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LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

August 12, 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.

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
Barna Szabo, alternate for Supervisor Dana
Robert Geoghegan, alternate for Supervisor Edelman
Donald Watson, Ex-Officio for State of California

Staff members present:

Rick Richmond, Executive Director
David Kelsey, Assistant County Counsel
Annette Mendoza, Senior Secretary
Deana Burton

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of June 24 and July 15, 1987 were moved and seconded for approval. Hearing no objection, the minutes were approved as submitted.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTSFINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the FRC meeting of August 10 which was held in El Monte. The committee's recommendations were as follows:

SCRTD TIP Amendment Request to Increase the Fare Collection Equipment Project Budget

The FRC approved the recommendation to approve the SCRTD FY 1987 TIP amendment with the provision that there be no net increase to local match cash requirements detailed in the SCRTD FY 1987-91 capital financial plan.

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

Approval of Consultant to Perform an Evaluation of the Bus Service Continuation Project

The FRC approved the recommendation, contingent upon UMTA approval, to award the contract for performance of the Bus Service Continuation Project Evaluation to the firm of Price Waterhouse. It was further recommended that the proposal be augmented by the two optional tasks proposed by the consultant and that a total of \$100,000 in Proposition A Local Incentive funds be allocated to finance LACTC's share of the evaluation cost.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mrs. Reed. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Westwood Shuttle Parking Lot Security Local Return Funding Request

The FRC approved the staff recommendation for funding in the amount of \$11,000 for parking lot security contingent upon the posting of adequate signage by the City, with the added suggestion that the City consider wording on the signage to notify potential patrons of the presence of evening security.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mrs. Reed. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Consideration of Name Change of Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Advisory Council

The FRC approved the recommendation that the Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Advisory Council to change its name to the Elderly and Disabled Transportation Advisory Council.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Woo. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Review of E&HTAC Members with Delinquent Attendance Record

The FRC approved the staff recommendation to terminate the membership of the National Council on Senior Citizens, including amending E&HTAC's by-laws accordingly, and assign ex-officio status to the Westside Jewish Community Center.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mrs. Reed. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Collection of UMTA Section 15 Data on Private Employer Vanpools and Buspools

The FRC approved the recommendations contained in the staff report and amendment of the FY 1987-88 Commission budget to add \$35,000 for start-up of the data collection effort by the SCAQMD.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mrs. Mednick. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Proposed FY 1987-88 UMTA Section 16(b)(2) Applications

The FRC approved the staff recommendation to approve the 26 applications, including rankings for vehicles and related equipment under UMTA Section 16(b)(2).

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mrs. Reed. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Mr. Sanborn also reported on the following information items:

1. A public hearing was held to receive comments on the San Gabriel Transportation Zone Application, at which several persons spoke. Since LACTC will be acting on the application at the next meeting, the Executive Director provided a summary of the application.
2. The FRC received a status report from staff on the San Gabriel Valley Transportation Zone Application.
3. The FRC received a status report on the Local Federal-Aid Urban Expenditures.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Reed reported on the IRC meeting of August 12 as follows:

Update on Reorganization Legislation

It was noted that AB 18 (Katz), legislation to reorganization transportation agencies in Los Angeles County, is set to be heard in the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 17. Mrs. Bacharach will represent the Commission

at that hearing. SB 2 (Robbins), a bill to implement the provisions of AB 18, has not been scheduled for a hearing in the Assembly Ways and Means Committee. Additional amendments to the measures have not yet been printed.

State Legislation

State Transportation Financing Policy Statement

The IRC recommended that the Commission adopt the proposed policy statement which will serve as a guide for the Commission when it considers funding proposals for transportation programs. The S&HC had made a few changes to the policy statement at their meeting today. The policy statement will be retyped to include the S&H's changes and prepared in its final form.

Mrs. Reed moved approval of the policy statement, seconded by Mrs. Mednick. Without objection, the motion was carried.

Contract Amendment with State Legislative Consultant

The IRC recommended approval of an approximate six percent increase in the monthly fee for the services of Capitol Representation Group, the LACTC's Sacramento representative, based on an increase in workload and services being performed.

Public comment was given by Mr. Ed Duncan, urging the Commission to coordinate its consultant's activities with SCRTD.

Mrs. Reed indicated that when the LACTC and SCRTD have identical legislative objectives, every effort is made to coordinate the activities of the two agencies' consultants.

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

Federal Legislation

Mr. Irving Smith, the LACTC's Washington, D.C. consultant, presented information to the Commission on federal legislation. Mr. Smith urged the Commission to continue in its efforts to contact and inform federal-elected officials regarding the FY 1988 transportation appropriations bill. In addition, it was noted that the Commission should closely follow several proposals calling for a federal gas tax increase to be earmarked for deficit reduction.

Legislative Matrix

It was noted that AB 2626 (Duplissea), a bill requiring public transit operators to competitively bid a percentage of service, has been amended and scheduled for a hearing on August 19 in the Assembly Transportation Committee.

Further, both AB 2626 and SB 1028 (Morgan) have been amended to include a provision authorizing \$25 million from the Special Account for Capitol Outlay to fund the TP&D Account for 1987-1988. This funding was deleted by Governor Deukmejian in the 1987-1988 State budget.

AB 1586, a LACTC-sponsored bill to allow public school children to ride paratransit vehicles to and from school, may be considered by the Senate Appropriations Commission on August 17.

RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RCC meeting of August 7, as follows:

Professional Services Contracts for FY 1987-88

A. Richards, Watson & Gershon

The RCC recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 2 for the following contracts.

Richards, Watson & Gershon will provide legal services under the following three contracts, July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1988:

R01-S16-L001	General Legal Services	\$550,000
R01-S16-L003	Real Estate Acquisition	\$200,000
R90-S16-L002	Litigation/Defense	\$400,000

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

B. Transit Insurance Administrators

The RCC recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 2 for the following contract.

Transit Insurance Administrators provide risk management/insurance services under this contract. The term of contract is July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1988.

R01-S14-MR01	Risk Management Services	\$926,107
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Mrs. Bacharach moved for approval; seconded by Mrs. Reed. Some discussion followed. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Contract No. R-1-T04-C121: Utility Relocation/Washington Boulevard

The RCC recommended that the Commission take the following actions:

1. Declare the apparent low bidder, Irish Construction, non-responsive due to failure to: a) meet DBE/WBE goals or submit

"Good Faith Efforts" with bid, b) designate subcontractors as required to law, and c) submit the required schedule.

2. Authorize the Executive Director to award the contract to Hood Corporation, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The award contract will be a lump sum/unit price contract type in the amount of \$3,602,294 for the Utility Relocations/Washington Boulevard, Contract No. R01-T04-C121. A 10% contract reserve fund of \$360,206 is also recommended to cover the cost of changes and extra work.

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

Update on Transportation Occupations Program

The RCC recommended approval of the following actions for the Transportation Occupations Program (TOP):

1. Establish a proficiency bonus fund in the amount of \$20,000 for individual scholarships for higher education of \$500-\$2,000 for which students compete.
2. Revise the budget for 1986-1988 to \$257,580 to include the proficiency bonus fund. This is an increase of \$138,376 from the previously approved budget of \$119,204.

Mrs. Bacharach moved for approval which was seconded by Mrs. Reed. Mrs. Reed suggested that Mr. Bill Honig be invited to see what the LACTC is doing for TOP.

Furthermore, the RCC asked staff to propose a strategy for transition of the TOP to school districts which wish to assume responsibility.

Mrs. Bacharach offered a motion to approve proficiency bonus fund, budget increase for TOP, staff proposal for a strategy for transition of TOP to school districts, and invite Mr. Honig, Superintendent of Public Instruction, to the TOP graduation ceremony. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Reed. Without objection, motion was carried.

Acquisition of Parcels AS54 and AS500

The RCC asked for a closed session to consider acquisition of Parcels AS54 and AS500.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RTC meeting of August 7, as follows:

Request for Participation in Minority Bond Guarantee Program

The RTC tabled action on this matter. Staff was asked by the Committee to return with information on a combined LACTC-SCRTD bond program, including necessary size to cover all rail transit construction, administrative cost to LACTC, experience with programs in other cities and how services currently used by LACTC contrast with the proposed program.

Funding for LOS-SAN Corridor Rail Improvements

The RTC recommended that funding for Los Angeles County's \$800,000 share of the initial improvements be approved. The Committee recommended that this money be appropriated from the interest on unallocated State Transit Assistance funds. The commitment of these funds is made with the following conditions:

1. The funds will not be released until a firm commitment is made to build and serve an Amtrak station in southeast Los Angeles County.
2. While acknowledging the regional benefit and need of the early-action capital program, the Commission with this action does not commit to fund further track rehabilitation outside the agreed Phase I-A program. What funds Los Angeles County does contribute should generally reflect where passengers originate who use the service.

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

Mrs. Bacharach also reported that at the last Commission meeting, Chairman Bradley had instructed Commissioners Woo and Bacharach to meet with Senator Robbins about the San Fernando Valley Metro Rail proposal and the many modifications to SB 1995. The meeting was held and Senator Robbins has indicated that the Commission's comments are being taken under advisement.

STREETS AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Mednick reported on the S&HC meeting of August 12. The committee's recommendations are as follows:

Public Hearing for "On the Road to the Year 2000"

The S&HC recommended that the LACTC adopt "On the Road to the Year 2000" with minor modifications and reprint the final version.

Mrs. Mednick moved approval of the recommendation; seconded by Mrs. Reed.

The following persons commented on the Ten-Year Highway Plan:

Ed Sotelo, City of Compton - Requested landscaping on the 91 and 710 Freeways.

Bryan Allen - Objected to the proposed adoption of the Highway Plan and requested some changes to the report.

Hearing no objection to Mrs. Mednick's motion, the motion was carried.

State Transportation Financing Proposals

This item was reported under the IRC report.

Mrs. Mednick also reported that the Committee received information reports on the following items:

1. The thirteen cities that were in danger of lapsing funds on July 1, 1987 all took appropriate action so that no funds lapsed.
2. The California Division of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has issued a new restriping policy. This policy requires that when any new capacity improvement is planned for a freeway an HOV (carpool lane) alternative must be considered. If the HOV alternative is not selected, the restriping or widening must be built to full freeway standards, that is, 12 foot wide lanes with shoulders on both sides, to preserve the option for HOV lanes in the future. The policy could jeopardize a number of projects already included in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. On July 22, the American Public Transit Association held a seminar for the members of the APTA transit governing board in Newport Beach. The Commission was invited, along with SCRTD, to brief the members on the rapid transit activities in Los Angeles County. The members were also taken on a tour of the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. John Cockburn of the United Transportation Union commented on the union's opposition to the San Gabriel Valley Transportation Zone Application.

Mr. Bryan Allen commented on the HOV lanes mentioned in the "On the Road to the Year 2000" and the RFP for video tape and film on rail transit.

Mr. Sheldon Walter asked that the moratorium for the construction of Metro Rail not be approved and that the groundbreaking ceremony for the San Fernando Valley portion proceed as planned.

Mr. Bill Forsythe of Forsythe & Associates commented on the San Gabriel Valley Transportation Zone Application in response to Mr. Cockburn's comments.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

The notice was received and filed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 3:25 p.m., the Commission adjourned into an executive session under Government Code Section 54956.8 concerning the following real properties:

<u>Parcel Nos.</u>	<u>Owner</u>
R03-R21-AS500 (Located at 14724 Aviation Boulevard, City of Hawthorne)	State of California Department of General Services
R01-R21-AS54 (Located at Willowbrook and Piru Streets, City of Carson)	A. L. and M. E. Rist

At 3:35 p.m., the meeting was reconvened and adjourned.



RICK RICHMOND
Executive Director

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