



Meeting: Tuesday, September 25, 2007, 6:45 – 8:40 p.m.

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| 1. Introductions | 6:50 – 7:00 |
| 2. Brief updates: | 7:00 – 7:30 |
| a. MTA Board Meeting Preview: Thursday, September 27, 2007: | |
| 1. Long Range Transportation Plan | |
| 2. Very Small Starts: Wilshire, Sepulveda, Van Nuys | |
| 3. Expo Line Budget: Interlocking & Trousdale Station | |
| 4. Bus Order: 260 Light Weight Vehicles | |
| 5. No. Hollywood Mixed Use Project @ Orange/Red Line | |
| 6. Metro Ridership Plan | |
| b. Metrolink Meeting Review: Friday, September 28, 2007 | |
| 1. Run Through Tracks Funding and Progress | |
| 2. Rail-2-Rail Agreements | |
| 3. Santa Ana Main Track | |
| 4. Eastern Maintenance Facility | |
| 5. Ridership, Revenue Performance | |
| c. Amtrak <i>Coast Starlight</i> / LOSSAN & Federal Funding Issues | |
| d. High Speed Rail Status: \$20 million preserved in state budget | |
| e. East LA Gold Line progress | |
| f. Sacramento Lobbying Trip | |
| 3. Guest speaker: Mike McGinley , Retired Metrolink director, construction & engineering | 7:30 – 8:15 |
| 4. Project update | |
| a. Metro LRTP Setting of Protocols & Dates (Summer) | 8:15 – 8:20 |
| b. Volunteers needed to staff booth at Buena Park Station | 8:00 – 8:05 |
| c. Sam's Club & Hewlett Foundation grant (update) | 8:20 – 8:25 |
| d. Newsletter (need articles for 21 st issue, 20 th issue distributed) | 8:25 – 8:28 |
| e. Blog (< http://www.metroredline.blogspot.com >) | 8:29 – 8:31 |
| f. Volunteers needed to data input, newsletter processing | 8:31 – 8:33 |
| 5. Treasurer's Report | 8:33 – 8:34 |
| 6. Membership renewal update | 8:35 – 8:36 |
| 7. Board member announcements | 8:37– 8:38 |
| 8. Next general meeting Tuesday, Oct. 23 @ Philippe the Original | 8:39 – 8:40 |

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Transit

Increasing the Tax Credit ceiling for Transit Users (currently it's only \$100 per month/I believe)

Transit Oriented Developments (Wilshire/Vermont Red Line, Lincoln Heights Gold Line, Del Mar Gold Line, North Hollywood Red/Orange Lines)

** **Governor Raids Spillover Funds: Update, Legislative Actions***

** **Metro Long Range Transportation Plan update***

** **Alternatives Analysis Studies (formerly Major Investment Studies) Continue for Future Corridors***

** **Advocacy In Action***

Bus

BRU and the Consent Decree

The SFV Orange Line

** **Orange Line extensions to Bob Hope Airport Metrolink/Amtrak Station, Chatsworth, Van Nuys Blvd.***

** **Bus Transport after the Consent Decree: Realigned Bus Services***

** **Orange Line Anniversary: Surprise Success***

Metro Rail

East LA Gold Line Construction Updates

Expo LRT Phase 1 and 2 updates (What's going on and What's Next)

Foothill Gold Line updates

Downtown Regional Connector "Expo Phase 3" updates

Crenshaw Blvd Light Rail

** **Turnstiles at Red Line Stations: Are They Worth It?***

** **Eastside Gold Line: Tracks to be Laid on First Street***

** **Metro to Purchase New Cars for Blue Line***

Regional Rail

Union Station Run Through Tracks Project Updates

** **Harbor Subdivision ROW in Metrolink's Strategic Plan***

** **Metrolink to Fund 2 Station Improvements; New Train Cars***

** **Voters Approve Prop 1B: \$4.5 Billion in Corridor Mobility Improvement Account***

** **Amtrak Authorization and Funding; Recent Actions on FY 2008 Appropriations, "Passenger Rail Improvement and Investment Act"***