



**CORRECTED
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**LOS ANGELES COUNTY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MTA Headquarters
3rd Floor - Board Room
One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles**

Wednesday, March 27, 1996

Closed Session called to order at 11:11 a.m. Open Session called to order at 1:50 p.m.

Directors/Alternates Present:

Larry Zarian/Jan Heidt
Richard Riordan/Hal Bernson
Yvonne Brathwaite Burke/Michael Bohlke
Richard Alatorre/Nate Holden
Michael Antonovich/Nick Patsaouras
James Cragin/Joseph Dawidziak
Deane Dana/Robert Arthur
John Fasana/Beatrice La Pisto-Kirtley
Gloria Molina (arr. 1:58 p.m.)/Vivien Bonzo
Raul Perez/Thomas J. Clark
Carol Schatz/Richard Alarcon
Mel Wilson
Zev Yaroslavsky/Robert Abernethy
Ken Steele, Ex Officio

Interim Chief Executive Officer - Joseph E. Drew
Board Secretary - Helen M. Bolen
Inspector General - Arthur Sinai
General Counsel - County Counsel

1. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

a. Conference with Real Property Negotiators concerning Price and/or Terms of Payment - G.C. 54956.8

- i. Metro Red Line East Side Extension - Parcel ED-191
Jose Flores & Josefina Venegas
114 & 118 Bodie Street
Los Angeles, CA

APPROVED Just Compensation in the amount of \$142,000

- ii. Metro Red Line-East Side Extension - Parcel EE-281
Overseas Investments Group
339 North Fickett Street
Los Angeles, CA

CARRIED OVER to April Board Meeting

- iii. Metro Red Line-Segment 3 - Parcel C3-273
City of Los Angeles
Runyon Canyon Park
Los Angeles, CA

APPROVED Administrative Settlement in the amount of \$150,000 compensation and establishment of a \$4,000,000 trust fund with the beginning of construction and continuing until five years after revenue operation commences.

b. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - G.C. 54956.9 (a)

Schumaker v. MTA LA BC 126729 Hollywood Blvd.

NO REPORT WAS MADE

c. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation - G.C. 54956.9 (b)

One Case

NO REPORT WAS MADE

d. Personnel Matters - G.C. 54957

i. Public Employee Appointment - Chief Executive Officer

D. Kelsey announced the Board had met and appointed Joseph E. Drew, Chief Executive Officer, at an annual salary of \$167,640, plus benefits.

ii. Public Employee Evaluation

Board Secretary

NO REPORT WAS MADE

Inspector General

Extended contract at an annual salary of \$127,000.

2. Flag Salute

3. Public Comment was received from:

R. Burgouse, R. Rushing, C. Mathis, H. Watts, D. McClure, P. Chiado, K. Ramsey, J. Walsh, W. Rosner, C. Song, L. Barillas, B. D'Amato, B. Kovar, I. Lopez, J. Whitebrook, D. Hakman, L. Moore, C. Shabel, S. Miller, A. Klate, P. Moser.

4. CHAIR'S REMARKS

- APPROVED Resolution of support for the Antelope and San Joaquin Valley High Speed Rail Alignment.

Twelve directors were present with Director Schatz absent.

5. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

- RECOGNIZED students in the Transportation Careers Academy Program and the Transportation Occupations Program.
- CEO Drew reported that the MTA will be participating in the Vendor Fair in April.

6. DIRECTORS SPECIAL ITEMS

- a. Director Cragin - San Fernando Valley Rail Alternatives Study

WITHDRAWN by Director Cragin.

- b. Director Fasana made a motion to carry Robbins Bill - SB 211 over to May.

CARRIED OVER to May for discussion and possible action.
Director Yaroslavsky requested the MIS report be made available at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

Appearance of D. Schultz

- c. Director Cragin made a motion to disburse funds to the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority for outside counsel.

APPROVED disbursement of \$5,556 to the Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority (ACTA) for outside legal counsel in a lawsuit regarding the third amendment to the Joint Powers Authority; \$1,667 to be disbursed immediately, balance disbursed as needed, subject to concurrence of County Counsel.

Approved with 13 Directors present.

- d. Director Fasana made a motion to support AB 2660.

APPROVED support position on AB 2660 relating to expanded turnkey authority.

Approved with 13 Directors present, Director Yaroslavsky Abstained.

7. APPROVED:

- a. Minutes of Board meeting held February 28, 1996;
- b. Receiving and filing Minutes of CAC meeting held February 28, 1996; and
- c. Director Zarian announced that items 18, 24, 25, 29 and 33 were being carried over to April. Items 26 and 37 were withdrawn by staff prior to Committee meetings. Items 20, 21 and 27 were removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion. Items 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 19, 22, 23, 30, 32, 34, 35, 36, 38, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 47, 49, 50, 51, 52 were approved on one motion with 13 Directors present.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. HELD a hearing and ADOPTED Resolution of Necessity for the acquisition of a **larger Permanent Subsurface Easement** on property owned by Herta Amir and Mira Weisel Miskin, et al, for the Metro Red Line - North Hollywood Extension, located on the north side of Hillside Ave. and west of La Brea Ave. in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California. (Assessor No. 5572-030-028).

Unanimously approved with 11 Directors present.

Conflict of Interest indicated by Director Riordan.

J. Walsh and B. D'Amato spoke against tunneling in the area.

9. CARRIED OVER hearing regarding necessity for the acquisition of a **larger Permanent Subsurface Easement** on property owned by Taylor E. Hackford for the Metro Red Line - North Hollywood Extension, located on the north side of Hillside Ave. and west of La Brea Ave., in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California. (Assessor No. 5572-20-002,003 & 004)

Public Comment: J. Walsh requested repositioning of the tunnels. S. Lampert, legal counsel representing the property owners, raised questions on subsidence, groundwater and insurance. He requested a 30 day delay. CEO Drew suggested a Special Board Meeting in three weeks to resolve the complaints.

GENERAL - Items

54. APPROVED amendment to a contract with Sedgwick James covering **Owner Controlled Insurance Program (OCIP)** brokerage and administrative services at a cost of \$1,876,472 for the first year and \$1,573,972 for years two and three.

Ten (10) Directors voted to approve. Director Dawidziak voted 'No,' and Director Antonovich indicated a Conflict of Interest.

Appearance of J. Williams and K. Caldwell against award of the contract and in favor of continuing the current RFP process.

55. Discussion on financial analysis of LAPD/LASD merger proposal.

Staff reported that the recommendation was before the Board for approval in concept; a final report will be made in June.

Director Riordan commented that the Board was not committed until receipt of the final detailed plan and then a recommendation could be made and a contract approved. Staff said a full detailed plan still needed to be negotiated and brought back on many of the questions posed by members of the Board, i.e.; assurances that rank and file of the MTA will be given the same ranks after they cross over; financial liability for the actions of the officers; insurance: cost, coverage and liability; disposition of current MTA police vehicles and replacements; escalation costs on the overall contract on an annual basis; effect the merger would have on contracts the MTA currently has with other cities to provide transit police coverage; actual plan for deployment of officers; current diversity chart by gender and race for both LAPD/LASD and personnel that will not be merged.

Director Riordan made a motion to approve the merger in concept but neither the LAPD/LASD nor the MTA would be bound until the detailed plan was approved and a legal contract signed.

Director Dawidziak said it was hard to agree to a contract today, when he would not see it until June.

Director La Pisto-Kirtley requested the League of California Cities be involved in the merger negotiations because some of the cities currently have contracts with these agencies.

Director Molina questioned the need to adopt today if it not binding. Director Riordan responded it would signify the MTA is behind this in principle and staff could go forward to negotiate detailed plans and contracts.

A comparative analysis was requested by members of the Board. Also requested within staff's report is what advantage to the MTA this merger brings.

An enhanced benefit package and the MTA's outdated communications system were referred to as reasons for the merger.

Director Riordan also said the merger would be a savings to the MTA and there would be other efficiencies achieved such as no duplication of efforts.

Director La Pisto-Kirtley commented that without the MTA getting more and better service for their dollars she did not see a reason for the merger.

Director Yaroslavsky expressed concern that questions posed by members of the Board were not getting answered; did staff assume this is a 'done deal' and didn't research thoroughly.

Director Riordan amended his motion to remove 'approval in concept'. Staff would be asked to negotiate with LAPD/LASD and other agencies and provide a detailed transit plan and contract for approval by the June meeting.

On question by Director Burke, it was stated that MTA security officers would remain under control of the MTA.

Director Molina again expressed her concern with the commencement of negotiations when it was still unclear what the advantages of the merger are to the MTA. She concluded that a comparative analysis has not been done on behalf of the MTA.

Chairman Zarian said staff was being asked to negotiate with LAPD/LASD a package that was best for the MTA and bring it to the Board in 60-90 days.

CEO Drew requested this item be returned to the Committee and staff would return with a more detailed plan on service deployment, costing and answers to the individual Board members questions.

Director Schatz made a motion to refer this matter back to Committee, which motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Appearance of L. Fuller, Transit Police Officer, opposed to the merger and L. Barr, Transit Police Officers' Association, in favor of the merger.

53. REAL ESTATE & ASSET DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

10. APPROVED:

- a. execution of a **Joint Development Agreement and all related documents**, with the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles, subject to approval of MTA General Counsel, which provides for the development of a two-phased mixed-use development on MTA owned property at the Hollywood/Western Red Line Station, and adjoining property currently being purchased by the CRA:
- b. the selection by the CRA of McCormack Baron and Associates/Hollywood Community Housing Corporation to be the developer of the two-phased project;
- c. the proposed development concept plan; and
- d. the business terms which establish terms and conditions under which MTA owned land (Assessor Parcel 5544-21-902) will be conveyed in fee to the CRA for development of the residential first phase of the project.

Conflict of Interest indicated by Directors Riordan, Alarcon, Burke, Molina.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE (Items 11-13)

11. APPROVED a month-to-month contract extension with Public Financial Management, covering **financial advice** and negotiation of fees in an amount not to exceed the original monthly contract amount.
12. APPROVED entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with Culver City Municipal Bus Lines obligating the MTA to allocate annually for a 20 year period, up to \$965,000 Revenues, to **finance a portion of the funding for the proposed operating and maintenance facility**, total financing not to exceed \$11.1 million.
13. APPROVED award of a three-year unit rate contract to Comdisco Disaster Recovery Services, Huntington Beach, under RFP 95-16 covering **disaster recovery services for the MTA's computer operations center**, with two one-year renewal options at the election of the MTA, for a three-year cost not to exceed \$540,000.

MARKETING & PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

14. APPROVED, pending resolution of protest, contracts with Hendricks Photography, Laguna Beach; PCV Photographic Service, Los Angeles; The Perfect Exposure, Los Angeles; and Warren Aerial Photography, Pacoima; the highest ranked proposers for **photographic services** for a one-year period, with three one-year options at the election of the MTA, for a combined total amount not to exceed \$142,000.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (Items 15-22)

15. APPROVED a contract with Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio, covering **lease of tires and service for the bus fleet** for a three-year base period, with two one-year options at the election of the MTA, at a cost of \$11.4 million.

16. APPROVED a contract with Swingmaster, Franklin Park, Illinois, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder under Bid 01-9631 covering a **speed swing** for a total bid price of \$143,341.

17. APPROVED:
 - a. Rejection of non-responsive bid submitted by Ari-thane Foam Products for non-compliance with DBE requirements;
 - b. Rejection of non-responsive bid submitted by SFI, aka The Urethane People, Sanger (SFI) for non-compliance with the technical specifications; and
 - c. contract with SFI, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder under IFB CA-90-X602-B, covering **re-roofing building 71 at South Park**, for a total bid price of \$247,860.

18. CARRIED OVER **corrective and preventive maintenance for escalators/elevators.**

19. APPROVED agreements with the County of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association to provide Hollywood Bowl park/ride service for the 1996 summer season.

Under items 20 and 21, Director Wilson asked about the outreach program for DBE's and was told that there is a program in place but that a further effort would be made in the future to include more DBE'. Director Burke suggested inviting minority car dealers to the upcoming vendor fair.

Director Alatorre was concerned with the number of small DBE firms in the database. CEO Drew indicated a report would be made to the Board on this issue. Also requested was information on how the goals are set.

Directors Riordan and Zarian were absent.

20. APPROVED contracts on an item by item basis under IFB CA-90-X664-F covering procurement of 18 Utility Trucks for a total bid price of \$465,637, to:

- a. Downey Auto Center, Downey, the lowest responsible bidder for item 1, two trucks, for a bid price of \$36,741;
- b. Reynolds Buick/GMC, West Covina, the lowest responsible bidder for item 3, six trucks with accessories, for a bid price of \$145,813; and
- c. Gunderson Chevrolet, El Monte, the lowest responsible bidder for items 2, 4 and 5, ten trucks with crew cabs and utility bodies, for a bid price of \$283,084.

21. APPROVED contracts on a line item basis under IFB 02-9606, for a total bid price of \$179,802, to:

- a. Gunderson Chevrolet, El Monte, the lowest responsible bidder on line one, for **two Crew Cab Trucks (Group A)** for a bid price of \$60,283; and
- b. Reynolds Buick/GMC Truck, West Covina, the lowest responsible bidder on lines 2, 3 and 4 (Group B), for **three one-ton trucks with hi-rail gear**, for a bid price of \$119,519.

22. APPROVED:

- a. Rejection of non-responsive bid submitted by Gunderson Chevrolet (Group A); and
- b. contracts to the lowest responsive, responsible bidders covering procurement of **automobiles and passenger vans** for a total bid price of \$1,422,788, as follows:
 - i. Wondries Fleet Division, Alhambra, covering 57 automobiles (Group A) for a bid price of \$842,177; and
 - ii. Downey Auto Center, Downey, covering 11 passenger vans (Group B) and 21 cargo vans (Group C) for a total bid price of \$580,611.

COST CONTAINMENT, CONTRACTS & EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE (Items 23-25)

23. APPROVED award fee of \$75,178 for MTC, based on a performance evaluation score of 3.18, which is within the contract value.

Conflict of Interest indicated by Directors Alarcon, Antonovich.

24. CARRIED OVER award fee to Fluor Daniel, Inc., Contract FM014.

25. CARRIED OVER amendments to contract E0070 with Engineering Management Consultant (EMC) covering incorporation of consultant change requests for design and engineering changes to support final design for the Pasadena Blue Line.

Conflict of Interest indicated by Directors Antonovich, Burke.

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (Items 26-31)

26. WITHDRAWN BY STAFF the findings of the Predicate Study.

27. Uniform Policy for State Disability Insurance.

Director Alatorre made a motion to amend staff's recommendation to allow for an increase of .8% for former LACTC employees to compensate them for a lower take home pay. This motion was seconded by Director Burke.

Director Dawidziak asked staff to respond to this amendment. CEO Drew indicated that the staff recommendation before the Board was the correct recommendation. He was concerned this would be seen as a raise for some employees and the difficulty in 'selling' this to the former RTD non-contract and union employees.

Appearance of E. Richardson, C. Martin and Alvarez supporting Director Alatorre's motion as being justified for the former LACTC employees. A letter from the Employees' Association attorney representing former LACTC employees, was read into the record.

J. Matosian spoke against the motion for a pay increase indicating that former RTD employees have been paying SDI for three years without any additional compensation. She also asked if former LACTC employees would be willing to forego the sick leave pay off proposed as 'b' of this item.

Staff indicated that the former LACTC employees who did not receive an increase in 1992 would be made whole in July. The only issue remaining for consolidation is the retirement plans.

Director Schatz asked if there were any other groups that would have to be compensated. Staff indicated that it is possible the unions will use this during their contract negotiations.

Director Molina asked why former RTD employees would not look at the issue of an .8% increase as a disadvantage. Staff indicated it was hoped they would hold out that the promise for the future is that staff is trying to equalize benefits for all and the MTA would hopefully be able to do that with finalization of the PERS/Social Security issue which should benefit them in the terms of the betterment of the plan. This is a longer term view that may not be held by them in the short term.

On motion of Director Fasana item 'b' of the recommendation was removed from consideration.

On a Roll Call vote, Director Alatorre's motion to have all MTA employees pay the full cost of SDI, and an increase of .8% for former LACTC employees was approved:

Ayes: Patsouras, Alatorre, Burke, Dawidziak, Arthur,
Fasana, Molina, Perez, Schatz, Yaroslavsky, Zarian
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Riordan, Wilson

APPROVED:

- a. Uniform policy that all MTA employees pay the full cost of SDI; the State of California mandates that all MTA employees MUST be enrolled in SDI; and
- b. An .8% pay increase for all former LACTC employees to compensate for SDI payments.

28. APPROVED, as amended, **State Legislative bills:**

AB 2495	(Margett)	No Action
AB 2833	(Villaraigosa)	Support
SB 1755	(Calderon)	Support in concept, work with author on amendments
SB 1868	(Hayden)	No Action
AB 2847	(Sweeney)	Support
SB 1590	(O'Connell)	Support

29. CARRIED OVER the separation of the Transportation Foundation of Los Angeles to be independent of the MTA effective July 1, 1996, in compliance with federal and state tax laws regulating 501(C)(3) agencies.

30. APPROVED a contract with Children's Discovery Centers of America, Inc., San Rafael, as an independent operator for the child care center at Union Station Gateway, for a period of three years.

31. See Item ldi for report on CEO recruitment.

CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE (Items 32-44)

32. APPROVED on Consent Calendar:
 - a. Change Order No. 33.00 to contract no. B281 with Kajima/Ray/Wilson, joint venture, covering **B251E and B251F work packages** in the amount of \$46,332,779 for an increase of \$42,232,779, increasing the contract value to \$99,258,126 which is not within the approved AFE amount of \$59,701,440; and
 - b. An increase to the Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$48,710,000, for a revised total AFE in the amount of \$108,411,440.

33. CARRIED OVER **Kaiser Entrance Agreement** with Kaiser Foundation Hospital, Inc., covering right-of-way easements and demolition service for a not-to-exceed amount of \$493,000.

34. APPROVED on Consent Calendar Change Order No. 50.00 to Contract No. B215 with Tutor/Saliba Corporation, covering **revisions to ancillary level ductwork and cable trays** for the Metro Red Line, Wilshire Corridor, Wilshire/Vermont Station, Stage II, in the amount of \$211,151, which is within the approved Authorization for Expenditure of \$31,095,517.

35. APPROVED:

- a. An option with Breda Costruzioni Ferroviarie S.p.A., Contract A650, covering **procurement of thirty-two (32) additional passenger vehicles** for the Metro Red Line, North Hollywood Corridor and East side Extension, at a cost of approximately \$1.756 million per vehicle, plus spare parts, for a total cost of \$65,048,957, increasing the total contract value to \$200,515,202; and
- b. An increase to the Authorization for Expenditure, , in the amount of \$68,301,405, for a revised total AFE in the amount of \$208,127,864.

36. APPROVED:

- a. An option with General Railway Signal Corp., Contract B620, covering **procurement of twenty (20) Carborne Automatic Train Packages (ATP) and related Systems Testing** for the Metro Red Line, North Hollywood Corridor and East side Extension, in the amount of \$740,136, which increases the total contract value to \$30,063,449; and
- b. An increase to the Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$740,136, which increases the total AFE to \$33,471,652.

37. WITHDRAWN BY STAFF the Chief Executive Officer's report containing a recommendation to approve selection of Consultants for construction management services for Metro Red Line - East Side Extension.

38. APPROVED:

- a. Amendment 2 to Contract E0630 with High Point Rendel covering **pre-construction survey services** for the Metro Red Line North Hollywood Corridor increasing the number of properties to be surveyed, in the amount of \$325,000, increasing the total contract value to \$1,589,075, which is not within the approved AFE of \$1,350,482;
- b. An increase to the Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$325,000 for a revised total AFE of \$1,700,482.

39. APPROVED:

- a. A six-month H1100 Construction Management Resident Engineering Services team extension from February 1, through July 31, 1996.
- b. Amendment 10 to contract MC008 with O'Brien-Kreitzberg, covering **construction management services for the Metro Green Line**, in the amount of \$207,836, increasing the total contract value to \$75,455,521, which is not within the approved AFE; and
- c. An increase to the AFE in the amount of \$113,834 for a revised total AFE of \$75,605,521.

40. APPROVED amendments and increases to the AFE for Contract E0070 with Engineering Management Consultant (EMC) covering **bulk procurement of running rail, direct fixation rail fasteners, signs and graphics, elevators and ventilation equipment:**
- a. Amendment No. 9 to CWO 4, incorporating Consultant Change Request for the Metro Red Line North Hollywood Corridor in the amount of \$448,500, increasing the total contract work order value to \$74,236,167;
 - b. An increase in the Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$833,005 for a revised AFE of \$76,236,167;
 - c. Amendment No. 3 to CWO 22 incorporating Consultant Change Request for the Metro Red Line Mid-City Corridor in the amount of \$195,000, increasing the total contract work order value to \$32,761,186;
 - d. An increase in the Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$1,894,326 for a revised AFE of \$36,191,258; and
 - e. Amendment No. 3 to CWO 28 incorporating Consultant Change Request for the Metro Red Line East side extension in the amount of \$331,500, increasing the total contract work order value to \$10,300,197.

Conflict of Interest indicated by Directors Antonovich, Burke.

41. APPROVED:

- a. Amendment 10 to contract FM014 with Fluor Daniel, Inc., covering **extension of the period of performance through April 30, 1996 for system wide project management oversight and assistance services** for metro rail projects, in the amount of \$234,641, which is not within the approved AFE of \$19,418,802;
- b. An increase to the Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$284,641 for a revised total AFE of \$19,703,443.

At the Committee meeting, staff had requested a six month extension of the contract, which was approved. Staff is now requesting a one month extension with a report back prior to expiration of the contract.

Directors Riordan and Zarian were absent.

42. APPROVED exercising a one-year option with Continental Graphics, Ford Graphics, Printco and Universal Reproductions, covering reproduction and printing services for all metro rail projects, from April 1, 1996 to April 1, 1997, with no increase to the approved Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$3,247,200.

43. APPROVED contract EN048 with Bradley Landfill & Recycling Center, adding them to the pool of landfill facilities to provide landfill services for all metro rail projects, with no increase to the approved Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$32,497,197.

44. APPROVED:
 - a. An Addendum to the 1989 Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for construction of alternative access at the Hollywood/Vine Station, utilizing the Hastings Hotel site, and changes therein; and
 - b. Issuance of a Notice of Determination.

PLANNING & PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE (Items 45-52)

45. APPROVED objectives for the reauthorization of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) in the context of the California Consensus Principles.

46. APPROVED the **Bus System Improvement Plan (BSIP)** and allocation of \$10.4 million in new FY '97 Proposition C 40% Discretionary Funds for an annual Countywide program to improve service on overcrowded lines for the transit dependent.

A supplemental report on number and time line for buses to be placed into service was received.

Director Schatz indicated she supports the concept of an improvement plan but looking at Bus System Improvement Plan, specifically the six key components, the only time line is for mobility allowance. She expressed concern over the need for the document to reflect areas that have not been addressed; what is going to be done about overcrowding, service quality and fares, which she said are the most critical concerns of the bus riding public. She said the plan is too process orientated and doesn't give enough specifics about how the MTA is going to do deal with these issues. Also, the plan should be written so that any member of the public can understand specifically what is going to be done in terms of adding more buses, cleaning them, frequency and stops. Also when and how these improvements in the bus system will be seen should be included.

Director Dawidziak said a better handle on the Proposition C 5% security funds needs to be in place.

Appearance of a representative for the Bus Riders Union asking for more improvements in the bus system. P. Moser spoke in favor of improvements on bus and rail lines.

47. APPROVED **guidelines for the allocation of Proposition A and C interest funds.**

48. Proposition C 40% Discretionary Funds.

Director Fasana made a motion to approve staff recommendation, which was seconded by Director Dawidziak. Director Burke made a substitute motion to approve 'a' only, which was seconded by Director Schatz.

J. Mills, Bus Operations Subcommittee, indicated that at a special meeting, they voted in support of the staff recommendation. The only dissenter was the MTA.

There was some discussion on the different standards for MTA and those for municipal operators. In response to a question by Director Wilson, staff indicated there is no county wide standard as it relates to operations. Director Burke was concerned that the service reductions made by the MTA due to a lack of funding would result in further reductions in funding, which in turn would cause a further reduction in service by the MTA. She indicated this issue needed to be addressed.

Staff indicated proposals on the mobility allowance are currently being received. Staff will return for Board action on these proposals. Following further discussion on allocation formulas and provision of service for transit dependent, a Roll Call vote was taken on Director Burke's motion. This FAILED as noted below:

Ayes: Burke, Bonzo, Schatz, Wilson
Noes: Patsaouras, Dawidziak, Arthur, Fasana, Clark, Zarian
Abstain: None
Absent: Alatorre, Riordan, Yaroslavsky

R. Zelada spoke on the issue of more buses.

A voice vote was then taken on Director Fasana's motion to approve staff's recommendation. This motion was approved with Directors Patsaouras, Burke, Arthur, Fasana, Bonzo, Perez, Wilson, Zarian and Dawidziak present.

APPROVED:

- a. Allocation of \$1.6 million in **Proposition C 40% Discretionary Funds** to mitigate the impact of adding Foothill Transit as an Included Operator for FY '97;
- b. Changes in the Proposition A 40% Discretionary Fund Guidelines to **unfreeze Proposition A base** and establish the annual use of available current year data.

49. APPROVED reassignment of the East-West Long Beach Arterial HOV Corridor Project of the SELAC-Traffic Signal Synchronization and Bus Speed Improvement Corridors Project from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works to the City of Long Beach.
50. APPROVED:
- a. \$400,000 from Proposition C interest funds annually as **compensation to fixed-route and specialized transit operations**, subsidized only with Proposition A and C Local Return funds, for reporting National Transit Database (NTD) information;
 - b. **Compensation to local return operations** for reporting NTD information; and
 - c. Termination of the \$400,000 allocation when the Federal subsidies derived from the NTD information are less than the costs incurred.
51. APPROVED findings that the cities of Bellflower, Bradbury, Cudahy, Hidden Hills, Irwindale, Lawndale, Santa Fe Springs, and Temple City were in conformance with the adopted 1995 **Congestion Management Program**.
52. AUTHORIZED the CEO to make **minor route modifications** subject to the following conditions:
- a. A public hearing is not required;
 - b. The cumulative cost impact of all changes is less than \$25,000 annually;
 - c. Changes to be coordinated through an internal review system; and
 - d. A quarterly report prepared reporting any route changes approved under this policy.

53. Items not on the posted agenda - None.

The meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

Prepared by: Rhodona Enright, Recording Secretary



Helen M. Bolen
MTA Secretary