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LACTC MINUTES

February 23, 1983

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Russell at 1:50 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room at the Hall of Administration.

Members in attendance were:

Councilwoman Pat Russell
 Councilwoman Jacki Bacharach
 Council Member Christine E. Reed
 Councilman Ernie Kell
 Wendell Cox
 Blake Sanborn, alternate to Supervisor Schabarum
 Burke Roche, alternate to Supervisor Hahn
 Barna Szabo, alternate to Supervisor Dana
 Robert Geoghegan, alternate to Supervisor Edelman
 Ted Pierce, alternate to Supervisor Antonovich
 Ray Remy, alternate to Mayor Bradley
 Heinz Heckerth, Ex-Officio, for State of California

Staff members in attendance were:

Rick Richmond, Executive Director
 Ronald Schneider, Principal Deputy County Counsel
 Kathy Torigoe, Executive Secretary
 Annette Honda, Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Remy mentioned that on page 7 of the February 9 minutes, under the issue of new starts, the position should read: Urge Congress to provide, through the appropriations process, \$136 million for new starts for the Metro Rail project rather than \$136 million nationwide.

The minutes of February 9 were approved as amended.

CHAIRWOMAN'S REMARKS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTSFINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the FRC meeting of February 22, 1983. The committee had the following recommendations for Commission approval:

LACTC Performance Audit Consultant Interviews

Authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with the firm of Deloitte, Haskins & Sells to conduct a performance audit of LACTC.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Cox. Hearing no objections, motion was carried.

Proposition A Fare Reduction Program

Approve the Proposition A Fare Reduction Guidelines which:

- Incorporate policies previously adopted by the Commission;
- Clarify Commission policy on issues described in the FRC agenda;
- Incorporate the BOS recommendations for Section IV; and
- Withhold for further review of Section VI and Section XII of the guidelines. Section VI addresses the 4.5 Fare Reduction Program and Section XII addresses the disposition of carry-over funds.

Mr. Richmond indicated that questions were raised on Section VI of the guidelines; therefore, staff recommended that this item be held over to the next meeting.

Approve the revised Fare Reduction Memorandum of Understanding to use as the standard agreement with municipal operators requesting Proposition A Fare Reduction funds.

Approve amendments to the Proposition A Fare Reduction reimbursement ceilings for the cities of Gardena and Culver City.

Approve Proposition A Fare Reduction Memoranda of Understanding with the cities of Long Beach and Torrance.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Pierce. Hearing no objections, motion was carried.

FY 1983-84 SCAG Overall Work Program Special Project Nominations

Transmit to SCAG the recommendations on Overall Work Program (OWP) special project priorities shown in the FRC agenda with the following changes:

- Designate the Long Beach Transit Mall Study as a medium priority project;
- Designate the SCRTD Olympic Planning Study as a project to be given special consideration in OWP funding;
- Indicate strong Commission support for updating the Regional Transit modeling system through the SCAG work program.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mrs. Reed.

Mr. Cox mentioned that there was an additional action item which was not mentioned in the staff report. The FRC directed staff to incorporate SCRTD's proposed inventory of available land for future rapid transit facilities into the LACTC's program for prioritizing these future facilities.

Mr. Sanborn accepted that as an amendment to the staff's recommendation. Hearing no objections; motion as amended was carried.

Update on the Status of Major State Highway Projects

Direct Staff to continue to closely monitor major high priority highway projects discussed in the staff reports, focusing on financing and construction schedule issues.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Pierce. Hearing no objections, motion was carried.

TDA Article 3 Regional Bikeway Funding Request

1. Transfer \$500,000 of FY 1982-83 TDA Article 3 Discretionary Regional Bikeway funds from the Los Angeles River Bikeway to the South Bay Beach Bikeway Reconstruction project.

2. Give the Los Angeles River Bikeway project first priority claim to FY 1983-84 Discretionary Regional Bikeway Funds.
3. Require any Discretionary TDA Article 3 funds allocated to the Beach Bikeway Replacement Project which are replaced by other sources, such as Federal Disaster Assistance, to revert back to the Commission for allocation.

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

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Remy reported on the IRC meeting of February 23, 1983.

State Legislation

AB 235 (Vicencia): This bill was held over from the last meeting; it relates to charter bus service for SCRTD during the Olympic Games. The committee voted to support the bill; however, the transit district's request for the bill to extend from May 1 or June 1 through September covered far more than just the Olympic Games. The committee suggested that one month be available for training and for familiarization with routes and that two months be available for charter service for the RTD. In addition, it was felt that language ought to be added to the bill to ensure that RTD would not undercut prices of private charter carriers.

AB 216 (Young): This bill would allow SCRTD to contract with public utility operating transit facilities within the District. The committee suggested support for this bill because of the opportunity for outside contracting and that there be some criteria written into the outside contract that accessibility to the handicapped be one of the factors.

AB 280 (Hauser) and AB 281 (Condit): The committee heard some discussion on two intercity bus service bills from the rural caucus which would set aside TDA and TP&D funds for basic state intercity bus networks. The committee decided to withhold a position until it finds out exactly how many dollars we are talking about. This may serve as an area to bargain between the rural interests and the urban interests in restoring some of the TDA and TP&D Accounts. CAPOTS as well as SCRTD is opposed to these bills since they represent a first-time incursion into TDA and TP&D funds for intercity bus support.

There were three railroad bills introduced by Assemblyman Young and the committee is holding on to those bills until a report is received from the Assemblyman as to the direction of those bills.

County Minimum Legislation: There was discussion of a series of recommendations on the county minimum legislation that is being introduced by Senator Alan Robbins. The committee will report back with a recommendation as to what the best option will be relative to a legislative solution to our county minimum problem.

Sacramento Briefing: Mr. Richmond reviewed with the committee on arrangements being planned for the briefing in Sacramento on March 17 with representatives of our legislative delegation. It looks like a very worthwhile trip; and if we get good responses back from the Legislature, it will be valuable for the Commissioners.

Mr. Remy moved for adoption of the committee's recommendations; seconded by Mr. Pierce. Hearing no objections, motion was carried.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RTC's meeting of February 17, 1983. The committee had the following recommendations for Commission approval:

1. Authorize staff to solicit proposals and return with a recommendation for a special consultant for railroad operations in support of engineering and environmental work on the Long Beach-Los Angeles Rail Transit Project.

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

2. Formally transmit to SCRTD staff's comments on Metro Rail Milestone #8 (System and Subsystems), and request a formal response to these comments.
3. Formally transmit staff's comments on Metro Rail Milestone #9 (Support Services Plan).

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

4. Receive staff's discussion of policy issues for rail transit implementation.

A briefing on the current status of the rail transit implementation strategy was held after the Commission meeting.

Public Comment: Mr. Greg Roberts commented on the Metro Rail Milestone #9.

SERVICE COORDINATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Cox reported on the SCC meeting of February 16, 1983. The committee had the following recommendations for the Commission's approval:

Approval of the Paratransit Subcommittee Proposed
By-Law Amendments

Approve the proposed amendments to the By-Laws regarding membership to the Paratransit Subcommittee (PAROS) with the following additions:

- o Reword Section 4 that deals with the removal of members from that committee to specify more clearly what the process is and make it clear that in the final analysis only the Commission removes members, and
- o Upon three (3) consecutive absences or (four (4) absences with a year, begin dismissal proceedings.

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

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

None

NEW BUSINESS

Public Comment: Mr. Greg Roberts spoke regarding a letter from the RTD to Supervisor Edelman. He mentioned that the District does not provide accurate information to public officials, and the officials don't know what to do or doesn't have the time to do anything. He also mentioned that the implementation of Milestone #9 will encourage more auto use.

Mr. Szabo commented on a report in the FRC agenda which showed a significant reduction in municipal bus ridership. Mr. Richmond explained that there is ridership diversion from municipal systems to SCRTD because of SCRTD's fare decrease from 85¢ to 50¢. The munis are also raising the fare to 50¢ to meet the Proposition A fare level. Commissioner Reed cited unemployment and low gasoline price as two factors related to the ridership decrease.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

The Service Coordination Committee meeting, scheduled for March 2, has been canceled.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.


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Executive Director

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