

Metro

Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC)

Quarterly Board Update June 18, 2025

March 6, 2025, PSAC General Meeting

Weapons Detection Pilot - Overview

- Metro Staff presented information on equipment used, locations, program timing
- PSAC Committee members expressed need for community input <u>prior to</u> Board presentation at conclusion of pilot

Rail Platform Barriers

- Metro Staff presented information on barrier types, costs and processes needed for installation across system
- PSAC received comments from members of the public in support of the barriers

Executive Committee Elections & Adoption of Bylaws



April 3, 2025, PSAC General Meeting

Transit Watch App (TW) 3.0

 Metro Staff conducted a follow-up presentation (to Oct. 2024) on TW updates and engaged with PSAC members to discuss app changes and/or improvements

Weapons Detection Pilot – In-Depth Presentation

- Metro Staff presented information on vendors, analytics, technology & future staffing needs
 - Metro's Data Analytics Policy Guided Designing Non-Discriminatory Screenings
- PSAC members expressed concerns about false-positives and delays for riders
- Several community members provided public comment against the pilot,
 requesting the funds for the weapons detection system be used for other measures

Social Media Feedback

 Metro Staff conducted a follow-up presentation (to July 2024) on social media and brainstormed with PSAC members ideas for future taller fare gate posts



May 1, 2025, PSAC General Meeting

Cell Service Update

 Metro Staff presented information on cell service updates for the K, A and Purple Line Extension (PLE) Phase 1 Lines; PSAC members expressed appreciation for these safety enhancements

Member Feedback on Fare Gate Installations at Lake and Firestone

 After testing the taller fare gates, the PSAC feedback was positive, but PSAC members noticed that many riders seemed confused. They suggested better signage to limit bypassing the fare gate by using adjacent emergency service gates

Transit Community Public Safety Department (TCPSD) Overview and Update to the new Cohort



May 1, 2025, PSAC General Meeting and Engagements

FY26 Safety Budget Update

- Staff gave an overview of the proposed budget to:
 - Increase resources planned for deployment, operations, maintenance and cleaning
 - Preparate for upcoming expansion efforts (LAX Transit Center, Beverly Hills, Foothill Extension), the World Cup, and Olympics
 - Build the TCPSD & ambassadors coming in-house
 - Prepare for disasters, responses to societal issues impacting Metro (homelessness, theft of copper on systems, etc.), and capital projects

TCPSD Chief of Police Announcement Press Conference

- PSAC's Chair attended the press conference announcing the new TCPSD Chief of Police
 Bill Scott on May 7
- Director Mitchell thanked PSAC for their work informing the TCPSD Chief of Police job description and future TCPSD efforts

Tour of Emergency Security Operations Center (ESOC)

14 Committee Members received an informational tour of the ESOC - May 15 & 19 **Metro**

May 7, 2025, TCPSD Chief of Police Press Conference with PSAC Chair

