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LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

April 25, 1990

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

Members present:

Supervisor Ed Edelman
Councilwoman Jacki Bacharach
Councilmember Christine E. Reed
Councilman Ray Grabinski
Carole Stevens
Mike Lewis, alternate for Supervisor Schabarum
Barna Szabo, alternate for Supervisor Dana
Bill Korek, alternate for Supervisor Antonovich
Ray Remy, alternate for Mayor Bradley
Jerry Baxter, Ex-Officio for State of California

Staff members present:

Neil Peterson, Executive Director
David Kelsey, Assistant County Counsel
Kathy Torigoe, Executive Secretary

CONSENT CALENDAR (Discussion at Commissioner or Public Request)
(Items 1 to 30)

1. Approval of Minutes - March 28, 1990 Meeting

Correction to the minutes:

Mr. Edelman introduced a motion to support Propositions 108 and 111 but motion was not passed. Hearing no objection to supporting Propositions 108 and 111, correction was noted.

Item 9a was held over to the next meeting.

Minutes was approved as amended.

Mrs. Reed moved to add SB 1402 (Presley) to the agenda, seconded by Mrs. Stevens. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Items 5, 12 and 29a were asked to be held over for further discussion.

Mrs. Bacharach indicated that Item 28 change order is a credit and not an expense account.

Mr. Grabinski moved for approval, seconded by Mrs. Bacharach, of Consent Calendar Items 2 through 30, with the exception of Items 5, 12, and 29a. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

2. AB 1784 (Katz) - Los Angeles Transportation Reorganization Act - The Legislative & Administrative Services Committee (LASC) recommended that the Commission support AB 1784.
3. Proposition 116 - Rail Transportation and Bond Act of 1990 - The LASC recommended the Commission support Proposition 116 with the provision that as a general policy, the Commission does not support statewide bond measures placed on the ballot by the initiative process.
4. SB 2404 (Morqan) - Federal Highway Demonstration Program - The LASC recommended the Commission oppose SB 2404, unless amended.
6. SB 2800 (Presley) - Rail Transportation Funding - The LASC recommended the Commission support SB 2800.

7. State Legislation Imposing Vehicle Registration Fees - The LASC recommended the Commission monitor these bills at this time.
8. Approval of Printing Expenditure for Pop-up Rail Cars - The LASC recommended the Commission approve the expenditure for printing costs for 25,000 pop-up rail cars.
9. Bond Purchase of Buses in Lieu of UMTA Financing - The LASC recommended the following:
 - a. Authorize the Commission to issue Certificates of Participation (tax-exempt bonds) to finance the purchase of buses for the City of Los Angeles, the County of Los Angeles and the City of Santa Clarita, in lieu of spending UMTA Section 3 grant money and Proposition A Discretionary funds.
 - b. To reduce costs of issuance, the Commission is authorized to utilize the California Special District Association Certificate of Participation Pool, instead of competitively selecting its own team of consultants, bond counsel and underwriters. By so doing the costs of issuance will be reduced from roughly 3% to 4% of bond proceeds to roughly 2.3%.
 - c. Retain the Proposition A Discretionary Funds that would have been spent to purchase the buses in the County Pooled Investment fund where it currently earns 8.3% interest.

Place the UMTA grant funds that would have been spent to purchase the buses in a special trust fund where it can earn interest for a 12-year term at roughly 8.3%. These UMTA funds cannot be co-mingled with non-Federal funds.

Upon maturity of the bonds at the end of the 12-year term, these funds will be used to repay the Certificates of Participation.

10. FY 1990-97 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Process - Flexible Congestion Relief and Rail Bonding Elements - The Finance and Programming Committee recommended the nomination of \$2.2 billion of Los Angeles County freeway, rail and street projects for the FCR/Rail Bonding element of the 1990 State Transportation Improvement Program, and \$95 million of

TP&D funds for Metro Rail, as listed on Attachment A. As recommended by the Streets and Highways Committee, staff has met with Caltrans to attempt to develop consensus on the funding recommendation. Caltrans' unresolved concerns are noted in the last column of Attachment A.

11. Regional Combined Road Plan Policy and Allocations - In order to prevent the loss of CRP resources in Los Angeles County, staff recommended the following actions:
 - a. Approve the Regional Combined Road Plan allocations, Proposition A exchanges, and interagency loans totaling \$39 million as specified in Attachment A.
 - b. Approve the Regional Combined Road Plan policies in Attachment B.
 - c. Authorize staff to negotiate a potential exchange of \$10 million or more in Combined Road Plan obligational authority for cash with the Santa Clara County Traffic Authority as explained in Attachment C.
 - d. Direct staff to return with Federal-Aid Urban funding recommendations for Fiscal Years 1992-97.

At the meeting, the Committee requested staff to:

- a. Specify in writing in the policy that only regional Combined Road Plan resources are involved in the competitive over-programming policies.
- b. Specify that Phase I loans will originate from, and be repaid to, LACTC in a clearinghouse capacity. No direct city-to-city loans or lapses will be administered by the LACTC staff.
- c. Document the 9% interest rate on exchanged funds. The 9% exchange funds interest rate represents the performance of the County Auditor-Controller's office in managing the funds over the past nine months. While past interest rates are not a guarantee of future performance, many investors use them as an indication of possible performance.
- d. Instruct the Finance Division to provide semi-annual reports to the Commission on the performance of Combined Road Plan exchange funds.

13. Metro Blue Line Law Enforcement - Pre-Operations Readiness Activities - FPC recommended the Commission approve an amendment in the amount of \$958,755 to Work Order SD-89-0016 between the Commission and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. The \$958,755 will be used to fund both Sheriff's Department readiness activities as well as an increased level of law enforcement patrol services between now and the Metro Blue Line ROD. The \$958,755 consists of three components:

o Pre-Operations Readiness Costs.....	\$387,815
o Pre-Operations Law Enforcement, 5/1/90 thru 7/13/90.....	540,330
o Pre-Opening Day Ceremonies Law Enforcement 7/14/90 & 7/15/90.....	30,610
	TOTAL \$958,755

*14. Smart Corridor System Manager Contract - JHK and Associates - The interagency Smart Corridor Committee interview panel recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to negotiate a contract with JHK and Associates for the System Manager Contract. Staff further recommends that the contract include a requirement for additional DBE outreach during the course of the contract.

16. Regional Ridesharing Services - F&PC recommended that the Commission approve Proposition A/Regional Combined Road Plan (CRP) exchanges in the amount of \$11,505,000 to fund regional ridesharing goals. All exchanges will be subject to the terms and conditions of the CRP policies and allocation presented in an adjoining item.

At the meeting, the FPC requested staff to:

- a. Return with information of Commuter Transportation Services performance statistics based on the five areas to be established when the LACTC staff is reorganized into area teams. This would occur after the reorganization.
- b. Return with more information on regional ridesharing services when the Commuter Transportation Services contract comes up for review in May of 1990.

*17. Selection of Contractor to Perform Call Box Siting Study - DKS and Associates, \$154,000 - F&PC recommended that the SAFE authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with DKS and Associates, for an amount not to exceed \$154,000.

At the meeting the FPC recommended that staff include the following clarifications:

- a. The Consultant will identify the locations in which the greatest need for replacement, upgrade, and expansion of the call box system exist.
 - b. DKS and not the lowest bidder is recommended because, based on the proposals and interviews, the staff evaluation found that DKS appeared to be more qualified and able to provide the desired products, including obtaining Caltrans approvals, in a very expeditious manner.
18. Use of Cellular Call Boxes for SAFE - F&PC recommended that SAFE authorize staff to consider an all cellular call box option as a part of its negotiations with common carriers. Based on current information, this may result in a significant cost savings and more rapid installation of the upgraded system.
 19. Call Box Sign Maintenance - F&PC recommended staff be authorized to negotiate with the existing call box maintenance providers to provide replacement and repair of existing call box signs, and prepare recommended contract amendments for consideration by SAFE.
 20. Amendment to Metro Rail Phase II Advanced Planning Work Program - The Planning & Mobility Improvement Committee (PMIC) recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to amend the existing force account agreement between the Commission and the SCRTD for the Advanced Planning Work Program. At this time, the amendment would be limited only to additional work involving Benefit Assessment District Formation and Benefit Assessment Validation as described in an SCRTD proposal dated March 2, 1990. For additional work proposed by SCRTD involving Joint Development and Design Patronage tasks, staff will negotiate further with SCRTD and return to the Commission with another recommendation later this spring. For now, the Commission's authorization would extend and expand the services of the SCRTD and its consultants for an additional \$693,841 through June 30, 1991 for approved additional benefit assessment work.

21. Inter-County Express Bus Service - The PMIC recommended the following:

- a. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a five-year inter-agency Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with OMNITRANS, the Orange County Transit District, and the Riverside Transit Agency to jointly fund express bus service serving Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside, and Orange Counties.
- b. Allocate \$840,515 for FY 1991 from the Proposition A Discretionary TPM unearned bonus account.

22. Appointment of the FY 1990 Transportation Development Act (TDA), Article 8 Rural Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (RSSTAC) - PMIC recommended that the Committee appoint the following new members to fill the vacancies and reconfirm the continuing members (continuing members names are followed by asterisks):

One member who is over 60 years old	Juanita Heinly
One member who is handicapped	Norma Shannon
Two local social service providers for the elderly	David Feinman Nina Frazier
Two local social service providers for the handicapped	Norma Vescovo Alfredo Vasquez
One local social service provider for the low income	Dana Mulvany
One representative of Avalon	Chuck Prince
Four representatives from Santa Clarita	Bonnie Barnard* Robert Lathrop Edwin Brown Merritt Wolf
Four representatives from the Antelope Valley	Cheryl Long Lisa Prince Janice Montez Hector J. Bordas
Additional Members	Allan Cameron*

RAIL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION
CONSENT CALENDAR

23. Government Code Claims - Recommended the Commission reject the claims of the following persons:
 - a. John & Rosa Flores
 - b. Mary Jenkins
 - c. Mary Mayfield
 - d. Ramon Carillo Monzon
 - e. Robert J. Muenckler
 - f. William M. Samples
 - g. Jean Velma Watkins

24. Metro Blue Line Contracts - Recommended the Commission approve the following increase in Authorization for Expenditure. The increase in AFE will enable staff to process pending and anticipated changes.
 - a. Contract No. R01-T01-C335 - Long Beach Station Superstructures - Contractor: Continental Heller - \$822,000 (revised total AFE \$7,800,000). The \$822,000 will be transferred from the Project Reserve.
 - b. Contract No. R01-T01-117 - Flower Street Subway - Contractor: Homer J. Olsen - \$488,359 (revised AFE \$22,480,219). The \$488,359 required as additional funding will be transferred from the Project Reserve.

25. Metro Blue Line - Contract No. R01-E0022 - Study of Wheel/Rail Interface - Contractor: Association of American Railroads - \$55,000 (\$90,000) - Recommended the Commission approve an amendment to the current Contract in the amount of \$55,000 to a revised Contract amount of \$90,000. This amendment will enable the consultant to proceed with Phase 2 of the work. The \$55,000 will be transferred from the Blue Line Project Reserve.

26. Government Code Claims - Recommended the Commission reject the claims of the following persons:
 - a. Rachel Pusateri/Mercury Insurance
 - b. Kimberly B. Lainson
 - c. Hope Lusterio
 - d. Frederick L. Herold
 - e. Manolis Fragoudakis

27. Contract Closeout - Metro Blue Line Contract No. R01-T01-C435 - (Mid-Corridor LRT Aerial Structures) - Morrison-Knudsen, Inc. - Recommended that the Commission:

- a. Approve the acceptance of the subject contract complete as of July 22, 1989, and authorize the recording of the Notice of Completion.
- b. Authorize the release of retention in the amount of \$367,394.09 thirty (30) calendar days after the filing of the Notice of Completion.
- c. Approve the transfer of funds in the amount of \$1,057,073 to the Project Reserve. This amount represents a surplus over the total obligated funds for Contract No. R01-T01-C435.

28. Metro Blue Line Contract No. R01-T01-C265 (Station Superstructures) - Morrison-Knudsen, Inc. - Approval of Change Order No. 19 and Increase in AFE - Recommended that the Commission:

- a. Approve Change Order No. 19 in the amount of \$342,211.
- b. Approve an increase to the current AFE amount of \$997,018 to a revised AFE of \$18,681,273. This increase in AFE will enable staff to process pending and anticipated changes. The \$977,018 required as additional funding will be transferred from the Project Reserve.

29. Metro Blue Line Contracts - Recommended the Commission approve an increase to the current Authorization for Expenditure for the following contracts. This increase in AFE will enable staff to process pending and anticipated changes.

C3270 - Long Beach Loop - At the meeting, the Committee revised the recommendation to approve an increase to the current AFE amount by \$950,000 to a revised AFE of \$23,230,000. The additional funding will be deducted from Long Beach Landscaping Contract C355 as it was decided that this work anticipated for C355 would be transferred to C3270.

- b. Contract No. R01-T08-C258, LRT Trackwork Installation - Contractor: Herzog Contracting Corporation - \$301,484 (revised total AFE \$14,570,134). The \$301,484 will be transferred from the Project Reserve.

- c. Contract No. R01-T06-H811, Traction Power Supply System - Contractor: L. K. Comstock - \$549,267 (revised AFE \$18,918,567). The \$549,267 required as additional funding will be transferred from the Project Reserve.
 - d. Contract No. R01-T06-H812, Overhead Contact System - Contractor: L. K. Comstock - \$609,700 (revised AFE \$14,350,000). The \$609,700 required as additional funding will be transferred from the Project Reserve.
 - e. Contract No. R01-T07-H831, Supervisory Control & Data Acquisition (SCADA) - Contractor: Harris Corporation - \$375,350 (revised AFE \$4,589,350). The \$375,350 required as additional funding will be transferred from the Project Reserve.
 - f. Contract No. R01-T07-H832, Cable Transmission System - Contractor: Pactel - \$1,186,101 (revised AFE \$8,648,101). The \$1,186,101 required as additional funding will be transferred from the Project Reserve.
30. Metro Blue Line Contract No. R01-T07-H836 - Safety & Security Communications System - Contractor: HSQ Technology, Inc. - \$99,000 - Recommended approval of Cost Plus Change Notice No. 020A in the amount of \$99,000. Sufficient contingency remains within the current AFE amount to cover the cost of this CPCN.

ADDED AGENDA ITEM

SB 1402 (Presley) - The Commission voted to consider SB 1402, which requires the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission, the Orange County Transportation Commission, the Riverside County Transportation Commission and the San Bernardino Transportation Commission to jointly develop a coordinated regional transit services plan, upon the adoption of resolutions by each Commission. The plan would serve as the basis for a coordinated application for funding to the California Transportation Commissions especially in regard to regional rail services.

The LASC recommended the Commission support the bill, if amended, to include the following amendments:

- a. The bill should be amended to state that the provisions of the bill become null and void if the affected commissions voluntarily form a group to carry out the intent of the bill before the measure takes effect.

- b. A provision should be added which states applications submitted to the CTC prior to the implementation of the plan shall not be delayed or affected.
- c. Clarify the measure which applies only to rail transit provisions.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

Mr. Edelman moved to have Item 15 reconsidered, which was seconded. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

- *15. Approval of a Consultant to Prepare Study of Flood Control Channels as Transportation Corridors - HNTB and Associates, \$100,000 - The Finance & Programming Committee recommended the Commission authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with HNTB and Associates to perform the study. The contract will be for an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

The following people appeared before the Commission: Mr. Allen Gordon, representing Senator Torres; Assemblymn Katz and Lewis McAdams, Friends of the L.A. River.

Mr. Edelman reiterated that the study would look at the use of the Flood Control Channel for transportation purposes by various modes and not just as a type facility.

Mrs. Stevens asked that the study include the runoff from the Tillman plant that goes into the flood channel channel.

Mr. Grabinski asked that when the study was complete, that the Corp of Engineers be present at a future meeting to answer questions.

Mrs. Reed indicated that she would include in her motion that special recognition be given to the runoff requirements from the Tillman plant.

Hearing no objection, the motion was carried.

- 5. SB 1920 (Torres) - Los Angeles River Floodway - The LASC recommended the Commission oppose SB 1920.

At the meeting, the Committee recommended the Commission approve the staff recommendation to opposed, unless the bill is amended to:

- a. State that the bill does not preclude the use of the Los Angeles River Flood Control Channel for transportation purposes;
- b. State that local agencies shall determine the use of the Flood Control Channel after consideration of the Commission's study of Flood Control Channels as transportation corridors.

Mrs. Stevens moved, seconded by Mr. Szabo, that the Commission adopt the Committee recommendations to support, if amended, Mr. Torres' bill.

Hearing no objection, the motion was carried.

STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS

31. Proposed Mobility Action Plan

Mr. Patsouras, a member of the RTD Board and a resident of the San Fernando Valley, had recently called a meeting of the people in the Valley and leaders from different agencies to discuss what could be done to reduce congestion in the near-term.

Mr. Nick Patsouras and Mr. Gary Spivak of RTD appeared before the Commission and offered comments.

Staff will follow-up on this item at a future meeting.

FURTHER DISCUSSION ON CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

12. Matching Funds for TCI Grant for LOSSAN-2 Intercity Rail Improvements - F&PC recommends the Commission approve use of \$618,000 from Proposition A Rail funds to match the grant from State Transit Capital Improvement (TCI) funds for intercity passenger rail improvements to the Southern Pacific's Coast Mainline.

At the meeting, the FPC recommended approval of this item in concept. The staff is to report at the Commission meeting where the funds would come from, meaning could Prop. A funds be used for projects which are not part of the Prop. A Rail System Development.

Mrs. Bacharach felt that this item was inappropriately placed on the Consent Calendar. At the Finance and Programming Committee, staff was asked to look whether you could use Proposition A funds for this purpose. Staff has come back and is recommending using STA funds. Mrs. Bacharach moved that the recommendation be made to approve \$618,000 of STA Funds to match a State grant for intercity rail development. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Reed. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

- 29a. Contract No. R01-T01-C3270 - Long Beach Loop - Contractor: Herzog Contracting Corp. - \$1,100,000 (revised AFE \$23,380,000).

Mrs. Reed indicated that the Commission had received a letter from the Operating Engineers Union who is contesting the transfer of the landscaping work away from the original landscaping contact C355 and over to the Herzog Company. She asked if this item could be put back on the agenda and be considered as a whole contract package.

Mr. Bacharach indicated that there is a completion date to be followed.

Mr. John Adams, Project Manager on the Blue Line, was asked to answer some questions from the Commissioners.

After much discussion, Mrs. Reed moved, seconded by Mr. Szabo, that this item be held over until the next meeting until we have the matter of the contract before us. Mr. Kelsey indicated that that complainants have a right to be present when this issue is being discussed and voted on.

Mrs. Bacharach indicated that this issue should come before the Rail Construction Corporation. Mrs. Reed didn't have any objection to this item being sent back to the Rail Construction Corporation before coming back to the Commission.

Roll call vote to defer this item to the next meeting:

Yes: Lewis, Szabo, Korek, Reed, Stevens, Grabinski,
Edelman

No: Bacharach

Abstain: Remy

Motion was carried.

INFORMATION

32. SB 2013 (Robbins) - LACTC-sponsored Legislation on Commuter and Intercity Rail
33. Legislative Matrix
34. Distinguished Budget Presentation Award
35. Accelerated Funding of Anderson Freeway/Light Rail to Insure On-Time Delivery
36. Metro Blue Line DBE/WBE Status Report Through December, 1990
37. Update on LACTC Service Integration Efforts (Transportation Connection Program)
38. Update of Rail Planning Studies
39. Transit Riders Bill of Rights

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

40. Amendment to the Administrative Code re. Members' Attendance at Committee Meetings

This item has been referred to the Legislative & Administrative Committee.

41. Notice of Meetings

Notice has been received and filed.

REPORTS FROM CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

42. Selection of Names for Vehicles for the Metro Blue Line

Mr. Edelman was asked to pull 44 names of cities along the Blue Line route for the rail vehicles on the Metro Blue Line.

NEW BUSINESS

(None)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. John Walsh appeared before the Commission with comments of the Metro Red Line.

At 3:55 p.m., Commission recessed into closed session and reconvened at 4:30 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.



NEIL PETERSON
Executive Director

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