

**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**

**June 26, 2013
 7:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Tessitor called the meeting to order at approximately 7:11 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>1st Vice Chair</i>	SGVCOG	X	
Ed Reyes <i>2nd Vice Chair</i>	City of Los Angeles	X	
Paul Leon	City of South Pasadena	X	
John Fasana	LACMTA	X (7:25)	
<i>Non-Voting Members</i>			
Lara Larramendi	Governor of California	X	
Bill Bogaard	City of Pasadena		X
Daniel Evans	City of South Pasadena	X	
Alan Wapner	SANBAG		X
<i>Alternate Members</i>			
Marisol Salguero	City of Los Angeles	—	—
Mary Ann Lutz	SGVCOG	—	—

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Chris Lowe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Recognition of Board Member Ed Reyes

Chairman Doug Tessitor recognized Board Member Ed Reyes for his contributions to the Metro Gold Line from its first inception to the current successes and future plans. Chairman Tessitor presented Board Member with a gift in appreciation of his service on the Board. Board Member Reyes thanked the Board and staff for all of the work and the tremendous efforts to make the project a success from the initial concept to the reality of today. Board Member Reyes commended all of the cities and communities along the alignment for their unified support for the project.

Board Member Reyes introduced Marisol Salguero who was voted as Gerry Miller's replacement as an alternate for the voting member and will be attending future

meetings until the LA City Council selects a replacement for the voting member.

Board Member Pedroza offered his congratulations and thanks for all his service to the Gold Line and the community.

5. Public Comments on Items On/Off Agenda

Chairman Tessitor indicated that he had received two public comment card. Chairman Tessitor called Mr. Christopher Sutton. Mr. Sutton introduced himself as appearing on behalf of Ron and Judy Mills whose property is being considered for eminent domain. Mr. Sutton indicated that according to the Monthly Report which is part of the Board Agenda packet, that there is indicated that that an additional property is being considered for appraisal in addition to the one listed on the Agenda under Closed Session. Mr. Sutton has been notified regarding the appraisal of 124 N. 1st Avenue but not about the additional property on the Monthly Report which is two blocks away from the alignment. Mr. Sutton thanked the Board for their time and attention. Chairman Tessitor call Mr. Ron Mills. Mr. Mills introduced himself as the property owner in Arcadia. Mr. Mills thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak and indicated that he has been in discussion with Jerry Sims since last month regarding the impact on the property adjacent to the crossing on 1st Street and Santa Clara. Mr. Mills indicated that there would be a substantial impact on the property on 1st Street. Mr. Mills indicated that he was taken by surprise regarding the property listing in the Monthly Report.

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

6. CEO's Monthly Report

Mr. Balian reviewed the Critical Path Schedule which indicated the completion of the Dalton Ave. and Azusa Ave. grade crossing in July 2013; relocation of the Palm and Citrus Avenue superstructures in August 2013; completion of the Pasadena Ave and Buena Vista Ave. grade crossings in August 2013; ongoing light rail track construction through September 2013; completion of California Ave., San Gabriel Ave and Santa Anita Ave. grade crossings in October 2013; completion of the Foothill Bridge in November 2013 and completion of the freight realignment in December 2013.

[John Fasana arrived.]

Mr. Balian presented a video which highlight ongoing work on the alignment. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Azusa which included installation of ALW street light foundations and grade crossing panels at the Azusa Ave. crossing; backfilling of underdrains at Dalton Avenue crossing and abutment concrete pour at Foothill Blvd. bridge. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Irwindale which included construction of final bridge pier at the San Gabriel river bridge. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Duarte which included construction of grade crossing at Buena Vista Avenue. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Monrovia which included

water utility relocation at California Ave. crossing and ongoing platform construction at the Monrovia station. Mr. Balian highlighted work at the Gold Line Operations Campus in the City of Monrovia which included completion of the Evergreen Ave. retaining wall and the construction of the car hoist pit facility. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Arcadia which included third party utility work at First Ave. and Santa Clara street crossings; ongoing construction of the Arcadia station platform; abutment construction for the Santa Anita bridge; and construction of the median barrier along the 210 freeway.

7. Consent Calendar

- a. Authorize CEO to Execute a Contract with Achieve Technology Services in response to RFP C1154 Information Technology Services (*Finance Committee*)**
- b. Authorize CEO to Execute Amendment 8 to C1115 Richards, Watson and Gershon for General Counsel Services (*Finance Committee*)**
- c. Authorize CEO to Execute Amendment 2 to C1157 Agreement for Legal Services with Orbach, Huff & Suarez LLP (*Finance Committee*)**

Chairman Tessitor presented the Consent Calendar for approval. Board Member Leon made a motion to approve the remainder of the Consent Calendar; Board Member Fasana seconded the motion, which was then approved unanimously.

8. General Board Items

- a. Receive and File Report on Project Update: Gold Line Operations Campus Stormwater Management**

Mr. Balian indicated that staff made the determination with Metro to substantially increase the quality of stormwater management at the Gold Line Operation Campus beyond what the City of Monrovia would require. Mr. Balian indicated that an increase of approximately \$300,000 - \$400,000 to make the improvements. Mr. Balian introduced Chris Burner, Chief Project Officer, to provide the report. Mr. Burner indicated that with regard to the Gold Line Operations Campus, staff is committed to implementing sustainable stormwater management, treatment and infiltration provisions. Mr. Burner indicated that the original approach for the stormwater management to install a series of catch basins (14) to collect water run-off from the impermeable surfaces (paved areas and building roofs); use of catch basin inserts to filter out pollutants and dump all collected water run-off into storm drain systems. Mr. Burner indicated that the original approach did not allow water to infiltrate and recharge the groundwater and catch basin filters would require significant cleaning and maintenance. Mr. Burner indicated that staff has chosen an approach which follows stormwater management guidelines, proposed water treatment and infiltration has now been designed to capture the first $\frac{3}{4}$ " stormwater (122,000 gallons). Mr. Burner indicated that water will also be able to infiltrate

throughout the ballasted and landscaped areas. Mr. Burner indicated that water will pass through a Central Deflection System (CDS) unit that filters the runoff to improve water quality. Mr. Burner indicated that the CDS units only require maintenance approximately twice a year – typically before the rainy season and after the rainy season which can be easily inspected after a storm event. Mr. Burner indicated that the CDS units connect to underground detention system which is comprised of stormwater chambers with open bottoms that allows water to infiltrate and recharge groundwater.

Board Member Leon indicated that staff may want to let the operators of the Operations Campus know that each of the collectors in the CDS need to have vector control come out to mediate any possible infestations.

Board Member Pedroza inquired if this improvement would increase LEED certification. Mr. Burner indicated that it would not since it is not energy related.

Board Member Reyes inquired if there is a way to measure the run-off from the facility. Mr. Burner indicated that he was not aware and would look into the matter. Board Member Reyes indicated that the federal government is looking to place regulation and fees with regard to stormwater run-off.

Item received and filed.

b. Consideration of Metro proposed Amendment to the Measure R Traffic Relief and Rail Expansion Ordinance and Expenditure Plan (*oral report*)

Mr. Balian presented the report. Mr. Balian indicated that Metro is scheduled to consider the item at its Board Meeting tomorrow. Mr. Balian indicated that a large number of letters have been sent to Metro from cities along the alignment as well as elected officials and others urging Metro to include the project in the amendment expenditure plan. Mr. Balian inquired of Board Member Fasana if there have been any updates from Metro. Board Member Fasana indicated that there is support for the Antonovich Amendment which would update the amended expenditure plan with costs and other information for the Foothill Extension – Phase 2B. Board Member Fasana indicated that he also believes that the acceleration of projects also listed on the current amended expenditure plan will be approved by the Metro Board. Chairman Tessitor inquired of Board Member Fasana if the Antonovich motion would also take care of the updating the other projects which do not have accurate or updated information. Board Member Fasana indicated that the Antonovich motion only addresses the Foothill Extension at this time. Board Member Fasana indicated that there are additional motions to address county-wide equity that may be considered. Board Member Pedroza indicated that there is wide support for the Foothill Extension to be included on the amended expenditure plan. Chairman Tessitor inquired that since at the prior Board meeting, the Board made a motion in opposition to the amended expenditure plan since it was not inclusive and current if there was any thought to make a motion to support the expenditure

plan if the Antonovich motion was approved by the Metro board. Mr. Balian indicated that it may helpful.

Chairman Tessitor inquired if there was a motion to support the amended expenditure plan if the Antonovich motion as circulated today is approved. Board Member made a motion to approve the item and Board Member Reyes seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

c. Receive and File Report on Monthly Update

Mr. Balian introduced Mr. Burner to provide the report. Mr. Burner indicated that with respect to the Pasadena to Azusa alignment that construction work continues on grade crossings at California, Dalton and Azusa Ave and start of construction at the Buena Vista crossing. Mr. Burner indicated that installation of utilities, underground systems and foundations is underway at the Gold Line Operations Campus. Mr. Burner indicated that installation of foundations for the Overhead Catenary System (OCS) is underway. Mr. Burner indicated that work continues on the I-210 barrier rail replacement. Mr. Burner indicated that with respect to bridge structures that work continues at Citrus, Palm, Foothill, San Gabriel river, Alta Vista wash, Saw Pit wash and Santa Anita wash. Mr. Burner indicated that bridge work began at Santa Anita Ave. Mr. Burner indicated that work continues on the Duarte and Monrovia station and work has started at the Arcadia station. Mr. Burner indicated that duct bank installation continues throughout the alignment. Mr. Burner indicated that sound wall installation has commenced in the city of Azusa. Mr. Burner indicated that the alignment contractor, FTC, report that there have been 0 recordable injuries reported after 187,000 work hours performed. Mr. Burner review the project schedule in detail. Mr. Burner indicated that with regard to the parking facilities, work continues on design and various administrative meetings and design workshops have been held with the contractor Webcor. Mr. Burner indicated that coordination meeting have been held with each of the corridor cities and that Authority staff has received all the required early project management submittals. Mr. Burner indicated staff has received 85% design submittals for the Arcadia, Monrovia and Azusa-Citrus parking facilities. Mr. Burner indicated that over the next three to four months, site utility and foundation work of new building at the Gold Line Operations Campus will be completed; completion of construction of bridges at Citrus, Palm, Foothill, San Gabriel, Alta Vista wash, Santa Anita wash, Saw Pit was and Santa Anita Ave.; completion of Dalton, California, Azusa, Buena Vista and Pasadena crossings; completion of construction of the Duarte, Monrovia and Arcadia stations and final design of the Arcadia, Monrovia and Azusa-Citrus parking facilities.

Item received and filed.

9. General Counsel's Report

None.

10. Board Member Comments

Board Member Fasana requested that an update on “First Mile/Last Mile” which Metro is looking at in terms of improving ridership. Board Member Fasana indicated that understanding ridership and marketing the project would be helpful for the future success of the project. Chairman Tessitor indicated that Foothill Transit should be very interested in participating in this type of outreach.

Board Member Leon indicated that he has found that the common rider has expressed confusion about the most simple of things, such as “how to buy a ticket”. Board Member Leon indicated that this should also be part of the outreach and providing education.

Board Member Pedroza want to again thank Board Member Reyes for his leadership and looks forward to his continued involvement with the project.

Chairman Tessitor again thanked Board Member Reyes for his service.

11. Closed Session

General Counsel Estrada reviewed the various items that would be considered in Closed Session and indicated that there would be no reportable action after Closed Session. General Counsel Estrada noted a correction to Agenda Item 11.(iii) and indicated that only Mr. Balian would be the Agency Negotiator. Chairman Tessitor recessed the Board into Closed Session at approximately 7:58 PM.

A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR:.....G.C. 54956.8

- (i) Property 8513-012-029
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: Michael J. Sigal
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

- (ii) Property 5773-011-048 & 049
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: Freedman Trust
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

- (iii) Property 5773-007-035
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: Ron S. and Judy S. Mills
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

**B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL:..... G.C. 54956.9(a)
Pending Litigation**

- (i) Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority v.
MillerCoors LLC, et al.
Case No. BC497583
- (ii) City of Pomona, a California Charter City v. Metro Gold line Foothill
Extension Construction Authority
Case No. BS142413
- (iii) Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority v.
Hydraulic Units, Inc., et al.
Case No. BC498261
- (iv) Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority v.
NSD Investment Group, et al.
Case No. BC 512028

12. Adjournment

The Board Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:13 pm.