

*Metro Citizens Advisory Council Executive Committee Meeting*

*July 8, 2016 Draft Meeting Minutes*

*1. Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance, Welcome and Introductions*

Bill Weisman and Delila Sotelo acted as secretary in Hank Fung's absence.

Attendees: Darrell Clarke, Michael Conrad, Seymour Rosen, Marta Segura, Wally Shidler, Delila Sotelo, Bill Weisman.

Metro staff stated that item 3 was not for election but only for discussion.

*2. Approval of Minutes*

There were no minutes to approve.

*5. Old & New Business*

(This item was taken out of order.)

Rosen indicated that there are members who are not serving and their nominees should be contacted. The Chair indicated that the bylaws may need to be reviewed about attendance, which will be done at a future Executive Committee meeting. The numbers of members affect the quorum necessary to take action. Segura indicated to contact individuals who are not attending and inquire if they still wish to participate.

The Chair indicated that a standing item will be "Excused Absences" which will be placed on future Executive Committee meetings. The Chair would also reach out to members who are not actively participating. Metro staff explained the process of how absences are handled today. The Chair also indicated that the purpose of Executive Committee meetings may need to be clarified, but the intent is that the Executive Committee is for discussion of operational issues of the CAC.

The Chair and Vice Chair will work on proposed bylaw changes, and for Metro staff to provide information on members, appointing body, and date appointed, and to provide a copy of the bylaws for the Chair to edit. This will be provided at a future CAC general meeting.

Shidler also asked Metro staff to confirm that each member had an appointment letter on file.

*3. Election of Officers*

Sotelo and Weisman confirmed that they would be willing to run for reelection. The Chair asked that the Nominating Committee contact new members to determine if they are willing to serve, and that the election would be on July 27.

#### *4. Discuss Upcoming Meeting Presentation Topics*

Rosen discussed future development in the Boyle Heights area as a potential discussion topic. Segura clarified the status of the development at First and Boyle, which has been delayed in order to address community concerns. The Chair indicated for a future meeting a Metro speaker discuss the joint development along the Gold Line Eastside corridor.

Shidler discussed the re-prioritizing of projects under the potential ballot measure compared to Measure R. Segura asked if these projects are providing connectivity and to advise the Board accordingly, and asked if there was a Metro study on why ridership has declined. A discussion ensued on the reasons. Shidler shared a copy of the recent line ranking by ridership and subsidy, which is produced by Metro for distribution to sector council members, with CAC members.

Sotelo indicated the meeting for July would be on Metro's bus procurement and include discussion on alternative fuel buses. There was discussion about what the presentation would entail. Also the July meeting would include discussion of the bylaws and elections.

Clarke recommended discussion about the proposed ballot measure and how some of the projects are spaced out many decades into the future. He recommended scheduling a discussion about bonding capacity and discussing ways of accelerating the projects, such as P3, to better frame the potential ballot measure to voters as providing additional service sooner. Also Clarke wanted to discuss the June service changes which reduced rail service to every 20 minutes at night, which may dampen enthusiasm for transit. There was discussion about signal priority on Expo and Blue Line. The general consensus was to discuss rail operations and performance at a future meeting. Shidler would bring performance reports.

Weisman indicated that not having a sunset on the potential ballot measure may discourage voters. Discussion further ensued on the ballot measure.

Sotelo confirmed direction on the topic for the August meeting. This was defined as a report back of the potential ballot measure, project lists, delivery dates, and ranking of projects in the August meeting; bonding capacity, debt, and private/public partnerships to accelerate future project construction (as part of the August presentation).

Segura and Clarke recommended the purpose of the presentations would be to help formulate comments to the Metro Board. Sotelo reminded members that the purpose of the executive committee is to formulate and discuss the recommendations.

The September presentation was defined as rail performance, including discussion on operations, planning, and security. Discussion ensued on the specifics of the presentation: rail operations, who's riding and why they have stopped riding, ramifications for the potential ballot measure not passing, and proper individuals who should participate from Metro.

*6. Public Comment, Non-Agenda Items, (1 minute per speaker)*

None.

*7. Consider items not on posted agenda, including items to be presented and referred to committee members and/or staff; items to be placed on agenda for action at a future CAC meeting; and items requiring immediate action due to an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the CAC subsequent to posting of the agenda.*

None.

*8. Adjournment*

Clarke moved to adjourn, seconded by Sotelo, passed unanimously.