

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

June 4, 2020

NOTICE

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TO: All Department Personnel

FROM: Chief of Police

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT USE OF METRO EXPRESSLANES- REVISED

Effective immediately, Office of Administrative Services Notice, "Department Vehicles eligible for Toll-Exemption for Metro ExpressLanes (Toll Lanes)," dated November 2, 2015, is rescinded.

The Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) initiated a review of the Department's utilization of the Metro ExpressLanes (i.e. the 10 Freeway and the 110 Freeway). Their review included auditing the list of currently authorized Department vehicles. Any violations of MTA rules regarding the use of the Metro ExpressLanes, including the linked freeways, will result in the removal of Department vehicles from the exempted list, and individual employees being held liable for any resulting fines and penalties.

The MTA **strictly** adheres to the exemptions listed in California Vehicle Code Section 23301.5. Effective immediately, the following shall be adhered to by all Department employees using the Metro ExpressLanes:

- Authorized vehicle is properly marked (i.e., Sheriff, Fire, Police);
- Vehicle is responding to an "urgent" or emergency call. "Urgent" **does not include** commuting to or from work, traveling to or from training, personal use or administrative use (e.g. transporting reports/documents, etc.);
- While commuting to book an arrestee at a Regional Jail or a detention facility.

Note: Exemptions only apply for travel to an incident and when responding to a detention facility to book an arrestee. The driver of the authorized Department vehicle will determine whether the use of the Metro ExpressLanes will likely improve availability, response and arrival time to the emergency. The MTA can rescind any of the above listed exemptions should they determine Departmental misuse of the ExpressLanes.

Employees who elect to use their personal transponders on their assigned Department vehicle will be liable for any and all charges incurred.

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Should there be any questions regarding this Notice, please contact Mr. Dirk Aubuchon, Assistant Commanding Officer, Motor Transportation Division, at (213) 486-1020.

Respectfully,

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MICHEL R. MOORE
Chief of Police

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