



Meeting: Wednesday, December 7, 2011, 6:45 – 8:46 p.m.

1. Introductions (and information about our nonprofit public charity) 6:59 – 7:10
We need your membership gift to continue our important advocacy work. Please help!
 2. Speaker: **Chris Burner**, Metro Foothill Gold Line Authority, Chief Project Officer 7:11- 8:05
 3. Brief updates 8:06 – 8:45
 - a. Metro Board [Meeting Preview](#): Thursday, December 07, 2011:
 1. Downtown Regional Connector: Green Line / LAX People Mover.
 2. Orange Line Extension / Foothill Gold Line / W Santa Ana Branch.
 3. SF Valley / I-405 Transit Corridor Status and Alternatives. Presentations
 4. Crenshaw Line, Westside Subway Extension: BH Issues / Federal TIFIA Loan
 - b. Other Transit Operators / Issues:
 1. Torrance / Long Beach / Culver City / Santa Monica / Riverside.
 2. LAX FlyAway Meetings & Issues. Westwood, Irvine
 3. GRID Project: Reorganizing Goods Movement: Ship to Rail to Truck.
 4. East Los Angeles: Fixing Bad Alignment Choices.
 5. Gateway Cities Strategic Plan
 6. Foothill Gold Line
 - c. Metrolink [Meeting Preview](#): Friday, December 9, 2011:
 1. Metrolink High Speed Rail Principles
 2. New Service Initiatives: Through LAUS, Bypass LAUS, Joint to San Diego
 3. Schedule revisions: January 9 and March, 2012; New offerings: Bypass Train.
 4. Adoption of Locomotive and Equipment Fleet Plan.
 - d. Amtrak *Coast Starlight* / LOSSAN & Federal Funding Issues (Justin Walker)
 1. LOSSAN Corridor Report. Starlight Report.
 - e. High-Speed Rail, next steps:
 1. Business Plan Released, EIR out, Governor Appointments, Polling
 - f. Expo Line progress: Engineering / Construction Phase 2 Contract issued.
 1. Project delayed. Segment Opening March 2012.
 4. Project update
 - a. Complete Streets & A Better Inland Empire.
 - b. Office Volunteers Needed.
 - c. Sam's, Alliance Biking & Walking, City GPF grant.
 - d. Metrolink Max Program: Simplified Service Plan (meetings continue).
 - e. Newsletter (need articles for 73rd issue, 72nd issue out)
 5. Treasurer's Report
 6. Membership renewal updates
 7. Board member announcements
 8. Next general meeting **Tuesday, January 24, 2012** @ Philippe the Original with Don Sepulveda, Executive Officer, Metro Regional Rail
 9. Future Speaker: Art Leahy, Chief Executive Officer, Metro, February 28, 2012.
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Transit

Preserving the Tax Credit Ceiling for Transit Users (currently it is \$230 per month) preserved in 2011, expires in December 2011

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

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* ***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 2011-12 Appropriations, "Passenger Rail Improvement and Investment Act"***