

LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

January 12, 1978

Meeting was called to order by Chairman John Ferraro at 3:10 p.m.

Members present:

Councilman John Ferraro/Councilwoman Pat Russell  
Supervisor Kenneth Hahn/Ed Cano  
Supervisor Baxter Ward  
Supervisor James Hayes  
Supervisor Peter Schabarum/Peter Tweedt  
Supervisor Edmund Edelman/Robert Geoghegan  
Mayor Edmond Russ  
Mayor John Zimmerman  
Councilwoman Renee Simon  
Wendell Cox

Staff Members present:

Jerome C. Premo, Executive Director  
Ronald Schneider, Principal Deputy County Counsel  
Tim Egan, Director, Intergovernmental Relations  
Norm Emerson, representing Mayor Bradley  
Kathy Torigoe, Secretary to Executive Director

Minutes of December 28, 1977 were approved as submitted.

Chairman Ferraro introduced Councilwoman Pat Russell as his alternate. Chairman Ferraro stated that this is his last meeting as Chairman of the LACTC and reviewed the activities of the Commission during the past year. He thanked all the members of the Commission for their support and urged them to continue working together in the years ahead. He then turned the meeting over to the new Chairman, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn.

Supervisor Hahn accepted the position of the Chairman and spelled out, from his perspective, an action plan for the Commission in the next 12 months. (His remarks are attached as EXHIBIT A).

Chairman Hahn presented John Ferraro with a gift from the Commission in appreciation for serving as the first chairman of the LACTC.

Election of Vice-Chairman for 1978

Councilwoman Renee Simon and Mayor Edmond Russ were nominated to the position of Vice Chairman. Votes by secret ballot were Renee Simon - 6 votes, Edmond Russ - 4 votes.

M/S/C - Renee Simon elected as the new Vice Chairperson

Chairman Hahn, along with the other Los Angeles County Supervisors, had to leave to continue selection interviews for a new County Assessor. Vice-Chairperson Simon acted in Chairman Hahn's absence.

### Committee Reports

#### Legislative:

Executive Director reported on the January 4, 1978 meeting of the Legislative Committee.

Minutes and recommendations of the Legislative Committee were distributed to the members.- see EXHIBIT B & C. Items discussed were:

1. \$60 million "shortfall" for Caltrans, District 7 for Highway Expenditure in the 1975/76 - 1978/79 period.

M/S/C - Motion submitted by Peter Tweedt attached as EXHIBIT D

-Action - support legislation.

2. 1/2¢ sales tax.

-Action - support legislation to add flexibility in use of possible sales tax receipts. (See EXHIBIT E)

3. Transportation Development Act (SB 325)
4. AB 402 ("Alquist - Ingalls Act")
5. Federal - "Highway and Public Transportation Improvement Act of 1978"

-Action - staff to work on development unified Los Angeles position, and to seek statewide consensus.

M/S/C - Approved Legislative Committee's recommendations.

#### Finance Review:

Peter Tweedt reported on the Finance Review Committee meeting of January 5, 1978. Minutes and recommendations are attached as EXHIBITS F and G.

M/S/C - Commission approved recommendations.

Staff will prepare comprehensive report on transit operating assistance sources (Federal, State 325 funds and County) and uses, with recommendations for allocation of remaining FY 77/78 Federal Section 5 funds. Finance Review Committee will make recommendations to full Commission at first meeting in February.

Administrative:

Robert Geoghegan reported on the Administrative Committee's meeting of January 9. Minutes and recommendations are attached as EXHIBITS H & I. Items were:

1. Staff Selection
2. Contracting with New Bank for Payroll Services.  
-Mr. Emerson asked that policies of banks on minority and female hiring and redlining be considered in selecting a new bank; this position was endorsed by the Commission.
3. HOV Consultant Assistance  
-Mr. Tweedt expressed concern that this contract might result in permanent staff expansion. The Commission members discussed the role of SCAG and Caltrans, as well as the LACTC, in the HOV program. Executive Director reviewed basis of LACTC involvement in coordinating activities within Los Angeles County and indicated importance of developing coordinated program responsive to (among other requirements) Federal Clean Air Act amendments. Intent is for Executive Director to hire individual (s) to work on program in next several months; any decision to retain consultant help in future years will be made by LACTC.
4. Draft RFP for Transit Audit
5. Survey of Citizen Attitudes Towards Transportation - (amended).  
-Mr. Emerson asked the basis of the \$20,000 estimate. Executive Director responded that it was based on contacts with professional firms; a precise dollar level can be established upon receipt of proposals and negotiation of contract.
6. American Public Transit Association.  
-Mr. Tweedt asked cost of annual membership (\$1,000) and what total annual costs of participation in APTA would be. Executive Director estimated cost at up to \$10,000, depending on degree of active participation.

M/S/C - Approved Administrative Committee's recommendations.

Executive Director's Report:

- A. Proposed Santa Monica Land Purchase - Messrs. Jack Hutchison and Tom Narrigan from Santa Monica answered questions of the Commissioners. Executive Director has worked with Santa Monica officials in preparing request for Federal grant from UMTA (EXHIBIT J).

M/S/C - TIP amendment - approved.

- B. Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) organization issue - Both Lou Innerarity and Rene Wilson of the CAC addressed the Commission on this subject. Following discussion it was

M/S/C - That By-Laws of the Citizens Advisory Committee be referred to the Administrative Committee for review (with CAC members invited to participate) and that a delay in the election of the Citizens Advisory Committee occur until after the Administrative Committee and the full Commission had evaluated the issue.

- C. Schedule of Meetings - Note and File.

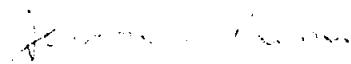
Executive Director will contact members about a future meeting place for Commission meetings.

New Business

- A. Mr. Norman Green addressed the Commission about his transit proposal - Staff is to work with him and direct Mr. Green to Supervisor Ward's staff.
- B. Letter to Caltrans District 7 Director Robert J. Datel, dated January 12, 1978, on the Routes 91/11 project - copy of the letter was handed out to the Commissioners. (EXHIBIT K )
- C. Transportation Research Board: Annual meeting is January 16-19, 1978 in Washington, D.C.; interested members of the Commission were asked to contact the Executive Director about attendance.

Commission meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for January 25, 1978, at 3:00 p.m., Department of Water and Power Building, Room 1555-H, 111 N. Hope Street, Los Angeles.

Respectfully submitted,

  
JEROME C. PREMO  
Executive Director and  
Secretary of the Commission

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Attachments

cc: Commissioners, Alternates  
Deputies, SCAG, SCRTD,  
Caltrans, TAC Members