



**AGENDA**  
**LOS ANGELES COUNTY**  
**METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**MTA Headquarters**  
**3rd Floor - Board Room**  
**One Gateway Plaza**  
**Los Angeles**

**Thursday, February 24, 2000 - 9:30 AM**

**Call to order:**

**Directors:**

Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Chair  
James Cragin, First Vice Chair  
Richard Riordan, Second Vice Chair  
Michael Antonovich  
Hal Bernson  
Jaime de la Vega  
John Fasana  
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# SUMMARY OF AGENDA ITEMS

LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
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 REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
 THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2000

CONSENT ITEMS	COMMITTEE AUTHORITY ITEMS	NON CONSENT ITEMS	CLOSED SESSION
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*** REQUIRES 2/3 VOTE OF THE BOARD			
TOTAL NO. OF ITEMS			43

1. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR** Items 2, 14, 15, 16, 17, 23, 24, \*\*\*25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 44, 45, 46, and 49

**\*\*\* 2/3 VOTE REQUIRED BY THE FULL BOARD**

**COMMITTEE AUTHORITY ITEMS: 18, 19, and 22**

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

2. APPROVE **Minutes** of Regular Board Meeting of January 27, 2000 and Special Board Meeting of February 4, 2000.
14. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF (4-0)  
ANTONOVICH MOTION - that this Board direct the CEO to formally rename the **Pasadena Blue Line** to the Pasadena Rose Line.
15. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF (4-0):
  - A. the findings of the **Line 104 Public Hearing** held January 18, 2000; and
  - B. the transfer of Line 104 to Montebello Bus effective Monday, April 3, 2000.
16. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AUTHORIZED (4-0):
  - A. the establishment of a **modified route and service on Line 177** on an experimental basis; and
  - B. the CEO to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Glendale for the operation of service over the portion of route between downtown Glendale and the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.
17. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED (4-0) award of a unit rate contract to Accent Landscaping, Inc., Gardena, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder to provide **landscaping and irrigation maintenance services** for MTA operational and non-operational properties for a five year period, for an amount not to exceed \$3,073,158, inclusive of a 10% contingency for as-needed services.

23. CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED (4-0) execution of Change Order No. 12 to Contract B745, Air Handling Equipment with Tutor-Saliba/Overland Mechanical, Joint Venture, **to delete Mid-City air handling equipment and installation work**, for the Metro Red Line, Segment 3, Mid-City Extension, in the credit amount of \$474,125, decreasing the total contract value from \$3,718,910 to \$3,244,785.
24. CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED (4-0) approval of an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) to Contract No. MC021 with Anil Verma & Associates to provide **funding for pending changes** that are within Board delegated authority in the amount of \$200,000, increasing the current Metro Green Line Project AFE from \$22,558 to \$222,558 and the total contract AFE from \$1,201,010 to \$1,401,010.
25. CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED (4-0) :
- A. adoption of the following motion: The Board finds by a 2/3 vote that awarding a **design/build contract** pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130242 (a) will achieve private sector efficiencies in the integration of the design and construction of the CNG Building Modifications at Division 1; and
  - B. authorizing the CEO to solicit design/build Contract C0640, CNG Building Modifications at Division 1, pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130242 (a).
- (REQUIRES 2/3 VOTE OF THE BOARD)
28. FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE (3-0-1) RECOMMENDED approval of a contract with Public Financial Management **for financial advisory services** for a period of three years in an amount of \$250,000 retainer fee per year for each of the three contract years, plus additional task order-based services and annual expenses in an amount not to exceed \$55,000 per year, for a total base contract amount of \$750,000 and a not to exceed total of \$165,000 for expenses and additional services for a total contract amount of \$915,000.
29. FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE (3-1) RECOMMENDED approval of a fixed rate contract with Cash Technologies, Inc., for the **sale of currency** collected from farebox revenues in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 for a period of five years, inclusive of four one-year options.

30. FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE (3-0) RECOMMENDED:
- A. ratification of expenditures in the amount of \$49,555 above the authorized contract amount to U.S. Data Source for photo identification card production services rendered during fiscal year 1996;
  - B. negotiation and execution of a change order with U.S. Data Source to continue providing **photo identification card production services** through April 2000, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000; for a total amount of \$94,555, for a revised contract amount of \$557,555.
31. FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE (3-0) RECOMMENDED increasing the contracting authority for the **Programming Services Bench** in the amount of \$775,000 for a revised cumulative total bench amount of \$2,125,000.
34. EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (3-0) RECOMMENDED adoption of the proposed **MTA Defeased Leasing Policy** AS CORRECTED.
44. PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE (3-0) RECOMMENDED adoption of **MTA Rights-of-Way Preservation Guidelines** for use by MTA as guidance in the review and approval of requests for interim uses of MTA rights-of-way and other vacant properties.
45. PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE (3-0) RECOMMENDED approval of \$250,000 in deobligated highway funds to begin work on a **Major Capital Improvement Study (MCIS)** to improve the interchanges in the 1-710 Long Beach Freeway between Route 60 - Pomona Freeway and the southern terminus in San Pedro as follows:
- A. Deobligate \$250,000 from 1994 Call for Projects Highway Program Management Services;
  - B. Reprogram the \$250,000 deobligated under 'A' above to conduct the Major Capital Improvement Study of the interchanges on the 1-710 Long Beach Freeway; and
  - C. Commit an additional \$250,000 from other deobligated highway project funds in the Freeway Modal Category of the Call for Projects for a total allocation to the MCIS of \$500,000.

46. PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE (3-0) RECOMMENDED approval of Caltrans' request for a Change Order in the amount of \$665,000 to **correct an unsuitable soil condition** for **HOV Lanes Project No. 363/4290, I-605 Freeway** from Orange County Line to South Street currently under construction using funds currently programmed for contingencies work.
49. FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED (3-0):
- A. execution of a sublease agreement with the County of Los Angeles Community Development Commission, for the sublease of approximately 17,978 square feet of office space and existing MTA-owned and controlled furniture at **707 Wilshire Boulevard**, for a flat, full-service-gross rental rate of \$16,188 per month (\$0.90 per square foot) over an approximate 22 ½ month sublease term (co-terminus with the MTA's existing lease term) anticipated to commence March 15, 2000; and
  - B. extension of the exclusive listing agreement with Daum Commercial Real Estate Services ("Daum") for one year to May 31, 2001, allowing Daum to continue to act as MTA's exclusive agent to market and lease MTA's surplus office space at 707 Wilshire Boulevard and 818 West Seventh Street under the terms and conditions of the existing contract.

**APPROVED UNDER COMMITTEE AUTHORITY** Items 18, 19, and 22

18. APPROVED UNDER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AUTHORITY (4-0) execution of six, three-year, zero based contracts to: Brothers Printing & Lithography, Dual Graphics, George Rice & Sons, Pacific Graphics, Inc., Pacific Printing Industries, and Peaks Associates, the highest rated proposers, to provide **emergency, specialty, overflow outside printing services**, for a combined total for all contracts of an amount not to exceed \$450,000
19. APPROVED UNDER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AUTHORITY (4-0) award of a unit rate contract to Specialty Doors and Automation, Manhattan Beach, the only responsive, responsible bidder to provide **maintenance, repair and installation services for all MTA industrial doors** at all bus and rail facilities, for a five year period, for an amount not to exceed \$609,465, inclusive of a 10% contingency for as-needed work.

22. APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY (4-0):
- A. execution of Change Order No. 20 to Contract H0648, Communications Installation, with Steiny and Company, Inc., which incorporates Work Authorization Change Notice No. 21 for \$200,000, to increase **Systems Testing Support** for the Metro Red Line, Segment 3, North Hollywood Extension, in the amount of \$1,210,345 increasing the total contract value from \$6,528,596 to \$7,738,941; and
  - B. an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) to provide funding to increase Systems Testing Support in the amount of \$1,210,345, increasing the current Metro Red Line, Segment 3, North Hollywood Extension AFE amount from \$7,061,579 to \$8,271,924.

### NON-CONSENT

- 3. Chief Executive Officer's Report
- 4. Chair's Report
- 5. RECEIVE report on **Prop. A and Prop. C audit from inception to 1998** from Russ Lesser, Chairman of Independent Advisory Oversight Committee.
- 6. **ADOPT Tort Claims Ordinance.**
- 7. CRAGIN MOTION that the Board approve creation of a **Municipal Operator Bus Service** improvement and expansion program designed to improve service to the transit dependent countywide by reducing overcrowding and expanding services; and  
that the Board authorize the CEO or his designee to execute funding agreements with the Municipal Operators; and  
that those agreements provide a total for Municipal Operators, for this program, of proposition C 40% funds of \$5 million for FY2000; a minimum of \$10 million for FY 2001; and a minimum of \$15 million each for FY's 2002, 2003 and 2004;  
Recognizing that these sums are much less than the estimated fair share the



municipal operators should receive based on anticipated funding MTA will need; That these allocations are in addition to the existing Proposition C 40% funded programs.

(CARRIED OVER FROM DECEMBER 2, 1999 BOARD MEETING)

8. CONSIDER:

- A. Adoption of the following motion: The Board finds by a two-thirds vote that there is only a single source of procurement for the **photo enforcement cameras** and that the purchase is for the sole purpose of duplicating the cameras already in use. The Board hereby authorizes the purchase of the cameras pursuant to PUC Section 130237; and
- B. award of a firm fixed price contract to Lockheed Martin IMS of Teaneck, New Jersey, for the purchase of six cameras for use on the Metro Blue Line, Photo Enforcement System, at a total contract value of \$284,046, including sales tax.

(REQUIRES 2/3 VOTE OF THE BOARD)

(CARRIED OVER FROM JANUARY 27, 2000 BOARD)

- 21. CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE REFERRED TO THE FULL BOARD report from the **Tunnel Advisory Panel on the Santa Monica Mountain Consent Decree** compliance relative to blasting and groundwater impacts.
- 33. EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (4-0) FORWARDED WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION positions on the following **State Legislation:**
  - A. AB1612 (Torlakson, Florez and Senator Karnette) - Creates the Transportation Congestion Relief and Local Road Improvement Account in the State Transportation Fund. **WORK WITH AUTHOR/RETURN TO BOARD.**

- B. AB 1303 (Florez) - Would reallocate a portion of the statewide gas tax to specified accounts. **OPPOSE.**

**CRAGIN/ROBERTS MOTION** - that the Executive Management Committee take a “work with author” position on AB 1303 similar to the position taken on the AB 1612.

- C. AB 1765 (Maddox) - Significantly changes procedures affecting only MTA benefit assessment districts. **OPPOSE.**

- D. AB 1776 (McClintock) - Authorizes the governor to declare a state of transportation gridlock emergency. **NEUTRAL.**

- 40. PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED (3-0)  
APPROVAL OF de la Vega’s substitute motion to extend exclusive right to negotiate with McCormack Baron for 45 days for a **Phase Two Joint Development at the Metro Red Line Hollywood/Western station** and report back to the March Committee with additional information regarding original appraisal and the proposal that’s being rejected..

- 42. PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE FORWARDED (3-0) WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION AS AMENDED TO INCLUDE de la Vega motion that service not be cut on express bus lines 424/425, 522 and 418 since doing so would reduce options for transit customers and significantly increase travel times between the San Fernando Valley and downtown Los Angeles.

- A. approve the findings of the November 13, 1999 Public Hearing for FY 2000 Service Changes, consisting of: 1) **Bus/Rail Interface Plan for MOS-3 Metro Red Line to North Hollywood; 2) Other service changes; and 3) Metro Rapid Bus Demonstration Project;**
- B. adopting the Final Revisions for the FY 2000 service changes;
- C. adopting revised pages to the Official Route Descriptions; and
- D. approving a free fare on the Metro Red Line for the opening weekend of MOS-3 Metro Red Line Extension to North Hollywood.

43. PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE (2-0-1) FORWARDED WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION the following actions concerning cities with balances of STP-L funds subject to lapse as of September 30, 1999:
- A. Deobligating a total of \$247,849 in lapsing 1999 **Surface Transportation Program - Local** (STP-L) fund balances and reallocate these funds through the STP-L allocation formula; and
  - B. Allowing a six-month extension from April 1, 2000 to September 30, 2000 for all cities to obligate or trade a total STP-L lapsing funding balance of \$1,248,219 .
47. PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE (3-0) RECOMMENDED approval of the proposal to extend the pilot program for **increasing the span of service on the Metro Rail System** through the end of September 2000, including service to North Hollywood AMENDED TO INCLUDE de la Vega motion TO DEVELOP FY2001 BUDGET BASED ON ASSUMPTION OF EXTENDED SERVICE HOURS THROUGHOUT THE FISCAL YEAR.
48. CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE FORWARDED WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION (4-0):
- A. the CEO to ratify the issuance of contract MC055 to Sverdrup Civil Inc., a single source Cost Plus Fixed Fee (CPFF) Contract for the period beginning July 16, 1999 through October 31, 2000 to provide **the services of Mr. Dwight Chewing** to assist the MTA in closing out Segment 2 and Segment 3 Claims and unresolved change orders in the amount not to exceed \$350,000; and
  - B. a total Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) in the total amount of \$350,000.
50. PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING RECOMMENDED APPROVAL (3-0) OF **LEGASPI MOTION that:**
- 1. Staff expand future public outreach efforts related to **service changes** by developing and implementing a statistically valid market assessment survey to better analyze the impacts service changes will have on affected customers.
  - 2. Staff report back to Planning & Programming committee within 60 days with an implementation plan for utilizing a market assessment survey to measure customer satisfaction prior to any future service changes.

3. Staff utilize a market assessment survey to measure customer satisfaction 3 to 6 months after any service changes and report findings and any recommended correction to the service changes to the board.
  
51. BURKE MOTION that the MTA Board endorse the passage of **Proposition 15** on the March 7<sup>th</sup> ballot.
  
52. APPROVE the negotiation and execution of a change order to Contract PS-4320-0580 with Gruen Associates to initiate and complete Phases II and III for the **San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor** Study, which is the Environmental Impact Statement/Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (EIS/SEIR) for an amount not to exceed \$1,245,490 for a revised contract amount of \$1,807,440.
  
53. AUTHORIZE the CEO to proceed with work on **Draft Environmental Impact Statements/Reports** for the following alternatives in each corridor and consult with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on any issues related to these alternatives.

**Eastside:**

Light Rail Transit (LRT) from Union Station to Atlantic via First Street to Lorena, then transitioning to Third Street and proceeding east via Third Street/Beverly Boulevard to Atlantic, including consideration of a tunnel segment option between First/Boyle and First/Lorena.

**Mid-City/Westside:**

**Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)** on Wilshire Boulevard from Vermont Avenue to San Vicente Boulevard.

**Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)** along the Exposition right-of-way from Figueroa Street to downtown Santa Monica, with consideration of minimal operable segments to Crenshaw, La Cienega, and Venice/Robertson.

**Light Rail Transit (LRT)** along the Exposition right-of-way from the Long Beach Blue Line station at Washington Boulevard to downtown Santa Monica, with consideration of minimal operable segments to Crenshaw, La Cienega, and Venice/Robertson.

## **San Fernando Valley**

**Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)** along the Burbank-Chandler right-of-way from the North Hollywood Red Line Station to Warner Center, with consideration of a minimal operable segment between Woodman Avenue and Balboa Boulevard with rapid bus connections at each end.

54. **RATIFY** Amendment No. 1 to the **City of Los Angeles Financial Contribution Agreement** for Metro Rail Red Line Segment 3.
  
55. **ANTONOVICH MOTION - I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that this Board send a letter to the President, Secretary of Transportation, California Congressional delegation, the House and Senate leadership, members of the Senate and House Transportation Committees, and the Federal Highway Administration requesting legislation and/or regulations which will include safety conditions as a criteria when reviewing and approving highway and freeway improvement projects.
  
  
37. **CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - G.C. 54956.9 (a):
    1. Velarde v. MTA - Case No. BC 185481
    2. Brown v. MTA - Case No. VC 027613
    3. Lee v MTA - Case No. KC 026562
    4. Song v. MTA - Case No. BC 184845
    5. Orta & Pollon v. MTA - Case No. EC 022220
  
  - B. Personnel Matters - G.C. 54957
    1. Public Employee Appointment - Ethics Officer
  
  - C. Conference with Labor Negotiator - G.C. 54956.8  

Negotiator:	Tom Webb
Employee Organization:	AFSCME

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