



**LOS ANGELES COUNTY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MTA Headquarters
Board Room
One Gateway Plaza
Los Angeles**

Thursday, December 11, 1997 - 10:00 A.M.

Call to order:

Directors/Alternates:

Richard Riordan, Chair/Jaime de la Vega
Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, First Vice Chair/Michael Bohlke
James Cragin, Second Vice Chair/George Nakano
Richard Alatorre/Nate Holden
Michael Antonovich/Nick Patsaouras
Hal Bernson/Richard Alarcon
John Fasana/Beatrice La Pisto-Kirtley
Don Knabe/Robert Arthur
Jose Legaspi/Jackie Goldberg
Gloria Molina/Vivien Bonzo
Jenny Oropeza/Joyce Lawrence
Zev Yaroslavsky/Robert Abernethy
Larry Zarian/Jan Heidt
Tony V. Harris, Ex Officio/Dean Dunphy

Interim Chief Executive Officer - Julian Burke
Board Secretary - Georgia Hamilton
Inspector General - Arthur Sinai
General Counsel - County Counsel

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD RULES (ALSO APPLIES TO BOARD COMMITTEES)

PUBLIC INPUT

The meetings of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board are open to the public. A member of the public may address the Board on the subject of one or more agenda items and/or other items of interest which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. The total presentation for any combination of agenda items and non-agenda items addressed shall not exceed two minutes in length. A request to address the Board must be submitted in person to the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.

All Public Comment will be heard at the end of each meeting. Each individual will have the opportunity to speak only once at the time Public Comment is heard and should include all comments for all items. The Public Comment period will last thirty minutes maximum in length. Speakers will be called according to the order in which the speaker request forms are received until the thirty minute period has expired. The Chair may limit the public input on any item or the total amount of time allocated for public testimony based on the number of people requesting to speak and the business of the Board. If you are a party to a specific item, you will be called upon to speak at the time that issue is being considered.

In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.3(a) the Chair may from time to time dispense with public comment on items previously considered by a committee composed exclusively of Board members.

In accordance with State Law (Brown Act), all matters to be acted on by the MTA Board must be posted at least 72 hours prior to the Board meeting. In case of emergency, or when a subject matter arises subsequent to the posting of the agenda, upon making certain findings, the Board may act on an item that is not on the posted agenda.

CONDUCT IN THE BOARD ROOM The following rule pertains to conduct at Metropolitan Transportation Authority meetings:

REMOVAL FROM THE BOARD ROOM The Chair shall order removed from the Board Room any person who commits the following acts with respect to any meeting of the MTA Board:

Disorderly behavior toward the Board or any member of the staff thereof, tending to interrupt the due and orderly course of said meeting.

A breach of the peace, boisterous conduct or violent disturbance, tending to interrupt the due and orderly course of said meeting.

Disobedience of any lawful order of the Chair, which shall include an order to be seated or to refrain from addressing the Board; and

Any other unlawful interference with the due and orderly course of said meeting.

INFORMATION RELATING TO AGENDAS AND ACTIONS OF THE BOARD

Agendas for the Regular MTA Board meetings are prepared by the Board Secretary and are available prior to the meeting in the MTA Records Management Department and on the Internet.

Every meeting of the MTA Board of Directors is recorded on cassette tapes, and duplicate tapes are available for a nominal charge. A Spanish language translator is available at all Board Meetings. Translators for other languages must be requested 72 hours in advance.

After each Board meeting, a record is prepared which indicates the actions taken by the Board. This record is available on the second business day following the meeting.

DISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

The State Political Reform Act (Government Code Section 84308) requires that a party to a proceeding before an agency involving a license, permit, or other entitlement for use, including all contracts (other than competitively bid, labor, or personal employment contracts), shall disclose on the record of the proceeding any contributions in an amount of more than \$250 made within the preceding 12 months by the party, or his or her agent, to any officer of the agency. Persons required to make this disclosure shall do so by filling out a "Disclosure of Contribution" form which is available at the LACMTA Board and Committee Meetings. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the assessment of civil or criminal penalties.

ADA REQUIREMENTS

A cordless microphone is available for those persons with mobility impairments who cannot access the public speaking area. Sign language interpreter services are available by giving notice at least three business days in advance of the meeting. Please telephone (213) 922-4600 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Our TDD line is (800)252-9040.

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Copies of Agendas/Record of Board Action/Cassette Tapes of Meetings - (213) 922-2335 (Records Management Department)

General Information/Rules of the Board - (213) 922-4600

Internet Access to Agendas - www.mta.net

TDD line (800) 252-9040

NOTE: ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA.

1. Receive and file report by management on the:
 - A. Fiscal year 1997-98 re-forecast capital budget; and
 - B. Six-year capital budget beginning Fiscal Year 1998-99

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING ANY ITEM
DESCRIBED IN THE NOTICE OF MEETING.**

ADJOURNMENT

UNFORTUNATELY, THE BEHAVIOR OF SOME MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAS RESULTED IN THE DISRUPTION OF THE BOARD MEETINGS. THIS SITUATION HAS BEEN DETERIORATING WITH TIME, HAS INTERFERED WITH THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS, AND HAS INFRINGED ON THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS WHO WANT TO SPEAK.

THEREFORE, IN CASES OF DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR BY THOSE IN ATTENDANCE AT BOARD MEETINGS, I AS CHAIR WILL EXERCISE THE SPECIFIC AUTHORITY IN THE BROWN ACT TO HAVE DISRUPTIVE INDIVIDUALS REMOVED FROM BOARD MEETINGS.

IN ADDITION, INDIVIDUALS WHO DISRUPT BOARD MEETINGS WILL NOT BE RECOGNIZED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD IN FUTURE MEETINGS.

I RECOGNIZE MY ACTIONS AS CHAIR ARE SUBJECT TO BEING OVERRULED BY THE BOARD.