



AGENDA  
EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Thursday, February 17, 2000 - 11:00 A.M.**

Call to order:

**Directors:**

Yvonne Burke, Chair  
James Cragin, Vice Chair  
Hal Bernson  
Richard Riordan  
Zev Yaroslavsky  
Tony V. Harris, Ex Officio

32. **RECEIVE** oral monthly status report on **Pasadena Blue Line Joint Powers Authority**.
  
33. **CONSIDER** positions on the following **State Legislation**:
  - A. AB1612 (Torlakson, Florez and Senator Karnette) - Creates the Transportation Congestion Relief and Local Road Improvement Account in the State Transportation Fund.
  
  - B. AB 1303 (Florez) - Would reallocate a portion of the statewide gas tax to specified accounts.
  
  - C. AB 1765 (Maddox) - Significantly changes procedures affecting only MTA benefit assessment districts.
  
  - D. AB 1776 (McClintock) - Authorizes the governor to declare a state of transportation gridlock emergency.

34. ADOPT the proposed **MTA Defeased Leasing Policy**.
35. CONSIDER:
- A. Supporting the **Southern California Intercity Rail Group (SCIRG)** vision statement and goals; and
  - B. Amending the MTA Legislative Program to work cooperatively with Southern California Intercity Rail Group SCIRG), the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA), and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) to secure funding for transportation projects in Los Angeles County.
36. OROPEZA MOTION - that the MTA shall not approve the creation of any **transportation zone** unless the Joint Powers Authority (JPA) governing the zone assumes the collective bargaining agreements, rights, and obligations that currently exist between the MTA and the labor organizations representing employees who will be affected or displaced by the creation of the zone. The JPA operating the zone will be obligated to employ those employees of the MTA who are currently performing functions for the MTA who will be displaced when the JPA governing the zone begins to provide transportation services previously provided by the MTA.
37. **CLOSED SESSION**
- A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - G.C. 54956.9 (a):
    - 1. Velarde v. MTA - Case No. BC 185481
    - 2. Brown v. MTA - Case No. VC 027613
    - 3. Lee v MTA - Case No. KC 026562
    - 4. Song v. MTA - Case No. BC 184845
    - 5. Orta & Pollon v. MTA - Case No. EC 022220
  - B. Personnel Matters - G.C. 54957
    - 1. Public Employee Appointment - Ethics Officer

Consideration of items not on the posted agenda, including: items to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff; items to be placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Board; and/or items requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC INTEREST WITHIN  
COMMITTEE'S SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

## METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD RULES (ALSO APPLIES TO BOARD COMMITTEES)

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

The meetings of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board are open to the public. A member of the public may address the Board on **one agenda item** per meeting; and/or on **one item** of interest which is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Each person will be allowed to speak for **one minute**.

The Board may limit the public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board. **A request to address the Board must be submitted in person at the meeting to the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.**

Public Comment will be heard at the end of each meeting. The public shall have the opportunity to comment for one minute on Agenda items before or during the Board or Committee's consideration of the item up to five minutes per item, or at the discretion of the Chair. *This requirement shall not apply if the opportunity for public comment on the item was previously provided by a Committee or other meeting at which a quorum was present and the item has not substantially changed since the committee hearing.* All requests for Public Comment must be submitted prior to the posted start time of each meeting.

The public may also address the MTA on non-agenda items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the MTA or a Committee during the Public Comment period indicated on the Agenda. Individuals may speak no more than once during the Public Comment period. Public Comment will last a maximum of twenty minutes, or as otherwise indicated by the Chair. Speakers will be called according to the order in which the speaker request forms are received until the Public Comment period has expired.

Each individual will have the opportunity to speak only once during the Public Comment period. The Public Comment period will last thirty minutes maximum in length. Speakers will be called in the order in which the speaker request forms are received until the thirty minute period has expired. The Chair may limit the public input on any item or the total amount of time allocated for public testimony based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board. **If you are a party to a specific item, you will be called upon to speak at the time that issue is being considered.**

In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.3(a) the Chair may from time to time dispense with public comment on items previously considered by a committee composed exclusively of Board members.

In accordance with State Law (Brown Act), all matters to be acted on by the MTA Board must be posted at least 72 hours prior to the Board meeting. In case of emergency, or when a subject matter arises subsequent to the posting of the agenda, upon making certain findings, the Board may act on an item that is not on the posted agenda.

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Disorderly behavior toward the Board or any member of the staff thereof, tending to interrupt the due and orderly course of said meeting.

A breach of the peace, boisterous conduct or violent disturbance, tending to interrupt the due and orderly course of said meeting.

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Any other unlawful interference with the due and orderly course of said meeting.

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