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LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

May 27, 1987

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Bradley at 1:45 p.m. in the Board Room of the Department of Water and Power.

Mr. Richmond indicated that he is in receipt of a letter from Supervisor Dana appointing Peter Ireland as his alternate for today's meeting and noted that Jerry Baxter is attending for Donald Watson.

Members in attendance were:

Mayor Tom Bradley
Councilwoman Jacki Bacharach
Councilwoman Christine E. Reed
Councilman Edd Tuttle
Councilman Michael Woo
Marcia Mednick
Walter King, alternate for Supervisor Hahn
Robert Geoghegan, alternate for Supervisor Edelman
Peter Ireland, alternate for Supervisor Dana
Barna Szabo, alternate for Supervisor Dana (arrived for the Closed Session)
John La Follette, alternate for Supervisor Antonovich
Jerry Baxter, attending for Donald Watson, Ex-Officio for State of California

Staff members present:

Rick Richmond, Executive Director
David Kelsey, Assistant County Counsel
Elyse Kusunoki, Senior Secretary
Barbara Norris, Senior Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of May 13, 1987 were moved and seconded for approval. Hearing no objection, the minutes were approved as submitted.

COMMITTEE REPORTSFINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mrs. Reed reported on the FRC's meeting of May 22, 1987, as follows:

504 Public Hearing: LACTC Bus Service Continuation Project

A public hearing was held to receive comments on the proposed Handicapped Accessibility Plan. No public comments were made. Following close of the hearing, the Committee recommended the adoption of the proposed plan for the Bus Service Continuation Project.

Mrs. Reed moved for approval, seconded by Mrs. Bacharach. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Appeal of Staff Eligibility Determination: Public Inebriate (People in Progress) Program

This item was held over to the June 8 FRC meeting.

Overallocation of FY 1986-87 Subregional Paratransit Grant Funds to the City of Torrance

The FRC approved the staff recommendation that the funds be withheld from FY 1986-87 allocation and additionally directed that a letter of apology for the error be sent to the City of Torrance.

Mr. Reed moved approval of the recommendation, seconded by Mrs. Bacharach. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Revised Paratransit Operations Subcommittee By-Laws

The FRC reviewed and approved the revision to the Paratransit Operations Subcommittee By-Laws.

Mrs. Reed moved approval of the revised By-Laws, seconded by Mrs. Bacharach. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Appointment of New Members to the Paratransit Operations Subcommittee

The FRC appointed the City of Rancho Palos Verdes to the Paratransit Operations Subcommittee in the membership category of "Subregional Systems."

The FRC directed staff to expand recruitment efforts for the membership position of "Lead Agency in the San Fernando Valley." Specifically, staff was directed to contact all elected representatives for the Valley requesting input and recommendations.

Mrs. Reed moved approval of the FRC's recommendation, seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Approval of FY 1987-88 Funding Agreement for Commuter Transportation Services (Commuter Computer)

The FRC approved the staff recommendation that the Commission approve the Memorandum of Understanding which will provide Commuter Computer with \$2,633,000 in Proposition A funds during FY 1987-88.

Mrs. Reed moved approval of the recommendation, seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Mrs. Reed also reported that the Committee heard reports on the following information items:

1. Status Report on FY 1986-87 Proposition A Local Return Lapsing Funds
2. Summary of Proposition A Local Return Fund Exchanges
3. Status of Proposition A Local Return Program Guidelines Revision Process
4. SCRTD Phase III Performance Audit - Status Report
5. Municipal Operators Phase III Performance Audit Progress - Presentation was made by the consultant.
6. FY 1988-90 Municipal Operators SRTP/TIP
7. Status Report on Local Federal-Aid Urban Expenditure

The FRC received the FY 1986-87 LACTC Quarterly Financial Report.

The Committee also requested that staff prepare a report on the proposed FY 1988 SCRTD financial plan. The LACTC staff report should include a summary of actions planned by the SCRTD to reduce the FY 1988 operating budget.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Reed reported on the IRC meeting of May 27, as follows:

Reorganization Legislation

A handout was distributed which indicated the proposed LACTC amendments not yet included in SB 2 (Robbins) and AB 18 (Katz), legislation to reorganize transportation agencies in Los Angeles County. In regard to SB 2, the IRC recommended the Commission:

1. Support the restoration to the bill of existing law, giving the Commission authority to establish transportation zones;

Mrs. Reed moved approval, seconded by Mr. King. Without objection, motion was carried.

2. Reiterate the Commission's to including three non-voting members from Orange, Ventura, and San Bernardino Counties on the board of the new county transportation authority;

Mrs. Reed moved approval, seconded by Mr. King. Without objection, motion was carried.

3. Clarify that the transportation authority would specifically be required to establish criteria for allocating capital funds for bus capital projects.

Mrs. Reed moved approval of the recommendation, seconded by Mr. King. Without objection, the motion was carried.

The IRC recommended that AB 18 be amended to clarify that the transportation authority would specifically be required to establish criteria for allocating capital funds for bus capital projects.

Mrs. Reed moved approval, seconded by Mr. King. Without objection, the motion was carried.

IRC further recommended that Commission representatives discuss with Assemblyman Katz the recent affirmative action requirements amended into AB 18, and suggest to the author that the Legislation reflect current Commission law and policy on that issue.

Some discussion followed.

Mrs. Reed moved for approval, seconded by Mr. King. Without objection, the motion was carried.

AB 1697, a bill introduced by Assemblyman Katz to authorize the Commission to begin to develop transition plans for the implementation of AB 18, was considered by the IRC. The Committee recommended that the LACTC support AB 1697 and suggested a technical amendment to ensure that the new transportation authority is referred to by the same name throughout the legislation.

Some discussion followed.

Mrs. Reed moved approval of the recommendation, seconded by Mr. King. The motion was approved with one dissent (Mr. Ireland).

Chairman Bradley introduced a motion to authorize the formation of a transition committee for the Commission, to be composed of commission representatives from the County of Los Angeles, the City of Los Angeles, other cities in the county and the SCRTD board. Mrs. Bacharach suggested that the proposal be clarified to: 1) indicate that the transition committee would be required to report back to the Commission; and 2) that only principals would be allowed to serve on the transition committee.

Chairman Bradley moved approval of the transition proposal, seconded by Mr. La Follette.

Mr. Ireland introduced a substitute motion on behalf of Commissioner Deane Dana to require Commission to appoint senior staff representatives from the Commission, SCRTD, the County of Los Angeles, the City of Los Angeles and other agencies and entities, to a transition committee which would report to the Commission.

Mr. Ireland's motion died for want of a second.

Hearing no further objection, the motion was approved with one dissent (Mr. Ireland).

The Commission indicated that it is its intent to request input on the transition process from the senior staff of various local agencies.

State Legislation

AB 1573, a measure introduced by Assemblywoman Delaine Eastin, would require Caltrans to provide local jurisdiction with the necessary information and assistance to proceed with the development and construction of a locally funded project, if it is determined that the department is unable to complete work on the project according to the local public entity's time schedule. The IRC recommended that the Commission support AB 1573, with amendments to allow Caltrans the right of first refusal on locally funded highway projects and to indicate that the department would retain the responsibility of reviewing all project plans within a specified time limit.

Mrs. Reed moved approval of the IRC recommendation, seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

AB 138, introduced by Assemblyman William Leonard, would require all air quality districts in non-attainment with state ambient air quality standards to identify the "cleanest available fuel" for stationary and mobile sources. The IRC recommended the Commission support AB 138 with amendments to: 1) indicate to the author that the state is a funding partner with the Commission for a 30-bus methanol demonstration project and that the SCAQMD should not determine an alternative fuel for this area until the completion of that project; 2) require the air quality boards to consider cost-effectiveness for mobile sources of pollution; 3) express mobile source requirements in terms of emission requirements and allow operators the flexibility to meet the requirements by various alternative means; and 4) provide that the state will help defer any additional costs incurred by bus operators because of the requirements of the bill.

Mrs. Reed moved approval of the IRC recommendation, seconded by Mr. King. Without objection, the motion was carried.

AB 234, another air quality bill by Assemblyman William Leonard, would require the state Air Resources Board (ARB) to adopt minimum emission standards for light and heavy duty motor vehicles, including transit vehicles. The IRC recommended that the Commission support AB 234 with amendments to: 1) apply the standards to transit vehicles in the same model year that they are applied to heavy-duty diesel engines; 2) require the ARB to consult with transit funding agencies and operators prior to the promulgation of the emission requirements; and 3) provide that the state will help defer any additional costs incurred by bus operators of the requirements of the bill.

Mrs. Reed moved approval, seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, the motion was carried.

SB 151, a measure by Senator Robert Presley regarding the composition and functions of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), was reconsidered by the IRC. It was indicated that IRC members met with External Affairs Committee members of SCAQMD to reach agreement on amendments to SB 151, to ensure that the LACTC would have input on all transportation-related issues prior to final board action. The IRC recommended that the Commission: 1) approve language requiring the board to consult and cooperate with county transportation authorities, and 2) that the composition of the board continue to reflect the current regional membership balance.

Mrs. Reed moved approval of SB 151, seconded by Mr. King. Without objection, the motion was carried.

Consideration of AB 84, AB 1586, and federal transportation issues was held over for the June 10 IRC meeting.

LEGISLATIVE MATRIX

It was noted that the Legislative Matrix was distributed as an information item.

RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Mr. Bacharach reported on the RCC meeting of May 22, as follows:

Contract C560 - Main Yard and Shops

After lengthy discussion and consideration of status of certification of DBE/WBE subcontractors, the RCC recommended the Commission:

- o Declare the apparent low bidder Bernards Bros. Inc., non-responsive because it failed to meet the DBE/WBE goals and submitted no documentation of good faith efforts;
- o Declared the second low bidder Kiewit-Pacific non-responsive because it failed to meet the DBE/WBE goals and submitted no documentation of good faith efforts;
- o Authorized the Executive Director to award the contract to Morrison-Knudsen, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Mrs. Bacharach moved approval of the Committee's recommendation, seconded by Mr. King.

Mrs. Reed asked staff to outline for the Commission what is involved in the certification process.

Pam Simmons of staff explained the certification process.

Hearing no objection to the Committee's recommendation, the motion was carried.

Change Order - Contract C455

The RCC recommended the Commission take the following actions:

- o Authorize an increase in the budget for Contract C455 (Compton Creek Bridge) in the amount of \$266,208 to be funded from the project reserve. There will be no net effect on the overall project budget.

- o Increase the Authorization for Expenditure from the previous \$1,795,460 to \$2,054,800. This provides for a remaining contract contingency of \$152,205 (8%).
- o Approved the subject change order in the amount of \$266,208, to bring the total contract amount to \$1,902,595.
- o Seek reimbursement from City of Compton for the portion of added cost attributable to the need for an alternate access road to the construction site (the City refused to sell LACTC an easement for access across City property).

Mrs. Bacharach moved for approval, seconded by Mr. King.

Mr. Ireland offered to amend the recommendation to delete the reference to the City of Compton.

Some discussion followed.

Motion was approved with one dissent (Mr. Ireland).

Cooperative Agreements

The RCC recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to execute the cooperative agreements with Los Angeles Community Redevelopment Agency and The Central and West Basin Water Replenishment District and begin to issue work orders for the necessary activities including design work, which should be done by LACTC-controlled forces to the maximum extent possible.

Mrs. Bacharach moved for approval, seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Acquisition of Parcels AS112, AS103 and AS120 and Status of Legal Services for Litigation

The RCC requested for a closed session to consider acquisition of Parcels AS112 - Cooper Trust, AS103 - Corvi, and AS120 - Gardner. The status of legal services for litigation will also be considered in closed session and return to an open session to discuss the legal services budget.

A handout was distributed to the members concerning a briefing breakfast for elected officials in the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit corridor on June 12, 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel in Long Beach. The Commissioners were invited to attend the briefing to receive an update on construction activities and the overall progress on the project.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RTC meeting of May 22, as follows:

Pasadena-Los Angeles Route Refinement Study: Contract with Bechtel Civil, Inc.

The RTC recommended the Commission authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with Bechtel Civil, Inc. in the amount of \$365,000 for the Pasadena-Los Angeles route refinement study.

Mrs. Bacharach moved for approval of the RTC recommendation, which was seconded. Hearing no objection, the motion was carried.

The following information item was also reported:

Metro Rail Project (MOS-1) Cost and Progress Update

The Committee received a briefing from staff on the progress and cost trends on the Metro Rail Project (MOS-1). Areas covered were:

- o MOS-1 financial plan and expenditure to date
- o advertised construction/procurement activities to date
- o contract change orders
- o contingency funds and capital reserve account
- o cost containment measures
- o cost trends for key activities
- o project management information reporting related to costs
- o potential problems and delays

San Fernando Valley Meeting Schedule

The schedule of meetings was distributed to the Commissioners. The first round of meetings in connection with the San Fernando Valley Rail Transit Study are as follows:

Monday, June 15 - 7:00 p.m.
Birmingham High School
17000 Haynes Street
Encino

Tuesday, June 16 - 7:00 p.m.
Canoga Park High School
6850 Topanga Canyon Blvd.
Canoga Park

Thursday, June 18 - 7:00 p.m.
Van Nuys High School
6535 Cedros Avenue
Van Nuys

Monday, June 22 - 7:00 p.m.
North Hollywood High School
5231 Colfax Avenue
North Hollywood

Tuesday, June 23 - 7:00 p.m.
Grant High School
13000 Oxnard Street
Van Nuys

Thursday, June 25 - 7:00 p.m.
Chatsworth High School
10027 Lurline Avenue
Chatsworth

The purpose of meetings is to inform the community about the EIR scope and process, introduce the initial alignments, introduce the concept of light rail, and enable the public to identify issues they wish to be considered in the EIR.

STREETS AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Mednick reported on the S&HC meeting of May 27, as follows:

"On the Road to the Year 2000"

The S&HC received the first published copies of the "On the Road to the Year 2000" Plan. The report will be circulated for public comments, after which the Commission will adopt a final version of it.

SCAG's High-Occupancy Vehicle Facilities Plan

The S&HC recommended that the Commission request SCAG to defer approval of their High-Occupancy Vehicle Facilities Plan until after SCAG staff has made a presentation to LACTC on how this document will be integrated into the Regional Transportation Plan and other SCAG documents.

Mrs. Mednick moved approval of the Committee's recommendation, seconded by Mr. Tuttle. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

The Committee also received information on the following items:

1. Caltrans' Construction Management Plan for the Ventura Freeway widening project. Caltrans plans a number of strategies to minimize the project's traffic impacts, including local street signal improvements, service patrols, highway advisory radio, changeable message signs, and a public awareness campaign.
2. "Smart Corridor" Demonstration Project. A policy committee and technical committee have been convened. The technical committee is in the process of producing a Request for Proposal for the design contract. A press conference will be held this Friday to describe the project and provide information on AB 457, Assembly Gwen Moore's bill to provide funding.
3. Commuter Attitude Survey conducted for LACTC by Commuter Transportation Services, Inc. (Commuter Computer). The survey indicated that 88% of commuting motorists would be willing to follow alternate route instructions if they received timely and accurate traffic information. These survey results can be interpreted as an endorsement of the Santa Monica Freeway "Smart Corridor" Demonstration Project.

4. Federal Demonstration Projects. The 1987 Surface Transportation Assistance Act allocates demonstration funds for the following four projects: Ports Access Improvements, Compton Grade Separation, Burbank Airport Access Improvements and preliminary engineering to widen the LAX Sepulveda Boulevard Tunnel. Each of the demonstration projects will require a local match. Staff is currently working with the appropriate agencies to develop plans for funding the projects. According to the legislation, some of the funds will be lost if the projects are not started soon.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Commissioner Travel Request:

Mr. Roger Stanard, a member of the Rail Construction Committee, has expressed an interest in attending the APTA Rapid Transit Conference, June 14-18 in Toronto. Commission approval was requested.

Mrs. Bacharach moved approval, seconded by Mr. King. Without objection, motion was carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Sheldon Walter commented on the reorganization legislation and suggested that when legislation is passed, the Governor be invited to Los Angeles to sign the bill. He also suggested that SCRTD, LACTC, other agencies and private corporations co-sponsor the Metro Rail groundbreaking ceremony for the San Fernando Valley.

Mr. Edward Duncan commented on the briefing of the recent sale of 1987 sales tax refunding bonds as reported in the minutes of May 13, and as provided by the Commission's financial advisor, Mr. Katz. Mr. Duncan suggested that the Commission adopt a book-entry clearance system of registering and making payments on the bonds to achieve administrative savings. Book-entry clearance is a centralized system for the holding and accounting of ownership and transfer of securities. Under this system, no notes or bonds are actually delivered to the investors; instead, all bond certificates are held at a central location and everything including payment is done electronically. Chairman Bradley asked staff to obtain a report for the Commission's financial advisory, Mr. Katz, on this issue for the next meeting.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice was received and filed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 3:25 p.m., the Commission adjourned into an executive session pursuant to Government Code: Section 54956.8 and Section 54956.9 for purposes of real property transactions and litigation. The real property transactions are for the following properties located in the City of Los Angeles:

<u>Parcel No.</u>	<u>Owner</u>
R01-R21-AS112 (located at 1223 Flower Street)	Lois N. Cooper Trust
R01-R21-AS103 (located at the northwest corner of Stanford Avenue and 20th Street)	Alfred & Francis Corvi
R01-R21-AS120 (located at 1919 South Stanford Avenue)	Jack & Dorothy Gardener

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was reconvened and adjourned at 3:45 p.m.


RICK RICHMOND
Executive Director

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