



AGENDA  
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 15, 2000 - 1:00 P.M.

Call to order:

Directors:

Hal Bernson. Chair  
Yvonne Burke. Vice Chair  
Michael Antonovich  
James Cragin  
John Fasana  
Tony V. Harris. Ex Officio

- ~~13.~~ REPORT of the Executive Officer
  - Rolling Stock Acquisitions
- ~~14.~~ RECEIVE AND FILE status report on **Bus Operating Cost reductions.**
- ~~15.~~ RECEIVE AND FILE status report on **Universal Fare System (UFS).**
- ~~16.~~ RECEIVE report on the **El Monte Busway.**

17. ✓ CONSIDER:

- A. Adopting the following motion: The Board finds by a two-thirds vote that the ATMS consists of highly specialized telecommunications and other related electronic equipment, such that the procurement qualifies under Public Utilities Code Section 130238 for procurement by competitive negotiation. As part of the procurement, the Board hereby authorizes a System Integrator consultant procurement, which will deliver and install **ATMS equipment** to be conducted pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130238; and
- B. Approving the process for technical evaluation of proposals, identification of qualified sources, and selection for contract award. These procedures are consistent with and based upon MTA's existing Procurement Policies and Procedures.

(REQUIRES 2/3 VOTE OF THE BOARD)

18. ○ CONSIDER:

- A. Adopting the following motion: The Board finds by a two-thirds vote that there is only a single source of procurement of the replacement portable field (hand-held) radios and the purchase is for the sole purpose of replacing the worn out radios already in use. The Board hereby authorizes the purchase of the radios pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130237; and
- B. AWARD of a firm fixed-price contract to E. F. Johnson Radio Systems, Mesa, Arizona, for the purchase of **177 radios and related support equipment** for use on the Metro Green Line Operations communications system at a cost of \$203,946, including shipping and sales tax.

(REQUIRES 2/3 VOTE OF THE BOARD)

19. ○ APPROVE exercise of an option with Trillium, USA, Inc., Salt Lake City, Utah, to design, build and maintain a **CNG fueling station at Division 1** in an amount not to exceed \$12,178,440, inclusive of a 10% contingency and a term not to exceed ten years, for a revised total contract value not to exceed \$34,983,440.

20.

AUTHORIZE the CEO to execute a deductive change order with New Flyer of America for deletion of the **Automatic Voice Annunciation System** for the 223 High Floor CNG buses reducing the contract amount by \$3,252,299 including sales tax, for a total revised contract amount of \$78,309,770 including sales tax.

21.

CONSIDER authorizing the CEO to:

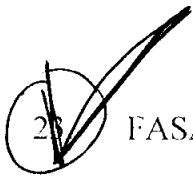
- A. execute a Change Order to Contract OP33400700 with Fujitec America Inc. to provide **elevator/escalator maintenance** for up to an additional six (6) month period in an amount not to exceed \$494,278, for a revised contract amount of \$2,726,013; and
- B. execute a Change Order to Contract OP33400701 with Millar Elevator Company to provide **elevator service** for up to an additional six (6) month period in an amount not to exceed increasing the contract amount by \$269,926 for a total revised contract amount not to exceed \$1,223,633.

COMMITTEE AUTHORITY, 4/5 VOTE

22.

APPROVE the following recommendation that the **AQMD** modify their proposed rules to address the concerns of transit operators in Los Angeles County:

- A. identify and secure adequate funding for transit agency compliance with the proposed clean air fleet rules;
- B. adopt a more flexible approach to reducing emissions, allow transit bus agencies to determine the most cost effective method of meeting emissions reduction targets, and allow development of multiple emission reduction technologies;
- C. phase-in transit bus requirements over multiple years to allow agencies to plan, design, budget, and procure the vehicles and infrastructure required to support the objectives of the new rules; and
- D. delay its proposed April Board hearing on **Rule 1192** until transit agencies have resolved outstanding issues and concerns with the AQMD.



FASANA MOTION that:

- A. The Board approve a new **Bus Procurement Policy** that supplants all heretofore bus procurement policy actions adopted by the MTA Board;
- B. Based on the MTA and transit industry service, safety and financial record of CNG-powered buses, the Board temporarily halt the purchase of any additional CNG buses until the service performance, reliability, and cost issues can be addressed and remedied;
- C. Direct staff to work closely with state and local air quality regulatory agencies to explore possible federal or state assistance in mitigating any addition financial burden on Los Angeles County bus transit providers triggered by bus fuel technology mandates; and
- D. Direct staff to explore and develop the specifications of driver-side bus doors, and articulated and bi-articulated buses, to enhance vehicle flexibility and speed passenger loading and unloading (e.g. for possible use on the Bus Rapid Transit Projects-BRT) and return to the Board within 90 days for possible inclusion in all future bus procurements.

Consideration of items not on the posted agenda, including: items to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff; items to be placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Board; and/or items requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC INTEREST WITHIN COMMITTEE'S SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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