

Wednesday, July 14, 2010 3:30 p.m.

REVISED Agenda

Ad-Hoc Congestion Pricing Committee Meeting

One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Board Room

Call to Order

Directors

Mark Ridley-Thomas, Chair
John Fasana, Vice Chair
Michael Antonovich
Gloria Molina
Vacant, non-voting member

Officers

Arthur T. Leahy Chief Executive Officer
Michele Jackson, Board Secretary
Karen Gorman, Ethics Officer
Karen Gorman, Acting Inspector
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PUBLIC INPUT

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At the discretion of the Chair, the Board may limit public input on any item, based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board.

In the interest of hearing from as many members of the public as possible, if at the time your name is called, your issue has been addressed or your opinion expressed by a previous speaker, please simply state that fact and your name for the record.

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

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NOTE: ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA

1. CONSIDER:

- A. as a responsible agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) the **Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessments (EIR/EA) for both the Interstate 10 and Interstate 110 High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes** for the Los Angeles County Congestion Reduction Demonstration Program (collectively, Project) as approved by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the lead agency;
- B. the build or no build alternatives, the less than significant environmental effects of the Project as shown in the EIR/EAs and review the mitigation measures to be performed by LACMTA;
- C. After consideration of the EIR/EAs, and other pertinent evidence in the record, pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15096(a), finding and determining, based on the LACMTA's independent judgment and analysis and substantial evidence in the EIR/EAs and elsewhere in the record, that:
 - (1) The mitigation measures outlined in the EIR/EAs shall be sufficient to mitigate the consequences of the less than significant effects as set forth in the EIR/EAs and the following mitigation measures specifically to be carried out by LACMTA are adopted:
 - a. All revenue generated as a result of collecting tolls from single occupant vehicles (SOVs) will be reinvested into the corridor where generated. This includes transit services and operations and maintenance of the facility;
 - b. As a part of the Project's operational plan, LACMTA will offer a toll credit in the form of a Low-Income Commuter Discount that will credit the accounts of qualifying low-income households \$25 for account set-up/establishment fees that can be applied to the transponder deposit or pre-paid toll balance, and waive the monthly non-use fee for qualifying low income households (this includes Los Angeles County households (family of 3) with a yearly income of \$35,000 or less); and

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- c. Throughout Project construction, coordination will occur with local emergency service providers to keep them informed of the Project construction schedule and any detour routes so as to avoid or minimize any impacts to emergency service response time;
 - (2) The EIR/EA is the proper environmental review and both EIR/EAs are adequate under CEQA for approval of the Project; and
 - (3) Although the EIR/EAs identified community and hazardous waste impacts, it was determined in the EIR/EAs that these impacts fall below a level of significance. Since there are no significant impacts associated with the Project, a Statement of Overriding Considerations is not necessary.
2. APPROVE the use of **\$20 million in Proposition C 25 percent funds for a Proposition 1B Letter of No Prejudice arrangement** to be considered for approval by the California Transportation Commission on August 12, 2010.
 3. CONSIDER delegating authority to the Chief Executive Officer to award Contract PS0922102333 to the successful **Design-Build-Operate-Maintain bidder selected for the Metro HOT ExpressLanes Project**.
 4. RECEIVE AND FILE the **Los Angeles County Congestion Reduction Demonstration Project status report**.

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 Committee or 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 Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

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

ADJOURNMENT