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LACTC MINUTES

January 23, 1985

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Bacharach at 1:45 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room at the Hall of Administration.

Members in attendance were:

Councilwoman Jacki Bacharach  
Mayor Christine E. Reed  
Councilman Marc Wilder  
Wendell Cox  
Blake Sanborn, alternate to Supervisor Schabarum  
Walter King, alternate to Supervisor Hahn  
Robert Geoghegan, alternate to Supervisor Edelman  
Barna Szabo, alternate to Supervisor Dana  
Ted Pierce, alternate to Supervisor Antonovich  
Ray Remy, alternate to Mayor Bradley

Staff members present:

Rick Richmond, Executive Director  
Ronald L. Schneider, Principal Deputy County Counsel  
Kathy Torigoe, Executive Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of January 9, 1985 were approved unanimously, as submitted.

CHAIRWOMAN'S REMARKS

Mrs. Bacharach indicated that the 1985 Committee assignments will remain the same with the exception of the Intergovernmental Relations Commission. Barna Szabo will be the IRC Chairman and Ray Remy the Vice Chairman (see Attachment A).

Mrs. Bacharach also mentioned that Mr. Kenneth Martin, Director of Transportation for Gardena Bus Lines, will be retiring. She asked for Commission's approval to have staff make the appropriate recognition to him, which was unanimously approved by the Commissioners.

COMMITTEE REPORTSFINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the FRC's meeting of January 21. The Committee's recommendation for Commission's approval was as follows:

## Cooperative Agreement with CRA

Approve in concept the program proposed by LACTC/CRA staff to link downtown employee rideshare programs with remote community-level park-and-ride lots, and request staff to involve Commuter Computer in the program.

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. Air Quality Management District's Rule 6, which would require large employers to increase ride-sharing by their employees.

Much discussion followed. Mr. Richmond indicated that staff will monitor the hearings and report back to the Commission.

2. RTD's proposed service and fare changes which are effective July 1.
3. A Rail Financial Plan Workshop on January 31, 1985 which involves the Commission's Finance Review Committee and Rapid Transit Committee.
4. Phase I of the Automated Accounting/Data Management Analysis performed by Price Waterhouse.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Szabo reported on the IRC's meeting of January 23 as follows:

## State Legislation

Analysis of State Proposals to Finance Highways, Transit, and Local Streets and Roads

Discussed the issues of a revenue increase and stabilization options for transit, local streets and roads, and state highways, as presently proposed by various transportation groups. The Committee was

) informed by staff that a proposal by Senator Foran would likely be the vehicle to address these needs.

Committee's recommendation was that Commission support a comprehensive transportation revenue package that addresses transit, local streets and roads, and state highway needs. Mr. Remy asked staff to include, as part of the approved recommendation, actual projects likely to be affected if additional revenue is not provided. When transportation finance legislation is drafted, it will be submitted to the Commission for review and formal position.

Mr. Szabo moved for approval which was seconded. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

#### Update on LACTC's State Legislative Proposal

The LACTC's state legislative proposal to amend and clarify its authority in the areas of contracting, affirmative action and eminent domain, was assigned Senate Bill No. 200 (Beverly). The Committee will keep the Commission informed of the bill's progress.

#### AB 76 (Vicencia)

) The Legislature passed AB 2505 (Vicencia) last year which authorized the Southern California Rapid Transit District to enter into "competitive negotiations" for the purchase of both specialized and highly technical equipment. AB 76 extends the competitive negotiation provisions to buses and railcars purchased by the Southern California Rapid District. It should be noted that, with the exception of the reference to buses, the proposed language in AB 76 is very similar to provisions in legislation being sought by the Commission.

Although AB 76 will provide SCRTD with needed flexibility, the IRC has concerns about the inclusion of buses under these provisions. LACTC and SCRTD staff were requested to conduct a review of other agencies with this authority, and to present the bill to the Bus Operations Subcommittee for discussion. Following this, the IRC will bring the matter back to the Commission for action.

#### Report on Truck-based and Weight Fee Provisions

/ At the request of IRC (December 12), staff presented a report concerning AB 866 (Young), which authorized Caltrans and affected localities to designate properly signed routes to be used by truck combinations when

traveling from an Interstate highway to a truck terminal; and the likelihood of legislation being introduced in 1985 which would provide for increased truck weight fees.

Following discussion, staff was requested to contact the City of Los Angeles regarding its recent adoption of a truck terminal access ordinance, and its use as a model ordinance by members of the League of Cities.

Staff also reported that the Assembly and Transportation Committees expect truck weight fee bills to be introduced fairly soon, and would likely focus on increased fees for heavy and well-traveled commercial vehicles. Staff was requested to review positions previously taken by the LACTC on truck weight fees and to report back to IRC as information and bills become available.

#### Federal Legislation

##### Budget Discussion

Because of the significant negative impact the proposed cutbacks would have for highway and transit programs in Los Angeles County, including elimination of the Metro Rail, the Committee recommended that the Commission adopt a position that opposes the Administration's proposed transit budget for FY 1986 and support efforts to retain funding levels in all programs similar to those approved for FY 1985.

Mr. Szabo moved for approval which was seconded.

Mr. Geoghegan made an amendment to the motion by stating that the level of funding should be "at least" equal to the allocation made for FY 1985. This motion was seconded by Mr. Szabo. Hearing no objection, motion was carried as amended.

Staff will report back on funding discussions for both highways and transit legislation at a subsequent IRC meeting.

##### Update on Highways Transit Legislation

During the first week of the new session of Congress, two highway bills were introduced: S.J. Res. 8 and S. 178. S.J. Res. 8 (Stafford) would provide for a "clean" Interstate Cost Estimate (ICE); whereas, S. 178 (Stafford and Bentsen) provides similar ICE provisions, but also several demonstration projects. The Senate

Environment and Public Works Committee intends to begin mark up on these bills on January 29. Staff will provide analysis of these measures at the February 13 IRC meeting.

As of last week, transit authorization legislation had not yet been introduced. Staff understands, however, that both the House and Senate intend to introduce transit bills similar to the ones which died in their respective chambers last year (H.R. 5504 and S. 2554). Staff will monitor Congressional and other legislative activities on highway and transit and report back once these bills are introduced.

#### RAIL CONSTRUCTION/RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEES

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RCC/RTC meetings of January 18, 1985.

#### Rapid Transit Committee

##### Approval of El Segundo EIR Contractor

The Committee recommended that the Commission authorize staff to enter into a contract, not to exceed \$200,000, with the team of Gannett Fleming Transportation Engineers, Inc. in association with Gruen Associates, Benito Sinclair and Associates, and Margot Siegel, AIA, Architect, Inc. for engineering/environmental assessment services for the El Segundo extension of the Century Rail Line. The work will commence only after an agreement is reached on specific alignment, station site and yard site alternatives, which are presently being developed with staff of the City of El Segundo, the El Segundo Employers Association and others. The Committee will convey its desire that these parties remain sensitive to the opportunities for rail transit in their decisions on land use and development in the area.

Mr. King moved for approval which was seconded. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

#### Rail Construction Committee

##### Mitigation Measures to be Identified for the Long Beach-Los Angeles Rail Transit Project

The RCC reviewed and approved environmental impact mitigation measures for the downtown Los Angeles and mid-corridor segments of the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project for inclusion in the project's

Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations as required by CEQA. Staff will offer these measures for review by the Cities of Compton and Los Angeles.

Mrs. Bacharach also thanked Commissioner Wilder for the hospitality and opportunity to hold a public hearing in Long Beach on January 9 on the Long Beach-Los Angeles light rail project. She reported that the Commissioners heard the citizens of Long Beach comment about their interest and where the light rail line alignment should be in the City of Long Beach.

#### SERVICE COORDINATION COMMITTEE

No meeting was held. The next meeting is scheduled for February 6, 1985.

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. APTA Legislative Conference - Conference is to be held on March 10-13 in Washington, D.C. Interested members were asked to contact staff so that arrangements can be made.

#### NEW BUSINESS

None

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Greg Roberts commented that the January 9 minutes failed to indicate that the public was asked to sign in upon entering the Garfield Building, which he stated is a violation of the Brown Act. Mrs. Bacharach indicated that this matter had been taken care of.

He also commented on service coordination of bus routes, specifically the Pico Boulevard route, by RTD and Santa Monica Bus Lines and the bus service problem at Valley College at night.

Mr. Cox responded that on the Santa Monica/RTD issue on Pico Boulevard, it might be useful for LACTC to discuss with the District and municipal operators if and how an integrated information bus system under the District can be arranged. On the Valley College problem, Mr. Cox commented that the District has looked over the problem many times but felt that it was not the Commission's province to question the service decision that the District had made.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

The Rail Construction/Rapid Transit Committees will be meeting on January 31 instead of February 1.

Notice was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

  
RICK RICHMOND  
Executive Director

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Attachment