Review Advisory Committee
Ad-Hoc Sub Committee

January 10, 2008
Ad-Hoc Sub Committee Members
Introduction

- Renee Chavez, Chair
- Aida Bobadilla
- Sherri Breskin
- Nadine Diaz
- Susan Dickson
- Rita Govea Rodriguez
- Juan Jimenez

- Irvin Lai
- Daisy Ma
- Mary Louise Reeves
- Rachel Santos
- Diana Tarango
- Armando Ybarra
Status on Negotiations
Negotiations with Evergreen Cemetery

PROPOSED FINAL BURIAL LAYOUT 7
Accomplishments and Next Steps
## Ad-Hoc Sub Committee 2007 Accomplishments

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<td>January 2007</td>
<td>Evergreen Cemetery was approved as the re-interment site by the Review Advisory Committee on January 18, 2007, with the recommendation that Metro begin negotiations with Evergreen Cemetery.</td>
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<td>February 2007</td>
<td>Ad-Hoc Sub Committee begins design of memorial and ceremony planning. No Ad-Hoc Sub Committee in observance of Chinese New Year.</td>
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<td>March 2007</td>
<td>Metro begins 4-week Next-Of-Kin Outreach on March 3, 2007 (after the Chinese New Year period). Design of memorial and ceremony planning continues.</td>
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<td>April 2007</td>
<td>Ad-Hoc Sub Committee continues design of memorial and ceremony planning. No Review Advisory Committee meeting in observance of Easter Holidays.</td>
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<td>May 2007</td>
<td>Ad-Hoc Sub Committee forwards recommendation to RAC that Area C be site for re-interment of all discoveries. RAC does not act on motion and instead sends it back to Committee for further Discussion.</td>
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<td>June 2007</td>
<td>Ad-Hoc Sub Committee holds two special meetings to further discuss re-interment location. Forwards recommendation for Area C at the June RAC meeting. Motion does not pass. An alternate motion is introduced to select Area A. Motion carries with a majority of the votes. Design of memorial and ceremony planning continues.</td>
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<td>August 2007</td>
<td>RAC approved recommendation on memorial wall concept at its meeting on August 16, 2007 in East Los Angeles.</td>
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<td>September 2007</td>
<td>Ad-Hoc Sub Committee submitted recommendation for re-interment plan, memorial and site dedication ceremony to Review Advisory Committee.</td>
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<td>October 2007</td>
<td>Recommendations for lay out plan, memorial wall height and grave marker size were forwarded to the RAC at its October 20, 2007 meeting. No action was taken due to lack of quorum.</td>
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<td>October - November 2007</td>
<td>Finalize details of grave markers and memorial wall. (Date for Re-interment Site Dedication Ceremony contingent on completing negotiations and agreement with owner of Evergreen Cemetery)</td>
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<td>November 2007</td>
<td>RAC at its November 15, 2007 meeting approved lay out plan, memorial wall height and grave marker size to allow Metro to complete negotiations with Evergreen Cemetery. Ad-Hoc Sub Committee meeting on November 29, 2007 to complete memorial wall and grave marker design.</td>
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<td>December 2007</td>
<td>No meeting in observance of Holidays.</td>
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<td>January 2008</td>
<td>Ad-Hoc Sub Committee Workshop on January 10, 2008 to obtain approval of all wall and grave marker design elements by the RAC on January 17, 2008.</td>
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<td>February 2008</td>
<td>No meeting in observance of Chinese New Year. Metro Board approval of burial plot purchase from Evergreen Cemetery.</td>
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<td>May - July 2008</td>
<td>Site dedication ceremony, re-interment and construction of memorial wall. Dates to be determined to allow adequate time for invitations and media announcements.</td>
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Design Workshop
Memorial Wall

Elements needing decisions:

• The selection of 8 grave markers
• Language for the historical plaque
• Chinese characters – original calligraphy vs. use of fonts on the tribute plaque
• Dedication consideration on tribute plaque (dedication by Chinese Historical Society of So. CA was overturned at last meeting, looking for something more inclusive)
Ad-Hoc Sub Committee
Tribute Plaque

In memory of those before us
Courageous pioneers laid the foundation through toil and struggle.
Those who follow honor their spirit by achieving higher goals.

Dedicated in appreciation on (month) (date), 2008
by the people of Los Angeles

En honor de nuestros antepasados
Valientes precursores que crearon los cimientos a través de su lucha y esfuerzo
Aquellos quien les preceden honran su espíritu logrando metas más elevadas

- Chinese characters – original calligraphy/brushwork vs. use of fonts (refer to handout)
- Dedication consideration on tribute plaque (dedication by Chinese Historical Society of So. CA was overturned at last meeting, looking for something more inclusive)
Head Stones Selection
8 needed for Memorial Wall
Head Stones Selection continued

GRAVE MARKERS
for memorial wall consideration – by casting number

- 4 -

- 5 -

Gold Line
It was determined at the meeting of November 29, 2007 that the gist of the language should follow this model:

During the period of 1888-1924, people were interred at (describe location). After 1924, ....describe what happened (records were lost/changes in ownership, etc). In June 2005, they were discovered as a result of the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension construction. They now rest here.

In addition to what is part of the blog entry, there was only one comment:

“Evergreen Cemetery is Los Angeles’ oldest cemetery still operating. Beginning in the late nineteenth century, Evergreen was an early non-denominational provider of gravesites. But, it was open to all minorities.” “Where you stand, the Los Angeles indigent cemetery once lay. Thirteen thousand citizens of Los Angeles with no next of kin or means of burial were interred there. It has been known by various names and is now part of Evergreen Cemetery.” “In the late 1870s, the Chinese community established a burial area within the indigent cemetery and interred its deceased there until about 1924. Though others were not charged for burial, there was a $10 charge for Chinese plots in the indigent cemetery. Many of these were later moved to China or other cemeteries”

Charlie Yee Hay was born in 1844 and died at age 72, on or about June 20, 1916. His remains may have been returned to his home village in China in 1937, but this is not known. Mr. Yee Hay has living relatives in the cities of Ventura and Alhambra, CA. T.E. Buzbee was born on August 12, 1865 and died at age 18 on February 01, 1883. His headstone and skeletal remains were impacted during Metro’s Gold Line tunneling. It is believed Mr. Buzbee ran away from his Colorado home at 17. He is thought to have died of meningitis.

This is a memorial to honor our great pioneers of Los Angeles. On June 22, 2005, 168 remains of unknown persons were discovered during the construction of the Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension. May they be honored and remembered forevermore. Re-interred here respectfully with dignity and respect in the year of 2008 and never again forgotten.
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On June 22, 2005, 168 remains were discovered at this location during construction on the Eastside Extension of the Metro Gold Line. It was later learned that the site of the Los Angeles County Crematorium had once been included in the grounds of the historic Los Angeles Cemetery. No clear records exist for all those buried there. The disturbed remains have been formally re-interred at the Evergreen Cemetery and are memorialized there.
Grave Marker Content

Elements:

- Unique personal identification number identifying each discovery ✓
- Color: charcoal gray ✓
- Uniform saying on all, a different saying on each or perhaps 3-5 different messages or emblems randomly placed on different grave markers
- Dates – 2 recommendations submitted: 1888-1924 and 2005-2008 (year of discovery through year of re-interment)

1-E (PIN)

Uniform Saying

06/22/05-xx/xx/07

24”

12”

24”

✓ = action completed
Site Dedication Ceremony
Site Dedication Ceremony

- Site dedication date can be set without consultation of the Chinese Almanac, however, the first re-interment does. Staff will work with Evergreen Cemetery to ensure that commencement of the re-interment takes place during auspicious dates.
- Notification of site dedication ceremony will take place through print media. Two insertions in the following journals will reach well over 725,000 people twice.

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<td>Sing Tao - 30,000</td>
<td>Contigo - 260,000</td>
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Site Dedication Ceremony

Site dedication ceremony cannot take place until negotiations have been completed and the Metro Board of Directors has approved the purchase agreement for the re-interment plots.

For your consideration tonight:

- Confirm Crematorium Chapel Religious Leader to perform ceremony
- Identify VIPs to invite
- Program essentials
End of Presentation