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Agenda Item #4
METRO WESTSIDE/CENTRAL GOVERNANCE COUNCIL
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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION CHANGES TO LINE 787

ACTION: RECEIVE AND FILE

BACKGROUND

In September 2004, Governance Councils for the Westside/Central and San Gabriel Valley service sectors approved implementation of Metro Rapid Line 787. In the Westside/Central sector, implementation of Line 787 required a frequency reduction on local Line 217. Westside/Central Governance Council's decision to implement the 787 came after long discussion, and significant concern about the impacts of this reduction to local Line 217 based on its high productivity, and community opposition.

The Westside/Central Governance Council also expressed concerns about the Rapid's proposed route length, route speed, and productivity impacts to line 217, given the combination of three major corridors. Sharing these concerns, the MTA has decided to take a more cautious approach, and implement the new Metro Rapid service only on that portion of the proposed alignment from Hollywood Boulevard and Vine Avenue to Pasadena City College. This will be known as Line 780. Instead of Rapid service on Fairfax Avenue and Hollywood Boulevard, MTA will implement limited stop service on Line 217. This service will be Line 317.

As of the writing of this report, staff is still developing the schedules for Lines 217 and 317. Staff will provide further details at the upcoming Governance Council meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Revised Service Change Program

The changes above will not have a cost impact to the original program. The program will remain revenue service hour and cost neutral.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will implement changes effective December 19, 2004 or later.

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