



## Paramount LAC Meeting #1

June 5, 2008  
6:00PM– 7:00 PM  
Paramount City Hall

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## MEETING SUMMARY

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### INTRODUCTION

On Thursday, June 5, 2008, the I-710 project team met with the Paramount Public Works Commission, which will serve as the Local Advisory Committee for the I-710 EIR/EIS Corridor Project, to make a presentation on the study. The purpose of the presentation was to provide a Project Overview and Update to the LAC regarding the EIR/EIS Corridor Project, to discuss desired outcomes and expectations of the LAC and to introduce the project team as well as the community participation framework. The presentation was made to the five-member commission as well as Christopher Cash, the City of Paramount's Director of Public Works, and Bill Pagett, the City Engineer for Paramount. One community member was in attendance in the audience.

Members of the I-710 project team present at the meeting were, Devon Cichoski, Metro Constituent Program Manager, Jerry Wood representing the Gateway Cities Council of Governments, and Becky Draper of MIG.

Ms. Cichoski opened the presentation by reviewing the meeting objectives and providing a project overview, including background on the Major Corridor Study and progress since the Tier 2 Report. Ms Draper followed with an overview of the community participation framework and the role and charge of the LACs in addition to outlining the other opportunities for community participation throughout the project. Emphasis was placed on the custom-tailored approach to community participation that is embedded in the project. Mr. Wood followed the community participation portion of the presentation with a review of the Locally Preferred Strategy, concentrating on areas of proximity and particular interest to the City of Paramount. In addition Mr. Wood stressed that analysis of alternative technologies is a unique aspect of this EIR/EIS process.

Following the presentation members of the LAC were asked for any questions. The questions are summarized below:

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- Will Spanish language facilitation and translation be provided for community meetings? Becky Draper and Devon Cichoski said that they would ensure assignment of bilingual Outreach Team member to support community meetings in Paramount.
- What is the interface between the I-710 and the 91 freeway? Jerry Wood said that the GCCOG Board has requested that these ramps be deleted from the I-710 project. Jerry Wood explained that currently at the crossover of the two freeways about one half of the traffic continues up the I-710 and about one half goes onto the 91. He commented that the main problem is the volume of trucks.
- How are decisions between the 91/605/405 and the I-710 projects coordinated? Jerry Wood responded that the GCCOG Board passes on results of the 91/605/405 study to the I-710 team.
- A member of the public, Steve Kacharzek, asked about the old Red Car Line ROW. Christopher Cash said that the ROW is being looked at for possible use as a transit facility and added that a regional bikeway path is now being developed in Bellflower and will soon begin development in Paramount.

## **CONCLUSION**

Christopher Cash concluded by saying that he would coordinate with the I-710 on updates at upcoming Public Works Commission meetings as well as on determining Paramount's appointment to the Corridor Advisory Committee.

The meeting concluded at 7:00 PM.