

LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

M I N U T E S

May 25, 1977

Meeting was called to order by Chairman John Ferraro at 3:08 p.m.

Following members were present:

Chairman Ferraro
Supervisor Kenneth Hahn
Supervisor Peter Schabarum
Councilwoman Renee Simon
Mayor John Zimmerman
Mayor Edmond J. Russ
Wendell Cox
Ray Remy, alternate for Mayor Bradley
Robert Geoghegan, alternate for Supervisor Edelman

Staff members present:

Robert T. Andersen, Interim Executive Director
Jerome C. Premo, Executive Director
Ronald Schneider, Principal Deputy County Counsel
Ed Cano, alternate to Supervisor Hahn
Barna Szabo, Deputy to Supervisor Hayes
Kathy Torigoe, Secretary to Executive Director

Minutes of May 11, 1977 were approved.

Chairman Ferraro introduced Mrs. Premo first and then introduced Jerome C. Premo as the new Executive Director.

Mr. Premo thanked the Commission for his appointment and said that he was looking forward to coming here permanently shortly after the 8th of July. He is eagerly looking forward to the challenge of coordinating the transportation opportunities for Los Angeles County under the general guidelines of the Commission.

Under present arrangements, Mr. Premo will also attend the Commission meeting on June 22 and remain here working for the Commission, the week of June 21 to 25, then return to Washington, D.C. and the east coast until reporting permanently, probably on Monday, July 11, 1977.

OLD BUSINESS:

4A. Letter from City of Norwalk dated May 11, 1977 re: Request for inclusion in that group of cities eligible for SB 325 transit funds:

Referred to the Technical Advisory Committee and Legislative Committee.

4B. Letter from City of La Mirada dated April 28, 1977 re: SB 325 transit funds:

Referred to the Technical Advisory Committee and Legislative Committee.

4C. 5% Community Transit Funds Progress Report on Article 4.5 of SB 325 funds:

Robert Andersen reported that approximately 20 to 23 cities had requested \$3,000,000 in Article 4.5 funds for new community transit projects.

Letter from Garfield Community Adult School Advisory Council dated May 17, 1977, will be referred to the Technical Advisory Committee.

This matter will be reported back to the Commission at the June 8th meeting, after the Technical Advisory Committee and Finance Review Committee meetings of June 1st.

4D. Report on Amendments to AB 1237:

Robert Andersen reported that the list of amendments had been sent to Assemblyman Walter Ingalls, but that he was not sure about the amendment concerning alternates.

3:20 p.m. - Presentation by Senator Alan Robbins re: SB 1000:

Senator Robbins addressed the Commission and urged its support and endorsement of SB 1000, which is designed to transfer more gas tax funds to rapid transit purposes.

Chairman Ferraro announced that the Commission would attempt to reach its decision at the June 8th meeting, if possible.

SB 1000 will be referred to the Technical Advisory Committee and Legislative Committee and report back to the full Commission.

Executive Director will keep Senator Robbins informed on the Commission's actions.

Commission Cox asked the Technical Advisory Committee and the Legislative Committee to inform the Commission how SB 1000 fits into the already pending Regional Transit Development Program.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

5A. Finance Review Committee:

Robert Andersen reported that Commissioner Tweedt is on military leave until May 31. It was tentatively decided to schedule a Finance Review Committee for June 1 at 12 noon. Location of the meeting place will be Room 856, Hall of Administration.

5B. Administrative Committee:

Robert Geoghegan reported that the committee met to discuss the Conflict of Interest Code and totally adopted the Code for recommendation to the Commission for adoption.

M/S/C - Adopt the Conflict of Interest Code and refer the Code to the Board of Supervisors for their review and approval.

5C. Legislative Committee:

Barna Szabo reported on the following items:

(A) SB 1000:

The committee has made preliminary recommendations but would like to review further some of the concerns that this bill has raised. Committee will report back on June 8.

(B) AB 402:

Committee has made preliminary recommendations but would like to review bill further and report back with additional amendments.

(C) SB 759 (Senator Mills' bill):

M/S/C - Unless these improvements or amendments are made in the bill, the Legislative Committee recommends to the Commission to oppose the bill:

- 1) Any unallocated funds resulting from the limitation of Section 99268 and 99268.5 shall be returned to the source County's "Local Transportation Fund" for reallocation for the intended purpose of the original Act and as part of the following year's allocation as determined by the county transportation commissions

or in counties without commission by the Transportation Planning Agency.

- 2) Clarify audit responsibilities that are described in the bill and further more recommend that the requirements be biannual rather than annual.
- 3) Money used for carrying out these audits should not come out of the local funds that would otherwise be available for transportation purposes.

(D) S 208 and HR 4821:

Committee will report back to the Commission with more information at a later date.

(E) AB 1237 (Clean-Up Legislation) - 5% community-level transit and bicycle facility funding responsibilities:

M/S/C - Executive Director instructed to write letter to the FAU Policy Committee and to SCAG that the monies under Article 4 of SB 325 funds for bicycle and pedestrian facilities and/or community-level transit be allocated on the basis of what the Commission will adopt for the Short-Range Transportation Plan.

6B. Recommendation from Supervisor Schabarum re: Allocation of SB 325 funds to SCRTD:

Resolution from Supervisor Schabarum was passed out by Mike Lewis, which will be referred to the TAC and Finance Review Committee.

Commissioner Remy also moved that it be referred with the understanding that it comes back at the same time as the basic

recommendation on this program so that the Commission can have it before them as well as TAC's recommendations on the 5% diversion.

5D. Technical Advisory Committee:

Robert Andersen reported that the Legislative Report Subcommittee had completed their work and that it now was being reviewed by the Administrative Committee and the TAC and would be reported back to the full Commission at the June 8th meeting, as the report is due to the Legislature by July 1st.

NEW BUSINESS:

6A. Public Hearing scheduled by SCRTD:

A public hearing will be held on June 13, 1977, at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Room, Second Floor, 425 South Main Street, Los Angeles. Hearing is on SCRTD's Urban Mass Transportation Administration Operating Grant Application for \$45,000,000.

Notice will be received and filed.

6B. Recommendation from Supervisor Schabarum:

(see page 5 of Minutes)

7. Approval of Expense Claims:

Statement from Arthur D. Little, Inc. for professional services and expenses of \$12,049.22.

M/S/C - Approved unanimously the statement from the consultant.

8. Report on 42nd International Congress on Public Transport:

Oral reports on the conference were made by Commissioners Russ and Cox. They will give the Commission a more detailed written report.

9. Report on State Transportation Board meeting in San Diego re: "Definition of Highways of Statewide Significance."

Robert Andersen reported that he had received a memorandum from Caltrans, District 7, concerning the meeting and that the State Transportation Board is still attempting to work on the definition.

Receive and File.

10. Preliminary Report on answers from Cities re: Request for Financial Support to SCRTD:

Robert Andersen read out the names of approximately 10 cities who had responded to the Commission's letter. A further detailed report will be given on June 8 or 22.

11. Report to Commission re: Publication of Legal Notice:

Robert Andersen reported that a legal notice on the Public Hearing scheduled for June 8, 1977, regarding the 1977-78 LACTC Budget, had been published in the Los Angeles Times on May 20, 1977.

Item will be placed on the June 8 Commission agenda.

12. Schedule of Committee and Subcommittee Meetings:

A schedule of various meetings was distributed to the members of the Commission.

13. 1977-78 SCRTD Budget Hearing:

Hearing is scheduled for June 2, 1977, at 1:00 p.m. in the Hearing Room at 425 South Main Street, Los Angeles.

A copy of the proposed budget was distributed to the members of the Commission.

14. Prioritization of Major State Highways:

Robert Andersen gave report on the Technical Advisory Committee's Highways and Freeways Subcommittee meeting. He stated that the list has been broken down into three groups. This list will be given to the Technical Advisory Committee for consideration and recommendation back to the Commission.

15. Report from SCRTD - 4 Element Transit Development Program:

Mr. Richard Gallagher of SCRTD briefed the Commission at the May 11, 1977 meeting on the 4 Element Transit Development Program. At the meeting, the question on the monorail system was asked by the Commission. At the request of the Commission, a copy on Study of Alternative Transit Corridors and Systems dated March 1973 was distributed to each member of the Commission.

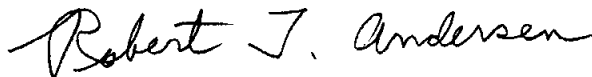
16. Freeway-to-Freeway Ramp Metering:

Commissioner Cox made a proposal that legal counsel look into the possibility if Caltrans should provide an Environmental Impact Report.

Ronald Schneider will consult with the cities of Carson and Gardena, and Caltrans and report back to the Commission at the June 8th meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for June 8, 1977, at 3:00 p.m., Department of Water and Power Building, Room 1555-H.

Respectfully submitted,



ROBERT T. ANDERSEN
Interim Executive Director and
Secretary to the Commission

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cc: Commissioners & Alternates
Deputies to Supervisors
SCAG, Caltrans, SCRTD
TAC members