REVISED Agenda
Planning and Programming Committee Meeting
One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room

Call to Order

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NOTE: ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA
11. WITHDRAWN: CONSIDER:

A. approving the recommendation that LACMTA and Caltrans work with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) to construct the remaining drainage utilizing remaining funds from the project;

B. programming $3M in Measure R 3% funds to be used by SCRRA for the construction related to the slope stability findings in the geotechnical report as part of their rehabilitation and renovation program on the Antelope Valley Line; and

C. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to negotiate and execute all agreements necessary for these actions.

12. APPROVE: recommendations and further technical study on Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2.

A. carrying forward two build alternatives and the associated maintenance yard(s) into further technical study as described below:

1. SR 60 North Side Design Variation (NSDV) which would extend the existing Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension from the Atlantic/Pomona Station, approximately 6.9 miles to Peck Rd. in the City of South El Monte. The Alternative would operate primarily within the southern portion of the SR 60 Freeway right-of-way. The NSDV, which would transition to the north side of the SR 60 just west of Greenwood Ave. and back to the south side just west of Paramount Blvd. is selected so as to minimize potential impacts to the OII Superfund site.

Coordination and refinements to the Alternative would be carried out to address comments received from Cooperating and Public Agencies;

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2. Washington Blvd. Alternative which extends the existing Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension from the Atlantic/Pomona Station, approximately 9.5 miles to Lambert Rd. in the City of Whittier, the alternative includes two grade separated design variations at Rosemead Blvd. and at San Gabriel River/I-605/Pioneer Blvd. in order to minimize potential traffic impacts and physical constraints, respectively.

Refine the Alternative to identify an alternate north-south connection to Washington Blvd.

Coordination and refinements to the Alternative would be carried out to address comments received from Cooperating Agencies, Public Agencies and stakeholder concerns;

3. Analyze environmental impacts and performance with both Alternatives in operation, including conducting cost containment studies.

B. eliminating from further study as described below:

1. State Route 60 Baseline Alternative from further study due to potential Environmental impacts and concerns expressed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency;

2. Washington Blvd. Alternative Aerial configuration on Garfield Ave. between Via Campo and Whittier Blvd. due to Community and Neighborhood, Visual and Aesthetic impacts and stakeholder concern; and

C. receiving the Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIS/EIR). The full Draft EIS/EIR is available upon request. [HANDOUT]
13. CONSIDER:

A. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to enter into an 18-month Exclusive Negotiation Agreement and Planning Document (ENA), with options to extend up to 12 additional months, with Primestor Development Inc. (Primestor), or an entity created by Primestor, to explore the feasibility of developing a commercial real estate development and to negotiate the development scope and business terms to be included in a joint development agreement (JDA), ground lease(s) and other development documents for the Metro-owned property situated at and across the street from the Metro Gold Line Mariachi Plaza station (the “Development Sites”); and

B. amending the FY15 budget to allow deposit(s) collected from Primestor under the ENA to be used to offset staff and third party costs associated with the negotiation of JDA and ground lease terms and the review and evolution of the development proposal.

[HANDOUT]

14. CONSIDER:

A. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to enter into an 18-month Exclusive Negotiation Agreement and Planning Document (ENA), with options to extend up to 12 additional months, with Bridge Housing Corporation/East LA Community Corporation (Bridge/ELACC), or an entity created by Bridge/ELACC, to explore the feasibility of developing two mixed-use real estate developments and to negotiate the development scope and business terms to be included in a joint development agreement (JDA), ground lease(s) and other development documents for the Metro-owned property situated at and across the street from the Metro Gold Line Soto station (the “Development Sites”); and

B. amending the FY15 budget to allow deposit(s) collected from Bridge/ELACC under the ENA to be used to offset staff and third party costs associated with the negotiation of JDA and ground lease terms and the review and evolution of the development proposal.

[HANDOUT]
15. CONSIDER:

A. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to enter into an 18-month Exclusive Negotiation Agreement and Planning Document (ENA), with options to extend up to 12 additional months, with Abode Communities, or an entity created by Abode Communities (Abode), to explore the feasibility of developing a mixed-use real estate development and to negotiate the development scope and business terms to be included in a joint development agreement (JDA), ground lease(s) and other development documents for the Metro-owned property at Chavez and Soto (the “Development Sites”); and

B. amending the FY15 budget to allow deposit(s) collected from Abode under the ENA to be used to offset staff and third party costs associated with the negotiation of JDA and ground lease terms and the review and evolution of the development proposal. [HANDOUT]

16. AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amendment to the Exclusive Negotiating Agreement (ENA) with A Community of Friends (Developer) to extend its term for an additional 12 months, for the joint development of Metro-owned property at 1st and Lorena Streets along the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension.

17. CONSIDER:

A. approving the Fiscal Year 2015 Solicitation for Proposals for federal Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program funds for which the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is the Designated Recipient in urbanized areas of Los Angeles County, with the following:

1. the allocation process for the Section 5310;

2. the funding marks estimated to be up to $4,713,220 for Traditional Capital Projects and up to $1,704,747 for Other Capital and Operating Projects equal to a combined total of $6,417,967; and

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3. the application package.

B. allocating $6,751,327 in Section 5310 funds for Access Services, as determined by the Allocation Process, for Traditional Capital Projects that support complementary paratransit services required by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA); and

C. amending the FY 2015 Budget to add:

1. the $2,535,635 of the $6,751,327 in revenue and expense (net zero effect) to facilitate disbursement of Section 5310 funding noted in Action B to fund Access Services’ FY 2015 activities; and

2. one full-time equivalent position in Countywide Planning, which will be 100% funded from the Section 5310 allocations, to manage, administer and oversee activities required by Metro as the Designated Recipient of funds.

18. CONSIDER:

A. awarding $5,000,000 in Transit Oriented Development Grants to the 10 recommended jurisdictions; and

B. authorizing the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to execute Grant Agreements for the funds.

18.1 MOTION by Directors DuBois, O’Connor, Knabe and Ridley-Thomas that the Board instruct the CEO and Metro Staff to increase the funding allocated in this fourth cycle by $1,325,000 to fully fund the “Total Unfunded Need” category as identified in the staff report.
56. CONSIDER:

A. pursuing acceleration of up to $33.2 million in federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funds and Measure R Transit Sub-funds currently planned for the Airport Metro Connector project in Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025 to cover the cost of accommodations implemented as part of the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project (Crenshaw/LAX) and design of the new station;

B. renaming the Airport Metro Connector project to “LAX Gateway Station; and

C. receiving and filing:

1. preliminary project schedule, developed in coordination with Los Angeles World Airports, for the environmental review phase only; and

2. status report on the station design guidelines directed by the Board in June 2014.

(ALSO ON CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE)

57. APPROVE Motion by Directors Garcetti, Ridley-Thomas and O’Connor that the Board instruct the CEO and MTA staff to:

A. create a two-year pilot Wayfinding Signage Grant Program in the amount of $500,000 beginning in Fiscal Year 2015-2016;

B. make local jurisdictions eligible to apply for signage design and cost reimbursement when using the Station Trailblazing Guidelines for Non-Metro Property; and

C. include updates on this program in their quarterly First/Last Mile Way Finding report as instructed in the April 2014 Board action.
58. APPROVE Motion by Directors Garcetti, Knabe and O’Connor that the Board instruct the CEO and MTA staff to:

   A. ensure that, henceforth, all MTA planning studies and policies reflect that the revised MTA planning boundaries conform to the South Bay sub-region as delineated by the current boundaries of the South Bay Cities COG; and

   B. reflect these boundaries in the Mobility Matrix, LRTP planning studies, and any potential future ballot measure.

19. RECEIVE report of the Chief Executive Officer.

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