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MTA Board Approves Appointments for Westside/Central Service Sector Governance Council

The MTA Board of Directors today approved the appointment of eight individuals that will serve on the Governance Council of the Westside/Central community-based service sector.

The members of the Governance Council will represent the cities of Los Angeles, the County of Los Angeles and Westside cities of Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica and West Hollywood. The Governance Council will work with sector General Manager Jim McElroy and his staff to improve Metro Bus service in the Westside/Central area.

"I look forward to working with the new members of the Governance Council in bringing quality Metro Bus service to the Westside/Central area," said Westside/Central Service Sector General Manager Jim McElroy.

The eight members include: Carol Gross of Culver City, Brad Robinson of Beverly Hills, Ann Semonco of West Hollywood, Stephanie Negriff and Joyce Perkins representing the County of Los Angeles, and Pressley Burroughs, Helen Johnson and Peter Capone-Newton representing the City of Los Angeles. One additional member from the City of Los Angeles will be appointed at a later date.

In addition to their role in improving bus service, Governance Councils are intended to localize control of the Metro Bus system. Members will ensure that MTA focuses on its customers and transportation needs in their service areas.

Sector Governance Councils, now in place at all five community-based service sectors, oversee the planning and implementation of Metro Bus service within their areas. Their responsibilities include approval of the sector general manager's annual budget proposals, conducting public hearings concerning proposed changes in bus service, reviewing and developing policy recommendations for MTA Board approval and contributing to the general manager's annual performance review.

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