Program

The Planning and Programming Committee will weigh recommending that the Board increase bicycle locker rental fees and delegate to the CEO the authority to set bicycle locker rates.

At issue is utilization of lockers at locations where the lockers may be fully leased, but also remain empty when commuters use other means of transportation.

Higher pricing and shorter lease terms may help to encourage greater use of lockers now at premium demand due to increased rail ridership and the need for more secure bicycle parking.

Items 7, 8: Programming recommendations for State Proposition 1B

It is anticipated that Los Angeles County will receive \$275.5 million for eligible regional transportation projects from the voter-approved Proposition 1B State and Local Partnership Program (SLTPP).

The Planning and Programming Committee will consider recommending \$130 million for highway capital projects, \$145.5 million for transit capital and safety projects, including the San Fernando Valley Canoga Project, various bus and rail projects, proposed Metrolink safety improvements, and the 2009 Countywide Call for Projects.

Also up for review is programming recommendations for \$90.2 million in State Proposition 1B Transit Modernization Funds for miscellaneous transit projects, including purchase of buses, rebuilding buses and rail rehabilitation.

The recommendation would implement bus and rail priorities already identified as necessary to maintain equipment and facilities for regional transit services in a state of good repair.

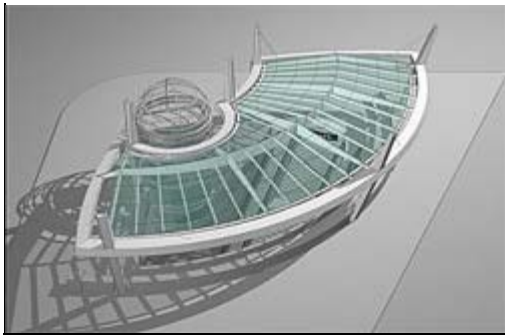
Item 16: Discussion of Structural Deficit

The Finance and Budget Committee is slated to discuss a projected \$2.4 billion operating deficit in light of the 10-year financial forecast.

Item 18, 43: Dual Hub Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

The Ad Hoc Congestion Pricing Committee and the Operations Committee will hear a report on service changes under consideration for June 2009 to establish a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service along the Harbor Transitway and El Monte Busway. The changes are expected to be cost neutral and serve as the basis for transit enhancements for the Congestion Reduction Demonstration Project.

The Dual Hub BRT is recommended as an effort to improve frequencies along both corridors, reduce unproductive service, eliminate downtown layover requirements and connect to the Metro Gold Line Little Tokyo Station.



The familiar 'observatory' dome of the Metro Rail Vermont/Sunset Station remains a landmark element of the sweeping canopy designed to enhance and protect the graceful entrance to the subway station.

Item 35: Metro Red Line Station Canopies contract modification

The Operations Committee will consider authorizing construction of 14 new canopies over exposed escalators and stairs and entrances to Metro Red/Purple Line subway stations.

If approved by the full Board, the action would increase the current contract modification included in the FY09 budget by \$804,364.

The modifications adhere to the established goals of the Entrance Canopy Program and include design, lighting, drainage and weather protection criteria.

Item 42: Eastside Extension Bus/Rail Interface

The Operations Committee will consider service changes to coincide with the opening of the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension in 2009.

The plan calls for restructuring Line 30 which currently follows the alignment between Little Tokyo Station and Indiana Street. Lines 287, 68, 254 and 620 are to be re-routed to provide more direct access to Metro Gold Line Stations.