



Meeting: Tuesday, March 26, 2013, 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: **Habib Balian**, Gold Line Foothill Ext. Construction Authority 7:05 -- 8:25

3. Brief updates 8:26 – 8:46

- a. Internship Program:
 1. Transportation Intern Tiger Team Project--(deliverables list).
 2. Rail Span of Service & Frequency Project.
 3. Orange Line Betterments.
 4. JEM Line.
 - b. Metro Board [Meeting Preview](#): Thursday, March 28, 2013:
 1. Cap and Trade Revenues, P2000 Refurbishment, Expo Station Names.
 2. Part-time carpool lane on 134 Freeway.
 3. Mobility 21 Goods Movement support, funding.
 - c. Other Transit Operators / Issues:
 1. Torrance / Long Beach / Culver City / Santa Monica / Riverside.
 2. LAX FlyAway Meetings & Issues: Westwood, Van Nuys.
 3. GRID Project: Reorganizing Goods Movement: Ship to Rail to Truck.
 4. Gateway Cities Strategic Plan.
 5. Foothill Gold Line Extension: Iconic Bridge Structure Completed.
 - d. Metrolink [Meeting Review](#): Friday, March 8, 2013:
 1. TAP implementation, fare inspection survey.
 2. Safety Peer Review Panel update.
 3. Schedule revisions: March/April 2013; On-Time Performance.
 4. Finance issues; internal / external audits.
 - e. Amtrak *Coast Starlight* / LOSSAN & Federal Funding Issues:
 1. LOSSAN Corridor Report / New platforms at Union Station.
 - f. High-Speed Rail, next steps:
 1. Property acquisition, Run Through Tracks, Book-ends.
 - g. Expo Line progress: Engineering / Construction Phase 2 Contract issued:
 1. Phase II Construction begins on bridges; utility relocations continue.
 - h. Crenshaw Line progress:
 1. Team bids due soon.
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 88th issue, 87th issue out).
5. Treasurer's Report.
6. Membership renewal updates.
7. Board member announcements.
8. Next general meeting **Thursday, April 25, 2013** @ Metro Gateway Headquarters.
Featured Speaker: Richard Katz / Denny Zane???

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Transit

Preserving the Tax Credit Ceiling for Transit Users (currently \$240 per month) preserved in 2011, expired in December 2011, and renewed for 2013.

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

* ***What next, post-Measure J?***

* ***Cornfield/Arroyo Community Plan: Parking Minimums Abolished***

* ***CSUN Transportation Tiger Team***

Bus

BRU issues

The Silver and Orange Lines

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

* ***Ventura County to Spend State Funds on Transit***

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***

* ***Opponents Fail to Stop Rail at the Courts***

* ***Metro to Build Pedestrian Overpass at Universal City Red Line Station***

* ***TOD issues: Villaraigosa Orders Department Heads to Work Together***

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 Funding; 110 mph test in Illinois***