

**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**

**September 11, 2013
7:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Tessitor called the meeting to order at approximately 7:05 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	
Vacant	City of Los Angeles	—	—
Paul Leon	City of South Pasadena	X	
John Fasana	LACMTA	X	
<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	X	
Mary Ann Lutz	SGVCOG	—	—

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Michael Estrada led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Public Comments on Items On/Off Agenda

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.

5. CEO's Monthly Report

Mr. Balian reviewed the Critical Path Schedule which indicated the completion of relocation of the Palm freight superstructure; completion of the Pasadena Ave and Buena Vista Ave crossings; and the completion of the Alta Vista wash. Mr. Balian indicated that the Santa Anita Wash would be completed at the end of September

and Sawpit wash would be completed in October 2013. Mr. Balian indicated that the San Gabriel River bridge and the Santa Anita Ave bridge would be completed in 2013. Mr. Balian indicated that the Huntington Blvd bridge work would take place from October 2013 until May 2014. Mr. Balian indicated that Light Rail track construction would be from October 2013 until September 2014. Mr. Balian indicated that the Foothill bridge would be completed in November 2013 and the freight realignment would be completed in December 2013. Mr. Balian also provided a construction status summary of the grade crossings along the alignment. Mr. Balian indicated that staff continues to work with key stakeholders and local residents to address the impacts of construction.

Mr. Balian presented a video which highlight ongoing work on the alignment. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Azusa which included on-going work at the Azusa Downtown Station and indicated that Alameda Avenue would be permanently closed on August 20, 2013; grade crossing improvements at San Gabriel Avenue; and work on the bridge abutments at Foothill Blvd. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Irwindale which included bridge form and steel work at the San Gabriel River bridge; concrete pours at the San Gabriel River bridge. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Duarte which included construction of the pedestrian ramp at the Duarte station and the re-opening to traffic at the Buena Vista St. grade crossing. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Monrovia which included ongoing utility installations; ongoing station platform construction; California Ave grade crossing improvements; and Alta Vista Wash bridge girder placement. Mr. Balian highlighted work at the Gold Line Operation Campus in the City of Monrovia which included construction of facility maintenance of way storage structure and ongoing construction of the car hoist pit. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Arcadia which included completion of the Santa Anita bridge abutments; shifting of traffic lanes on Santa Anita Ave.; ongoing construction of the Arcadia station platform; and start of construction at the First Ave and Santa Clara St. grade crossing. Mr. Balian also highlighted continued outreach in the community which included updates to the Pasadena women's Civic league and the Los Angeles County mayors meeting with Los Angeles Mayor Garcetti.

Board Member Salguero inquired if the Authority considered upcoming holiday or major events when planning construction. Mr. Balian indicated that staff worked with the cities and key stakeholders to work on a scheduled that would mitigate those issues as best as possible.

6. Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting held July 10, 2013**
- b. Receive and File a Report on Quarterly Financial Update (*Finance Committee*)**
- c. Approval of Cost of Living Adjustment (*Finance Committee*)**

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

7. General Board Items

a. Receive and File Report on Project Update: Gold Line Operations Campus Update

Mr. Balian introduced Chris Burner to provide the Report. Mr. Burner indicated that the Authority is required to provide the Operations Campus as part of Funding Agreement with Metro. Mr. Burner indicated that the Operations Campus will serve existing Gold Line (Phase I and Eastside Extension) in addition to Foothill Extension. Mr. Burner indicated that the Operations Campus will house up to 84 light rail vehicles (LRVs) at a time. Mr. Burner indicated that the LRVs at the campus will be provided service and inspection, heavy repairs, blow-down, body repairs, painting, storage, cleaning, and washing. Mr. Burner indicated that the Operations Campus is located on a 24 acre lot in Monrovia, bounded by East Evergreen Ave. (north); Duarte Rd. (south); California Ave. (west); and Shamrock Ave. (east).

Mr. Burner reviewed the various items that have been completed at the Operations Campus included the completion of design work; acquired property and turned over entire site to Alignment contractor (FTC); abated all hazardous material; completed demolition of all structures; completed rough grading; started foundation work of buildings; began work on the Maintenance of Way (MOW) canopy; and relocated utilities and began construction of new utility services; started OCS foundations.

Mr. Burner review the upcoming work at the Operations Campus which includes start of track-work in October 2013; erecting steel for main building in December 2013; complete steel frame for main building in April 2014; complete main building in January 2015; and operations Campus ready for Metro use in March 2015.

Mr. Burner provided several aerial photos showing the progress of the construction of the Operations Campus.

Member of the Public inquired as to the status of the historic Monrovia Depot. Mr. Balian indicated that staff is working with the city to turn-over the property to the City of Monrovia.

Item received and filed.

b. Discussion of Metro Request for Input on Transportation Priorities

Mr. Balian provided the Report. Mr. Balian indicated that Metro Chair Diane Dubois had issued a letter to all of the COG's to work with their cities to develop a transportation priority list which would subsequently be used to create a project list in a possible upcoming ballot measure. Mr. Balian indicated that a there was a very short turn-around time to provide the

information to Metro. Mr. Balian indicated the SGVCOG is working on a response but has indicated that a fundamental request is that all Measure R projects, which the Foothill Extension is one, be completed before new projects are added. Mr. Balian indicated that the SGVCOG was requesting a 3-month delay to respond but early indications from Metro is that a delay would not be granted. Mr. Balian indicated that the JPA will be considering at it upcoming Board meeting sending letters to Metro and SGVCOG in support of the Measure R projects and the Foothill Extension specifically.

Chairman Tessitor indicated the SGVCOG's Transportation Committee meet to discuss this item and asked Board Member Fasana who chairs that Committee to provide an update. Board Member Fasana indicated that Metro is looking to place an item on the ballot as soon as November 2014. Board Member Fasana indicated that it was his belief that focusing on Measure R projects being completed first and then addressing new project. Board Member Fasana indicated that there is discussion of having the ballot measure delayed until 2016 when a larger turn-out is expected due to the Presidential election.

Board Member Bogaard inquired if the letters from each of the cities that are being sent to the SGVCOG will be compiled and sent by the SGVCOG or will they be submitted as sent. Board Member Fasana indicated that the SGVCOG is hopeful that each city would support important regional priorities and then request their additional priorities. Chairman Tessitor indicated that based on the Dubois letter, it is his sense that the cities would be sending their "wish-list" of projects to Metro.

Board Member Larramendi indicated that the Dubois letter specifically asks each city to send a letter to Metro. Board Member Larramendi inquired if the SGVCOG would act as the compiler of the all the request in the region and forward to Metro. Chairman Tessitor indicated that the SGVCOG did not want to be in the position of prioritizing projects to forward to Metro without consulting with the Cities and with such a short timeframe to respond.

Item received and filed.

8. General Counsel's Report

General Counsel Estrada reported about ongoing routine matters including real estate matters and ongoing litigation matters.

9. Board Member Comments

Board Member Bogaard conveyed to the Algrid Family the thoughts and prayers of the Construction Authority and residents of the San Gabriel Valley upon his recent passing. Board Member Bogaard recounted his valuable input on this project and others in the San Gabriel Valley and requested that the Board meeting be adjourned in his honor.

10. 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. Chairman Tessitor recessed the Board into Closed Session at approximately 7:46 PM.

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

- (i) Property 8615-001-046
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: Bowden Family Trust
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms
- (ii) Property 8616-003-013
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: Janet L. Lopez
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms
- (iii) Property 8618-003-014
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: Famela Domantay, Edelyn Domantay Brown
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms
- (iv) Property Portion of the southwestern side of Front Street between East St. Joseph Street and East Santa Clara Street
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: Continental Store Equipment
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms
- (v) Property Portion of the southwestern side of Front Street between East St. Joseph Street and East Santa Clara Street
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: Recreational Equipment, Inc.
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms
- (vi) Property 5773-006-056
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: 223 North First St I, LLC/223 North First St. II, LLC
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

- (vii) Property 5773-002-053
 - Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
 - Negotiating Parties: Hinds/Bolley Trust
 - 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) Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority v. Hydraulic Units, Inc., et al.
Case No. BC498261
- (iii) City of Pomona, a California Charter City v. Metro Gold line Foothill Extension Construction Authority
Case No. BS142413
- (iv) Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority v. Abstract Holdings Inc., et al.
Case No. BC510233
- (v) Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority v. DPP Arcadia LLC, et al.
Case No. BC512029

12. Adjournment

The Board Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:12 pm.