

Metro South Bay Service Council Monthly Meeting Review for July 10, 2020
Overview Compiled by Donald Szerlip, Chairman

This was the first meeting conducted with new officers:

Donald Szerlip	Chairman
Ernie Crespo	Vice Chairman

New members sworn in:

Rochelle Mackabee	Rider and Concerned Citizen
Glenda Silva	LAWA Representative

Chair made welcoming comments including an outline of current meeting procedures. A Safety Tip was given by Scott Greene and June 12 minutes were approved.

Presentation was made with an overview of the Comprehensive Pricing Study currently underway. Contained within the Metro Board's adopted Vision 2028 plan is direction to conduct a comprehensive transportation pricing study prior to implementing a transportation system pricing policy. The study is concentrating on evaluating better performing pricing policy options that align with the goals of revenue, equity, security, ridership and the user experience. Presentation was made by Doreen Morrissey, Principal Transportation Planner and Raymond, Kan, Senior Transportation Planner. Commenced at the beginning of 2020, the initial activities surrounding the project definition have been completed. Phase 2, inclusive of foundational research in all study areas plus outreach on the subjects to the public, has begun and is anticipated to last through November, 2020. Phase 3 will evaluate suggested policy options based upon a balance between all goals, while Phase 4 will explore those options through focus groups, workshops and additional public engagement. Completion, including recommendation to the Metro Board, is anticipated in the first half of 2021.

The next presentation was an update on the Next Gen Bus Study inclusive of changes to many previous line proposals in response to comments made during public outreach. The presentation was given primarily by Joe Forgiarini, Senior Director, Service Performance & Analysis along with Scott Greene, Transportation Planning Manager. Extensive revisions are being proposed and are codified in presentations available on-line. Of primary concern to the South Bay is to continue the operation of Line 450 which gives a single seat ride from downtown LA to San Pedro. The now abandoned proposal had been to bifurcate the line requiring a transfer at the Harbor Gateway Bus Terminal to/from a newly proposed Line 510. Line 450 is now proposed to operate using 20-minute headways during weekday peak periods with 30-minute service at all other times during the week. There is no Owl Service for Line 450.

As a result of time constraints, the Virtual Public Hearing in the South Bay for the Next Gen project has been rescheduled to Thursday, August 20 at 6:00 PM. In order to allow staff sufficient time to make responses to public comments, the monthly South Bay Service Council Meeting for September has been moved to Friday the 18th at 9:30 AM. The Service Council,

having lost its representative serving on the Next Gen External Working Group, elected Charles Deemer as representative going forward. Additionally, the Council voted to return its monthly regularly scheduled meeting start time to 9:30 AM on the Second Friday of each month, at least for the duration of virtual meetings.

Since the allotted meeting time had been exceeded, the Service Council voted to receive and file scheduled presentations for the Q4 Station Evaluation Program and the Regional Updates presented monthly by Scott Greene, Transportation Planning Manager, and Mark Dierking, Community Relations Manager. Mark did remind the Council that the public comment period on the 105 ExpressLanes EIR/EA remained opened through and including the Virtual Public Hearing to be conducted July 15, 2020 at 6:00 PM.

The meeting concluded following Council Member Comments and Public Comments on non-agenda items. Prior to adjournment, the Chair reminded Council Members that their Performance Review of Dolores Ramos, Chief Administrative Analyst for Service Councils, was due by the end of the month.

Respectfully submitted July 15, 2020