## MTA Board Meeting February 27, 2014

## Motion by Directors Yaroslavsky and Krekorian

## **Universal Station Overflow Lot**

Metro is currently evaluating options to increase parking at the two Red Line stations in the San Fernando Valley—Universal City/Studio City station and North Hollywood station.

In the meantime, Metro-owned parking lots at Universal City/Studio City station regularly fill to capacity between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. Those who arrive after that time are permitted to park in a County-owned overflow lot on the intersection of Ventura Boulevard and Campo de Cahuenga.

To access that lot, Metro patrons must cross a busy on-ramp to the I-101 South. The crossing area is currently unsafe, completely lacking crosswalk lines, signage or adequate lighting. Drivers and pedestrians are unclear what to do or who has the right-of-way. Often, vehicles enter the on-ramp at high speeds, unaware that any pedestrians are present.

An additional safety concern is the lighting of the parking lots themselves. Parts of the lots at both stations and the overflow lot appear half-lit or poorly lit. To ensure the safety and comfort of our transit patrons, all parking lots must have a sufficient level of lighting.

## I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board direct staff to:

- 1) Implement any temporary safety improvements that Metro can make on its own to the crossing or along the path to the crossing as soon as possible;
- 2) Coordinate with City of Los Angeles and other relevant entities to implement further safety improvements to the crossing as soon as possible;
- 3) Evaluate the lighting of parking lots at the above-mentioned stations for potential improvements; and
- Report back to the Board in 60 days.