

## South Bay Cities Council of Governments

### Transit Operators' Working Group

May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019

### Meeting Notes

Attendees: Joyce Rooney (Beach Cities Transit); Godfrey Offoegbu (Torrance Transit); Ernie Crespo (GTrans); Steve Lantz, David Leger (SBCCOG)

#### 1) Self-Introductions & Acceptance of the January 17, 2019 Meeting Notes

The meeting was called to order at 3:08pm. Meeting notes were accepted as presented.

#### 2) Transit Operator Issues and Concerns

Ms. Rooney asked that the SBCCOG keep the Transit Operators in mind when doing future mobility workshops. Mr. Leger explained that this was the first mobility workshop put on by the SBCCOG but noted that he will work with SBCCOG staff prior to any future workshops.

There was a presentation to the Metro South Bay Service Council on the Torrance Transit Comprehensive Operational Analysis.

#### 3) Status of Measure M South Bay MSP 5-Year Projects List Approval by Metro

Mr. Lantz reported that Metro is still reviewing project applications but noted that approximately 15 projects are ready to be approved, a handful were ineligible or withdrawn, and the remaining have scope-related questions that Metro staff is working with the local jurisdiction to address. The Metro Board is expected to act on this item in July.

#### 4) Special Event Service Coordination

Inglewood has met with Beach Cities Transit and GTrans but has not yet met with Torrance. Mr. Crespo added that they seem to be interested in working with GTrans on a seasonal fixed route schedule. Transit Operators will continue to report back on the efforts.

#### 5) Green Line South EIR Update

Mr. Lantz reported that he recently met with David Mieger of Metro who indicated that Metro is about to hire a consultant, with initial scoping meetings likely taking place in Fall 2019. Mr. Lantz also added that in order to accelerate the extension as part of the 28 by '28 initiative, local jurisdictions will have to come up with approximately \$120M in order to accelerate it by 3 years for opening by the Olympics. Mr. Lantz cautioned that even with the acceleration, it may not be opened before the 2028 Olympics. There will also be other investments needed to ultimately accomplish a one-seat ride through the Wye intersection at LAX. These items include traction power upgrades and potential 3 car platforms for those with 2 car platforms currently.

#### 6) Metro NextGen Bus Study

Metro continues work on their study which will likely result in Metro reducing service in areas in order to increase it elsewhere. Due to low ridership in the South Bay, it's important to continue monitoring the study for potential reductions in service and how that impacts Transit Operators. Metro is beginning to look at service concepts, so there will be more information available in coming months.

#### 7) Announcements/Adjournment – Next Transit Operators Working Group meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m. to June 20th, 2019.