

HUIZAR MOTION that the CEO establish a working group comprised of six municipal operators of which three are TAP enabled and three that are not TAP enabled along with high level executive MTA staff.

The working group shall address the 7 overarching items identified in the attached Municipal Operator letter dated January 30, 2012.

Also move that the CEO report back at the March 2012 Board meeting with an update.



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antelope valley transit authority
beach cities transit
commerce municipal bus lines
culver citybus
foothill transit
gardena municipal bus lines
long beach transit
los angeles d.o.t
montebello bus lines
norwalk transit system
santa clarita transit
santa monica's big blue bus
torrance transit
arcadia transit
claremont dial-a-ride
la mirada transit

January 30, 2012

Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Mayor Villaraigosa:

On behalf of LACMOA, we would like to extend our thanks to you for setting up the Countywide Transit Access Pass Workshop.

On Wednesday, January 25th, representatives from LACMOA identified several outstanding key issues surrounding the effort to move TAP forward as a regional fare media.

The TAP Issues are listed as follows:

Migration of paper EZ Pass to TAP

- Establish a TAP working group to discuss and resolve important technical, administrative, and policy issues
- Need to include the proper Metro staff members to address each specific area of concern

Migration of interagency transfers to TAP

- Establish a comprehensive plan on how to migrate paper transfers onto TAP.
- Establish a transfer policy working group to discuss and resolve important technical, administrative, and policy issues.
- Need to include the proper Metro staff members to address each specific area of concern.

Finalization of Business/Operating Rules

- Metro needs to address a few outstanding items which have been previously brought forth to Metro staff. LACMOA will provide a list of outstanding items to Metro staff.

Municipal Operators seeking information regarding light validators

- Metro and Cubic needs to setup up a meeting/demonstration with interested parties to help agencies evaluate the technology and operation, and identify funding for additional costs associated with the implementation of TAP.
- Metro and Cubic need to provide additional information regarding administrative and data related issues with interested parties to help agencies implement and integrate light validators, TAP or new TAP related technologies into their existing systems.
- Metro needs to update municipal operators on any new TAP related technologies that are available, including strategies to comply with the proposed super-regional system (open architecture).

Follow up on TAP Enhancements

- Metro to follow up on enhancements, program fixes which Metro agreed to.
- LACMOA will provide a list of enhancements which are still outstanding

Improved Coordination and Communication

- Metro should abide by their previous agreement with the Municipal Operators by providing information in advance on any program change, fare products, and enhancements.
- Metro to provide monthly updates on the activities of TAP.

Reconciliation of Clearinghouse

- Metro to provide more detailed and specific banking information in order to establish transparency for participants.

Many of these items are in progress or close to being resolved. However, for some of the larger issues, it will take the commitment of all of the transit agencies to work together collectively in order to achieve the goal of delivering a regional seamless fare media for our customers.

Sincerely,



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Transportation Director
Culver CityBus