



MINUTES

Thursday, March 27, 2025

10:00 AM

Board of Directors - Regular Board Meeting

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Janice Hahn, Chair
Fernando Dutra, 1st Vice Chair
Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker, 2nd Vice Chair*
James Butts
Lindsey Horvath
Holly J. Mitchell
Ara J. Najarian
Imelda Padilla
Tim Sandoval
Katy Yaroslavsky
Gloria Roberts, non-voting member

Stephanie Wiggins, Chief Executive Officer

***Attended virtually under AB2449 under Just Cause.**

CALLED TO ORDER: 10:14 A.M.

ROLL CALL

1. APPROVED Consent Calendar Items: 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12**, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 29.

Consent Calendar items were approved by one motion except item 12, which required a two-thirds vote and was taken separately due to absences.

FD	JDW	LH	IP	HS	JB	KB	KRB	AJN	HJM	KY	TS	JH
Y	Y	A	Y	A	A	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

**Voting Deviations:*

Item 6 – the following Directors were conflicted: LH and KRB

2. SUBJECT: MINUTES

2025-0224

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held February 27, 2025.

3. SUBJECT: REMARKS BY THE CHAIR

2025-0222

RECEIVED remarks by the Chair.

FD	JDW	LH	IP	HS	JB	KB	KRB	AJN	HJM	KY	TS	JH
P	P	P	P	A	P	A	A	A	P	P	P	P

4. SUBJECT: REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

2025-0223

RECEIVED report by the Chief Executive Officer.

FD	JDW	LH	IP	HS	JB	KB	KRB	AJN	HJM	KY	TS	JH
P	P	P	P	A	P	A	A	A	P	P	P	P

KB = K. Barger	FD = F. Dutra	IP = I. Padilla	KY = K. Yaroslavsky
KRB = K.R. Bass	JH = J. Hahn	AJN = A.J. Najarian	
JB = J. Butts	LH = L. Horvath	TS = T. Sandoval	
JDW = J. Dupont Walker	HJM = H.J. Mitchell	HS = H. Solis	

LEGEND: Y = YES, N = NO, C = CONFLICT, ABS = ABSTAIN, A = ABSENT, P = PRESENT

**5. SUBJECT: PROGRAM FUNDS FOR CITY OF REDONDO BEACH
IMPROVEMENTS AT AVIATION AND ARTESIA
BOULEVARD**

2025-0064

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. \$1,500,000 in additional programming within the capacity of Measure R Multimodal Highway Subregional Programs for improvements at the intersection of Aviation Blvd at Artesia Blvd in the City of Redondo Beach within the South Bay Subregion; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements for the Board-approved projects.

6. SUBJECT: EXPO/CRENSHAW JOINT DEVELOPMENT

2024-1093

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or designee, to execute and enter into a joint development agreement (JDA), ground lease, and other related documents with Expo Crenshaw Apartments, LP (Developer), for the construction and operation of a mixed-use affordable housing project (Project) on 1.77 acres of Metro-owned property located at the southeast corner of W. Exposition Blvd. and Crenshaw Blvd. (Metro Site), adjacent to the K Line Expo/Crenshaw Station in the City of Los Angeles in accordance with the Summary of Key Terms and Conditions and upon receipt of concurrence by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA); and
- B. FINDING the Project complies with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for using a Sustainable Communities Environmental Assessment (SCEA) as authorized pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21155.2(b), which is consistent with the Environmental Studies and Report, making the CEQA findings set forth further below (CEQA Findings) and authorizing the CEO or designee to file a Notice of Determination for the Project in accordance with said findings by the Metro Board of Directors (Metro Board).

**8. SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF THE PROJECT PRIORITIZATION
FRAMEWORK FOR THE 2025 SCAG CMAQ/STBG CALL
FOR PROJECTS**

2025-0040

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the CEO or their designee to submit to SCAG the Project Prioritization Framework Metro will use to evaluate and rank projects for Los Angeles County as part of the 2025 SCAG CMAQ/STBG Call for Projects.

9. SUBJECT: VERMONT TRANSIT CORRIDOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND PLANNING STUDY 2025-0044

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. RECEIVING AND FILING the Vermont Transit Corridor environmental study findings as per Senate Bill 922 Statutory Exemption requirements;
- B. the proposed Vermont Transit Corridor Project, a new 12.4-mile at-grade, side-running bus rapid transit (BRT) line with 26 stations at 13 intersection locations, as the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA);
- C. the finding that the Project is statutorily exempt from CEQA under Section 21080.25(b); and
- D. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer to file a CEQA Notice of Exemption (NOE) for the Project with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

10. SUBJECT: MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT GRANTWRITING 2025-0052

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award a firm fixed unit rate Contract No. PS125381000 to Capitol Government Contract Specialists for Major Capital Project grantwriting services to support Board priorities, in an amount Not-to-Exceed (NTE) \$6,332,734 for a two-year base period, with one, two-year option in the amount of \$6,287,602, for a total NTE amount of \$12,620,336, effective April 7, 2025, subject to resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

11. SUBJECT: METRO CENTER PROJECT CLOSE-OUT 2024-1164

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR an increase to the Life of Project budget in the amount of \$13,000,000 from \$143,688,310 to \$156,688,310 for the Metro Center Project to fully resolve all claims and complete the close-out of the Project.

**12. SUBJECT: ZERO EMISSION BUS (ZEB) CHARGING
INFRASTRUCTURE FOR DIVISIONS 18 & 7**

2024-1073

APPROVED BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE BOARD:

- A. FINDING that authorization of the use of alternative delivery methods, including Progressive Design Build Operate Maintain (PDBOM), pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130242 (b), will achieve integration of design, project works, and operations and maintenance of charging equipment in an efficient manner for ZEB Charging Infrastructure Projects at Divisions 18 & 7; and
- B. APPROVING a competitive solicitation of a PDBOM contract to achieve the proposed design approach, specific project features and functions, and other project criteria in addition to price, pursuant to Public Utilities Code 130242 (e).

FD	JDW	LH	IP	HS	JB	KB	KRB	AJN	HJM	KY	TS	JH
Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	A	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

**13. SUBJECT: FEMALE PARTICIPATION IN PROJECT LABOR
AGREEMENT/CONSTRUCTION CAREERS POLICY
CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

2025-0036

RECEIVED AND FILED the Construction Workforce Disparity Study report and response to Board Motion 29.

FD	JDW	LH	IP	HS	JB	KB	KRB	AJN	HJM	KY	TS	JH
P	A	P	P	A	P	A	A	A	P	P	P	P

**13.1 SUBJECT: MEETING THE MOMENT: A REGIONAL APPROACH TO
REALIZING LA METRO'S WORKFORCE EQUITY GOALS
MOTION**

2025-0237

APPROVED AS AMENDED Motion by Horvath, Hahn, Dutra, Solis and Yaroslavsky and that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. expand the Cultural Competency Plan requirement to integrate Community Benefits and Workforce Equity components into RFP procurements, and identify mechanisms to embed workforce commitments, such as childcare accessibility, reliable transportation, supportive work environments and an inclusive workplace culture, ensuring alignment with Metro's broader workforce initiatives;

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- B. establish a regional roundtable with the Program Management Office (PMO), general contractors' associations, contractors, the Los Angeles Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO), LA/OCBCTC, union trades, and other key stakeholders to develop a strategic action plan. Discussion should include, but not be limited to consistent goal setting for regional public contracting agencies, the provision and/or subsidization of childcare services similar to that of "TradesFutures" childcare pilots in Milwaukee and New York City, and "Care That Works" in Boston, and apprentice/journeyman ratios on construction sites. The roundtable should provide a unique forum for stakeholders to address the systematic barriers that confront the participation of women in the trades;
- C. conduct a Women in the Trades Regional Summit to bring together public agencies, trade unions, workforce development boards, and academic institutions to foster collaboration, share best practices, and drive commitments to increase female participation in the construction workforce;
- D. establish a Construction Female Advisory Group composed of experienced women in the Trades, which will provide mentorship, guidance, and best practices to help dismantle barriers for women in construction; and
- E. launch a targeted social media campaign (Built By Her) focused on women, youth, and mentorship opportunities. The social media campaign should be complemented with outreach to potential partners in the field of women's sports and the creative arts.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the Chief Executive Officer be directed to report back in June 2025 with a series of workforce equity components that could be embedded in RFP procurements, such as a contractor's previous commitments and attainment of workforce hiring goals, the maintenance of an inclusive and harassment-free workplace, and the provision or subsidization of childcare resources, that would generate more accountability for a contractor meeting proposed hiring goals.

DUPONT-WALKER AMENDMENT: Report back in May on the status of efforts to address cultural competency requirements for the rest of the historically underutilized, including the other cultural sensitivities and the disparities that continue to exist and what factors to consider, and include best practices of those that took the scorecard seriously.

FD	JDW	LH	IP	HS	JB	KB	KRB	AJN	HJM	KY	TS	JH
Y	A	Y	Y	A	Y	A	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

14. SUBJECT: INVESTMENT POLICY

2025-0043

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. ADOPTING the Investment Policy;
- B. APPROVING the Financial Institutions Resolution authorizing financial institutions to honor signatures of LACMTA's Officials; and
- C. DELEGATING to the Treasurer or their designees, the authority to invest funds for a one-year period, pursuant to California Government Code ("Code") Section 53607.

15. SUBJECT: WEB PLATFORM DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

2024-1163

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to execute Modification No. 2 to Contract No. PS87947000 with Exemplifi, LLC in the amount of \$400,000 increasing the Not-to-Exceed (NTE) contract value from \$550,000 to \$950,000, and extend the period of performance from August 31, 2025 to June 30, 2026 to continue providing essential digital maintenance and development support for Metro.net and standalone websites (The Source, El Pasajero, and art.metro.net).

20. SUBJECT: METRO B AND D LINES UNINTERRUPTIBLE POWER SUPPLY BATTERIES

2024-1128

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to amend Contract No. OP44570-2000B with Skyler Electric Company, Inc., in the amount of \$1,403,491 for Task Order No. 9, to provide Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) Batteries for Metro B and D Lines, increasing the cumulative Not-to-Exceed (NTE) contract amount from \$3,468,400 to \$4,871,891.

21. SUBJECT: COUNTYWIDE TRANSIT SIGNAL PRIORITY (TSP) CLOUD SOLUTION

2025-0045

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award a 30-month, firm-fixed-price Contract No. PS125493000 to JMDiaz, Inc., for the design, development, and implementation of a cloud-based Transit Signal Priority (TSP) system on portions of the NextGen Tier One network in the County of Los Angeles in the amount of \$2,443,389, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

22. SUBJECT: PEST AND BIRD CONTROL SERVICES

2025-0160

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to award a firm fixed unit rate Contract No. OP48505(2)0008370 to CDS Services, Inc. DBA Legion Pest Management, for pest and bird control services throughout Metro's bus and rail facilities, rail cars, and non-revenue vehicles, in the Not-To-Exceed (NTE) amount of \$2,887,332 for the three-year base period and \$1,925,728 for the two-year option, for a combined NTE amount of \$4,813,060, effective May 5, 2025; subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

23. SUBJECT: METRO AGENCYWIDE FURNITURE AND MOVING SERVICES

2025-0071

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer to award a five-year, Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. PS125302000, for furniture, space planning, and installation services, to M3 Office, Inc., for a Not-to-Exceed (NTE) amount of \$3,475,000.00 for the three-year base period and \$1,075,000.00 for each of the two, one-year options, for a combined total of \$5,625,000.00 effective April 1, 2025, subject to the resolution of any properly submitted protest(s), if any.

24. SUBJECT: METRO BIKE SHARE

2025-0096

AUTHORIZED ON CONSENT CALENDAR the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to:

- A. EXECUTE Modification No. 18 to Contract No. PS272680011357 with Bicycle Transit Systems, Inc. (BTS) in the amount of \$8,357,384 to continue Metro Bike Share (MBS) program services increasing the total contract value from \$116,292,084 to \$124,649,468 and extend the period of performance by a total of 7 months from April 30, 2025 through November 30, 2025, inclusive of a base period of four months and three, one-month options; and
- B. EXECUTE individual contract modifications within the Board approved contract modification authority.

28. SUBJECT: COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL (CAC) QUARTERLY UPDATE

2024-1145

CARRIED OVER TO THE MAY 2025 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

~~RECEIVE AND FILE quarterly status report on the Community Advisory Council (CAC).~~

29. SUBJECT: STATION ACTIVATION MOTION

2025-0217

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR Motion by Yaroslavsky, Bass, Dupont-Walker, Sandoval and Mitchell that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer to:

- A. Create a pilot station activation program to help Metro reimagine and determine how to elevate the experience of our transit riders and the surrounding communities, using tools like farmers markets, cultural programming, vending, and community events and report back in 3 months on the progress. The plan should also identify a rapid deployment that can support Purple Line Extension Section 1 station openings;
- B. Open TAP Card art contest for the new stations, time permitting;
- C. Explore TAP ticket integration art entertainment venues and cultural centers near stations, such as, but not limited to, the El Rey Theater, Pomona Fairplex, LACMA, and the Petersen Museum, building off of the successful Hollywood Bowl pilot; and
- D. Report back on the progress of the actions above on a quarterly basis to the Operations, Safety, and Customer Experience Committee, including progress on the Visionary Seed Fund station activation program at Leimert Park Station, Willowbrook/Rosa Parks Station, and Westlake/MacArthur Park Station.

30. SUBJECT: FEDERAL AND STATE REPORT

2025-0162

APPROVED:

- A. RECEIVING AND FILING the March 2025 Federal and State Legislative Report; and
- B. ADOPTING Staff Recommended Position:
 - AB 1237 (McKinnor). County of Los Angeles: sporting events: ticket charge: public transit. - SUPPORT-WORK WITH AUTHOR/SPONSOR.

FD	JDW	LH	IP	HS	JB	KB	KRB	AJN	HJM	KY	TS	JH
Y	A	Y	Y	A	A	A	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y

31. SUBJECT: CLOSED SESSION

2025-0238

A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - G.C. 54956.9(D)(1)

1. Julissa Adriana Castaneda v. LACMTA, LASC Case No. 22STCV04100

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$1,350,000.

FD	JDW	LH	IP	HS	JB	KB	KRB	AJN	HJM	KY	TS	JH
Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

2. Angel Saucedo v. LACMTA, LASC Case No. 23LBCV01790

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$250,000.

FD	JDW	LH	IP	HS	JB	KB	KRB	AJN	HJM	KY	TS	JH
Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

3. Sara Valtierra v. LACMTA, LASC Case No. 23CHCV00139

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$1,000,000.

FD	JDW	LH	IP	HS	JB	KB	KRB	AJN	HJM	KY	TS	JH
Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

B. Public Employment - G.C. 54957

Title: Chief Executive Officer

No report.

C. Conference with Labor Negotiator - Government Code 54957.6

Agency Designated Representatives: Cristian Leiva and Dawn Jackson-Perkins

Employee Organizations: AFSCME, SMART and Teamsters

No report.

ADJOURNED AT 1:05 P.M.

Prepared by: Jennifer Avelar
Administrative Analyst, Board Administration



Collette Langston, Board Clerk