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Heavy Hearts: Condolences to our DART Family

I want to express my condolences to the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) family on last night's loss of a well-respected and dedicated officer, Brent Thompson. Our deep sympathies go out to Officer Thompson's family and co-workers as we pray for speedy and healthy recoveries for the other three DART officers who were also shot during last night's tragic events in Dallas, Texas. Transit security forces are on the front lines every day, serving and protecting like all other law enforcement officers. As Los Angeles County employees serving the public through Metro, we too can help our hard-working and committed officers by staying vigilant and alert, and reporting suspicious activity.

Metro Bike Share has Launched in Downtown Los Angeles

Yesterday, I joined Metro Board Chair and City of Duarte Councilmember John Fasana, Los Angeles City Mayor and Metro Vice Chair Eric Garcetti, Los Angeles County Supervisor and Metro Board Member Hilda Solis, Caltrans District 7 Director and Metro Board Member Carrie Bowen, Los Angeles Department of Transportation General Manager Seleta Reynolds and a host of other City and transportation officials in celebrating the official launch of Metro and City of Los Angeles Bike Share at Grand Park.

Metro Bike share is planned as a natural extension of the Metro transit system in downtown, solving the "first mile, last mile" challenges many commuters face when getting to and from our transit system. This is an

important tool that will improve access to downtown destinations and the growing Metro system by easily combining bicycle and transit trips. This is an important step toward ensuring we have a balanced transportation system, one that embraces all modes in tackling our region's mobility challenges.

Furthermore, Metro will become the first major transportation agency in America to offer a single card that allows access to both transit and bike share systems. New customers can sign up for Bike Share online and will receive their Metro Bike Share TAP card in the mail. Existing TAP card holders can register their current TAP card when they buy a pass online at metro.net/bikeshare. Starting August 1, people will be able to walk up to a bike share station and check out a bike by paying with a credit card.

The Metro Bike Share program is planned to expand to many other communities within Los Angeles County including Pasadena, North Hollywood, Burbank, Huntington Park, Venice, East L.A., and the San Gabriel Valley to create a regionwide system of more than 4,000 bicycles pending Metro Board approval.

Patsaouras Plaza Closing for Construction: All Vehicles Redirected to Pickup/Drop-off Area

As part of our ongoing work towards improving Los Angeles Union Station, the Patsaouras Bus Plaza located on the eastside of Union Station will close for resurfacing construction starting Monday, July 11 until Monday, October 10, 2016. During the closure, all buses and shuttles that currently enter the plaza will be moved to temporary bus stops. Private vehicles will enter the new Union Station East Passenger Pick-up/Drop-off Facility through either one of two entrances on Vignes Street, and will no longer enter the bus plaza. For more information including a map showing the new pickup/drop-off facility, please click [here](#).

Vote Now to Name the Regional Connector Tunnel Boring Machine

After receiving over 300 submissions from K-12 students, a panel of judges made up from the offices of Los Angeles Mayor and Metro Vice-Chair Eric Garcetti and Los Angeles City Council Member Jose Huizar, community leaders and Metro, selected the top ten tunnel boring machine (TBM) name recommendations and original artwork to adorn the 2 million pound machine. The top 10 in each category – naming and artwork – will be put to a public online vote. Be sure to cast your vote and encourage your friends to do the same. Voting ends Monday, August 22, 2016. The winning name and artwork will be announced this fall. To cast your vote, please click [here](#).

The TBM will drill through the earth to create the tunnels that will connect three stations from Little Tokyo to the Financial District in downtown Los Angeles. The TBM will begin digging at 1st Street and Alameda in Little Tokyo to 4th Street and Flower in the Financial District in downtown Los Angeles. Then, it will return to Little Tokyo and dig a second tunnel to the Financial District.

Procurement Postings

Fitness Equipment (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bid (IFB) to procure fitness equipment for the upcoming Employee Fitness Center. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Tuesday, July 12, 2016 through Friday, August 12, 2016.

Metro is seeking a qualified vendor to provide, deliver, install and maintain fitness equipment for the upcoming Metro Employees Fitness Center.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Rommel Hilario, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-4654.

Millwork, Cabinetry & Countertop Production (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bid (IFB) to procure Millwork, Cabinetry & Countertop Production. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, July 14, 2016 through Thursday, July 28, 2016.

The selected contractor will replace, repair, reproduce or manufacture new cabinetry and millwork contained in the Union Station Gateway Building (USG) based on the specifications required by Metro.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Antwaun Boykin, Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1056.

Tunnel Washing Services (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bid (IFB) to procure tunnel washing services to all Metro Red and Purple line stations. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Wednesday, July 13, 2016 through Thursday, October 27, 2016.

Metro is seeking a qualified contractor to provide complete high pressure washing services to all Metro Red and Purple line stations (16 Rail Stations).

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Rommel Hilario, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-4654.

Tree Trimming Services for Metro Transit Facilities (Excluding Metro Orange Line) (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bid (IFB) to procure tree trimming services for Metro Transit Facilities (excluding Metro Orange Line). The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, July 14, 2016 through Thursday, October 27, 2016.

Metro is seeking a qualified licensed Contractor to provide tree trimming services for Metro properties system-wide within Los Angeles County.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Rommel Hilario, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-4654.

Space Planning - Installation Services and Furniture (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bid (IFB) to procure Space Planning-Installation Services and Furniture. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, July 14, 2016 through Thursday, October 27, 2016.

The selected contractor will provide space planning and installation services as required in the Union Station Gateway Building (USG) and all other LA Metro bus and rail divisions based on the specifications required by Metro.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Antwaun Boykin, Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1056.

Construction Notices - Purple Line Extension, I-5

Metro Purple Line Extension Project: [Full Street Closure for Decking Phase 2](#) -- Wilshire/La Brea

- Decking phase 2 at the intersection of Wilshire and La Brea will require partial and full street closures.
- Beginning Friday, July 8 at 8:00 p.m. thru Monday, July 11 at 6:00 a.m., the design-builder will implement a full closure of the Wilshire/La Brea intersection.
- Lane reductions will occur on La Brea, and on Wilshire, prior to the full closure from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- There will be vehicle and bus detours, please click the link above for details.

Caltrans Interstate 5: All Construction Updates [here](#).

"Don't be afraid to give up the good to go for the great."

~John D. Rockefeller



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