



Meeting: Tuesday, February 26, 2008, 6:45 – 8:40 p.m.

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| 1. Introductions | 6:50 – 7:00 |
| 2. Brief updates: | 7:00 – 7:45 |
| a. MTA Board Meeting Preview: Thursday, February 28, 2008: | |
| 1. Long Range Transportation Plan (Public Comment March/April) | |
| 2. Bus Service Removal Plan (Feb. public hearings/March actions) | |
| 3. Gating Proposal Passes to Board for approval | |
| 4. State Legislation Introduced (ACA 10, AB1815, AB1836, others) | |
| b. Metrolink Meeting Review: Friday, February 22, 2008 | |
| 1. Run Through Tracks Funding and Progress | |
| 2. Rebuilding of existing engine fleet (window while new engines arrive) | |
| 3. Engine Procurement: 15 engines delayed to 03/08 | |
| 4. Crash Energy Management Cars: delayed 6 months | |
| c. Amtrak <i>Coast Starlight</i> / LOSSAN & Federal Funding Issues | |
| 1. Coast Starlight Termination (Segment reinstatement, bus bridge) | |
| 2. Integration of Amtrak, Coaster & Metrolink Services | |
| d. High Speed Rail Status: \$1.5 million proposed in state budget (Lobby Day) | |
| e. Expo Line progress: Evidentiary Hearing re: Separation work at High School | |
| f. East LA Gold Line progress | |
| g. Sacramento Lobbying Trip for CA HSR & Transit Feb. 20 Report | |
| 3. Project update | |
| a. Lobbying Day Proposal (volunteers needed) | 7:55 – 8:00 |
| b. Website Reorganization & Design Update | 8:00 – 8:05 |
| c. Sam's Club, Durfee & Bohnett Foundation grant (update) | 8:05 – 8:10 |
| d. Metrolink Max Program Laguna to Chatsworth Corridor | 8:10 – 8:15 |
| e. Newsletter (need articles for 27 th issue, 23 rd issue distributed) | 8:15 – 8:25 |
| f. Office Volunteers Needed | 8:25 – 8:27 |
| g. Discussion Board: New Registration Required Board | 8:28 – 8:30 |
| 4. Treasurer's Report | 8:30 – 8:31 |
| 5. Membership renewal update | 8:31 – 8:32 |
| 6. Board member announcements | 8:32 – 8:36 |
| 7. Next general meeting Tuesday, March 25 @ Philippe the Original | 8:36 – 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"***