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LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ANNOUNCES CHANGES TO CITYRIDE PROGRAM

LOS ANGELES (June 24, 2010) — The City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) announced that the Los Angeles City Council and the Mayor's Office approved LADOT's recommendations to make changes to the Cityride program effective August 1, 2010. The changes to Cityride were included in a large number of recommendations that affected all LADOT transit services: Cityride, DASH and Commuter Express. The recommendations were necessary because of a severe budget shortfall, which if not addressed immediately would have caused many LADOT transit services to be terminated.

Effective August 1, 2010, changes to Cityride are as follows:

Cityride fare value cannot be used to purchase Metro monthly passes/TAP cards

Annual fare value allotment will be \$168.00 (\$42 per quarter)

Quarterly fees will increase to \$21.00; \$9.00 for low income participants

Fees for Dial-A-Ride trips from 1-10 miles will remain at \$4.00 in fare value

Fees for Dial-A-Ride trips from 11-20 miles will increase to \$8.00 in fare value

Cash fares for stand-by for Dial-A-Ride trips from 1-10 miles will increase to \$3.00

Cash fares for stand-by for Dial-A-Ride trips from 11-20 miles will increase to \$6.00

LADOT's General Manager, Rita L. Robinson, said, "The poor economy has hurt all of us, and LADOT is no exception. While we wish we did not have to raise fares and fees or make any cuts, the reality is that it is the only answer that enables us to save essential programs and services and continue to offer the best possible transportation alternative to all our citizens."

For specific information about Cityride, please visit our website at www.ladottransit.com or call (213, 310, 323 or 818) 808-7433.