



Meeting: Tuesday, June 26, 2012, 6:43 – 8:46 p.m.

1. Introductions (and information about our nonprofit public charity) 6:43 – 7:05
We need your membership gift to continue our important advocacy work. Please help!
2. Speaker: **Robert Ball, PE**, Deputy EO, Project Management Exec. Office, Metro 7:05 -- 8:05
3. Brief updates 8:06 – 8:46
 - a. Internship Program:
 1. CSUN Transportation Intern Tiger Team Project.
 2. SF Valley Nordhoff Streetcar Proposal and Vision.
 3. Rail Span of Service & Frequency Project.
 - b. Metro Board [Meeting Preview](#): Thursday, June 28, 2012:
 1. XpressWest (formerly DesertXpress) agreements / High Desert Corridor.
 2. Orange Line Extension Opens June 30 (volunteers).
 3. Union Station Master Plan / Universal City Pedestrian Overpass.
 4. Federal Job Access and Reverse Commute grant recipients.
 5. Measure R+: November ballot, removal of sunset date.
 - c. 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. Gateway Cities Strategic Plan.
 5. Foothill Gold Line Extension.
 - d. Metrolink [Meeting Review](#): Friday, June 22, 2012:
 1. Budget Approved / Increased OC Service.
 2. High-Speed Rail Funds / Locomotive, Car Improvements.
 3. Schedule revisions: July 2012; New offerings: Bypass Train.
 4. Adoption of Locomotive and Equipment Fleet Plan.
 - e. Amtrak *Coast Starlight* / LOSSAN & Federal Funding Issues (Justin Walker):
 1. LOSSAN Corridor Report. Starlight Report.
 - f. High-Speed Rail, next steps:
 1. State Bond Funding, Run Through Tracks, Book-ends.
 - g. Expo Line progress: Engineering / Construction Phase 2 Contract issued:
 1. Phase I Culver City, Farmdale stations now open.
 2. Phase II Construction to begin on bridges; utility relocations continue.
4. Project update
 - a. Complete Streets & A Better Inland Empire.
 - b. Office Volunteers Needed. / Intern Applications Accepted.
 - c. Sam's, Kaiser, APTA, City GPF grant.
 - d. Metrolink Max Program: Simplified Service Plan (meetings continue).
 - e. Newsletter (need articles for 82nd issue, 81st issue out).
5. Treasurer's Report.
6. Membership renewal updates.
7. Board member announcements.
8. Next general meeting **Tuesday, July 24, 2012** @ Metro Gateway Headquarters.
Featured Speaker: Bruce Shelburne, Rail Service Development Manager, Metro.

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Transit

Preserving the Tax Credit Ceiling for Transit Users (currently \$130, it was \$240 per month) preserved in 2011, expired in December 2011, and possibly up for renewal again.

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

- * ***Bicycle-Related Thefts at Union Station***
- * ***Metro Long Range Transportation Plan update***
- * ***Alternatives Analyses Continue for Future Corridors***
- * ***Advocacy In Action***

Bus

BRU and the Consent Decree

The SFV Orange Line

- * ***Orange Line extensions to Chatsworth (opens June 30), Bob Hope Airport Metrolink/Amtrak Station, Van Nuys Blvd.***
- * ***Bus Transport after the Consent Decree: Realigned Bus Services***
- * ***Report on Metro Line 220: Expo Line bus connections***

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

- * ***Westside Subway: Choices for Subway Stations***
- * ***Eastside Gold Line: Phase 2 Developments***
- * ***Metro to Build Pedestrian Overpass at Universal City Red Line Station***

Regional Rail

Union Station Run-Through Tracks Project Updates

- * ***Harbor Subdivision ROW in Metrolink's Strategic Plan***
- * ***Metrolink to Fund Additional, Permanent OC Service***
- * ***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"***