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ALMA Honors Cesar Chavez throughout the Month of March

Yesterday, March 10, a ribbon cutting ceremony was held on the Plaza level of Metro Headquarters with the Advancing Latinos at Metro Association (ALMA) Board to unveil a display with various Cesar Chavez artifacts on loan from the National Chavez Museum. The display will be up throughout the month of March. March 10 holds a special significance because it was on this day, 48 years ago, that Cesar Chavez ended his 25-day fast to rededicate the farm workers movement to nonviolence. Senator Robert F. Kennedy traveled to Delano, CA to be by Cesar's side for the moving occasion, calling him "one of the heroic figures of our time." ALMA invites you to stop by and view this wonderful display.

For the remainder of March, ALMA will be hosting a number of events honoring the life and legacy of Cesar Chavez, the American farm worker, labor leader and civil rights activist who, with Dolores Huerta, co-founded the National Farm Workers Association (later the United Farm Workers union-UFW). On Thursday, March 24, the Honorable Alex Padilla, California Secretary of State, will join ALMA in an event honoring Cesar Chavez at Metro Headquarters. Then, on Thursday, March 31, the Chavez Family Foundation will join us for a Brown Bag Lunch and Learn. His birthday, March 31, has become Cesar Chavez Day- a state holiday in California, Colorado, and Texas.

For photos from the ribbon cutting ceremony, please click [here](#) and [here](#).

Metro and Cities in LA County Compliant with Measure R Requirements

Also yesterday, the Measure R Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee met for their annual Audit Workshop. Reviewing audits of Measure R expenditures by both Metro and local municipalities, the committee of retired judges asked pointed questions and received detailed explanations from the auditors, finding that the agency and cities throughout the county are in compliance with Measure R requirements. The Committee adopted a draft annual audit report to be circulated throughout the county, received updates from Metro staff on Measure R projects and financing, and scheduled a public hearing for Monday, April 18, 2016.

Shared Mobility Hubs – Seamless Multi-Modalism

On Wednesday, Metro employees from the Planning & Development, Communications and the Office of Extraordinary Innovation departments visited the new Los Angeles Clean Tech Incubator in the Arts District to participate in a workshop on Integrated Mobility Hubs. Mobility Hubs are envisioned as places linked by transit where the customer can find seamless access to multiple modes, services and real time information. In coordination with Metro, LADOT and the City of Long Beach are developing a

project to bring mobility hubs to Los Angeles neighborhoods including Hollywood and Long Beach with an emphasis on making shared modes such as transit, bike share, car share, ride hailing services available and integrated for the high tech and low tech user. The event was well attended by a diverse group of public, private and non-profit stakeholders and was facilitated by the Shared Use Mobility Center.

Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension: Congratulations and Thank You, Metro Family

This past Saturday, we celebrated a remarkable accomplishment which was successfully planned and executed through weeks of collaboration and focused efforts by multiple departments and individuals. Major public events like these solidify our commitment towards breaking down silos and reaching out to our teammates beyond our departments and beyond our divisions and headquarters. I want to thank you for making this event possible and share with you the gratitude felt by attendees including our municipal and local government partners:

First and foremost, congratulations on a successful opening of the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension light rail! On behalf of the City of Arcadia, I'd like to thank you and all Metro staff for working so hard to address all the City's concerns and making everything work. I'd especially like to thank the Arcadia Event Management Team: Ayda Safaei, Yesica Perez and Jesse Sanchez for their professionalism, responsiveness, flexibility, attention to the smallest details, and all their overall hard work.

The Arcadia community event was a success as well. We don't have the exact number of attendees, but we gave out more than 1000 bottles of water. So we think it was way more than that. Again, thank you!

Procurement Postings

Security Guard Services (RFP)

Metro will release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure security guard services. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, March 14, 2016 through Tuesday, September 6, 2016.

Metro is seeking a contractor to provide security guard services for selected portions of the regional Metro System which includes rail and bus lines, stations, transit facilities, parking lots, construction sites, bus and rail operating divisions, and maintenance facilities. Additionally, there may be requirements for security services at special functions or during emergencies on an as-needed basis.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Aielyn Dumaua, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7320.

Metro Blue Line Signal System Rehabilitation (RFP)

Metro will release a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Metro Blue Line Signal System Rehabilitation. The Statement of Qualification is due Thursday, April 14, 2016. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Monday, March 14, 2016 through Monday, March 28, 2016.

Metro is seeking a contractor to design and build system improvements for the Metro Blue Line (MBL): to add six (6) new interlockings, to add two (2) siding tracks, to refurbish existing Overhead Contact System (OCS) contact wire, to modify the existing mainline Automatic Train Control System, and to modify the train control system in the Metro Blue Line Yard at Division 11.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Wonder Van Twist, Senior Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7325.

Large-Format Graphic Digital Displays (RFP)

Metro will release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to create and manage large-format, digital content

for signage and video walls large-format graphic digital displays. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Friday, March 18, 2016 through Friday, May 20, 2016.

The purpose of this project is to highlight transportation in Southern California through various types of dynamic, large-format, digital content for large format displays. This content shall come from various application program interface or data sources and the graphic designer must be able to create scala templates using raw data and transform it into publicly displayable information.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Jesse Zepeda, Contract Administrator, at (213) 922-4156.

Construction Notices – I-5

Caltrans Interstate 5: [All construction updates](#)

*“Every moment is an organizing opportunity, every person a potential
Activist, every minute a chance to change the world.”
~ Dolores Huerta*



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