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

December 18, 2013
7:00 P.M.

1. **Call to Order:**

Chairman Tessitor was not present and Vice Chair Pedroza assumed the role of Chairman for meeting purposes and called the meeting to order at approximately 7:05 pm.

2. **Roll Call:**

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3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Marisol Salguero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Public Comments on Items On/Off Agenda**

Chairman Pedroza inquired if there was anyone who wished to provide public comment on items on or off the Agenda. Chairman Pedroza recognized Brenda Trainor. Ms. Trainor, owner of Wonder Dog Ranch. Ms. Trainor indicated that she and the surrounding business owners on Myrtle Ave are surprised about the possible closure of Myrtle Avenue for five (5) months. Ms. Trainor indicated that she is strong supporter of the Gold Line and would like to work with staff to lessen the impact of the closure of her business and the surrounding community. Ms. Trainor expressed her concern with the
short notice of the possible 5-month full closure and its possible impacts on businesses. Ms. Trainor indicated her willingness to work with staff.

Board Member Salguero inquired of Ms. Trainor how many business may be impacted by this closure. Ms. Trainor indicated that she estimated dozens but is working with the Monrovia Chamber of Commerce to build a list.

Chairman Pedroza inquired if there were any additional members of the public who wish to provide comment on items on or off the Agenda, hearing and seeing none, Chairman Pedroza closed public comment.

5. CEO's Monthly Report

Mr. Balian reviewed the Critical Path Schedule which indicated the completion of Mayflower Crossing; completion of Sawpit Wash bridge by December 2013; and completion of the Santa Anita Avenue bridge by January 2014. Mr. Balian indicated substantial completion of freight realignment and California Avenue crossing would be completed by January 2014. Mr. Balian indicated that the Foothill bridge as well as 1st and Santa Clara crossings would be completed in February 2014. Mr. Balian indicated that the Huntington Dr. bridge would be completed by April 2014 and light rail track would be completed by September 2014.

Mr. Balian review the Construction Authority’s Business and Community Assistance outreach. Mr. Balian indicated that mitigation to help alleviate severe impacts of construction; when needs go beyond typical mitigation measures such as long-term impacts on businesses; full intersection closures; loss of pedestrian access and temporary loss of public parking spaces. Mr. Balian indicated that circumstances are decided on a case by case basis; and mitigation is developed specific to the individual conditions. Mr. Balian indicated that response to date has been positive and appreciative. Mr. Balian highlighted some of the recent efforts undertaken by the Authority to address some severe impacts including signage, advertising; pedestrian shuttle service across closures and valet parking services. Mr. Balian reviewed current street crossing closures as well and the remaining full closures for Phase 2A.

Board Member Fasana inquired if there was any ability to move-up the start or work at Mountain Ave. by a month in Duarte. Mr. Balian indicated that based on the current project schedule and other street closures it did not look likely.

Mr. Balian presented a video which highlight ongoing work on the alignment. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Azusa which included continued construction of the Azusa/Downtown station; steel reinforcement installation for the Foothill bridge center pier and installation of LRT bridge girders at Palm Dr. bridge. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Irwindale which included track installation. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Duarte which included Duarte Station platform construction. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Monrovia which included the station artist taking tile molds from the Monrovia depot to be incorporated later at the station; Monrovia Station parking structure foundation work; track installation and concrete paving at Mayflower Ave. crossing and Phase 1 completion of California Ave
crossing (northern section open to traffic). Mr. Balian highlighted work at the Gold Line Operation Campus in the City of Monrovia which included installation of underground communication duct banks and concrete pour for the main shop. Mr. Balian highlighted work in the City of Arcadia which included demolition of existing 1st and Santa Clara crossing and preparation for construction of new retaining wall at Huntington Dr. bridge. Mr. Balian highlighted work along the I-210 in the Cities of Arcadia and Pasadena which included on-going earth grading in the median. Mr. Balian also highlighted the recent pre-proposal conference held for the Phase 2B Engineering and NEPA Support services which was well attended. Mr. Balian highlighted the downtown Arcadia Christmas market sponsored for businesses impacted during construction and the ENR Award reception for the Gold Line bridge.

6. Consent Calendar

a. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting held November 13, 2013

Chairman Pedroza requested a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Board Member Leon made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar which was seconded by Board Member Salguero and approved unanimously.

7. General Board Items

a. Consideration of Adoption of Resolutions of Necessity for the Acquisition by Eminent Domain of Real Property:

   (i) Consideration of Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity for the acquisition by eminent domain of certain real property, consisting of a portion of the fee simple interest in the vacated Front Street right of way adjacent to the real property located East of Santa Anita Avenue, Arcadia, California, and further identified as Los Angeles County Tax Assessor's Parcel Number 5773-006-058, for public purposes, namely for public transit purposes

   (ii) Consideration of Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity for the acquisition by eminent domain of certain real property, consisting of a portion of the fee simple interest in the vacated street right of way adjacent to the real property located at the corner of St. Joseph Street and Front Street, Arcadia, California, and further identified as Los Angeles County Tax Assessor's Parcel Number 5773-006-055, for public purposes, namely for public transit purposes

   (iii) Consideration of Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity for the acquisition by eminent domain of certain real property, consisting of a portion of the fee simple interest in the real property located at 223 North First Avenue, Arcadia, California, and further identified as Los Angeles County Tax Assessor's Parcel Number 5773-006-046 & 056, for public purposes, namely for public transit purposes
Agenda Item 7.a. (i)
Chairman Pedroza indicated that consideration of resolution 2013-R-10 for Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity for the acquisition by eminent domain of certain real property, consisting of a portion of the fee simple interest in the vacated Front Street right of way adjacent to the real property located East of Santa Anita Avenue, Arcadia, California, and further identified as Los Angeles County Tax Assessor’s Parcel Number 5773-006-058, for public purposes, namely for public transit purposes and requested Ms. Gina Danner, Special Counsel to provide the report.

Ms. Danner indicated that staff was seeking the adoption of a Resolution of Necessity to acquire a certain real property, consisting of a portion of the fee simple interest in the vacated Front Street right of way adjacent to the real property located East of Santa Anita Avenue, Arcadia. Ms. Danner indicated that the staff is seeking to acquire 4,491 square foot portion of the public right of way to be used for a parking structure at the Gold Line Arcadia Station. Ms. Danner reviewed the remainder of the report in detail which provided the rationale and reasons for the recommendation from staff. Ms. Danner indicated that the Authority has attempted to negotiate with the property owner, however, the consummation of the voluntary acquisition of the Subject Property Interest has not been completed. Ms. Danner indicated that the proposed property is needed for public transit purposes for the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension.

Chairman Pedroza indicated that the notice of this hearing was provided as required by law and that the records and files of the Authority and the report of the Chief Executive Officer concerning this matter shall be entered into the record.

Chairman Pedroza inquired if there was anyone who wished to provide public comment on this item. Chairman Pedroza recognized Mr. Christopher Sutton.

Mr. Sutton indicated that he had submitted a letter and would request that the contents of that correspondence be entered into the record for this item and would reserve the right to make additional public comments on another item.

Chairman Pedroza inquired if there were any other members of the public who wished to provide public comment, hearing and seeing none, Chairman Pedroza closed public comment.

Chairman Pedroza inquired if any of the Board Members had any questions for Ms. Danner or would like to make a comment.

Chairman Pedroza requested a motion to approve Resolution No. 2013-R-10 regarding LA County parcel number 5773-006-058. Board Member Leon made a motion which was seconded by Board Member Salguero.

Chairman Pedroza requested a roll call vote be conducted by the Clerk.
The Clerk of the Board conducted a roll call vote and the item passed unanimously by a vote of four (4) to zero (0) with one absent.

Agenda Item 7.a. (ii)
Chairman Pedroza indicated that consideration of resolution 2013-R-11 Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity for the acquisition by eminent domain of certain real property, consisting of a portion of the fee simple interest in the vacated street right of way adjacent to the real property located at the corner of St. Joseph Street and Front Street, Arcadia, California, and further identified as Los Angeles County Tax Assessor’s Parcel Number 5773-006-055, for public purposes, namely for public transit purposes and requested Ms. Gina Danner, Special Counsel to provide the report.

Ms. Danner indicated that staff was seeking the adoption of a Resolution of Necessity to acquire a certain real property, consisting of a portion of the fee simple interest in the vacated street right of way adjacent to the real property located at the corner of St. Joseph Street and Front Street, Arcadia. Ms. Danner indicated that the staff is seeking to acquire 3,132 square foot portion of the public right of way which has been vacated to be used for a parking structure at the Gold Line Arcadia Station. Ms. Danner reviewed the remainder of the report in detail which provided the rationale and reasons for the recommendation from staff. Ms. Danner indicated that the Authority has attempted to negotiate with the property owner, however, the consummation of the voluntary acquisition of the Subject Property Interest has not been completed. Ms. Danner indicated that the proposed property is needed for public transit purposes for the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension.

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Chairman Pedroza inquired if there were any other members of the public who wished to provide public comment, hearing and seeing none, Chairman Pedroza closed public comment.

Chairman Pedroza inquired if any of the Board Members had any questions for Ms. Danner or would like to make a comment.
Chairman Pedroza requested a motion to approve Resolution No. 2013-R-11 regarding LA County parcel number 5773-006-055. Board Member Fasana made a motion which was seconded by Board Member Leon.

Chairman Pedroza requested a roll call vote be conducted by the Clerk.

The Clerk of the Board conducted a roll call vote and the item passed unanimously by a vote of four (4) to zero (0) with one absent.

Agenda Item 7.a. (iii)
Chairman Pedroza indicated that consideration of resolution 2013-R-12 Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity for the acquisition by eminent domain of certain real property, consisting of a portion of the fee simple interest in the real property located at 223 North First Avenue, Arcadia, California, and further identified as Los Angeles County Tax Assessor’s Parcel Numbers 5773-006-046 & 056, for public purposes, namely for public transit purposes and requested Ms. Gina Danner, Special Counsel to provide the report.

Ms. Danner indicated that staff was seeking the adoption of a Resolution of Necessity to acquire a certain real property, consisting of a portion of the fee simple interest in a portion of the real property located at 223 North First Avenue in the City of Arcadia, also identified as a portion of Los Angeles County Tax Assessor’s Parcel Numbers 5773-006-046 and 056. Ms. Danner indicated that the staff is seeking to acquire 84 square foot portion of the larger parcel, located at the southeast corner of the Subject Property to be used for at-grade sidewalk reconfiguration for ADA compliance purposes. Ms. Danner reviewed the remainder of the report in detail which provided the rationale and reasons for the recommendation from staff. Ms. Danner indicated that the Authority has attempted to negotiate with the property owner, however, the consummation of the voluntary acquisition of the Subject Property Interest has not been completed. Ms. Danner indicated that the proposed property is needed for public transit purposes for the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension.

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Chairman Pedroza inquired if there was anyone who wished to provide public comment on this item. Chairman Pedroza recognized Mr. Christopher Sutton.

Mr. Sutton indicated that he had submitted a letter and would request that the contents of that correspondence be entered into the record. Mr. Sutton indicated that offers from the Construction Authority have been sent to two owners but not to the other owners. Mr. Sutton indicated that the names and address of the other owners appear on the deed from the property. Mr. Sutton indicated that the code cited by Ms. Danner does not apply in this case and that the Authority should have sent correspondence to all owners as indicated on the deed. Mr.
Sutton reviewed various other items as to why the Board should not take any action on this Agenda item and continue the item to a later date.

Chairman Pedroza inquired if there were any other members of the public who wished to provide public comment, hearing and seeing none, Chairman Pedroza closed public comment.

Chairman Pedroza inquired if any of the Board Members had any questions for Ms. Danner or would like to make a comment.

Board Member Leon inquired if there was any response to the questions and issues raised by Mr. Sutton. Mr. Burner indicated that he was not aware of any issues with regard to the statement made by Mr. Sutton. Ms. Danner indicated that offers have been made to all owners indicated on the most recent tax rolls as required by law. Ms. Danner indicated the appraisal for the property is less than six month old and is therefore not stale as indicated by Mr. Sutton.

Board Member Fasana inquired if there have been any recent inspections of the property. Mr. Burner indicated that staff is on-site and would have reported such an instance which then would have been addressed immediately.

Chairman Pedroza requested a motion to approve Resolution No. 2013-R-11 regarding LA County parcel number 5773-006-055. Board Member Fasana made a motion which was seconded by Board Member Salguero.

Chairman Pedroza requested a roll call vote be conducted by the Clerk.

The Clerk of the Board conducted a roll call vote and the item passed unanimously by a vote of four (4) to zero (0) with one absent.


Mr. Balian introduced Mr. Burner to provide the report. Mr. Burner indicated that the parking facilities to be designed and constructed at each of the six stations along the Foothill Extension alignment which include four parking structures and two surface lots. Mr. Burner indicated that the Authority has coordinated with corridor cities, Foothill Transit, and Metro on bus and bicycle interface with parking facilities. Mr. Burner indicated that the City of Azusa has environmentally cleared a parking structure at Azusa-Alameda whereby 200 spaces will be allocated for the Gold Line users. Mr. Burner indicated that in Arcadia, there will be a 2-Level Parking Structure with approximately 300 spaces. Mr. Burner indicated that the design is at 100% and the site has been rough graded. Mr. Burner indicated that the structure construction to start in Jan/Feb 2014. Mr. Burner indicated that at the Monrovia station there will be a 3-Level Parking Structure with approximately 350 spaces and design at 100%. Mr. Burner indicated that the site has been rough graded and construction to start in Jan/Feb 2014. Mr. Burner indicated that the Duarte Station would have a surface parking lot with approximately 125 parking spaces. Mr. Burner indicated that the
Construction Authority is in possession of property and that construction to start late 2014. Mr. Burner indicated that at the Irwindale Station there would be a 3-Level Parking Structure with approximately 350 parking spaces and is at 85% design. Mr. Burner indicated that a traffic signal at Irwindale Ave has been installed and intersection work will continue through late December. Mr. Burner indicated the with regard to the Azusa-Alameda Parking station, there will be approximately 200 parking spaces. Mr. Burner indicated that the City is partnering with Foothill Transit to construct a parking structure with 200 parking spaces allocated for Gold Line. Mr. Burner indicated that the City and Foothill Transit are in the design process which should be completed by early 2014. Mr. Burner indicated that with regard to the Azusa Citrus station, there will be a 3-Level Parking Structure with approximately 200 parking spaces. Mr. Burner indicated that design at 100% and rough grading and shoring will start in January or February 2014. Mr. Burner indicated that the parking structures will feature Intermodal Enhancements such as bus shelters, benches, trash receptacles and concrete bus pads. Mr. Burner indicated that there will be bike lockers and racks. Mr. Burner indicated that street trees, lights, sidewalks, enhanced crosswalks and landscaping will be installed to further enhance the pedestrian experience. Mr. Burner reviewed the scheduled for the Parking facilities and the 2 TPSS which are part of this procurement award to Webcor/Watry. Mr. Burner indicated that the Notice to Proceed (NTP) was issued on March 20, 2013. Mr. Burner indicated that the design packages are segregated into three sets at each site: 1) Site preparation, 2) Parking Facilities, and 3) Intermodal Enhancements. Mr. Burner indicated that the construction at the 2 TPSS sites has started and would be completed by March 2014. Mr. Burner indicated that the rough grading has been completed at the Arcadia & Monrovia sites; Approved for Construction (AFC) for the Arcadia & Monrovia parking facility packages are anticipated by mid-Jan 2014. Mr. Burner indicated that the AFC of Azusa-Citrus parking facility package anticipated by Feb 2014 with Substantial Completion by March 15, 2015.

Item received and filed.

c. Receive and File Report on Monthly Update

Mr. Balian introduced Chris Burner to provide the report. Mr. Burner indicated with regard to Phase 2A of the project that installation of sub-ballast in Segment 1 continues; there is on-going systems work at the Business Center, Los Robles, Virginia and Citrus TPSS sites; continued work at Duarte, Monrovia, Arcadia, and Azusa Downtown stations; continued construction of grade crossings at San Gabriel, California, and 1st & Santa Clara; completed construction of Mayflower grade crossing; continued OCS foundation installation; continued freight realignment in Segment 4; continued installation of foundations and other underground infrastructure at the Gold Line Operations Campus (Campus); began installation of the special trackwork at the Campus; continued placement main shop floor slabs in the Campus; and continued bridge work at: Foothill, Saw Pit Wash, Santa Anita Avenue, Kincaid, Rosemead, Michillinda, and Baldwin.
Mr. Burner reviewed and overview of the Project Schedule.

Mr. Burner indicated that with regard to the Parking Facilities Progress that staff continued to hold meetings between Authority, Webcor; continued to review major submittals for all parking facilities and TPSS sites; completed six AFC packages; continued construction of Arcadia and Monrovia parking facilities; continued work at Michillinda and Soldano TPSS sites; and continued work at Irwindale intersection.

Mr. Burner indicated that over the next three to four months that staff would complete trackwork at the Campus; complete construction of bridges at Foothill, Saw Pit Wash, Santa Anita Avenue, and Huntington; complete California, San Gabriel, and First and Santa Clara crossings; complete construction of Duarte, Monrovia, Arcadia, and Azusa Downtown stations and begin construction of remaining stations; complete OCS foundation installation; finalize design for first three Parking Facilities; and begin mainline LRT trackwork construction.

Item received and filed.

8. General Counsel’s Report

General Counsel Estrada indicated that the litigation with the City of Pomona has been settled and a request for dismissal will be filed with the court shortly.

9. Board Member Comments

Board Member Fasana wished everyone Happy Holidays. Board Member Fasana request that staff look into a report on 1st Mile / Last Mile and at future Board Meeting. Board Member Fasana indicated that Metro could provide the presentation.

Board Member Larramendi wished everyone a Happy Holiday season.

Chairman Pedroza indicated that the JPA there have been very proactive discussions with regard to the extension of the project to Ontario Airport and request staff to bring to the Board a report or a request to begin the Alternative Analysis study for the extension from Montclair to Ontario Airport.

Chairman Pedroza wished everyone Happy Holidays.
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 Pedroza recessed the Board into Closed Session at approximately 8:15 pm.

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

        Case No. BC497583

        Case No. BC498261

   (iii) Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority v. Target Corporation, et al  
        Case No. BC494011

11.  **Adjournment**

The Board Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:33 pm.