

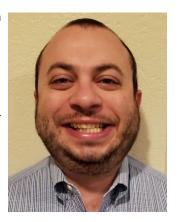
March Presentation: What's happening in La Habra?

Speaker: Mr. Michael Plotnik, City of La Habra

At this month's OCTEC meeting, **Michael Plotnik, Traffic Manager at the City of La Habra**, will provide a review of all recent City projects including Bicycle Master Plan, Complete Streets Master Plan, UPRR Bike Trail (OC Loop), and Signal Synchronization,

Speak Bios

Michael Plotnik, TE, is the Traffic Manager for the City of La Habra responsible for managing the City's traffic engineering division. He oversees the City's Traffic Management Center, traffic signal system, ITS system including CCTV, traffic control, traffic studies, signal synchronization, signal timing, active transportation, and construction projects. He is a registered traffic engineer in the State of California and received his bachelor's and master's degree in Civil Engineering from CSULB. He is IMSA and Cisco certified, and a subject matter expert for traffic engineering on the California state-specific exam. He is actively involved with OCTEC and ASCE. He is still connected to CSULB through guest lectures and being on the national council



for Chi Epsilon. Prior to joining the City of La Habra he worked for Iteris.

February Luncheon Recap (Joint Meeting with ITS SoCal)



Next Meeting:

March 28, 2019 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM

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LOCAL, REGIONAL & NATIONAL NEWS

Mayor Garcetti and Los Angeles World Airports Break Ground on Historic LAX Airport Train

Mayor Eric Garcetti today broke ground on the Automated People Mover (APM), a train which will connect travelers directly to airport terminals and create new and convenient locations for passenger pick-up and drop-off outside the Central Terminal Area. The historic infrastructure project will transform public transportation, reduce traffic congestion, and deliver a world-class experience for travelers at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX). [Continue here]

Where should the northerly extension of the Crenshaw line go? Pick from five routes

Yes, this Metro project is not scheduled to break ground until 2041. But that hasn't stopped the mega transit agency from holding scoping meetings this week and next week to help officials determine alignments for the Northern extension of the Crenshaw line, a rail route currently under construction and set to open in 2020. [Continue here]

New survey shows Orange County continues to trend purple

Transportation-themed report from Chapman finds opinions leaning left. The Chapman University Orange County Annual Survey also offers a first-time look into how county residents feel about specific public transit ideas.



Bottom line: Orange County residents like their cars, but slightly more than half support public transit as long as those projects are focused locally. [Continue here]

APTA study: Public Transit investment stimulates a 4 -to-1 return

A new report by the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) has identified at least \$232 billion in critical public transportation investments. Additionally the association analyzed the impact of investment in public transportation and found that \$232 billion spent over 10 years would stimulate a 4-to-1 return of \$928 billion in economic activity over the next 20 years.

"Infrastructure investment consistently produces big financial returns," said Gary Thomas, president and executive director of Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) at a March 18 press conference. "Every major DART project has proven that. This is the way to move our economy forward." [Continue here]

Strong Economy Has Americans Driving More than Ever Before

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) released new data today showing total U.S. driving in 2018 surged to a record-setting 3.225 trillion vehiclemiles traveled (VMT).

"Record-setting vehicle-miles traveled reflects a robust economy, lower gas prices and is another reason to ensure that America's roads and bridges are well-maintained and modernized to improve safety," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao. [Continue here]

New Tool Makes it Easy to Estimate Added Travel from New Highway Lanes

A new tool is available from the National Center for Sustainable Transportation to help estimate how much vehicle travel a freeway or highway expansion will produce.

This tool is important now for a number of reasons. For years, California planners have responded to congestion by making highways wider so they can carry more cars. The result has been, not so surprisingly, more cars on those roads. Transportation planners argue that most new travel is pent-up demand that would happen anyway, but research has long shown that building more capacity leads to more driving. [Continue here]

Transportation Corridor Agencies Select Axiom to Upgrade and Enhance The Toll Roads' Mobile App

The Boards of Directors of the Transportation Corridor Agencies (TCA), comprised of the San Joaquin Hills (SJHTCA) and Foothill/ Eastern (F/ETCA) Transportation Corridor Agencies, selected Axiom xCell Inc. (Axiom) to provide day-to-day maintenance updates and management for The Toll Roads' app.

TCA – operator of the 73, 133, 241 and 261 Toll Roads in Orange County – was the first toll road operator in the nation to offer a free app for toll account management. Since its debut in 2013, more than 120,000 FasTrak®, ExpressAccount® and One-Time-Toll® customers log onto the app monthly to pay tolls, maintain their accounts or resolve violations. [Continue here]

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