



## Meeting: Tuesday, August 28, 2007, 6:45 – 8:40 p.m.

1. Introductions 6:50 – 7:00
2. Brief updates: 7:00 – 7:45
  - a. MTA Board Meeting Review: Thursday, August 16, 2007:
    1. Long Range Transportation Plan
  - b. Metrolink Meeting Review: Friday, August 24, 2007
    1. Run Through Tracks Funding and Progress
    2. Weekend Expansion
    3. Ridership, Revenue Performance
  - c. Amtrak *Coast Starlight* / LOSSAN & Federal Funding Issues
  - d. High Speed Rail Status: \$20 million preserved in state budget
  - e. Expo Line progress: Lack of Spillover funds could halt work
  - f. East LA Gold Line progress
  - g. Sacramento Lobbying Trip
3. Project update
  - a. Lobbying Day Proposal 7:55 – 8:00
  - b. Website Reorganization & Design Update 8:00 – 8:05
  - c. Sam's Club & Hewlett Foundation grant (update) 8:05 – 8:10
  - d. Metrolink Laguna to Chatsworth Corridor 8:10 – 8:15
  - e. Newsletter (need articles for 20<sup>th</sup> issue, 19<sup>th</sup> issue distributed) 8:15 – 8:25
  - f. Blog ( <<http://www.metroredline.blogspot.com>> ) 8:25 – 8:27
  - g. Discussion Board: New Registration Required Board 8:28 – 8:30
4. Treasurer's Report 8:30 – 8:31
5. Membership renewal update 8:31 – 8:32
6. Board member announcements 8:32 – 8:36
7. Next general meeting **Tuesday, Sept. 25** @ Philippe the Original 8:36 – 8:40

## **NEWSLETTER ARTICLES Volume 2 Issue 10**

### **Transit**

Increasing the Tax Credit ceiling for Transit Users (currently it's only \$100 per month/I believe)

Transit Oriented Developments (Wilshire/Vermont Red Line, Lincoln Heights Gold Line, Del Mar Gold Line, North Hollywood Red/Orange Lines)

*\* **Governor Raids Spillover Funds: Update, Legislative Actions***

*\* **Metro Long Range Transportation Plan update***

*\* **Alternatives Analysis Studies (formerly Major Investment Studies) Continue for Future Corridors***

*\* **Advocacy In Action***

### **Bus**

BRU and the Consent Decree

The SFV Orange Line

*\* **Orange Line extensions to Bob Hope Airport Metrolink/Amtrak Station, Chatsworth, Van Nuys Blvd.***

*\* **Bus Transport after the Consent Decree: Realigned Bus Services***

*\* **Orange Line Anniversary: Surprise Success***

### **Metro Rail**

East LA Gold Line Construction Updates

Expo LRT Phase 1 and 2 updates (What's going on and What's Next)

Foothill Gold Line updates

Downtown Regional Connector "Expo Phase 3" updates

Crenshaw Blvd Light Rail

*\* **Turnstiles at Red Line Stations: Are They Worth It?***

*\* **Eastside Gold Line: Tracks to be Laid on First Street***

*\* **Metro to Purchase New Cars for Blue Line***

### **Regional Rail**

Union Station Run Through Tracks Project Updates

*\* **Harbor Subdivision ROW in Metrolink's Strategic Plan***

*\* **Metrolink to Fund 2 Station Improvements; New Train Cars***

*\* **Voters Approve Prop 1B: \$4.5 Billion in Corridor Mobility Improvement Account***

*\* **Amtrak Authorization and Funding; Recent Actions on FY 2008 Appropriations, "Passenger Rail Improvement and Investment Act"***