

Eco-Rapid Transit, formerly known as the Orangeline Development Authority, is a joint powers authority (JPA) created to pursue development of a transit system that moves as rapidly as possible, uses grade separation as appropriate, and is environmentally friendly and energy efficient. The system is designed to enhance and increase transportation options for riders of this region utilizing safe, advanced transit technology to expand economic growth that maximizes ridership in Southern California. The Authority is composed of the following public agencies:

- City of Artesia
- City of Bell
- City of Bell Gardens
- City of Bellflower
- City of Cudahy
- City of Downey
- City of Glendale
- City of Huntington Park
- City of Maywood
- City of Paramount
- City of South Gate
- City of Vernon
- Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority
- Chair
- Zareh Sinanyan
President
Hollywood Burbank Airport
Mayor
City of Glendale
- Vice-Chair
- Pedro Aceituno
Council Member
City of Bell Gardens
- Secretary
- Karina Macias
Council Member
City of Huntington Park
- Treasurer
- Ali Sajjad Taj
Council Member
City of Artesia
- Internal Auditor
- Cristian Markovich
Council Member
City of Cudahy
- Executive Director
- Michael R. Kodama
- General Counsel
- Teresa L. Highsmith
- Ex-Officio
- William Rawlings
City Manager Representative

A G E N D A R E P O R T

TO: Members of Eco-Rapid Transit

FROM: Michael Kodama, Executive Director

DATE: August 8, 2018

SUBJECT: UPDATE AND/OR ACTION REGARDING ECO-RAPID TRANSIT STRATEGIC VISION WORKING SESSION

Public comments on items on the agenda will be taken at the time the item is called and are limited to 3 minutes per speaker

ISSUE

The Board desires to hold a Strategic Vision working session to define its goals for the future.

BACKGROUND

The Eco-Rapid Transit Joint Powers Authority Board has been focused on advocating and planning for transit improvements that are environmentally friendly, state of the art, high speed transit while positioning the entire corridor for transit investment and utilizing transit as a catalyst for sustainable, equitable, healthy neighborhoods and successful business districts.

There is much activity that is currently underway to achieve these goals. And the Board desired to revisit where they are and what they need to do to continue effectively serve their constituents and advocate for the very best corridor transit oriented development.

Following a solicitation of proposals, the Board selected ARUP to lead that effort. Staff has been working with ARUP to finalize their contract, and is currently waiting for final signatures. Meanwhile ARUP has begun scheduling interviews in preparation for the Board Strategic Vision Working Session.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Discuss information presented and offer action items; and/or
2. Receive and file the item