



AGENDA
PLANNING & PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 17, 2003 - 1:00 P.M.

Call to order:

Directors:

Beatrice Proo, Chair
Gloria Molina, Vice Chair
James Halun
Pam O'Connor
Zev Yaroslavsky
Doug Failing, Ex Officio

5. RECEIVE report of the Executive Officer.

6. CONSIDER:
 - A. adopting the integration of Metrolink fare media into the **EZ Transit Pass Program**; and

 - B. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to enter into an agreement with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) and amend the EZ Transit Pass agreements with the transit operators to implement the integration of Metrolink fare media into the EZ Transit Pass Program.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD RULES (ALSO APPLIES TO BOARD COMMITTEES)

PUBLIC INPUT

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At the discretion of the Chair, the Board may limit public input on any item based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board.

In the interest of hearing from as many members of the public as possible, if at the time your name is called, your issue has been addressed or your opinion expressed by a previous speaker, please simply state that fact and your name for the record.

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NOTICE ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA

7. APPROVE:

- A. **MTA Grade Crossing Policy for Light Rail Transit;**
- B. Addition of grade separations at the following Exposition Corridor crossings as part of preliminary engineering per the attached Evaluation of Exposition LRT Project With Proposed MTA Grade Crossing Policy:
 - La Brea Avenue
 - La Cienega Boulevard
- C. inclusion in the Exposition LRT project scope and budget, supplemental grade crossing safety devices beyond current "best practice" safety features at a minimum, at the following locations:
 - Vermont Avenue
 - Western Avenue
 - Arlington Avenue
 - Gramercy Place
 - Crenshaw Boulevard
 - Fairdale Avenue

Consideration of Items not on the posted agenda, including: items to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff; items to be placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee or Board; and/or items requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC INTEREST WITHIN COMMITTEE'S SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION

ADJOURNMENT

