

**Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board Meeting
 Construction Authority Offices
 406 E. Huntington Drive, Suite 202
 Maria Dalton Community Room
 Monrovia, California 91016**

**March 23, 2016
 7:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Tessitor called the meeting to order at approximately 7:06 pm.

2. Roll Call:

Member	Appointing Entity	Present	Absent
<i>Voting Members</i>			
Doug Tessitor, <i>Chair</i>	City of Pasadena	X	
Sam Pedroza, <i>Vice Chair</i>	SGVCOG	X	
Vacant	City of Los Angeles	—	—
Paul Leon	City of South Pasadena	X	
John Fasana	LACMTA	X (7:15)	
<i>Non-Voting Members</i>			
Carrie Bowen	Governor of California	X	
Gene Masuda	City of Pasadena	X	
Daniel Evans	City of South Pasadena	X	
Alan Wapner	SANBAG		X
<i>Alternate Members</i>			
Marisol Rodriguez	City of Los Angeles		X
Gene Murabito	SGVCOG	—	—
Deborah Robertson	SANBAG	—	—

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Gene Masuda led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Public Comments on Items On/Off Agenda

Chairman Tessitor opened Public Comment and indicated that a speaker card had been submitted by Bill Holman. Chairman Tessitor requested Mr. Holman to address the Board for Public Comment. Mr. Holman introduced himself as representing Rosedale Land Partners (RLP) and indicated that he had sent a letter to the Board and hoped that it had been made available to them. Mr. Holman addressed the Board regarding the Foothill Boulevard and Citrus Avenue intersection signal. Mr. Holman indicated that staff at the Construction Authority had previously agreed to pay \$250,000 for signal at the intersection while Rosedale Land Partners had agreed to pay for the construction of the roadway at the intersection and through Citrus Avenue to the APU/Citrus Station and the

Rosedale Development. Mr. Holman indicated that Construction Authority staff had recently represented that since the Construction Authority had paid for the 300 feet of north roadway at Citrus Avenue that the cost of that construction which Rosedale would have constructed would offset the cost of the signal. Mr. Holman indicated that Construction Authority staff did not seek agreement or coordination of constructing the 300 feet of roadway nor the cost exchange. Mr. Holman indicated that RLP has been working with both the cities of Azusa and Glendora on the design and approval of the intersection for over two years. Mr. Holman indicated that approval was only provided in January 2016. Mr. Holman indicated that he was hopeful that the Construction Authority would honor its agreement for payment of the traffic signal. Mr. Holman indicated that if no funding for the traffic signal was forthcoming that stop signs would be placed at the intersection until such time as funding was available. Chairman Tessitor thanked Mr. Holman for his comments.

Chairman Tessitor inquired if there was anyone else who wished to provide public comment on items on or off the Agenda. Chairman Tessitor recognized Terry Murdoch. Ms. Murdoch indicated that she was a resident who lives in the community immediately adjacent to the Citrus / Foothill intersection and that there have been 6 accidents over the past 15 months and that she was hopeful that the work would be completed in the near future. Ms. Murdoch indicated that the intersection has become very dangerous and unsafe. Chairman Tessitor thanked Ms. Murdoch for her comments.

Chairman Tessitor inquired if there was anyone else who wished to provide public comment on items on or off the Agenda – hearing and seeing none, Vice Chair Pedroza closed public comment.

5. CEO's Monthly Report

Mr. Balian presented a short video to Board which highlighted the significant coverage of televised media regarding the March 5th opening. Mr. Balian highlighted the March 5th festivities hosted by Metro. Mr. Balian highlighted the success if the line demonstrated by full parking structures at almost all the station.

Mr. Balian reviewed the Critical Path Schedule for Phase 2A which indicated that the Foothill Transit and City of Azusa Downtown Station parking facility was completed by Foothill Transit; that revenue operations of the Phase 2A segment commenced on March 5, 2016; that the punch list for outstanding Phase 2A items would be completed by June 2016; that Rosedale Land Partners is expected to complete the Citrus Road and Citrus / Foothill intersection work by August 2016; that final acceptance of the Pasadena to Azusa Project would be September 2016 and that Metro continues 3010 Light Rail Vehicle commission through January 2017.

Mr. Blain presented an overview the recent traffic issues that have been reported since revenue operations. Mr. Balian indicated that the traffic issues have been identified along Duarte Road and occur at the intersections of Myrtle Ave., California Ave., Mountain Ave., and Buena Vista. Mr. Balian indicated that a "tiger" team has been established to identify causes and implement measure to resolve the traffic issues. Mr. Balian indicated that members of the tiger team include the Construction Authority,

FTC, cities of Duarte and Monrovia and Los Angeles County. Mr. Balian indicated that LA County provide the timing for traffic signals in Monrovia and Duarte. Mr. Balian indicated that as of now the issues that have been identified are traffic signal corrections and adjustment. Mr. Balian indicated that with the corrections and adjustments, staff have observed a significant improvement in the appropriate gate arm phasing and signal timing. Mr. Balian indicated that some issues are stilling be addressed by Metro which have to deal with dwell times in stations by operators. Mr. Balian indicated that the recall and replacement of Siemens circuit board for crossing mechanisms has almost been completed – Azusa crossing will be complete in next few weeks.

Board Member Masuda inquired about run times at the Sierra Madre Villa station and onward. Mr. Balian indicated that currently during peak times the trains run every 6 minutes on Phase 1 and every 12 minutes on Phase 2A, so one train runs the entire length and the other stops at Sierra Madre Villa. Mr. Balian indicated that those patrons must exit the train and then wait for the next train to continue eastward.

Board Member Masuda also indicated that the Sierra Madre Villa parking structure is still almost full.

Mr. Balian reviewed the Critical Path Schedule for Phase 2B which indicated that the FLSSC MOU and Caltrans MCA had been executed; the Safety & Security Certification Plan and the Project Study Report / Project Report (PSR/PR) will be completed by June 2016; CPUC application will be submitted by September 2016; ACE drawings developed by October 2016; SDAR reviews and recommendations completed by December 2016; NEPA for SANBAG segment completed by June 2017; BNSF Agreement completed in June 2017 as well as USACE permits.

Board Member Evans inquired if any problems were anticipated with the Army Corp of Engineers. Mr. Balian indicated that none were anticipation.

Mr. Balian indicated that Metro had released it LRTP and the Foothill Gold Line Extension is listed in the draft expenditure plan. Mr. Balian indicated that there is a funding gap and timing issue in the document, but it looks good.

Mr. Balian also indicated that staff is working with Metro on a CAP and TRADE grant through the State for some additional funding which may address some possible funding gap.

6. Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of Minutes of Special Board Meeting held January 27, 2016**
- b. Approval of Administrative Code Revisions** (Construction and Management & Personnel Committees)
- c. Approval of Revisions to Project Management Plan (PMP)** (Construction, Finance and Management & Personnel Committees)

d. Rosedale Land Partners and the Construction of Citrus Avenue

Chairman Tessitor requested that Agenda Item 6.d. be pulled for discussion and that the Board consider the remainder of the items for approval. Board Member Fasana made a motion to approve the remainder of the items on Consent Calendar which was seconded by Board Member Pedroza and passed unanimously.

Mr. Balian provided the report on Agenda Item 6.d. "Rosedale Land Partners and the Construction of Citrus Avenue". Mr. Balian indicated that the Construction Authority had sent a letter to RLP on March 17th. Mr. Balian indicated that there are two main issue: (1) the roadway on Citrus Avenue to access the APU/Citrus Parking facility and (2) the construction or implementation of a traffic signal at Citrus Avenue and Foothill Boulevard. Mr. Balian indicated that staff believes that these are two separate items. Mr. Balian indicated that staff proposed swapping the value of the two items. Mr. Balian indicated that the Construction Authority is committed to have the traffic signal installed. Mr. Balian indicated that the matter will be further discussed in Closed Session.

7. General Board Items

a. Consideration of a Resolution Approving Certain Refinements to the Azusa to Montclair Segment and Adopting the Third Addendum to the Certified Azusa to Montclair Final EIR

Mr. Balian presented the report. Mr. Balian indicated that for the past few years, the Construction Authority, in coordination with project stakeholders, have been working to progress the preliminary design of the project alignment. Mr. Balian indicated that as the design has progressed, various project refinements have been proposed to better serve the project. Mr. Balian indicated that the Third Addendum to the EIR contains the study of these project refinements, which is attached to the attached Resolution No. 2016-R-01. Mr. Balian indicated that staff is seeking the Boards approval of the study and project refinements which will then be incorporated into the project design.

Mr. Balian requested that Mr. Burner summarize the various refinements listed in the Addendum. Mr. Balian review each of the items.

Chairman Tessitor inquired if there were any comments or questions from the Board.

Board Member Fasana inquired if the current project budget is sufficient to address the proposed refinements.

Board Member Tessitor inquired the Ada Avenue closure which also services a hospital – did staff consult with the stakeholders in the area. Mr. Burner indicated that staff in consultation with the City of Glendora reached out to emergency services to ensure that there would be no to minimal impact. Mr. Burner indicated that additional outreach was made to the hospital itself as well as an

adjacent post office. Mr. Burner indicated that no objections were raised and that the closure of Ada was acceptable to all parties. Mr. Burner described the possible mitigation due to the closure of Ada but indicated that the CPUC would need to review and approve the mitigations.

Board Member Pedroza inquired as to the reason for moving the Claremont station to a center platform configuration from a side platform configuration. Mr. Burner indicated that it was for operational reasons as well as for ease of use by patrons. Mr. Burner indicated that it reduced confusion for passenger as to which platform to be on while a center platform configuration eliminates any possible confusion.

Board Member Bowen inquired as to the cost of at-grade vs grade separated. Mr. Burner indicated that the changes were addressed in the most recent budget revision.

Board Member Pedroza inquired that if the Cities want to change for a grade-separate to an at-grade separation or a different configuration. Mr. Burner indicated that requests from Cities would be reviewed and could be addressed in a future Addendum if needed.

Mr. Balian indicated that all of the refinements being proposed are for the betterment of the project and the cities now and in the future.

Chairman Tessitor inquired if there were any comments from the public on this item – seeing and hearing none, Chairman Tessitor closed the public comment portion of this item.

Chair Tessitor requested a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-R-01 to approve Certain Refinements to the Azusa to Montclair Segment and Adopting the Third Addendum to the Certified Azusa to Montclair Final EIR. Board Member Fasana made a motion to approve the item which was seconded by Board Member Rodriguez and approved unanimously.

b. Approval of Revised Title VI Program Plan

Mr. Balian provided the report. Mr. Balian indicated that the Authority adopted the current Title VI Policy in October 2012 to comply with FTA contracting requirements for grantees or sub grantees which was also when the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) published circular FTA C 4702.1B requiring all Federal transit funding programs to comply with the revised circular.

Chairman Tessitor requested a motion to Approve the Revised Title VI Program Plan. Board Member Pedroza made a motion to approve the item which was seconded by Board Member Fasana and approved infamously.

c. Receive and File: Monthly Update

Mr. Burner provided the report. Mr. Burner indicated that with regard to the alignment and parking on Phase 2A of the project Metro began revenue service on March 5th; received temporary Certificate of Occupancy from FLSSC; continue addressing punch list items to secure permanent Certificate of Occupancy; obtained CPUC approval of Safety and Security Certification Verification Report (SSCVR); continue closing out all punch list items throughout the alignment and at parking facilities; continue work on as-built drawings; continue working with Metro on transfer of spare parts; begin Systems Performance Demonstration tests; Foothill Transit completed construction of the Azusa-Alameda parking facility; and continue to monitor construction of the south portion of Citrus Avenue in Azusa by Rosedale Land Partners.

Mr. Burner indicated that over the next 3 to 4 months' staff will complete punch list items along Alignment and at parking facilities with all agencies (CPUC, FLSSC, cities, Metro, and SCRRA; obtain permanent Certificate of Occupancy; procure and provide spare parts to Metro; finalize all As-Built drawings and provide to Metro; transfer all utilities to Metro (water, electricity, etc.); receive final mitigation monitoring program report from FTC; and finalize Systems performance Demonstration tests.

Mr. Burner indicated that with regard to the Glendora to Montclair portion of the project Authority staff have executed FLSSC MOU; executed Caltrans MCA Addendum; completed revised capital cost estimate; prepared the Safety and Security Certification Plan for submission to Metro and CPUC; continued advancement of plan and profile drawings; continued right-of-way survey and drawings; continued geotechnical work; continued conceptual design of parking facilities; continued Phase I and II ESAs and ISAs; continued to attend coordination meetings with corridor City staff to discuss project; continued composite utility drawings and continued the Station Design and Art Review program (SDAR).

Item received and filed.

8. General Counsel's Report

None.

9. Board Member Comments

Board Member Fasana congratulated everyone on a successful project and look forward to getting Phase 2B underway.

Board Member Pedroza thank everyone for a great job well done.

Chairman Tessitor thanked the staff as well as those at Metro.p

10. Closed Session Items

Assistant General Counsel Pellman reviewed the item that would be considered in Closed Session and indicated that there would be no reportable action after Closed Session. Chairman Tessitor recessed the Board into Closed Session at approximately 7:59 pm.

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL:..... G.C. 54956.9(d)(4)
Anticipated Litigation

One Case

11. Adjournment

Chairman Tessitor adjourned the meeting at 8:06 pm.