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Measure M Education Efforts Prove Successful: Thank You Metro Family

After years of planning with a bottoms-up process, organizing with the regional council of governments and virtually all 88 Cities in Los Angeles County, Measure M, Metro's Plan to Improve Traffic, strongly passed this past Tuesday. I cannot thank you all enough. In the most populous county in America, we all did an incredible job planning and educating the public on this initiative. A special thanks to Metro Chair John Fasana, Second Vice Chair and Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and the rest of the Metro Board of Directors who were out there on the front lines delivering the Traffic Improvement Plan to the public.

Equally important, we must thank the Los Angeles County voters for listening, understanding and believing in our message, and ultimately putting their faith in us to build the best transportation system in the world and to bring congestion relief to the County. We will not let them down.

As I mentioned at our All Hands Meeting, we have proposed the boldest and most comprehensive transportation investment initiative in the history of Los Angeles County and perhaps the country. Other transportation agencies around the country are looking to replicate our transportation infrastructure investment initiative model that we put forth and with the passage of Measure M, will be following the execution of our Plan. I have confidence that we will set a great example and am certain that Metro will continue to provide Excellence in Service and Support.



Metro Holds Second Annual Veterans Luncheon

Today, I was proud to join Metro Chair John Fasana and Metro Board Member Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker to host the 2nd Annual Metro Veterans Luncheon at Division 13. It was a wonderful ceremony recognizing our Veterans with over four hundred Metro Veterans and guests in attendance. A great lunch was catered by Maxine Waters Culinary School and some live entertainment was provided by Metro's in-house band, Metro Express. It was a pleasure to have Command Sergeant Major Cynthia Reed from Los Angeles Recruiting Battalion join us as our Guest Speaker.

Metro has over 500 veterans within our ranks holding positions virtually everywhere – from operators and mechanics, to security, to the Chief Executive Officer. It truly is an honor to serve alongside these men and women now in our civilian jobs building and maintaining the greatest transportation agency in the world. Thank you to all the staff that helped coordinate and produce this event including Interim Chief Employee and Labor Relations Officer Joanne Peterson, Veterans Program Manager Dennis Tucker and Division 13 Supervisors and staff.

Metro's Women Build Metro LA Committee Honored

I am proud to announce that the Women in Non-Traditional Employment Roles honored Metro for developing the Women Build Metro Los Angeles (WBMLA) Committee for advocacy and advancement of women in the Construction Trades. The Committee is comprised of professional women from all walks of life, including the private, political and public sectors. The Committee, spearheaded by Metro, launched a Pre-Apprenticeship Boot Camp, inaugurated in partnership with Los Angeles Trade Technical College, for one year. Several of the all-female boot camp participants have successfully entered the construction trade of their choice. Other graduates are still being assisted in their aggressive preparation to enter the workforce. The Committee members act as system navigators and support groups for the women who want them to serve in that capacity. The Committee is on-going. Special thanks to Marisela Villar, DEOD, who represented Metro at the awards dinner and received the award on behalf of the agency and WBMLA.

Artesia, Wardlow and North Hollywood Parking Facility Improvements

Metro Parking Management is excited to announce the completion of the first phase of the FY17 parking refurbishment program at three locations. Parking facilities at the Artesia, Wardlow and North Hollywood Metro stations were recently refurbished with a new coat of slurry and re-striping as well as enhancements to ADA parking and accessibility. The Wardlow and Artesia parking facilities were also reconfigured which resulted in additional parking spaces and improved traffic circulation within the lots. The refurbishment project was completed on-time and below budget and creates an easier, safer and more accessible

experience for those Metro transit users utilizing our parking facilities. Parking Management has developed an ongoing refurbishment schedule as part of its efforts to maintain Metro's parking facilities in a state of good repair.



Additional Blue Line Safety Improvements: Artesia Station TVM Relocation Project

As we continue to highlight major safety improvements along the Metro Blue Line – our most senior and most traveled rail line – I want to point out a major safety improvement made at the Artesia Blue Line Station in Compton. Staff from multiple departments worked diligently over a couple years to address a serious safety issue that existed due to the Ticket Vending Machines (TVM) being located too close to the active bus roadway. The sidewalk was only five feet wide from the curb to the edge of the TVMs, causing pedestrians and commuters to walk around lines and into the bus roadway. Now, the TVMs have been relocated with about 15 more feet between the curb and TVMs. The additional space has completely eliminated the hazard and all patrons are able to freely move across the sidewalk. In addition, a new 25-foot canopy was installed over the TVMs to protect the equipment and customers from the weather, and to complete the project, two more TVMs will be added to this location to address the high volume of customers.

Metro staff received a letter from Los Angeles County Supervisor and Metro Board Member Mark Ridley-Thomas recognizing their work and thanking them for a commendable job in completing the much needed safety improvements. Thank you to the project team and all departments involved.



Small Business Bonding Workshop Series

Last week, Metro, in conjunction with the U. S. Department of Transportation – Southwest Small Business Transportation Resource Center, launched the inaugural Bonding Education Program and Access to Capital Workshop. The Bonding Education Program Workshop is designed to provide education to construction contractors, suppliers and professional services to assist with the growth of the firm's capacity. The

program utilizes subject matter experts active in the construction industry as presenters in a multi-week workshop setting, here at Metro Gateway Headquarters. Subjects to be covered in each of the 5 scheduled workshops include: Construction Law, Marketing, Construction Accounting, Bonding and Access to Capital and a session with Metro Prime contractors to learn from their prospective. Thank you to Metro Chief of Vendor/Contract Management Debra Avila and her team in DEOD for establishing this Workshop for the benefit of the Metro small business community.

Becoming a Prime Matchmaking Event: A Deep Dive into SB Prime

Recently, Metro, in conjunction with Women's Business Enterprise Council, sponsored a Workshop for Professional Service contractors focused on understanding the powerful opportunity that Metro's Small Business Prime program represents for entrepreneurs interested in acting as Primes on our Small Business Set-Aside program. Metro Staff described the program in detail, including the paperwork, living wage requirements and opportunity for partnering with large or other small firms to achieve success. The event, attended by 260 small businesses, featured a matchmaking component with Contract Administrators in NAICS codes that the businesses were compatible with. A survey conducted with Metro staff and the small businesses that attended indicated that the event was well received. The next deep dive Workshop will feature Construction Contract Administrator's and is tentatively scheduled for Mid-March 2017.

Metro at the African Methodist Episcopal Regional Conference

A couple of weeks ago, I joined Director Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker at the African Methodist Episcopal Regional Conference at the Los Angeles Hilton/LAX Hotel. The conference, with representatives of the 300 churches in the region, was attended by over 4000 conferees. I was a panelist discussing the various measures that were on the November 8 ballot. The audience, composed of Ministers, Church Elders, Women's Organizations and others, listened to the lively description of the Measures and promised to convey the information about the potential impact of each Measure to their congregations. I would like to convey my appreciation to the staffs from Community Relations, Construction Relations, African American Employees Association, Access Services and DEOD for organizing and staffing information tables during the conference. The information we imparted was well received and I am grateful to the staff that represented Metro in a professional and inclusionary manner.

Procurement Postings

Fuel Filter, CNG, Small - (IFB)

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) seeking bids from qualified firms to furnish CNG bus fuel filters. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from November 9, 2016 through February 6, 2017.

The contractor will be required to stock and maintain a 48 hour shipping requirement of the fuel filters, according to the specifications to meet inventory demands.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Juelene Close, Sr. Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1066.

Fuel Filter, CNG, Large - (IFB)

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) seeking bids from qualified firms to furnish CNG bus fuel filters. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from November 9, 2016 through February 6, 2017.

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Road to Rail Grinder Vehicle - (IFB)

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) seeking bids to procure a single chassis, Road to Rail, Self-propelled, Rail Grinder. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from November 10, 2016 through April 28, 2017.

This procurement is for one (1) Road to Rail Grinder Vehicle to support Metro rail tracks.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Aryani L. Guzman, Assistant Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1387.

Metro Gold Line P2550 Light Rail Vehicles (LRV) Powered Axle Overhaul Kit - (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) seeking bids from qualified firms to perform overhaul services for the Gold Line P2550 light rail vehicles (LRV) powered axle kits. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from November 11, 2016 through January 5, 2017.

This procurement is to provide overhaul services for 53 Light Rail Vehicle Powered Axle Kits used on the Metro Gold Line P2550 Passenger Light Rail Vehicles (LRV) operated by Metro. The Contractor is required to pick-up, overhaul, test, deliver, and warrant the Powered Axle Kits according to the specifications in the solicitation.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Jean Davis, Sr. Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1041.

Non-Revenue Maintenance Building at Vernon Yard - (IFB)

Metro will release an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure the design, fabrication, installation, construction, commissioning and testing of the Vehicle Maintenance Building and site improvements at Metro Vernon Yard. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from November 14, 2016 through February 2, 2017.

The purpose of this project is to improve safety and efficiency of Metro non-revenue vehicle repair and operation area and expand the storage space at the existing site.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Tamara Reid, Senior Manager, Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7215.

Construction Notices - Patsouras Plaza Busway, Pershing Square Station, I-5

Patsouras Plaza Busway Station Project: I-10 Busway/HOT Lane Closures -- Late Night Only

- The I-10 Busway/HOT Lane on Route I-10, between Alameda Street and Route I-710, will experience intermittent lane closures in both eastbound and westbound directions.
- Closures have been extended through November 10, 10pm - 5am, on weeknights only.

Metro Red Line Pershing Square Station Escalator Replacement Project: 5th Street Entrance

- The newly constructed escalator unit requires a period of testing and will be operated intermittently in both the up and down direction for a period of one week.
- This weekend, the existing "up" escalator will remain operational and the "down" escalator will be unavailable.
- Station elevator access will be maintained at all times and Pedestrian access to the Metro Red Line

and to Pershing Square businesses will be maintained, with re-routing clearly marked.

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

“Human kindness has never weakened the stamina or softened the fiber of a free people.
A nation does not have to be cruel to be tough.”

~ Franklin D. Roosevelt

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