





# **Support Material - Public Comment**

## **Board of Directors Meeting**

June 5, 2024 10:00 a.m.

### **Location:**

San Bernardino County Transportation Authority First Floor Lobby Board Room 1170 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, San Bernardino, CA 92410

## **Public Comment**

Written public comments were received after the posting of the agenda and are being provided as Support Material.

#### Dear SBCTA Board of Directors:

As a San Bernardino County resident who regularly rides Los Angeles County Metro, I urge you to fulfill your commitment to fund the A (Blue) Line extension to Montclair. This light rail service will offer frequent services that Metrolink (SCRRA) San Bernardino Line and Foothill Transit Silver Streak cannot duplicate. It will deliver exclusive connections from San Bernardino County to jobs, educational institutions and medical services to communities along the line in the northern San Gabriel Valley onwards to Downtown Los Angeles.

The San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) should continue pursuing the Los Angeles County Metro Gold/A Line extension to Ontario International Airport. It is consistent with the City of Ontario's The Ontario Plan Section M-3.5 and Figure M-03 "Public Transit."

I believe the funding dedicated to the Ontario International Airport (ONT) Connector Project (Electric Car Tunnel) should be redirected to fund the A (Blue) Line extension to the airport and local transportation improvements in San Bernardino County.

I remain extremely concerned by the unseemly comments from an SBCTA Board member during the Transit Committee meeting in April 2024. Transit violence is a valid concern but less frequent than deaths and injuries from automobiles. Also, Foothill Transit Silver Streak runs 24/7 service to Montclair. However, "indigent people" and not having a seat on the Foothill Transit board are not reasons to reduce or discontinue Silver Streak service. Extreme poverty is a serious public health issue that the county and state continue to address. However, that is beyond the scope of SBCTA. I reiterate that SBCTA should only focus on fully funding the Metro A (Blue) Line extension to Montclair.

Thank you,

Kevin Dedicatoria

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SBCTA Board of Directors
Attn: Board Secretary
Omnitrans San Bernardino County Transportation Authority
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**RE: Letter of Comment – Valley Transit Programs** 

**Dear Chair and Directors:** 

The Transit Coalition (TTC) urges the Authority to fulfill your commitment to fund the A (Blue) Line extension to Montclair. This light rail service will offer frequent service that Metrolink (SCRRA) San Bernardino Line and Foothill Transit Silver Streak will not duplicate.

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The Transit Coalition asks SBCTA to focus on fully funding the Metro A (Blue) Line extension to Montclair.

Sincerely.

Bart Reed Executive Director

Kevin Dedicatoria

**Kevin Dedicatoria Transit Advocate**