



**GENERAL GUIDELINES  
for MTA Participation in Proposed Assessment Districts**

**1. MTA Participation in Assessment Districts**

Assessment districts can provide a wide variety of services and improvements. However, the MTA must decide individually whether or not specific MTA property benefits from such services and improvements. Such determination shall be dependent upon:

- the use of MTA property, and
- the services or improvements provided by the assessment district.

**2. Evaluation Criteria**

The following criteria shall be used to evaluate whether or not an assessment district services and/or improvements will benefit MTA is the extent that the services or improvements specifically:

- improve MTA property or facilities,
- benefit MTA employees,
- benefit the MTA riding public, or
- reduce costs for the MTA.

**3. Determination of Benefit**

Each proposed assessment district containing MTA property will be analyzed on a case-by-case basis; however, general guidelines for determining benefit to MTA properties are as outlined in the following:

**TIER 1 - NO BENEFIT**

- Subsurface easements
- Aerial easements
- Rights of Way

**TIER 2 - MINOR OR NO POTENTIAL BENEFIT**

- Vacant Land
- Parking Lots

- **Bus Layovers**

**TIER 3 - MINOR OR SOME POTENTIAL BENEFIT**

- **Bus Divisions**
- **Bus Terminals**
- **Customer Service Centers**
- **USG Headquarters Building**
- **Maintenance Facilities**
- **Rail Division**
- **Rail Terminals**
- **Stations**

**TIER 4 - ACTUAL BENEFIT**

- **Joint Development Projects**

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