


[Home](#)
[CEO Hotline](#)
[Viewpoint](#)
[Classified Ads](#)
[Archives](#)
[Metro.net](#) (web)

## Resources

[Safety](#)
[Pressroom](#) (web)

[Ask the CEO](#)
[CEO Forum](#)
[Employee Recognition](#)
[Employee Activities](#)
[Metro Projects](#)
[Facts at a Glance](#) (web)

[Archives](#)
[Events Calendar](#)
[Research Center/Library](#)
[Metro Classifieds](#)
[Bazaar](#)

## Metro Info

[30/10 Initiative](#)
[Policies](#)
[Training](#)
[Help Desk](#)
[Intranet Policy](#)

## Need e-Help?

Call the Help Desk  
at 2-4357

[Contact myMetro.net](#)


Item 5 on the Planning and Programming Committee agenda recommends adding 224 bicycle lockers to high-demand transit stations. Photo from 2005 shows bicycle locker installed at Woodley Station on the yet-to-be-opened Metro Orange Line. *Photo by Gary Leonard.*

## On the committee agendas for March:

**Increasing scope of Universal Fare System contracts; establishing budget for purchase of 41 CNG buses; increasing bicycle parking at transit stations**

### Items to watch

- **Planning and Programming Item 5:** Purchase 224 bicycle lockers and 150 racks for bicycle parking at transit stations.
- **Planning and Programming Item 6:** Award \$1.25 mil contract for system-wide, on-board, origin-destination survey required by FTA.
- **Finance and Budget Item 11:** Report on closing the enterprise fund structural deficit without the use of Measure R funds by 2011.
- **Ad Hoc Congestion Pricing Item 15:** Establish life-of-project budget for purchase of 41 CNG buses for Congestion Reduction Demonstration Project
- **EMAC Item 21:** Motion for a one-month extension to MOU with LASD for transit community policing services while negotiations for a new contract continue.
- **Operations Item 35:** Modify Universal Fare System contract in an amount not to exceed \$23 mil for on-going systems support services, adding Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension, EXPO Line and the TAP Regional Computer Center. Modify Booz Allen Hamilton contract to support regional integration of full implementation of UFS automated fare collection equipment and the TAP smart card electronic fare system in an amount not to exceed \$2.95 mil.

By GAYLE ANDERSON

(March 17, 2009) The Operations Committee will review a recommendation to approve Universal Fare System (UFS) contract modifications for Cubic Transportation Services in an amount not-to-exceed \$23 million and another contract with Booz Allen Hamilton for ongoing systems support services in an amount not-to-exceed \$2.95 million.

Ticket vending machines (TVMs) and stand-alone validators are now ready to be installed at the seven Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension stations for field testing, which is expected to start as early as April. In item 35, the recommendation requests that the board add all TAP rail equipment services needed to support new rail operations coming online to the current UFS contracts.

In another recommendation up for review at the Planning and Programming Committee meeting on Wednesday, staff is reporting a dramatic increase in bicycle locker use at rail stations in 2008, noting the the waiting list for bicycle lockers has doubled in five months, from 98 to 199. In item 5, staff is requesting board authorization to award a contract (not-to-exceed \$420,479) to build, assemble and install 224 bicycle lockers at 13 rail and bus stations and to purchase 150 bicycle racks at stations where rack usage is high.

Notably, next steps are proposed in item 15 to establish budget authority necessary to proceed with the purchase of 41 CNG buses to be included in the FY10 capital program in the amount of \$28.4 million. The purchase of the 41 buses will be the first to be awarded under the fixed-unit rate contract with North American Bus Industries for the purchase of 260 CNG high-capacity buses.

March Committee Meetings

- Wednesday, March 18**  
1 p.m. – Planning and Programming  
2:30 p.m. – Finance and Budget  
3 p.m. – Ad-Hoc Congestion Pricing Committee  
**Thursday, March 19**  
**CANCELLED** 9 a.m. – Executive Management and Audit  
**CANCELLED** 10:30 a.m. – Construction  
**CANCELLED** 12 noon – Measure R Project Delivery Committee  
1 p.m. – Operations Committee  
2 p.m. – Ad Hoc Sustainability Committee  
**Thursday, March 26**  
9:30 a.m. – Regular Board Meeting