

MTA'S PLAN FOR CRENSHAW BLVD

- **DISRUPTIVE:** 4-5 long years of street-level construction from 48th to 59th Street. The entire Crenshaw business district will be killed. People won't want to travel through, let alone shop in the middle of a busy & dusty Crenshaw Bl. construction zone.
- **DEADLY:** 225-ton trains traveling 35 mph down the middle of Crenshaw Blvd right in front of View Park Prep and a block away from Crenshaw H.S. MTA's street-level Blue Line has already **killed over 106 people & been in over 900 accidents.**
- **DESTRUCTIVE:** Transform our tree-lined street into a prison-like place without enough parking by cutting down mature trees, erecting fences & utility lines, eliminating 308 parking spaces, closing off streets, and getting rid of left-turns. People won't want to return to a divided industrial-looking Crenshaw with no place to park & unsafe trains barreling down the street.



IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES & OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPACT

- *June 27, 2013* – The MTA Board is scheduled to award the \$1.3 billion construction contract for the rail line. MTA staff has recommended the joint venture led by Walsh-Shea Corridor Constructors.
- *July 1, 2013* – Mayor Eric Garcetti assumes the MTA Board and makes three new appointees.
- *1st Quarter 2014* - Heavy Construction to Begin: The joint venture awarded the Crenshaw-LAX rail line's construction contract is expected to begin heavy construction activities along the corridor.

UPDATE: LEIMERT PARK STOP ADDED & CONTRACTORS REQUEST TO BID THE TUNNEL

Due to the work of the Crenshaw Subway Coalition, the Leimert Park Village station has finally been added to the Crenshaw-LAX Project. The 10-1 MTA board vote for the stop indicates this was always a matter of political will, not money. Also, MTA now admits that 3 out of 4 of the finalists for the Crenshaw-LAX Line contract award requested to bid the project with a tunnel from 48th to 59th Street on Crenshaw Blvd. However, the MTA staff refused to allow the contractors to bid the tunnel. Staff's refusal is particularly unconscionable because at least one of the contractors suggested that they could build the tunnel from 48th – 59th Street within project budget. We're working on demanding the tunnel be bid.

ABOUT THE CRENSHAW SUBWAY COALITION

The Crenshaw Subway Coalition is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation led by Crenshaw corridor residents, merchants, property owners and stakeholders. We have three objectives as an organization: (1) ensuring the Crenshaw-LAX Rail Line is built in a manner requested by the community: **UNDERGROUND ON CRENSHAW BLVD & WITH A STATION AT LEIMERT PARK VILLAGE**; (2) ensuring the rail line is built by people in the community; and (3) ensuring the Crenshaw Blvd revitalization effort is locally empowering.

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