

**Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board Meeting**  
**Construction Authority Offices, Conference Room**  
**Arcadia City Council Chambers**  
**240 West Huntington Drive**  
**Arcadia, California 91007**  
**April 13, 2011**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**1. Call to Order:**

Chairman Tessitor called the meeting to order at approximately 7:08 PM.

**2. 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>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</i>	SGVCOG	X	
Ed Reyes, <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair</i>	City of Los Angeles		X
Keith Hanks	City of South Pasadena	X	
John Fasana	LACMTA	X	
<b><i>Non-Voting Members</i></b>			
Lara Larramendi	Governor of California	X	
Bill Bogaard	City of Pasadena	X	
Daniel Evans	City of South Pasadena		X
<b><i>Alternate Members</i></b>			
Michael Cacciotti	City of South Pasadena	—	—
Gerry Miller	City of Los Angeles	—	—
Mary Ann Lutz	SGVCOG	—	—

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Bill Bogaard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Chairman Tessitor requested any public comments on or off the Agenda.

None.

**5. CEO's Monthly Report**

Mr. Balian presented the report. Mr. Balian presented a video which highlighted recent activities at the Construction Authority among which were activity at IFS; installation of temporary soundwalls during construction of the IFS, community outreach in the surrounding area; public workshops for the Azusa to Montclair environmental process and other activities.

Board Member Larramendi inquired if the video are shared with staff of local elected officials. Mr. Balian indicated that the information is shared with staff of the local elected officials as the regularly scheduled quarter briefing meetings.

Mr. Balian reviewed various critical path items including the Amendment to the Funding Agreement with Metro which was approved in March; the BNSF Agreement that is pending signature by all parties; the M&O budget which Metro is scheduled to approve next week – which includes dollars for the capital and real estate acquisition; and work on the design-build contract for Phase 2A which should be awarded in July depending on M&O property acquisition. Mr. Balian also reviewed various other agreements that staff is working on. Mr. Balian indicated that 19 of the 37 grade-crossing have been approved and 14 of the remaining 18 application have been submitted for approval. Mr. Balian indicated that a revised schedule for Phase 2A will be presented to the Board at the next meeting. Mr. Balian reviewed the various public workshops that are ongoing for the Azusa to Montclair environmental clearance. Mr. Balian also review the overall schedule for the CEQA/NEPA certification for the Azusa to Montclair portion of the project.

Vice Chair Pedroza thanked staff for the efforts and work at the recent public workshop.

**6. Consent Calendar:**

- a. Consideration of Conflict of Waiver for Richards, Watson & Gershon**
- b. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting held March 23, 2011**
- c. Receive and File Financial Quarterly Update**
- d. Adoption of Fiscal Year 2012 Operating Budget – Phase II**
- e. Resolution of the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Adopting and Implementing Rules and Regulations for Implementation of the California Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Guidelines**
- f. Authorize CEO to Issue Request for Interest (RFI) for Monrovia Station Development**
- g. Authorize CEO to Execute Amendment No. 2 to Richards, Watson & Gershon Contract No. C1115 for Legal Services**

Chairman Tessitor requested a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Board Member Pedroza made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Board Member Fasana seconded the motion. Board Member Hanks abstained from the March 23, 2011 minutes as he was not present. Board Member Fasana wanted to emphasize that the FY 2012 Operating Budget that was

being approved including possible additional merit compensation for staff if approved by the CEO, but that an immediate increase in current salaries was not being approved by this action. The Consent Calendar was then approved unanimously.

**7. General Board Items:**

**a. Receive and File Report on Project Update: San Gabriel River Bridge**

Mr. Balian introduced Chris Burner to provide the report. Mr. Burner presented a fly-over video showing the location and structure of the San Gabriel River Bridge. Mr. Burner showed the Board the original drawings of the 110 year old bridge. Mr. Burner indicated that the current structure was a single-track bridge will be replaced with a dual-track bridge. Mr. Burner indicated that the current structure does not meet seismic standards as well. Mr. Burner indicated that Authority staff has submitted four permit applications to replace with the structure with various agencies. Mr. Burner indicated that an Environmental Assessment under NEPA of the location and structure is also required and being conducted. Mr. Burner reviewed the schedule that staff and the US Army Corp of Engineers have agreed to that will allow the 404 Permit to be issued prior to the award to the design-build contract which would assist in avoiding possible delays of the project.

**b. Receive and File Report on Environmental Benefits**

Mr. Balian introduced Chris Burner who provided the report. Mr. Burner indicated that the report was in response to Director Reyes' request to present the possible environmental benefits as a result of the project. Mr. Burner indicated that Parsons Brinckerhoff (PB) is performing the CEQA/NEPA study of the Azusa to Montclair segment of the Foothill Extension project and that . PB's preliminary analysis indicates various potential environmental benefits. Mr. Burner indicated that some of those benefits would be reduction in vehicle miles of travel; reduced emissions from trips shifting from vehicle to Gold Line; reduced emissions from improved traffic flow; reduced emissions from shorter trip times; promotion of more compact, mixed-use development around Gold Line stations, increasing the non-vehicle mode share; and promotion of non-automobile circulation and linkages around stations. Mr. Burner indicated that once the study is complete a more detailed report will be presented to the Board.

Chairman Tessitor requested a motion to receive and file the Reports on the San Gabriel River Bridge and Environmental Benefits. Board Member Bogaard made a motion to receive and file the Reports and Board Member Pedroza seconded the motion which was then approved unanimously.

**8. General Counsel's Report**

None

**9. Board Member Comments**

Board Member Hanks thanked Lisa Levy Buch's comments in response to various press articles regarding the parking structure discussion that are on-going in Azusa.

Chairman Tessitor adjourned the Board Meeting and moved into Closed Session at approximately 7:29 PM. General Counsel Estrada indicated that there would be no reportable action.

**10. Closed Session**

1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR ..... G.C. 54956.8

- (a) Property: (1) 8513-012-911; 8513-012-912;  
(2) 8513-012-909; (3) 8513-012-908;  
(4) 8513-012-910  
  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Wes Beverlin, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Monrovia Redevelopment Agency  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
  
- (b) Property: 8507-010-019  
  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Javier & Esmeralda Castaneda  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
  
- (c) Property: 8531-017-022  
  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Peter & Yolanda Gutierrez  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
  
- (d) Property: 8531-017-021  
  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Javier & Micaela Sanchez  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
  
- (e) Property: 8528-015-051  
  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Cal-Am Water  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms

- (f) Property: 8616-003-011  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Ignacio Medina & Rosa Medina  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
- (g) Property: 8616-003-012  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: One West Bank  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
- (h) Property: 5773-006-054  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Recreational Equipment, Inc.  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
- (i) Property: 8513-012-043  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Hoffman Family Trust/Linsalato  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
- (j) Property: 8513-012-040  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Walter Cleveland  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
- (k) Property: 8513-012-054  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Mark Charvat/ELS  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
- (l) Property: 8513-012-055  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Mountain Partners  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms
- (m) Property: (1) 8513-012-032; (2) 8513-012-033;  
(3) 8513-012-034; (4) 8513-012-035;  
(5) 8513-012-036  
Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.  
Negotiating Parties: Excalibur Holdings  
Under Negotiation: Price and terms

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL: .....G.C. 54956.9(a)

Pending Litigation

- (1) Excalibur Property Holdings, LLC and George Brokate v.  
Pasadena Metro Blue Line Construction Authority  
Case No. BS130732
  
- (2) Excalibur Property Holdings, LLC and George Brokate v.  
Pasadena Metro Blue Line Construction Authority. et. al.  
Case No. BS129985

**8. Adjournment**

Board Chairman Tessitor adjourned the meeting at 8:29 PM.