

## **Go Local:**

### **Connecting with Metrolink**

A study is underway for a potential commuter shuttle that would transport Metrolink riders arriving at the Irvine station to northern Lake Forest business parks. In fall 2009, the City began Step Two of the comprehensive service planning process for the commuter shuttle program. This step will prepare the proposals to compete for Renewed Measure M funds as part of Step Three – the project implementation phase. Detailed service planning will include an analysis of passenger demands and needs, route segment performance, system performance, impact to existing fixed route service, ADA compliance, resource requirements, and financial parameters. Step Two will take one year to complete.

### **Alton/Parkway Extension:**

#### **A Smoother Connection for Lake Forest**

Completing the Alton Parkway gap closure is a major goal of the City and community. The project will be undertaken in two segments.

The County of Orange is the lead agency for the first segment between Irvine Boulevard and Commercentre Drive. Construction plans are complete, and the County recently awarded a construction contract. Pending approval of required regulatory permits, including the California Department of Fish and Game, the County hopes to begin construction soon. Construction is expected to last twelve months.

The remaining portion of the gap closure, from Commercentre Drive to Town Centre Drive, is in the City limits. The completion of this segment is affected by the development of the surrounding land, which is owned by Shea Baker Ranch Associates (SBRA). The City is working cooperatively with SBRA to expedite the completion of this segment. The City Council recently awarded a design contract to begin construction plans. The City's goal is to complete the plans in time to allow for concurrent or a seamless continuation of construction once the County completes its segment.

For more information please contact the County (714) 834-2300 or visit the City's web site at [www.lakeforestbusiness.com](http://www.lakeforestbusiness.com).