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Metro and Union Leaders Announce Tentative Agreements On Five Transit Labor Contracts

Tentative agreements have been reached between the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and the five labor unions representing its operators, maintenance workers, clerks, customer service agents, bus and rail transportation and maintenance supervisors and security officers, it was announced today by Metro and union leadership.

“This is a historic day for Metro, our unions and the people of Los Angeles County,” said Metro Board Chair John Fasana. “Through long hours and collaboration, we’ve crafted agreements that support our workers, Metro and the people of our region. This could not have happened without the cooperation of the union leadership, the support of their membership and Metro’s executive team.

The tentative agreements are with: the Sheet, Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation (SMART) Union, representing 4,400 bus and rail operators; the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU), representing 2,400 mechanics and service attendants; the Transportation Communications Union (TCU), representing 850 telephone information operators, clerks and other workers; the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), representing 750 bus and rail transportation and maintenance supervisors, and the Teamsters Union, representing 90 Metro transit security officers.

The agreements will be formally presented to the unions’ respective memberships for a vote. If ratified, the five-year agreements move to the Metro Board for final approval. That approval is expected at the next regular Board meeting on July 27. Details of the agreements will be provided, following union and Metro Board approvals.

Metro CEO Phillip A. Washington credited union leadership and the Metro negotiating team for the good faith bargaining that led to the agreements. “This was a monumental effort and in the end our negotiating team and union leadership came together for the good of our

represented staff and the people of Los Angeles County,” Washington said. “We kept focused on our common goal of serving the public. This is a giant step forward for us all.”

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About Metro

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is unique among the nation’s transportation agencies. Created in 1993, Metro is a multimodal transportation agency that transports about 1.3 million passengers daily on a fleet of 2,200 clean air buses and six rail lines. The agency also oversees bus, rail, highway and other mobility-related building projects and leads transportation planning and programming for Los Angeles County.

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