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L.A. City Council Member Mike Bonin to Host Interactive Telephone Town Hall Meeting May 16 at 7:30 p.m.

L.A. City Council Member Mike Bonin will host an Interactive Telephone Town Hall meeting on Monday, May 16, at 7:30 p.m. to discuss the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (Metro) potential transportation ballot measure.

Residents are encouraged to join Bonin to discuss Metro's draft expenditure plan for a possible November sales tax ballot measure. The plan includes a timeline and funding amounts for a number of countywide transit, highway, local, pedestrian and bicycle projects over the next 40 years.

Bonin will talk specifically about transportation projects of interest to residents of the cities of the western portion of the city of Los Angeles including the communities of Brentwood, Del Rey, Mar Vista, Pacific Palisades, Playa Del Rey, West Los Angeles, Westchester and Venice.

Residents will be called at random by an automated telephone system and invited to participate in the public forums from the comfort of their homes. When residents answer their phones, they will be automatically connected to the meetings. Anyone who does not receive a call but wants to participate can dial the toll-free telephone numbers listed below.

- English: the toll-free call-in number is 888-400-1932.
- **Spanish:** the toll-free call-in number is 888-400-9342.

Participants can also sign up for meetings in advance and receive an email reminder by visiting <u>www.metro.net/theplan</u>.

ADA Language Accommodation: If you require an interpreter or other accommodations, please contact Metro at least 72 hours prior to May 16 at 323-466-3876 or the California Relay Service at 711.

The full expenditure plan is available for public review at <u>www.metro.net/theplan</u>. In addition to the interactive telephone town hall meetings, the public can provide input through public meetings, Facebook, Twitter, e-mail at theplan@metro.net or via phone at 323-466-3876. The deadline for public input is May 20.

About Metro

Metro is a multimodal transportation agency that is really three companies in one: a major operator that transports about 1.4 million boarding passengers on an average weekday on a fleet of 2,200 clean air buses and six rail lines, a major construction agency that oversees many bus, rail,

highway and other mobility related building projects, and the lead transportation planning and programming agency for Los Angeles County. Overseeing one of the largest public works programs in America, Metro is changing the urban landscape of the Los Angeles region. Dozens of transit, highway and other mobility projects largely funded by Measure R are under construction or in the planning stages. These include five new rail lines, enhanced bus operations, and numerous highway and local projects.

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