

**Approve Findings Of Public Hearing,  
Adopt Revised Silver Line and  
Silver Xpress Service Change Proposals  
and  
Approve Title VI and Equal Justice Analysis**

# Summary of Staff Proposals

## As presented at September 16 Public Hearing:

1. Discontinue Line 450;
2. Create a new Line 950 Silver Xpress service that would mirror the Line 450 operation during the weekday AM and PM peak periods;
3. Extend the Silver Line to San Pedro when the Silver Xpress is not operating, seven days a week;
4. Due to turning issues of the 45-foot buses used on the Silver Line today, the route would operate south of the Beacon St Park & Ride lot on Harbor Bl, turn west on 7th St, terminate just east of Weymouth Av, and discontinue service south to Pacific Av and 22nd St;
5. The new Line 950 Silver Xpress would provide more frequent service than is provided by Line 450 today;
6. Current Silver Line patrons boarding at the Harbor Gateway Transit Center (HGTC) with destinations beyond Figueroa and 7th Sts will now be able to ride Line 950; and
7. To reduce confusion, the Silver Line would now display Line 910 on the headsign, and the Silver Xpress would display Line 950.



# Summary of Public Comment

- 39 emailed comments received from 32 individuals;
- 45 attended the PH; 19 provided public testimony, 6 provided written comments
- 6 comments made on article published on The Source, Metro's blog

|   | Number of Comments |           |           | Total     |
|---|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|   | Support            | Oppose    | Modify    |           |
| <b>Extend Line 910 to San Pedro</b>                   | 2                  |           | 2         | 4         |
| <b>Discontinue Line 450 and replace with Line 950</b> | 8                  | 11        | 21        | 40        |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                                    | <b>10</b>          | <b>11</b> | <b>22</b> | <b>44</b> |

# Public Hearing Follow-up

Requests by patrons included:

- 1) Maintain service on Pacific Av to 22nd St;
  - **Metro staff conducted a second test trip with a 45-foot bus to San Pedro with staff from Councilman Joe Buscaino's office and two LADOT traffic engineers. Service will be maintained to Pacific Av and 22<sup>nd</sup> St.**
- 2) Add an additional stop to the proposed Line 950 and existing Silver Line closer to the area of Figueroa St/Flower St at 6th St (the Silver Line turns east on 6th St from Figueroa St and has no stop to Olive and 5th Sts, a long distance)
  - **Staff has committed to adding a new stop on 6th St at Flower St, thus assisting existing Line 450 patrons who have service to this area today. This stop will be served by both Lines 910 and 950. In order to reduce patron confusion and improve customer convenience, staff has reorganized stops in the downtown area. Four stops in total have been added, and two removed. The stop structure of the new Line 950 will maintain the same stops as Line 450 today from HGTC to Adams Bl and Figueroa St.**



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- 3) Maintain the same span of service and fare as Line 450 today;
  - **Metro scheduling will maintain the same span of service as Line 450 today, however these patrons will actually have an improved express service that will operate more frequently.**
- 4) Maintain the same stop structure on the Harbor Express Lanes as currently served by Line 450;
  - **The same freeway stop structure will be maintained.**
- 5) The buses are overcrowded and additional service is needed.
  - **Passenger data shows the afternoon trips on both Lines 450 and Silver Line are crowded and underserved. Scheduling staff will be adding more service and extend the PM peak period later than is operated today.**

# Title VI and Equal Justice / Next Steps

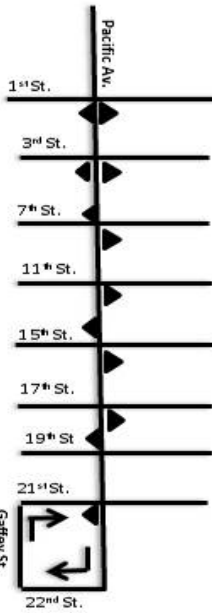
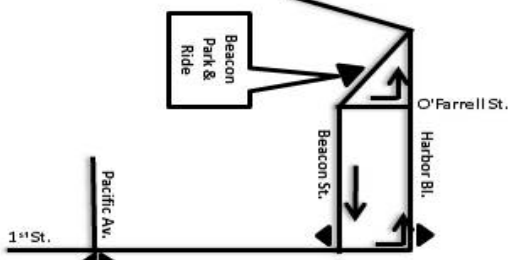
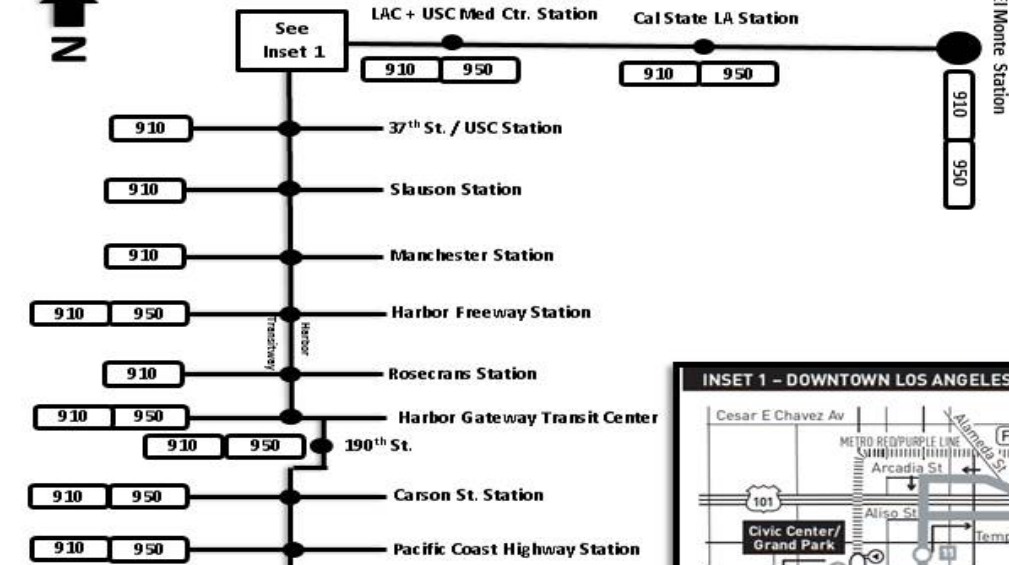
## **Title VI and Equal Justice Review:**

All changes that require a public hearing also require a Title VI and Equal Justice review. There were no Disparate Impacts from these proposals. Similarly, there is no Disproportionate Burden on poverty level persons. Approval of the Title VI and Equal Justice analysis is required by the Service Council.

## **Next Steps:**

With Service Council approval of the Public Hearing findings and modifications, the extension of the Line 910 Silver Line will begin service on Sunday, December 13, 2015, and the new Line 950 will begin service on Monday, December 14, 2015. Staff will notify customers with on-board brochures describing the service changes, as well as be on hand at the HGTC prior to the beginning of the new services. New timetables with schedule and route modifications will be available on Metro buses prior to implementation.

MAP NOT TO SCALE



New NB Downtown Stop 6<sup>th</sup> & Flower

Discontinue NB Figueroa St & 8<sup>th</sup> St. and Wilshire Bl Stop



**Questions?**