



## Meeting: Thursday, April 25, 2013, 6:41 – 8:46 p.m.

1. Introductions (and information about our nonprofit public charity). 6:41 – 7:05  
**We need your membership gift to continue our important advocacy work. Please help!**
2. Speaker: **Renee Berlin**, Dir. of Regional Transportation Planning, Metro 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 and frequency.
    4. JEM Line. PPP Program at Union Station.
  - b. Metro Board [Meeting Review](#): Thursday, April 25, 2013:
    1. Metro Call for Projects, Measure R Expenditure Plan.
    2. Gold / Expo Line station names, legislative updates.
    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, April 12, 2013:
    1. Positive Train Control implementation.
    2. Amtrak Crew Operations: Safety issues.
    3. Public Review Process for Future Fare Adjustment.
    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 Track Progress: aka: SCRIP.
  - g. Expo Line progress: Engineering / Construction Phase 2 Contract issued:
    1. Phase II Construction continues on bridges; utility relocations continue.
  - h. Crenshaw Line progress:
    1. Team bids due May 2013 .
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 89th issue, 88th issue out).
5. Treasurer's Report.
6. Membership renewal updates.
7. Board member announcements.
8. Next general meeting **Thursday, May 30, 2013** @ Metro Gateway Headquarters.  
Featured Speakers: Richard Katz / Denny Zane

## **NEWSLETTER ARTICLES Volume 8 Issue 05**

### **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***