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MINUTES

September 17, 1979

The special meeting was called to order by Chairman Russ at 12:00 noon.

Members in attendance were:

Mayor Edmond J. Russ
Councilman Russell Rubley
Wendell Cox
Peter Tweedt, alternate for Supervisor Schabarum
Eleanor Killeen, alternate for Supervisor Ward
Robert Reeves, alternate for Supervisor Hahn
Ray Remy, alternate for Mayor Bradley

Staff members present:

Jerome C. Premo, Executive Director
Ronald Schneider, Principal Deputy County Counsel

Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Russ indicated that he would like to waive his remarks and go right into the discussion of business.

Downtown People Mover

The Executive Director referred to his memorandum of September 14 and stated that the last sentence of the second paragraph should be deleted and also that, in the same paragraph, the words "joint designate" should be changed to "joint designation." He reported that the City Council did not take up, as we had anticipated, the matter on the Downtown People Mover last Friday. However, they will most likely be taking this issue up tomorrow. The Executive Director included in his memorandum the California Transportation Commission's conditions on allocation of State Prop. 5 funds for the DPM and the specific changes to be considered by the L. A. City Council. Staff's recommendation is that this Commission urge the CTC to allow operational funding decisions to be made locally as specified in AB 1246.

Commissioner Remy indicated that he concurs with the staff's recommendation and explained the several conditions listed by the CTC. He indicated that the LACTC's points will be brought before the CTC at their October meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tweedt that the Commission join with the City of Los Angeles in requesting modifications to CTC funding condition numbers 3, 5, and 9. Seconded by Commissioner Reeves.

An amendment to the motion was made by Commissioner Cox: That this Commission urge the replace of item 9 with merely a reference to the present statutory responsibility of this Commission with a backed up position of one or the other. There was no second to the amendment.

Hearing no objection to the original motion, it was carried by unanimous consent. (Letter to California Transportation Commission is attached as EXHIBIT A.)

Request from Commuter Computer

A request was received from Commuter Computer for funds to meet the present transit emergency. The Executive Director reported that staff has followed up with Commuter Computer concerning the specifics of their emergency funding request submitted in writing on September 7 and has also met on this with Caltrans. The staff's recommendation is additional \$25,000 be allocated to Commuter Computer for work, a good amount of which has begun. In reaction to the SCRTD strike, Commuter Computer added staff and expended funds for information to employers throughout the county.

Staff's recommendation is to provide two Commuter Computer additional \$25,000, thus bringing to \$100,000 the Commission's total commitment since May. Before considering allocating additional funds for Commuter Computer, staff will prepare a full report for consideration by the Finance Review Committee.

M/S/C to approve an emergency allocation of \$25,000 to Commuter Computer with the understanding that these funds will not be used for newspaper advertisements.

Chairman Russ asked the legal counsel for an opinion on transferring RTD funds to Commuter Computer while RTD is on strike at the next Commission meeting.

Hearing no objections, the motion was adopted by unanimous consent.

SCRTD Strike

The Executive Director indicated that staff is receiving continuing information on the SCRTD strike. In order to avoid any misunderstandings, he referred to his transmittal memorandum dated September 13 to the Commissioners. He believed that he is following up on the concerns of the Finance Review Committee as well as discussions with the Chairman as to what this Commission will be doing with SCRTD. Staff will be working with SCRTD on their financial status and will report to the Finance Review Committee when the strike is over.

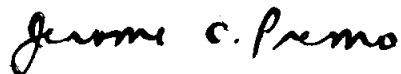
Commissioner Cox hoped that after the strike is over, that there will be a full discussion after the review of the financial implications of SCRTD.

Continuation of Consideration of Commission Priorities

(Minutes on this portion of the Special Commission meeting will be forwarded separately.)

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Executive Director

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Attachment