

Motion by Director Molina

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority developed a Project Budget Adjustments Action Plan when the bids for the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension came in over budget. This plan called for a series of project efficiencies and modifications. The plan was successful as it kept MTA within the proposed Full Funding Grant Agreement budget and secured MTA's ability to award a contract for construction.

However, as the project progresses through construction, the MTA will have the ability to review those items where modifications were made and may be able to restore the items depending upon the amount of contingency left in the project budget. To maximize the integrity of the project, community expectations and the operational efficiency it is essential that a set of priorities be developed in order to most efficiently implement those items that were deferred.

I therefore move that this Board direct staff to implement the following items, as prioritized below, as funding from project contingency becomes available.

1. Traction power substations
2. 200 space parking structure at Atlantic and Pomona
3. Urban design elements next to each station, portal and power substations
4. Ticket vending machines

I further move that this Board direct staff to attempt to secure a price for each of these items from the lowest bidder before the contract is signed.