

METRO light rail will take part in the cities' public hearing process to receive input on potential service changes; any changes would occur in FY11 beginning July 2010.

The city of Phoenix and Tempe public hearing dates are listed below. Please plan to join one or a few to make your comments and/or recommendations heard on a variety of METRO service change options. These options were developed in an attempt to impact the least amount of riders – but we need to hear from you.

The city of Phoenix public hearings will discuss proposals for the entire city budget, including possible changes to transit service. The meetings in Tempe will be entirely transit-focused.

Changes are necessary to address a decline in sales tax revenue as a result of the slow economy. Sales tax revenue is the largest funding source for transit service Valleywide; fare revenue supports the balance, approximately 25 percent, of operating costs. While METRO ridership has surpassed all first-year projections, riders' fare revenue contribution cannot keep up with the sharp drop in sales tax collections.

## **City of Phoenix Public Hearings**

(Please check <a href="www.phoenix.gov/publictransit">www.phoenix.gov/publictransit</a> for any updates.)

Wed., Feb. 10, 6 p.m.
Carl Hayden High School, Auditorium
3333 W. Roosevelt St. (bilingual hearing)

Thurs., Feb. 11, 10 a.m. Devonshire Senior Center 2802 E. Devonshire St.

Thurs., Feb. 11, 6 p.m. Maryvale Community Center, Auditorium 4420 N. 51st Ave.

Thurs., Feb. 11, 6 p.m. Juniper Library 1825 W. Union Hills

Thurs., Feb. 11, 6 p.m. South Mountain Community College, Student Union 7050 S. 24th St.

Tue., Feb. 16, 6 p.m. Manzanita Senior Center 3581 W. Northern Ave. Public Hearings for FY11 Service Changes Page 2

Tue., Feb. 16, 6 p.m. Burton Barr Library 1221 N. Central Ave.

Wed., Feb. 17, 6 p.m. Goelet A Beuf Community Center 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Rd.

Wed., Feb. 17, 6 p.m. Madison School District Office 5601 N.16th St.

Thurs., Feb. 18, 6 p.m. Cowden Center 9202 N. Second St.

Thurs., Feb. 18, 6 p.m. Pecos Community Center 17010 S. 48th St.

Tue., Feb. 23, 6 p.m. Paradise Valley Community Center 17402 N. 40th St.

Tue., Feb. 23, 6 p.m. Shadow Mountain Senior Center 3546 E. Sweetwater Ave.

Tue., Feb. 23, 6 p.m. Cesar Chavez High School, Auditorium 3921 W. Baseline Rd.

Wed., Feb. 24, 7:30 a.m. Steele Indian School Park Memorial Hall 300 E. Indian School Rd.

## **City of Tempe Public Hearings**

(Please check <a href="www.tempe.gov/tim">www.tempe.gov/tim</a> for any updates.)

Round 1 (The same information will be presented at both meetings.)

Tue., Feb. 23, 6 p.m.
Tempe Transportation Center, Don Cassano Community Room 200 E. Fifth St.

Mon., March 1, 6 p.m. Pyle Adult Recreation Center 655 E. Southern Ave. Public Hearings for FY11 Service Changes Page 3

Round 2 (The same information will be presented at both meetings.)

Mon., March 29, 6 p.m. Pyle Adult Recreation Center 655 E. Southern Ave.

Tue., March 30, 6 p.m. Tempe Transportation Center, Don Cassano Community Room 200 E. Fifth St.