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MTA TO PRESENT FINDINGS OF MID-CITIES BUS RESTRUCTURING STUDY TO PUBLIC AT NEW SERIES OF COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

Mid-Cities residents will have another opportunity, beginning Wednesday, Feb. 18th to make suggestions to the MTA on ways of improving bus service to the area during a new series of community workshops co-sponsored by the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT). The two agencies are working together to improve bus service and routes in the Mid-Cities area, one of the busiest MTA Metro Bus system corridors in Los Angeles County.

The purpose of the new round of workshops is to ascertain what types of community transit services the public prefers and compare this new information with findings compiled from meetings held in early 1997, data that is contained in the "Mid-Cities Bus Transit Restructuring Study."

The Mid-Cities study area is bounded by La Cienega Boulevard and the ocean on the west, Alameda Street on the east, the I-105 Freeway on the south, and the Santa Monica (I-10) Freeway, the Marina Freeway and portions of Slauson Avenue on the north.

The Wednesday workshop will be held at the Miracle Theatre, 226 South Market St., from noon to 3 p.m. Other workshops are scheduled through March.

"We have taken citizen comments from the first round and incorporated them into a new plan for transit in this area," said MTA Deputy CEO Sharon Landers. "The second round of meetings will give the public a chance to react and comment on our revised plan. There is no better way of bringing about change than going out into the community and listening to what the very people who rely on our services have to say about our services."

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Members of the public unable to attend can mail comments and suggestions to: Sumire Gant, MTA, Mid-Cities Bus Transit Restructuring Study, One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or Phil Aker, LADOT, 221 N. Figueroa St., Room 400, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

The MTA and LADOT have scheduled the following workshops:

Wednesday, February 18

Miracle Theater
226 South Market St.
12 p.m. to 3 p.m.
(near Market & Manchester)
By bus: 40 on Market,
115 on Manchester

Saturday, February 21

Roosevelt Park
7600 Graham Avenue
12 p.m. to 3 p.m.
(near Florence & Compton)
By bus: 111 or 112 on Florence,
55 on Compton
Manchester-Florence Southside Smart Shuttle

Saturday, February 21

Fox Hills Mall
Slauson & Sepulveda
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
By bus: 439 on Sepulveda,
108 on Slauson

Sunday, February 22

St. Johns Episcopal Church
514 West Adams Blvd.
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
(near Figueroa & Adams)
By bus: DASH F or 81
on Figueroa, 37 on Adams

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Sunday, February 22

St. Vincent's Catholic Church
621 West Adams Blvd.
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
(near Figueroa & Adams)
By bus: DASH F or 81
on Figueroa, 37 on Adams

Monday, February 23

Vermont Square Public Library
1201 W. 48th Street
5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
(near Vermont & Vernon)
By bus: 204 or 354 on Vermont,
105 on Vernon

Tuesday, February 24

African American Community Unity Center
5300 S. Vermont Avenue
1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
By bus: 204/354 on Vermont, DASH Southeast

Wednesday, February 25

Watts Labor Community Action Committee
Freedom Hall
10950 South Central Ave.
12 p.m. to 3 p.m.
(near Central & 108th St.)
By bus: 53 on Central,
119 on 108th St.
Dash Watts

Thursday, February 26

Westchester Municipal Building
7166 W. Manchester Blvd.
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
(near Lincoln & Manchester)
By bus: 115 on Manchester,
3 (S.M. bus) on Lincoln

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Saturday, February 28

Algin Sutton Recreation Center

8800 S. Hoover Street

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

By bus: 81 on Figueroa, 315/115 on Manchester, 204/354 on Vermont,
Manchester-Florence Southside Smart Shuttle

Wednesday, March 4

24th Street Elementary School

2055 W. 24th Street

4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

By bus: 206 on Normandie, 37 on Adams, DASH Midtown

Saturday, March 7

Baldwin Hills/Crenshaw Plaza

3650 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

(near M.L.K. & Crenshaw)

By bus: 210 on Crenshaw,
42 on Martin Luther King

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