

Metro South Bay Service Council Monthly Meeting Review for February 12, 2021
Overview Compiled by Donald Szerlip, Chairman

A Safety Tip was given by Transportation Planning Manager Scott Green. No minutes were approved because Dolores Ramos, Service Council Administrator was out of town responding to a family emergency.

Tham Nguyen, Senior Director, Special Projects gave the Council an update on the Traffic Reduction Study. Currently staff is doing preliminary work including trying to identify a location for a Pilot Program. The goal is to reduce traffic using congestion pricing. Currently doing a Technical Analysis to define implementation concepts leading into this summer's goal to identify both the location for and concept of how to achieve the desired outcome. Following a Board decision of a preferred pilot concept, staff will continue to develop an implementation plan for the study which is anticipated to actually commence in Spring of 2022.

Next the Service Council heard from Stephen Tu, Director of Service Planning, with an update of next steps being considered to be implemented in support of the NextGen Bus Plan. Under discussion is the creation of Bus Priority Lanes on 5th & 6th Streets in downtown LA. Additional Bus Priority Lanes are being planned for peak service on Alvarado Street and all day service Grand Avenue and Olive Street. Finally, Metro plans for a Bus Only Lane on Aliso Street. Public outreach is ongoing for these planned bus speed improvements.

The monthly Metro Bus Performance Report was given by Transportation Planning Manager Scott Green. Joe Forgiarini, Senior Director of Planning, continued with reports on the effects of Covid 19 on staff and bus performance. Additional updates were provided on NextGen implementation, C Line (Green) upcoming weekend closures, the strong start for and expansion of the Micro/Mobility on Demand program and more. Mark Dierking, Community Relations Manager, reminded the Council of the ongoing C Line Scoping Process and the upcoming virtual public meetings to be held on February 24 and 27.

The meeting concluded following Council Member Comments and Public Comments on non-agenda items.

Respectfully submitted February 15, 2021