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LACTC MINUTES

September 11, 1985

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Bacharach at 1:35 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room at the Hall of Administration.

Members in attendance were:

Councilwoman Jacki Bacharach
Councilwoman Pat Russell
Mayor Christine E. Reed
Councilman Marc Wilder
Marcia Mednick
Walter King, alternate for Supervisor Hahn
Robert Geoghegan, alternate for Supervisor Edelman
Barna Szabo, alternate for Supervisor Dana
Howard Mull, alternate for Supervisor Antonovich
Ray Remy, alternate for Mayor Bradley
Don Watson, representing the State of California

Staff members present:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of August 21, 1985 will be submitted at the next meeting.

CHAIRWOMAN'S REMARKS

1. Welcomed Don Watson, who is the new District Director for Caltrans, District 7;
2. Presented a plaque to Ted Pierce in appreciation for serving on the LACTC as an alternate for Supervisor Antonovich;
3. Welcomed Howard Mull who will be representing Supervisor Antonovich.

COMMITTEE REPORTSFINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mrs. Reed reported on the FRC's meeting of September 9, 1985. The recommendations for Commission approval were as follows:

Appeals to Caltrans' Project Delay List

- o Appeal proposed delays to L.A. County highway projects as recommended in the staff report with the following exception:
 - Change the delay period for the Route 2 - Santa Monica Boulevard widening project from 1991 to 1990;
- o Request that the CTC authorize Caltrans to continue with project development work on the full Harbor Freeway Transitway project;
- o Request that the CTC develop, with Caltrans and the LACTC, a delivery schedule for timely completion of the Harbor Transitway project.

Mrs. Reed moved that staff and the chair be authorized to communicate these positions formally to the CTC; seconded by Mr. Geoghegan. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Status Report on Fiscal Year 1986 Lapsing FAU Funds

- o Send notification letters to cities with potentially lapsing FAU funds;
- o Direct the Highways and Freeways Subcommittee, the Technical Advisory Committee, and the Highways Issues Task Force to examine the FAU Program;
- o Allow cities with large projects to reserve FAU funds for the entire period of a project, but request confirmation on the status of this reserve annually.

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

South Coast Air Quality Management District's Proposed Regulation IV (Ridesharing)

- o Support in concept the South Coast Air Quality Management District's proposed Regulation VI if amended to include the following changes:
 - include modified work hours and telecommuting as alternative air quality improvement actions an employer may take;

- clarify how the regulation will be enforced in situations where employers repeatedly fail to reach the level of ridesharing specified by the regulation.

Mrs. Reed moved for approval; seconded by Mrs. Russell. Staff was asked by Mr. Szabo to report back on the AQMD's final comments on this proposed regulation. Mr. Szabo's recommendation was included in the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Mr. Mull who voted no.

Free Fares for Off-Duty Police Officers

- o Ask RTD to reinstate its policy of allowing off-duty, out-of-uniform public safety officers of city or county police departments to ride free on its buses.

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

Membership Status Review of Paratransit Operations Subcommittee

- o Retain Darrell McDaniel Independent Living Center as an alternate member of the Paratransit Operations Subcommittee.
- o Retain United Independent Taxi Drivers, Inc. on the subcommittee with the provision that they be automatically dismissed if they miss one subcommittee meeting over the next six months.

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

Mr. Szabo asked about policy change by the Commission in the future concerning membership and attendance of the subcommittee.

Much discussion followed.

Mrs. Reed moved that the FRC be designated to be the final committee of review on the membership status question with regard to paratransit and other committees with appeal rights to the full Commission. Motion was seconded by Mr. Szabo. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Restructuring of the Paratransit Operations Subcommittee Membership

- o Fill membership vacancies by moving alternate members from the appropriate membership category;
- o Phase out alternate membership status by not filling alternate membership positions when they become vacant;
- o Expand the at-large membership category from three to four members.

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

Urban Mass Transportation Administration Approvals under Section 16(b)(2) for Fiscal Year 1985

- o Write a letter to the Los Angeles County legislative delegation requesting a population-based allocation mechanism be used for California's Urban Mass Transportation Administration Section 16(b)(2) allocations.

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

Mrs. Reed also reported on the following information items:

1. Progress of the social service paratransit coordination program;
2. Caltrans' procurement procedures for vehicles under Section 16(b)(2).

HIGHWAY ISSUES TASK FORCE

Mr. Wilder reported on the HITF's meeting of September 11, which was as follows:

Review of 10-Year Highway Plan

- o Recommend that the Commission approve the draft 10-Year Highway Plan Issues and assumptions as revised by the Committee.

Mr. Wilder moved for adoption of the draft 10-Year Highway Plan, seconded by Mrs. Reed. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

The Committee also reviewed the STIP project delay appeals and the status of the Route 91, Artesia Freeway Commuter Lane.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Szabo reported that the committee did not have a meeting today but that staff reported on the following items:

State Legislation

SB 200 (Beverly)

The Commission-sponsored measure passed the full Assembly on August 29 by a margin of 65-10. The bill was sent back to the Senate for concurrence in Assembly amendments, where the Senate passed the bill by a vote of 33-3. The bill is now on the Governor's desk awaiting his signature.

SB 300 (Foran)

Senator Foran's measure to provide more funding for streets and roads and transit was severely gutted by the Assembly Ways and Means Committee on September 3. Primary objections came from Assembly Democrats on that committee who voiced concerns over General Fund expenditures for these transportation-related items. The only part of the bill left intact was the allocation formula for \$125 million (from a lawsuit over oil revenues) already appropriated in the 1985-86 Governor's budget.

Federal LegislationMetro Rail Funding

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation will bring its funding bill to the House floor today. Included in that bill are funds earmarked to begin construction of the Metro Rail Project. In late developments yesterday, however, Congressman Henry Waxman won permission to offer an amendment which would prevent expenditures for Metro Rail until the safety of the entire line has been reevaluated. The vote on this amendment is expected to be close.

RAIL CONSTRUCTION/RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEES

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RCC/RTC meeting of September 6, 1985.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEESan Fernando Valley Route Refinement Study: Selection of Consultant

- o Recommend the Commission authorize staff to negotiate and execute a contract not to exceed \$300,000 for engineering services on the San Fernando Valley route refinement study with Bechtel National, Inc. The FY 1985-86 LACTC budget includes all funds necessary for this contract.

Mr. Szabo moved for approval; seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

El Segundo Extension Open House

An Open House is scheduled to present the Century/El Segundo Rail Transit Project Route Refinement Study on October 3, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., at TRW Building E-2 Lobby.

There will be a field trip of the study area and its alternative line and yard sites for the Commission members, starting at 3:30 p.m. on October 3.

RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEELight Rail Vehicle Procurement Contract: Draft Provisions

The Committee reviewed policy-related contract provisions for light rail vehicle procurement and concurred that staff should issue the provisions in draft form for industry review and comment after briefing the full Commission on key provisions. A workshop after today's meeting will include this briefing.

Update on MC-5

The Committee was presented with an update on the MC-5 Alternative in Compton. At its next meeting, the Committee will consider release of the draft Subsequent EIR. A tentative date of November 12 is scheduled for a public hearing in Compton.

Refined Mid-Corridor Vehicle Control Strategy

The Committee reviewed refinements to the strategy for vehicle control in the mid-corridor and authorized staff to negotiate with the affected jurisdictions for approval.

Groundbreaking Ceremony

A groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for October 31 at 10:00 a.m. at the yard and shop site for the Long Beach-Los Angeles light rail transit project.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Introduced Ginger Gherardi who is the new Manager for Highway/TSM Programs in the Programming and Fiscal Analysis Division.
2. American Public Transit Association's Annual Conference is scheduled for October 6-10 at the Bonaventure Hotel in Los Angeles. Interested members were asked to notify staff so that arrangements can be made.
3. The next LACTC meeting is scheduled for October 2.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m. to a workshop session on the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project.



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