



LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION • 311 SOUTH SPRING STREET—SUITE 1206, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90013 • (213) 626-0370

MINUTES

February 14, 1979

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Schabarum at 3:13 p.m.

Members in attendance were:

Supervisor Peter Schabarum
Councilman Russell Rubley
Councilman John Zimmerman
Wendell Cox
Councilwoman Pat Russell, alternate for Councilman Ferraro
Ray Remy, alternate for Mayor Bradley
Robert Reeves, alternate for Supervisor Hahn
Robert Geoghegan, alternate for Supervisor Edelman

Staff members present:

Jerome C. Premo, Executive Director
Ronald Schneider, Principal Deputy County Counsel
Kathy Torigoe, Secretary to Executive Director

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of January 24, 1979, were approved as submitted.

Chairman's Remarks

Vice Chairman Schabarum introduced Colonel Glenn Teague. Colonel Teague is the district engineer for the U.S. Corps of Engineers, whose district covers California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico and part of Utah. The Corps is involved in a great number of projects that have a great deal of effect and influence on a lot of things that we in various levels of government are involved in, including this Commission. Through the Corps' support, the Corps is involved in a major funding of the LARIO project which has this Commission's support. The Corps is going to be the administrators of this project.

Colonel Glenn Teague indicated that he is looking forward to working with this Commission, cities and the county and sharing the construction of bike trails and sport trails throughout the Los Angeles area. The Corps does these projects in most all of their flood control projects throughout his district. He thanked the Commission for having him at the meeting to meet the members and looks forward to working with this Commission in the next 2 or 3 years.

Committee Reports

Finance Review Committee

Commissioner Russell Rubley reported on the committee's meeting of February 7. The recommended actions are attached as EXHIBIT A.

M/S/C - Approved the Finance Review Committee's report.

Special Bus/Rail Study Committee

Commissioner John Zimmerman reported that the Special Bus/Rail Study Committee met on January 25, 1979, and heard a presentation made by the consultants, Alan M. Voorhees, Inc., on how the comparison would be made between the two proposals, the Sunset, Ltd. and the Caltrans Freeway Transit. The consultants also explained how the respective plans would be defined for the purpose of the study. A briefing on the study by the consultants is scheduled for Wednesday, February 21 at Commission offices.

Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Commissioner Ray Remy reported there was no action to report; the next meeting is scheduled for February 15 at 2:00 p.m. in the LACTC Conference Room. At that meeting, the committee will be discussing various items on legislation. A letter addressed to Chairman Russ was received from Assemblyman Ingalls concerning his desires for some amendments to AB 103 and this matter will be discussed at the meeting.

He also reported that a joint meeting has been tentatively scheduled with the Government Affairs Committee of SCRTD on February 26. A report on the joint meeting will be made at the Commission meeting on February 28.

Service Coordination Committee

Commissioner Wendell Cox reported the committee's meeting of February 9 was postponed to February 16 at 12 noon. A report will be made at the Commission meeting on February 28.

Consent Items

- A. Approval of appointment by Commissioner Ward of Mr. Stan Hart to Citizens Advisory Committee.
- B. Approval of Citizens Advisory Executive Committee's nominations of Ruth Aldaco and Betty Kozasa to represent LACTC on Adult Health Planning Council.

M/S/C/ - Approved the consent items of the Citizens Advisory Committee.

FY 80-84 State Highway TIP

The Executive Director gave a brief presentation on the State Highway Transportation Improvement Program. The STIP will be discussed at the Finance Review Committee on February 21.

The Executive Director reported that Commissioner Russell Rubley represented this Commission in a discussion on a South bid pot with the other counties, SCAG, and Caltrans on February 8 in Riverside.

Commissioner Rubley reported on the SCAG coordinating meeting of Southern counties on February 8. SCAG staff made a presentation regarding three different methodologies for allocating the money. Commissioner Rubley suggested that the room be cleared of staff so that the six elected officials could decide on an approach to allocating the money. Officials arrived at a fairly good consensus and directed staffs to work out the priority system.

This matter will be discussed at the Finance Review Committee next week. Commissioner Rubley indicated that the discretionary funding will be discussed on February 28. Staff will meet on February 21 and follow up on it.

Commissioner Remy asked Robert Datel to what extent is the district capable within existing staff for engineering and design to be able to carry out those assignments within the adopted 4/5-year program that we have before us.

Mr. Datel replied that it will take some resources borrowed from other parts of the Department, because of the efforts that will be required on the I-105 project. He stated that Caltrans will have the capability to go ahead with the STIP as they propose it.

Commissioner Remy stated the the reason for his question stemmed from schedules for two projects--the one-mile extension of the San Bernardino Freeway, which is programmed for completion by 1983, and I-105 which is programmed for 1990. Inflation in those projects will be very costly and Commissioner Remy asked to what extent can we try and compact some of the time schedules.

Mr. Datel indicated that Caltrans is trying to get early project development on the Century because they think FHWA will make interstate dollars available to those states who have projects ready. Caltrans' schedule and projected manpower needs, assumes an additional \$250 million in Interstate funds for the Century.

Commissioner Cox suggested that a committee be appointed for the San Bernardino Freeway bus extension to move up the completion of the one-mile extension. This matter will be added as an item for further discussion.

Commissioner Zimmerman also asked the status of sound walls for certain areas of the Santa Ana Freeway. Staff will follow up.

Executive Director's Report

A. Mid-year LACTC Budget Status Report (7/1/78-12/31/78)

Report was distributed to the members for information.

B. Recent actions by California Transportation Commission

Report on the recent actions is an information item and is attached as EXHIBIT B.

C. Other Items - Memo is being sent to the members transmitting information on:

- 1) Letter from DOT Secretary Adams to Commissioner Remy answering Commissioner Remy's letter of December 11, regarding possible use of Highway Trust Fund for rail transit.
- 2) Copies of all letters staff has received from involved cities and governmental agencies on the Route 7.

3) Copy of Executive Director's remarks made at the February 9 meeting on the Century Freeway.

D. It is of intense importance that we all work together to seek full funding from Congress for transit assistance. Lacking such full funding, we will receive in the next 18 months \$23.5 million less than we might have. This will force significant cutbacks in service and probably significant fare increases.

Commissioner Cox indicated that the President has talked about the possibility of an oil problem in a few months and encouraged the use of public transit in his press conference. Yet the Administration was not seeking transit funding at the level authorized by Congress.

New Business

Commissioner Remy introduced a motion on behalf of Mayor Tom Bradley (EXHIBIT C). Motion was moved, seconded and carried, with a amendment directing staff to report back by April 15. The Executive Director indicated that this time schedule will require for action and positive involvement of the members of TAC.

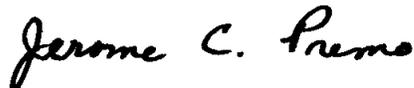
Commissioner Remy also stated that he continues to hear from Secretary Schlesinger that we may be under some type of rationing or shortage and if that does occur, this Commission will be asked about what we are doing about it.

Notice of Meetings

Notice of meetings was included in the agenda packet for informational purpose.

Meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 28, 1979, at 3:00 p.m., at the Department of Water and Power, 111 N. Hope Street, Los Angeles.

Respectfully submitted



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Executive Director

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Attachments