

# MINUTES



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## LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

June 24, 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 acknowledged receipt of a letter from Supervisor Dana, appointing Peter Ireland as his alternate for today's meeting.

Members in attendance were:

Mayor Tom Bradley  
Councilwoman Jacki Bacharach  
Councilwoman Christine E. Reed  
Councilman Michael Woo  
Marcia Mednick  
Blake Sanborn, alternate for Supervisor Schabarum  
Walter King, alternate for Supervisor Hahn  
Robert Geoghegan, alternate for Supervisor Edelman  
Peter Ireland, alternate for Supervisor Dana  
John La Follette, alternate for Supervisor Antonovich  
Councilman Ray Grabinski, alternate for Councilman Tuttle  
Jerry Baxter, representing Don Watson of Caltrans

Staff members present:

Rick Richmond, Executive Director  
Helen Parker, Deputy County Counsel  
Elyse Kusunoki, Senior Secretary  
Therese Hernandez, Secretary

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 10 meeting were approved with a correction made to page 3 of the first paragraph. The second sentence should read, "The attitude of staff and that of the FRC was that it was more of a social service program...." The minutes were then approved as corrected.

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CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Bradley suggested that the Commission hold one meeting on July 15th, in place of July 8 and 22.

Mrs. Reed moved, seconded by Mr. King, that the July meeting date be changed to July 15. Without objection, motion was carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON FINDING OF NECESSITY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PARCEL R-01-R21-AS109 - ROOSEVELT BUILDING, 727 WEST 7TH STREET, LOS ANGELES (OWNER: CITIBANK TRS)

The Executive Director opened the public hearing, but requested that this item be continued to the July 15 meeting. Hearing no objection, public hearing was continued.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the meeting of June 21, 1987, as follows:

FY 1987-88 Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Program Applications

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The Committee recommended approval of the recommendations contained in the staff report, with changes made to the City of Hermosa Beach's request for funding, and instructions to staff to correct the summary tables.

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

SCRTD Request for \$9.5 Million in Additional Subsidies

The Committee recommended approval of the recommendations contained in the staff report.

Mr. Sanborn moved approval of the recommendations, seconded by Mrs. Reed. Mr. Geoghegan expressed his opposition to the recommendations. Without further objection, motion was carried.

Proposition A Discretionary Grant - FY 1987 Memorandum of Understanding with Redondo Beach Municipal Bus Lines

The Committee recommended approval of the recommendation contained in the staff report.

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

LACTC Operating Budget - FY 1987-88

The Committee recommended approval of the proposed budget.

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

The following reports were information items:

The FRC heard a presentation by Doug Carter of Price Waterhouse on the SCRTD Results on Phase III of the Performance Audit. Copies of the final report were distributed to the Commission members.

Copies of the SCRTD Performance Action Plan report for the months of March and April were distributed to the Committee members.

The FRC approved a letter to Leo Trombatore, Director of Caltrans, to register the Commission's concern with the schedule change in the review cycle on the UMTA Section 16(b)(2) applications.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Reed reported on the June 24 meeting as follows:

Update on Reorganization Legislation

It was noted that AB 18 (Katz), a measure to reorganize transportation agencies in Los Angeles County, was significantly amended in the Senate Transportation Committee on June 16. The IRC recommended that the Commission oppose AB 18 unless the bill is amended to delete: (1) a provision authorizing the Joint Rules Committee to appoint to the new authority a San Fernando Valley resident, and (2) a provision prohibiting the new authority from hiring as the first permanent executive director an employee of either the LACTC or the SCRTD within the preceding four years. The Committee further recommended that the Commission oppose SB 2 (Robbins), if the two provisions noted above are amended into that measure.

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

State Legislation

AB 668 (Katz) - Tightens Driver's Licensing Requirements for Bus Drivers - Reconsideration

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

) State Transportation Financing Proposals - Reconsideration

The Committee directed staff to draft an overall policy statement for the Commission on transportation financing and to report that item to the Committee at its July 15 meeting.

Federal Legislation

FY 1988 Transportation Appropriations Legislation

It was reported that the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation has marked-up a FY 1988 appropriations bill for programs under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of Transportation. The IRC will review and present to the Commission further developments on this measure as it is warranted.

Renewal of Contract for Washington, D.C. Consultant

The IRC recommended approval of the one-year renewal of the Commission's contract with Smith and Howard Associates, Inc., under the same terms as the 1986-1987 contract agreement.

Legislative Update

) The LACTC Legislative Update was included as an information item.

Legislative Matrix

It was noted that AB 1586 (Campbell), an LACTC proposed-bill, is being amended. The Commission staff has reached agreement on several amendments submitted by the CHP and is currently working with other interested parties to resolve additional concerns with the measure.

In addition, it was noted that AB 457 (Moore), a Commission-sponsored measure authorizing funds for the "Smart" corridor project, was approved by an Assembly Ways and Means Committee at an initial funding level of \$5 million.

RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the meeting of June 22 as follows:

Fare Collection Equipment - Policy on Domestic Content

) The Committee approved the recommendation that the Commission establish a domestic content requirement of 15% for fare collection equipment for Contract H840.

Mr. King suggested that staff, in evaluating various proposals, give consideration and assign points to suppliers, who go above the minimum 15% domestic content. Some discussion followed. Mr. Richmond clarified the intent of Mr. King's modification to reward effort beyond the 15% minimum but that staff would continue to weigh heavily other factors in the evaluation such as service proven reliability and cost.

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

Award Contract C435 - Aerial Structures

The Committee approved the recommendation that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to award a contract to Morrison-Knudsen for the Mid-Corridor Aerial structures for a contract amount of \$24,877,000. A 10% contract reserve fund of \$2,487,700 is also recommended to cover the cost changes and/or extra work outside the contract scope, if required.

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

Change Order, Contract P815 - Running Rail

The Committee approved the recommendations that the Commission authorize an increase in the budget of \$717,000 to be funded from the Century-El Segundo project funds for purchase of additional running rail for the El Segundo extension; and approve the subject change order in the amount of \$717,000, to bring the total contract amount to \$8,744,700.

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

Chairman Bradley acknowledged L.A. City Councilman, Nate Holden, who was in the audience.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on information items related to future Metro Rail planning.

The next meeting will be July 8.

STREETS AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Mednick reported on the meeting of June 24 as follows:

SCAG's HIGH-OCCUPANCY VEHICLE LANE STUDY

The Committee recommended that the Commission support in concept SCAG's High-Occupancy Vehicle Facilities Plan with the understanding that the Commission will adopt a specific program for L.A. County carpool lanes. Mr. La Follette expressed his opposition to the recommendation.

Mrs. Mednick moved approval of the recommendation, seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no further objections, motion was carried.

The Committee received information reports on the following items:

Transportation funding proposals under consideration at the state level;

Proposal by Toluca Lake residents to form a benefit assessment district to fund their own freeway soundwall;

Status of major state highway projects;

Mayor Bradley's 8-point plan to reduce congestion;

AB 457 (Moore), which provides funding for the Smart Corridor project;

Public comment regarding "On the Road to the Year 2000".

REQUEST FOR STUDY OF EASTERN EXTENSION OF METRO RAIL

The Executive Director reported on a letter received from Congressman Roybal which requests that the Commission program funds for a study of an extension of the Metro Rail project east of Union Station. Copies of additional correspondence related to this issue were distributed to the Commissioners, as well as a follow-up letter from Congressman Roybal.

Mrs. Reed made a motion, seconded by Mr. Geoghegan, to direct staff to take to the Rapid Transit Committee and report back to the Commission a method for financing a study of heavy rail extension to the east side as one of the alternatives providing rail transit service to the east side.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Richmond indicated that copies of the summary material of the Performance Audit were available to those interested in obtaining a copy.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Hank Ramey spoke in favor of the SCRTD request for \$9.5 million. He also spoke in opposition to the request for study of eastern extension of Metro Rail.

Mr. Sheldon Walter spoke in favor of the eastern extension of Metro Rail.

Mr. Pat Moser spoke in favor of the eastern extension of Metro Rail. He also expressed his opposition to the proposed request by the City of Los Angeles to the L.A. County Transportation Commission to use Proposition A funds for street and road purposes.

Mr. Tony Starnes expressed his opposition to the SCRTD request for \$9.5 million.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Woo reported that the L.A. City Council, at its meeting that morning, approved the use of Proposition A dollars to bring down the cost of fares for senior citizens and handicapped persons. Mr. Woo expressed Councilman Nate Holden's concern regarding the position taken by the Finance Review Committee on trading of dollars, and also expressed Mr. Holden's request that further consideration be made by the Council to explore in greater depth, the necessary reasons for bus fare increases.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice was received and filed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 2:50 p.m. for purposes of consideration of acquisition of parcels AS-001 and AS-048.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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