

MTA Service Sector Governance Councils Schedule Public Meetings for July 2003

MTA's service sector governance councils have set their public meetings for July. Residents within the San Fernando and San Gabriel Valleys, South Bay, and Gateway Cities areas of Los Angeles who are interested in helping improve bus service in their communities are invited to attend, where they will be allowed to comment on governance council agenda items.

The July schedule for governance council meetings is as follows:

Metro San Gabriel Valley

Date: Tuesday, July 1 at 5 p.m.

Location: Grapevine Room – Adult Recreation Center, 324 S. Mission Drive, San Gabriel, CA

Topics: General Manager report, on-time performance, possible hearing on service changes on contracted lines, Universal Fare System, Chair remarks, public comment

Contact: Helen Ortiz (626) 454-2840

Metro San Fernando Valley

Date: Wednesday, July 2 at 6:30 p.m.

Location: Marvin Braude Constituent Service Center Community Room, 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard, Van Nuys, CA

Topics: General Manager report, service changes update, proposed changes to contracted lines, Interaction with municipal operators, budget, public comment

Contact: Marta Maestas Mack (818) 701-2840

Metro Gateway Cities

Date: Thursday, July 10 at 4:30 p.m.

Location: Progress Park, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA

Topics: initial meeting, council orientation, sector overviews, public comment

Contact: Dave Hershenson (562) 658-0240

Metro South Bay

Date: Friday, July 11 at 9:30 a.m.

Location: Carson Community Center, 801 E. Carson Street, Carson, CA

Topics: TBD

Contact: Rich Morallo (310) 225-6040

Governance councils work closely with MTA's community-based service sectors in studying and planning service to improve the efficiency of MTA bus operations and make recommendations to the MTA Board regarding service issues. The council also works with transit planners, local authorities and transit operators to ensure coordination of service and holds public hearings to gain input on proposed changes.

Five community-based service sectors were created last year to localize control of bus operations and improve the quality of service to MTA transit customers. They are: The Metro San Gabriel Valley Service Sector, The Gateway Cities Service Sector, The Metro Central/Westside Service Sector, the Metro San Fernando Valley Service Sector and the Metro South Bay Service Sector.