



# Foothill Gold Line

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## Agenda Item: 7.a.

**TO:** Chair and Members of the Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Habib <sup>B</sup>F. Balian, Chief Executive Officer  
**DATE:** February 14, 2018  
**SUBJECT:** Approval of January 10, 2018 Minutes of Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board of Directors Meeting

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### RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Directors approve the January 10, 2018 Minutes of the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board of Directors Meeting.

**Executive Officer:**

**Habib F. Balian**  
Chief Executive Officer

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**Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board Meeting  
 Construction Authority Offices  
 406 E. Huntington Drive, Suite 202  
 Maria Dalton Community Room  
 Monrovia, California 91016**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
 January 10, 2018  
 12:00 P.M.**

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Tessitor called the meeting to order at 12:07 PM

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Marisol Rodriguez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Roll Call:**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Appointing Entity</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b><i>Voting Members</i></b>			
Doug Tessitor, <i>Chair</i>	City of Pasadena	X	
Sam Pedroza, <i>Vice Chair</i>	SGVCOG	X	
Marisol Rodriguez (Alt)	City of Los Angeles	X	
Paul Leon	City of South Pasadena	X	
John Fasana	LACMTA	X	
<b><i>Non-Voting Members</i></b>			
Carrie Bowen	Governor of California		X
Gene Masuda	City of Pasadena	X	
Daniel Evans	City of South Pasadena	X	
Alan Wapner	SBCTA		X
<b><i>Alternate Members</i></b>			
Tim Sandoval	SGVCOG	—	—
Deborah Robertson	SBCTA	—	—

**4. Public Comments on Items On/Off Agenda**

Chair Tessitor inquired if there was anyone who wished to provide public comment on items on or off the Agenda – hearing and seeing none, Chair Tessitor closed public comment.

**5. Closed Session**

(a) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

Existing Litigation: ..... Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1)

City of San Dimas v Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority, et al,  
 Case No. BS171326

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(b) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

Existing Litigation: .....Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1)

City of Pomona v Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority, et al,  
Case No. BS171363

Chair Tessitor requested that Associate General Counsel Pellman provide the report on Closed Session.

Associate General Counsel Pellman indicated that the Board would enter closed session for the items listed on the Agenda. The Board entered closed session at 12:10 pm

Chair Tessitor reconvened the Board Meeting at 12:27 pm. Associate General Counsel Pellman indicated that there was no reportable action by the Board regarding the Closed Session.

**6. CEO's Monthly Report**

Mr. Balian reviewed the Critical Path Schedule for Claremont to Montclair which indicated that staff will receive DB2 Statements of Qualification in January 2018; determine DB2 short-list in February 2018; conduct and Industry Review of Draft RFP for DB2 in February 2018; complete SCRRA Master Cooperative Agreement in April 2018; finalize BNSF Agreement in April 2018; complete work with the Grade Crossing Working Group by June 2018; finalized Gap Funding for LA County Segment by June 2018; submit USACE Permits in July 2018; Award DB2 Contract in October 2018 and finalize SBCTA Funding and Construction Agreement by January 2021.

Board Member Fasana inquired as to the status of utilities relocations agreements. Mr. Burner indicated that things are proceeding well at this point.

Item received and filed.

**7. Consent Calendar:**

a. **Approval of Minutes of Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board Meeting held December 13, 2017**

b. **Receive and File 2018 Committee Member Assignments**

Chair Tessitor requested a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Board Member Fasana made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar which was seconded by Board Member Leon and approved unanimously.

**8. General Board Items:**

a. **Receive and File Project Update: Glendora to Montclair Grade Crossings**

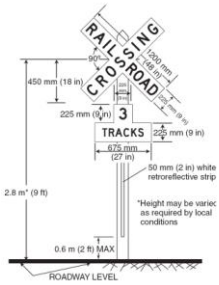



Mr. Balian introduced Chris Burner, Chief Project and Planning Officer, to provide the report. Mr. Burner reviewed the type of Grade Crossings – (1) at-grade crossing: tracks intersect with streets/roads; (2) grade separated crossing: tracks *do not* intersect with streets/roads and (3) pedestrian crossings: points at which pedestrian's cross tracks.

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Mr. Burner indicated that all types of grade crossings are governed by the California Public Utility Commission (CPUC).

Mr. Burner indicated that in the Glendora to Montclair segment of the project there are 50 total crossings. Mr. Burner indicated that there are twenty-three at-grade crossings and that one crossing may close, either Glenwood or Elwood in Glendora, and Monte Vista Street may be closed to vehicular traffic and potentially open to pedestrian traffic. Mr. Balian indicated that there are seven grade separated crossings; six crossings where light-rail is grade separated (freight/Metrolink is at grade) and 14 pedestrian crossings.

Mr. Burner indicated that staff has met and continues to meet with corridor cities and the CPUC to discuss each crossing and that field diagnostics have been performed at each grade crossing except for three crossings. Mr. Burner indicated that twenty-eight of the fifty grade crossings application have been submitted to the CPUC for approval. Mr. Burner indicated that all grade crossings are expected to be submitted to the CPUC by April 2018.

<p><b>Glendora to Montclair Grade Crossings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade Crossings             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Types                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At-grade crossing: tracks intersect with streets/roads</li> <li>• Grade separated crossing: tracks <i>do not</i> intersect with streets/roads</li> <li>• Pedestrian crossings: points at which pedestrians cross tracks</li> </ul> </li> <li>– Grade crossings are governed by the California Public Utility Commission (CPUC)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  <p>The diagram shows a cross-section of a grade crossing. It features two tracks with a center-to-center distance of 225 mm (9 in). The track width is 225 mm (9 in). The distance from the center of the tracks to the edge of the roadway is 450 mm (18 in). The roadway level is 0.6 m (2 ft) MAX below the top of the tracks. A 50 mm (2 in) white retroreflective strip is shown on the track surface. A note indicates that the height may vary as required by local conditions.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"></p>	<p><b>Glendora to Montclair Grade Crossings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Glendora to Montclair segment contains 50 total crossings             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– 23 at-grade crossings                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One crossing may close                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Either Glenwood or Elwood (only one)</li> <li>– Monte Vista Street (closed to vehicular traffic, potentially open to pedestrian traffic)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>– Seven (7) grade separated crossings</li> <li>– Six (6) crossings where LRT is grade separated, freight/Metrolink is at-grade</li> <li>– 14 pedestrian crossings</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"></p>
<p><b>Glendora to Montclair Grade Crossings Status:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authority has met with corridor cities and CPUC to discuss each crossing</li> <li>• Field diagnostics have been performed at each grade crossing with exception of three crossings</li> <li>• 28 of 50 grade crossing applications have been submitted to CPUC for approval, which are highlighted in the grade crossing matrix</li> <li>• All grade crossings expected to be submitted to CPUC by April 2018</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"></p>	

Item received and filed.

**b. Consideration of Board Resolution 2018-R-01 Approving Deletion of Modification 7 of the Fourth Addendum to the Certified Azusa to Montclair Final EIR**

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Board Member Fasana indicated that based upon the staff report, a motion be made to adopt Resolution 2018-R-01 Approving Deletion of Modification 7 of the Fourth Addendum to the Certified Azusa to Montclair Final EIR. Board Member Pedroza seconded the motion. Chair Tessitor inquired if there were any other comments or opposition to the motion; hearing none, the item passed unanimously.

**c. Receive and File Parking Study & Structure Update (oral report)**

Ms. Lisa Levy Buch, Chief Communications Officer, provided the report. Ms. Levy Buch indicated that Metro indicated that Metro staff will be presenting a master station transit program policy to Metro Board at its January meeting. Ms. Levy Buch indicated that included in the master plan will be recommendations for paid parking at stations whose occupancy rate is at seventy percent and above as well as various other recommendations regarding security, maintenance and asset management.

Ms. Levy Buch indicated that Metro staff have separated out the Phase 2B portion of the Foothill Gold Line from the master plan as they continue to work with the Phase 2B cities and the Construction Authority. Ms. Levy Buch indicated that Metro will also be working to integrate the LMU Rider Survey results into their study and information.

Ms. Levy Buch indicated that Metro has initially made recommendations of reduced parking at the Phase 2B stations from what the 2013 EIR recommended. Ms. Levy Buch indicated that once Metro has completed their review and analysis, a recommendation from Metro will be made to the Construction Authority Board for consideration. Ms. Levy Buch indicated that Metro staff also indicated that funding may directly related to how many parking spaces Metro is willing to pay for based upon the recommendation that is finally made to Construction Authority. Ms. Levy Buch indicated that this is the first time this has been mentioned and is not sure if this is being expressed by upper management at Metro.

Chair Tessitor indicated that based upon the funding statement by Metro, it could be implied that if the Construction Authority decided to build parking more than the Metro recommendation, that additional funding dollars will be needed.

Item received and filed.

**d. Receive and File Monthly Project Status Update as of December 2017**

Mr. Balian introduced Chris Burner, Chief Project and Planning Officer to provide the report. Mr. Burner indicated that with regard to the Glendora to Montclair segment, staff continued to attend coordination meetings with corridor City staff; performed additional borings for Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA), awaiting final report; Caltrans approved the Environmental Site Assessment Investigation report; started negotiating the MCA with SCRRA for design and construction; Preliminary Hazard Analysis (PHA) under internal review; Threat & Vulnerability Assessment (TVA) under review by stakeholders; received all geotechnical reports for structures/bridges (phase 2 of 3-phase process); prepared for final phase of geotechnical process (parking structures and TPSS sites); submitted packages 1, 2, 3, and 4 grade crossing applications to CPUC; prepared to submit package 5 grade crossing applications to CPUC; completed comment resolution process with Metro, SCRRA, SBCTA, and corridor cities on the final

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verification ACE package; continued design of parking facilities and stations; continued updated noise and vibration analysis; continued working on finalizing agreements with Golden State Water and Metropolitan Water District; completed review of several preliminary DB1 submittals; DB1 contractor began scheduling coordination meetings with utility owners and corridor City staff; and DB1 contractor began permitting process, including preliminary steps for acquiring permit from SCRRA.

Mr. Burner indicated that over the next 6 to 12 months, staff will complete Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment; complete geotechnical work (phase 3); receive approval of the Type Selection for SR-57 and I-210 from Caltrans; release Alignment industry review package to Metro, SCRRA, SBCTA, corridor cities and potential design-builders; complete updated noise and vibration analysis; receive approval of CPUC applications; execute MCAs with remaining third parties; obtain USACE permits and DB1 acquire all necessary permits prior to starting work.

Item received and filed.

**9. General Counsel's Report**

**a. Conflict of Interest Waiver**

Associate General Counsel Pellman indicated that under the California Rules of Professional Conduct, attorneys owe both a duty of confidentiality and loyalty to their clients and they are not to undertake any adverse representation regarding clients without the informed written consent from both clients. Mr. Pellman indicated that the Nossaman law firm represents both Metro and the Construction Authority. Mr. Pellman indicated that the group of attorneys that work with Metro and its related matters are separate from the group of attorneys that work with the Construction Authority. Mr. Pellman indicated Metro has approved the Conflict of Interest Waiver and a request is being made to allow the CEO of the Construction Authority to also execute the Conflict of Interest Waiver.

Chair Tessitor requested a motion to allow the CEO to execute a Conflict of Waiver with Nossaman, LLP regarding LACMTA ("Metro"). Board Member Fasana made a motion to approve which was seconded by Board Member Pedroza and approved unanimously.

**10. Board Member Comments**

None.

**11. Adjournment**

Chair Tessitor adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:47 pm.