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ALLIANCE FOR RELIABLE TRANSPORT

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## MEETING AGENDA

Monday, May 16, 2005, 7:30 PM

The Seymour, 945 Pennsylvania Avenue, Miami Beach

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

### 2. When Do the Streetcars Arrive?

Update and Discussion of Miami Streetcar

"Commission Keeps Streetcar Plan Rolling" (Miami Herald, May 11, 2005). Currently scheduled as soon as 2008, the Design District streetcar line will connect to BayLink downtown. *"This is an absolutely crucial part of the big picture for the future of the city,"* said Commissioner Johnny Winton... *"We have to get our transportation systems in place in front of the condo boom, or we could wind up with serious gridlock that could kill it all."*

Update and Discussion of BayLink Streetcar

Memo from City Manager Jorge Gonzalez to Miami Beach Commissioners (April 28, 2005)

Currently scheduled for construction in 2016-2020, but there are several possible "opportunities for reprioritization" on the horizon.

Web Vote! A Herald poll goes with Thursday's front-page article on the Miami streetcar: Do you think the city should build a \$132 million streetcar system from downtown to the Design District?

Take 30 seconds to vote: <http://forums.miami.com/n/mb/message.asp?webtag=kr-miamiwebvote&msg=622.1>

(The article is at <http://www.miami.com/mld/miamiherald/news/front/11624548.htm>.)

### 3. New Study: Where Can Bus Rapid Transit Make a Difference?

"Overview of Bus Rapid Transit Opportunities as Part of an Integrated Multi-Modal Strategy to Alleviate Traffic Congestion in Miami-Dade County" (Center for Urban Transportation Research, April 2005 online at

[http://www.miamidade.gov/mpo/docs/MPO\\_brt\\_techmemo3\\_200504.pdf](http://www.miamidade.gov/mpo/docs/MPO_brt_techmemo3_200504.pdf) ).

The report analyzes 11 high-volume corridors that can benefit from faster bus service than the MAX buses. The top 4 lines and possible implementation dates: Flagler Street (2005 to 2007), US 1 & #8211; Biscayne Boulevard (2005 to 2007), LeJeune Road (2005 to 2008), and Kendall Drive (2005-2008). Other corridors include NW 79th Street, NW 7th Avenue, Coral Way, W 49th Street, SW 87th Avenue, SW 107th Avenue, SW 137th Avenue.

(What is Bus Rapid Transit?

[http://www.miamidade.gov/mpo/docs/MPO\\_brt\\_presentation\\_2004.pdf](http://www.miamidade.gov/mpo/docs/MPO_brt_presentation_2004.pdf) )

### 4. Old/New Business

Review Resolution on Urban Development Boundary (UDB) Line & Transportation / Information Request for Metropolitan Planning Organization / Website Changes / New Quarterly Meeting Schedule / Other Issues

The Alliance for Reliable Transport was formed in 2003 by Miami Beach residents who share an interest in improving public transportation. Meetings are open to the public.