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LACTC MINUTES

April 13, 1983

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Councilwoman 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  
Wendell Cox  
Ted Pierce, alternate to Supervisor Antonovich  
Burke Roche, alternate to Supervisor Hahn  
Bob Geoghegan, alternate to Supervisor Edelman  
Blake Sanborn, alternate to Supervisor Schabarum  
Heinz Heckeroth, 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

The minutes of March 23, 1983 were unanimously approved, as submitted.

CHAIRWOMAN'S REMARKS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the FRC's meeting of April 8, 1983. The committee had the following recommendations for the Commission's approval:

Proposed Section 16(b)(2) Applications for Fiscal Year 1983-84

- o Amend the Fiscal Year 1983-87 Transportation Improvement Program to include the following UMTA Section 16(b)(2) capital equipment projects:
  - Mentally and Educationally Retarded Children, Inc. \$ 10,500
  - Volunteers of America of Los Angeles 83,580
  - Watts Labor Community Action Committee 120,645

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

Soundwall Deletions From the 1984-88 Los Angeles County TIP

- o Approve the deletion of eight soundwall projects, identified in the FRC agenda, from the 1984-88 Los Angeles County TIP.
- o Retain the Route 10 eastbound soundwall projects from Lincoln to 17th and from 117th to Centinela in the TIP.

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

Mr. Heckerth indicated that the soundwall project from Lincoln to 17th Street will not qualify for State or Federal funding. It was a project previously recognized in the STIP, but subsequent sound measurements find that the area does not meet the criteria for funding.

Proposition A Fare Reduction Program: Arcadia's Request for Additional Fiscal Year 1982-83 Funds

- o Deny the City of Arcadia's request for additional Fiscal Year 1982-83 Proposition A Fare Reduction funds.

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

Revised Fiscal Year 1982-83 Transit Operating TIP

- o Approve the Fiscal Year 1982-83 Transit Operating TIP funding allocation changes summarized on Tables IV and V of the FRC agenda.

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

Selection of Firms to be Interviewed to Conduct the Proposition A Local Return Program Audits

- o Select the following firms to be interviewed to conduct the Proposition A Local Return Program audits:
  - Coopers and Lybrand
  - Booz, Allen and Hamilton
  - Peat, Marwick and Mitchell
  - Arthur Young

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

Mr. Sanborn also reported on the following items of information:

Proposition A Fare Reduction Program Quarterly Status Report

The FRC received a status report on the Proposition A Fare Reduction Program.

Inglewood Proposition A Local Return Transit Security Project: Results of the Phase I Audit

The Phase I audit of the City of Inglewood's Proposition A Local Return Transit Security Project found the city to have adequate controls and procedures to monitor and account for expenditures.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Szabo reported on the IRC's meeting of April 13, 1983. The committee had the following recommendations for the Commission's approval:

State Legislation

AB 613 (Moore) - This bill would impose the weight distance tax on heavy motor vehicles for their use on State highways. If enacted, it would bring in about \$200 million to the state. If the bill proceeds, there should be a clear delineation as to how these monies would be applied to need, rather than based on some sort of formula. Further, these monies should be exempt from the county minimum formula. This matter was referred to the Technical Advisory Committee for additional review.

AB 866 (Young) - This bill would raise the limit of allowable vehicle width to 102 inches and would bring State law into conformance with Federal law. The State is required to conform with Federal standards in order to receive funds from the recently enacted Federal gas tax measure. The committee voted strongly to support this legislation.

AB 913 (Moore) - This bill regarding the proposed Crenshaw RTD station has been dropped.

AB 1376 (LaFollette) - This bill would specifically prohibit SCRTD employees from striking or participating in any other concerted action to withhold their services. In November, 1982, the people of Los Angeles County voted by 63.75 percent in favor of Proposition B which was an advisory measure to recommend that the SCRTD employees be prohibited from striking. Staff recommended support and the Subcommittee also recommends full support of this legislation which is set for a hearing on April 26 before the Assembly Labor Committee.

SB 283 (Foran) - This bill would revise STIP deadlines and will be dropped because the proposed legislative changes which were contemplated in this legislation will be accomplished through administrative means.

SB 1159 (Torres) - This bill pertains to a joint development for SCRTD. The Committee will review this bill in greater detail at its next meeting.

SB 1238 (Watson) - This bill is related to the Torres bill and would broaden the benefit assessment authorities of SCRTD. There are still some technical details that need to be discussed and, rather than taking an early position, the Committee felt that the staff needs to review it and come back at a later date with the recommendation.

SB 1220 (Marks) - This bill is derived from a recommendation by the legislative analyst to allow ridesharing claims to be filed using Section 4 TDA funds. Currently, such funds are apportioned by formula to the bus transit operators. The concern is that, if enacted, this bill may open a door for the State to cut back on ridesharing funds, arguing that the local jurisdictions have another funding source. The Committee recommended that TAC review the bill and come back with a recommendation at a later date.

Mr. Szabo moved for approval of the Committee recommendations; seconded by Mr. Pierce.

Mr. Geoghegan commented on AB 1376. He recommended an amendment to this bill to include binding arbitration in SCRTD labor disputes. He indicated that binding arbitration solved the strike last time and believed that it could solve future disputes, and there need not be any strikes at all. He moved this recommendation as an amendment to the motion. Mrs. Bacharach seconded the motion for discussion purposes.

Considerable discussion followed.

Mr. Szabo moved to separate the recommendation on AB 1376 from the remainder of the committee recommendations and therefore, he moved to approve the committee's report and vote separately on AB 1376.

Roll call vote on Mr. Geoghegan's amendment on AB 1376:

Ayes - Mr. Roche, Mr. Geoghegan

Nays - Mr. Sanborn, Mr. Szabo, Mr. Pierce, Mrs.  
Reed, Mrs. Bacharach, Mr. Cox, Mrs. Russell

Motion failed.

Roll call vote on staff's recommendation for AB 1376:

Ayes - Mr. Sanborn, Mr. Szabo, Mr. Pierce,  
Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Bacharach, Mr. Cox, Mrs.  
Russell

Nays - Mr. Roche, Mr. Geoghegan

Motion was carried.

Hearing no other objections, committee report was approved.

ACA 28 and SCA 26 - These bills attempt to overturn all the recent State Supreme Court decisions with respect to Proposition 13. The committee did not have time to review the proposed constitutional amendments, but generally felt that in principle we would oppose these bills. Mr. Szabo moved for approval; seconded by Mrs. Bacharach. Hearing no objections, motion was carried.

AB 1599 (Costa) - The bill attempts to tie fair housing construction to allocation of transit funds. The committee will review this legislation at its next meeting.

State Budget Hearings

Mr. Szabo reported on hearings before the Senate Finance Subcommittee on April 25 and the Ways and Means Subcommittee on May 9 and 10 concerning the State budget. He reviewed some items for testimony.

The committee supports the restoration of \$11 million in commuter intercity rail service because, without this funding, service from Los Angeles to Oxnard and Los Angeles to Sacramento will be eliminated. There is an agreement with the Governor's office and the CTC that L.A. to Sacramento would run, provided that the farebox would be able to offset the cost up to 55 percent of the operating cost.

Mr. Szabo requested approval of the basic points for the testimony to be submitted before these two Subcommittees.

Mr. Cox urged that the Commission not make the change with respect to the L.A. to Oxnard service until the ICC and PUC determine that the costs that are being suggested by SP are way out of line.

Mr. Sanborn moved for a substitute motion to approve Items 1, 2, and 3 and hold Item 4 (funding for intercity rail) until that issue has been resolved. Mrs. Reed seconded the motion.

Roll call vote on the substitute motion by Mr. Sanborn:

Ayes - Mr. Sanborn, Mr. Roche, Mr. Geoghegan,  
Mr. Pierce, Mrs. Reed, Mr. Cox, Mrs. Russell

Nays - Mr. Szabo, Mrs. Bacharach

Congressional Appropriation Hearings

Mr. Szabo reported that a Commission member will be going to Washington to present testimony before the House Appropriations Transportation Subcommittee on April 26 and the Senate Appropriations Transportation Subcommittee on April 27. In joint testimony with the L.A. Transportation Task Force and SCRTD, we will be asking for \$205 million which will enable SCRTD to complete the engineering land acquisition and to commence construction of Metro Rail.

Sacramento Update by Tim Egan

Mr. Szabo reported that the committee received an update report from Tim Egan on the large number of bills which

have been introduced this session. Mr. Egan also mentioned that the Legislature is still in special session and there are 70 bills currently before the Legislature which means that with a two-thirds vote, the bills can go right through without committee hearings. The committee was further informed that we are still negotiating with Senator Foran about SB 888 regarding county minimums. At this point, it looks like we will have to go with Option 5.

#### RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RTC's meeting of April 18, 1983. The committee had the following recommendations for Commission approval:

- o Authorize the Executive Director to retain Mr. John C. Funk of the firm of Kadison, Pfaelzer, Woodard, Quinn and Rossi as legal advisor with respect to the environmental document for the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project, with cost of the consultation not to exceed \$25,000.

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

- o Approve selection of DKS Associates as special consultant for railroad operations in support of engineering/environmental work for the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project, and that staff be authorized to negotiate a proposed contract for these services and issue a notice to proceed pending committee's approval. The contract value is estimated in the range of \$80,000. This contract begins our railroad right-of-way agreement assistance; services will need to be engaged at a later date for rail valuation (appraisal) and legal counsel in executive of agreements.

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

- o Mrs. Bacharach reported on the draft report on Stage 1 of rail transit implementation strategy. She specifically highlighted page 76 of the agenda which is Table 3, listing recommendations that are in the draft report. The committee will seek Commission approval on these recommendations at the next meeting.
- o Approval for transmittal to SCRTD staff's recommended comments on Metro Rail Milestone #10: Fixed Facilities.

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

- o The committee reviewed materials issued to the press by SCRTD last week concerning the budget and financing for the Metro Rail project. The committee recommended that the Commission inform SCRTD that the proposed use of Proposition A funding for Metro Rail in the amount of \$316 million represents a substantial increase in the local funding level beyond that already assumed. The committee recommended a meeting with SCRTD to discuss project financing before the District proceeds with further public discussion of the subject. Furthermore, issues of concern to LACTC (e.g., design for barrier-fare collection) with implications for cost of project remain unresolved.

#### SERVICE COORDINATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Cox reported on SCC's meeting of April 6, 1983. The committee had the following recommendations for Commission approval:

#### Approval of Proposed Section 16 (b)(2) Applications

Approve staff recommendation to amend the FY 1983-87 Transportation Improvement Program to include the following projects:

Mentally and Educationally Retarded Children, Inc.	\$ 10,500
Volunteers of America of Los Angeles	83,580
Watts Labor Community Action Committee	120,645

#### Approval of Transit Operator Performance Audit Phase II Task 2

Approve the Transit Operator Performance Audit Phase II Task 2, as recommended by staff.

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



Procedures for Resolving Competition/Duplication Disputes  
Under Proposition A Local Return Program

The committee did not accept staff's recommendation.  
Staff will report back with a more detailed report at the  
next SCC meeting.

STATUS REPORT ON ROUTE 91/I-110 INTERCHANGE

Former Commissioner Ed Russ gave a status report on the  
Artesia/Harbor Freeway Interchange construction. Copies of  
an information pamphlet were distributed to the members.

Mr. Dan Goble, Resident Engineer for Caltrans, presented a  
slide show of the construction project.

REMARKS FROM DIRECTOR OF CALTRANS

Mr. Heckeroth introduced Leo J. Trombatore, the new Director  
of Caltrans. Mr. Trombatore said that Los Angeles was always  
his home and looked forward to working closely with the members  
of the Commission to solve the transportation problems in the  
county.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Greg Roberts spoke regarding the legislative report;  
specifically, about SB 1159 (Torres) on joint development.  
He is opposed to SCRTD having the power of eminent domain.  
He also spoke regarding AB 1376.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. UMTA Administrator's Visit - Arthur Teele, UMTA Adminis-  
trator, was in Los Angeles for two days and spent the  
first day with SCRTD to discuss the status of the Metro  
Rail project. On the second day, he spent the morning  
with Commission Chairwoman Russell touring the right-of-  
way of the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project.  
A meeting at the district office of Congressman Anderson  
followed the tour.
- B. Route 7 - Staff has received word from Heinz Heckeroth  
that the Environmental Impact Statement on the Route 7  
project has been approved and released.
- C. Rapid Transit Conference - The APTA Rapid Transit Con-  
ference is scheduled for June 20-23 in Pittsburgh. Any  
members interested in attending should notify staff as  
soon as possible.

- D. Local Return Guidelines - Revised copies of the guidelines were distributed to each member at the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Greg Roberts spoke regarding a position of Inspector General for the RTD who would report to the Board of Directors instead of the General Manager. He also expressed his views on binding arbitration and on the Metro Rail.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.



RICK RICHMOND  
Executive Director

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