

# MINUTES

San Fernando Valley Service Sector  
Governance Council

## Special Council Meeting

Marvin Braude Constituent Svc Center  
6262 Van Nuys Blvd.  
Van Nuys, CA 91401

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Called to Order at 6:30 p.m.

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Council Members present:

Coby King, Chair  
Kymberleigh Richards, Vice Chair  
Richard Arvizu  
Joan H. Leonard

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Officers:

Gary Spivack, Acting General Manager in  
the absence of Richard Hunt, General  
Manager  
Christina Lumba-Gamboa, Council  
Secretary

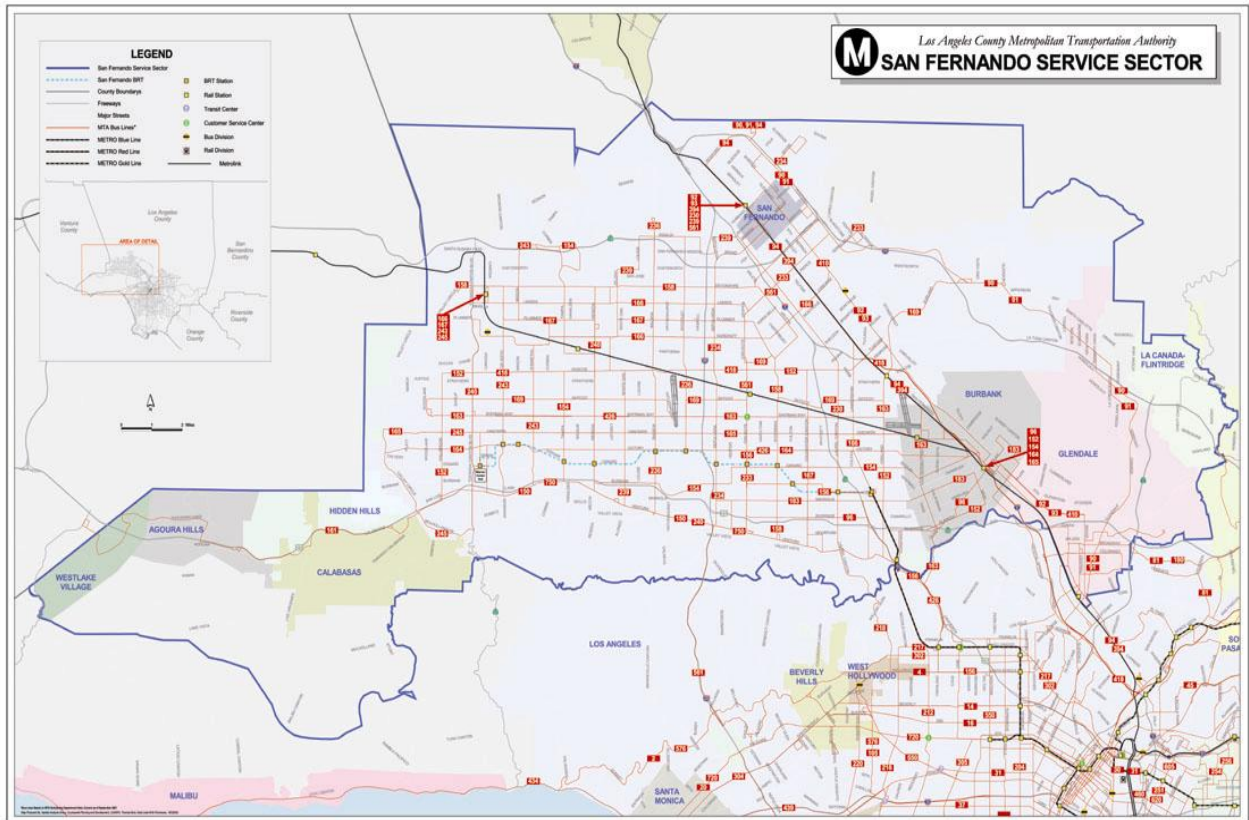


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# METRO SAN FERNANDO VALLEY GOVERNANCE COUNCIL

## 1) Area of responsibility:



- 2) The Governance Council is exclusively responsible for planning routes and schedules for Tier 1, 2, and 3 bus lines within the San Fernando Service Sector (except Metro Rapid lines and Metro Liner). Tier 1, 2, and 3 bus lines in the San Fernando Valley are:

**Lines: 90/91, 92, 94/394, 96C, 150/240, 152, 154, 156, 158, 161, 163, 164/165, 166, 167C, 168, 169, 183/234, 230/239, 233, 236/237, 242/243, 244/245, 353/363 and 645. (C = Contract Service)**

Metro Rapid Lines **750 & 761** and Metro Liner **901** are **NOT** under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Governance Council but jurisdiction may be exercised with the concurrence of other sector or Corporate.

- 3) The Governance Council is responsible for studying and planning service to improve efficiency within Metro San Fernando Valley, making recommendations to the MTA board regarding service issues, working with transit planners and local authorities and transit operators to ensure coordination of service and holding public hearings to gain input on proposed changes.
- 4) The Governance Council is **NOT** responsible for fare and pass structures, new project construction, or Metro Rail.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
  
2. RECEIVED Public Comment
  - Sean McCarthy, representing the Woodland Hills Chamber of Commerce, relayed a resolution passed by its Board to request increased service as follows:
    1. Direct, non-stop bus service from the Orange Line to Cal State Northridge
    2. Direct, non-stop bus service from the Orange Line to the Fly Away at Van Nuys Airport
    3. Direct, non-stop bus service to Bob Hope Airport from the North Hollywood terminus of the Orange Line/Red Line and from the Burbank Metrolink Station.
  
  - Ray D. Lopez suggested Line 154 Burbank Ave/Oxnard St. to end at the Reseda Ave., Orange Line Station. He also suggested routes of Lines 353 and 363 to end at the southeast Metro Orange Line Transit hub via Warner Center instead of Chatsworth, Line 163 to the end at Cantara St.
  
  - Robert Van Peer stated that most of the proposed service changes are justified except for two Rapid Lines on San Fernando Rd. and the northern boundary of Whiteman. He suggested rerouting those lines to serve Laurel Canyon Blvd. He also suggested a turn around loop on Line 158 to serve the Metrolink Station and Topanga Canyon Blvd.
  
3. Conducted workshop on development of a plan for **Metro Connections and possible Service Changes.**

Acting General Manager, Gary Spivack, Mike Brewer, Service Development Manager and Steven Fox of Metro Planning department presented an overview of the preliminary proposed route change. Council Members and the public offered the following comments regarding route restructuring concepts developed by sector staff.

Line	Comments
90A	Supported staff proposal to cancel branch route 91 and truncate service at Foothill and Fenwick, but consider option of shortening line at Glendale Transportation Center to reduce duplication with Line 94 service to downtown Los Angeles.

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90B	Supported proposal to connect Olive View Hospital to Sunland segment with Sunland to Burbank Airport (Line 169), but consider option of terminating line at North Hollywood Station as well. Also, requested unique line numbers on Foothill and Sunland Blvd. segments to avoid customer confusion.
92A	Supported staff proposal to operate from downtown L.A. and truncate service at Burbank Metrolink Station.
92B	Supported staff proposal to operate between Sylmar and Burbank Metrolink Stations.
94A	Supported proposal to operate from downtown L.A. to Sun Valley. But asked staff to find a more suitable place than San Fernando and Lankershim to truncate service.
94B	Supported proposal to operate from Olive View Medical Center to North Hollywood Red Line Station with an underlying limited stop service in lieu of Line 766 Rapid bus service. Requested staff to find a more suitable place than San Fernando and Lankershim to truncate service.
96A	Supported staff proposal to operate from downtown L.A. and truncate service at Burbank Metrolink Station.
766	Opposed the creation of a San Fernando - Lankershim Blvd. Metro Rapid Line due to duplication with proposed San Fernando Metro Rapid. Recommended that continuous Rapid service operate on San Fernando Rd. from downtown Los Angeles to Sylmar
794	Supported proposed operation of San Fernando Metro Rapid service from downtown L. A. to Sylmar Metrolink Station.
96B	Recommended working with City of Burbank to consider service contracting of the Burbank / Universal segment of Line 96.
183A	Support contingent on Line 96B proposal. Investigate turnaround loop options at Ventura and Sepulveda to avoid traffic congestion.
183B	Recommend working with the City of Glendale to cancel Line 183 service provided between Burbank and Glendale Metrolink stations to eliminate duplication.
152A /153	Supported operating from West Hills and truncating line at North Hollywood Station, but consider rerouting the West Hills segment to Warner Center. Also, supported creating a branch

	route to service Sun Valley Metrolink Station. In conjunction with the Metrolink schedules, but evaluate running all trips via this route instead; Consider combining Line 152 (Vineland) and with Line 169 (Sunland) route segments.
152B	Recommend working with City of Burbank to investigate service contracting the Burbank / Universal portion of Line 152
156A	Supported proposal to combine with Line 237 (Woodley Ave). Also, develop route to avoid problem intersection of Van Nuys and Victory Blvds. Consider combining Lines 154 and 237 as an alternative.
163 /156B	Supported proposal to Combine 163 (Hollywood Way) and 156B( Barham-Lankershim) route segments. Work with City of Burbank to avoid duplication. Recommended working with Westside/Central sector to develop service options for Highland Ave between Odin and Santa Monica Blvd.
163A	Supported staff proposal routing service along Sherman Way from West Hills Hospital to a Burbank Airport.
456	Supported staff proposal to create a separate Line number for Line 156 Owl service but consider a 600 series number instead. Consider shortlining route in Hollywood to avoid duplication with Line 4 Owl service.
158	Supported staff proposal to truncate route at Chatsworth Metrolink Station. Supported extension to Moorpark and Van Nuys.
161	Recommended working with LADOT to determine feasibility of canceling Line 161 and combining resources to enhance Line 422. Expressed concern that the proposal would reduce or eliminate service to Agoura Hills.
166/366	Supported staff proposal to terminate Line 166 at Glenoaks Blvd. and Osborne. Supported the establishment of a limited stop route.
169	Supported staff proposal to operate via Saticoy from West Hills to Sun Valley, but consider option of breaking line in Panorama City instead. Consider modifying route to serve Sun Valley Metrolink Station.
239A	Supported staff proposal to link White Oak / Zelzah with Line 236 at Balboa and Rinaldi but expressed concern about turnaround loop for midday and weekend non-interlined trips
239B	Recommended rerouting service to travel along Zelzah to Nordhoff to better service CSUN. Expressed concern regarding duplicated segments.

363	Supported proposed reroute to Lankershim Blvd. contingent upon the outcome of the Line 766 (Lankershim Rapid Bus) proposal. Consider a Laurel Canyon to Chandler Blvd. option.
422	Supported option to shorten route at Warner Center and integrate with Line 161 service, if possible. Recommended working with LADOT and MTA Service Planning / Development staff to discuss this or option of rerouting service to Universal City Red Line Station
646	Recommended working with LADOT to determine their interest in operating West Valley Shuttle; Expressed concern regarding duplication; Consider option of coordinating with Line 165 trips.
734	Supported staff proposal to implement Sepulveda Metro Rapid Service in June 2006.
761	Recommended working with Westside/Central sector to develop service options for Sunset Blvd. Consider option of Westwood Shuttle from Ventura Blvd. Determine the feasibility of operating articulated buses on Montana Blvd., Galey and Veteran Avenues. Must maintain Westwood connection with Line 720 near Wilshire and Westwood Blvd.

4. RECEIVED Council Members Closing Remarks.

Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.



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Council Secretary