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LACTC MINUTES

May 9, 1984

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Antonovich at 2:45 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room at the Hall of Administration.

Members in attendance were:

Supervisor Mike Antonovich  
Mayor Jacki Bacharach  
Councilwoman Pat Russell  
Councilmember Christine E. Reed  
Councilman Ernie Kell  
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  
Ray Remy, alternate to Mayor Bradley  
Heinz Heckeroth, Ex-Officio, for State of California

Staff members in attendance were:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of April 25, 1984 were unanimously approved, as submitted.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

In response to a request from the Southern California Rapid Transit District, Chairman Antonovich asked the chairpersons of the four LACTC committees to serve on a Joint SCRTD/LACTC Liaison Committee. The committee will meet periodically to discuss items of mutual interest. He is hopeful that it will result in improved coordination and communication between the two agencies.

COMMITTEE REPORTSFINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the FRC's meeting of May 9. The committee's recommendations for Commission approval are as follows:

Consultant Support for the Social Services Transportation Funding Coordination Council

- o Request staff to work with the Social Services Transportation Funding Coordination Council to develop a commitment from these agencies to implement savings developed as a result of the proposed consultant study. Staff was also asked to report back on the existing Orange and San Diego County Social Services Coordination Programs.

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

Proposition A Quarterly Status Report

- o Request staff to return with a proposal to allocate the new portion of the \$47 million of FY 1983-84 Proposition A funds available for rail to the rail program.

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

Amendment to PERS Contract

- o Amend LACTC's Public Employees Retirement System contract to allow two years of extra service credit for retiring Director-level employees at a cost of approximately \$26,000.

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

Mr. Sanborn also reported on the following information items:

- o The Commission will be adopting the FY 1985-89 Los Angeles County Transit Transportation Improvement Program and Short-Range Transit Plan at its June 13 meeting.
- o The chronology of events of SCRTD's FY 1984 TIP amendment made it necessary for the RTD to exercise its bus purchase option prior to Commission approval of this amendment.

- o The Commission will be acting on proposed modifications to the Proposition A Local Return Program Guidelines at its May 23 meeting.
- o LACTC's FY 1983-84 expenditures should be within LACTC's total overall budgeted level with the exception of Los Angeles-Long Beach Rail Transit contracts.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Remy reported on the May 7 briefing in Sacramento. Commissioners Bacharach, Cox, King, Heckerth, Reed, Sanborn, Remy and staff made the trip to Sacramento and visited with a number of legislators on several of the bills, primarily Senator Beverly's bill SB 1333.

- o SB 1333 is set for a hearing on May 22. It has been indicated that the State Treasurer's Office and the League of California Cities have worked out language that both are comfortable with, relative to the role of the State Treasurer within SB 1333.

Mr. Remy moved that the Commission support the amended language relative to the State Treasurer's role in SB 1333 with the provision that the language is acceptable both to the State Treasurer and the League of California Cities; seconded by Mr. Szabo. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

- o Senator Robbins' bill SB 1995 passed the Senator Committee unanimously. This bill will commit initiation of construction on the Valley segment one year after the initiation of any construction on Metro Rail. It is likely that the bill will be set in the Assembly before the Commission meets again. The Senator had conversations with the Commissioners in Sacramento, in addition to his commitment in his letter to Mayor Bradley, and indicated that he would hold the bill pending a letter of "no prejudice" from UMTA. He is looking for a support position from LACTC.

Mr. Remy moved that the Commission support Senator Robbins' bill SB 1995 based on assurances in his letter to Mayor Bradley and also consistent with conversations that he had with LACTC Commissioners stating that he will not send the bill to the Governor unless we receive a letter of "no prejudice" from UMTA or unless he amends his bill to condition its application upon receipt of such a letter. Motion was seconded. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Mrs. Bacharach reported on her trip to Washington, D.C. for the Senator Subcommittee on Appropriations which she represented the Commission. Senators Cranston and Wilson made presentations to the Senate Subcommittee.

#### RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RTC's special meeting of May 4. The Committee discussed again the selection of the special legal counsel, which had been referred back to the Committee. Supplemental material was received from four of the proposers, which the Committee evaluated. After the re-evaluation, the Committee once again felt that the firm of Richards, Watson, Dreyfuss and Gershon was most responsive to the original proposal and to the questions that were asked in the supplement. The Committee's vote was 3 to 1; based on that, Mrs. Bacharach moved the Committee's recommendation to hire the firm of Richards, Watson, Dreyfuss and Gershon as special counsel for the Long Beach-Los Angeles Rail Transit Project; seconded by Mr. King.

Mr. Kell indicated that he again voted against the Committee's recommendation.

Roll call vote on the selection of special counsel:

Ayes: Mr. King, Mr. Geoghegan, Mr. Remy, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Bacharach, Mr. Cox, Chairman Antonovich

Nays: Mr. Sanborn, Mr. Szabo, Mrs. Reed, Mr. Kell

Motion passed 7 to 4.

Mrs. Bacharach also reported that the Committee met again today before the Commission meeting to evaluate the possible diversion of freight traffic through the Compton and Watts area. This would be diverting freight traffic farther along the line than what the original alternatives called for. The Committee had asked staff to look into this matter. Based on the initial evaluation that staff had done and based on some significant benefits that could accrue to the project, and pending discussion with the Southern Pacific Railroad, the Committee recommended the Commission amend our contract with Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas/Kaiser Engineers (PBQ&D/KE) to prepare a supplement to the Environmental Impact Report, which would cover this option. The supplement would be at a cost not to exceed \$75,000 for PBQ&D/KE and the cost of producing the actual supplement. Because there will be a supplement to the EIR, there will have to be a comment period for the supplement and the deadline for EIR comments would be extended to August 10.

Mrs. Bacharach moved the Committee's recommendation that Commission authorize an amendment to the contract with PBQD/KE not to exceed \$75,000 and also the attendant cost for the EIR supplement; seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

The Committee took two actions on the Rail Transit Implementation Strategy. At a previous meeting, the Committee brought to the Commission an evaluation of system-wide fare collection issues with the SCRTD. In order to start that study, the Committee recommended that the Commission authorize a contract with J. W. Leas and Associates for operating and maintenance cost analysis with a budget not to exceed \$38,000. Mrs. Bacharach moved the Committee's recommendation; seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

The second part of the study would be a business survey which would be done to determine the possible range of lost fare revenues. The Committee recommended to the Commission and, Mrs. Bacharach moved, that the Commission authorize a contract with E.T.I./Cordorva, a disadvantaged/woman's business joint venture with a budget not to exceed \$8,000; seconded by Mr. Kell. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Copies of the Evaluation of Busway/HOV and Light Rail/HOV on the Century Freeway Transitway were distributed to the Commissioners. Mrs. Bacharach asked the members to peruse the evaluation report. At the next Commission meeting, the Committee would like to have staff present the issue of rail or bus on the Century Freeway.

Next Monday (May 14) at 2:00 p.m., staff will have a dry-run of the Environmental Impact Report Hearing for the Long Beach-Los Angeles light rail line. The Rapid Transit Committee is planning to attend the dry-run and encouraged other members to attend.

Copies of the schedule for the EIR hearings were also passed out to the Commissioners.

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. Environmental Impact Report - The EIR for the Long Beach-Los Angeles Rail Transit Project is in production at the printing plant. The official release date for the document will be May 15. Staff will be hand-carrying the document to Sacramento on that date for official filing with the State Resources Agency. During the latter part of next week, staff will be distributing the document to all involved agencies and officials and each of the Commissioners.

Upon the release of the Environmental Impact Report, a series of briefings are scheduled for various community groups. Staff will be passing out to the Commissioners an abbreviated list of some of these briefings which the Commissioners may be interested in participating.

- B. Citizens Advisory Committee Nomination - Supervisor Dana has nominated Ken Dowd to be a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee. He requested for Commission's approval of his appointment.

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

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Greg Roberts expressed his concern about transit planning for the Olympics. Mr. Richmond indicated that the regular transit system will continue through its normal basis during the Olympics. In addition, there will be a special bus system set up specifically to get people to various events.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Antonovich asked Mr. Heckerth for the schedule of events for the Route 7 gap closure project. Mr. Heckerth distributed copies of the Route 7 Studies Status Report which included the schedule of events.

#### NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice of meetings was received and filed.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.



RICK RICHMOND  
Executive Director

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