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LACTC MINUTES

November 28, 1984

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Vice Chairwoman Bacharach at 1:47 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room at the Hall of Administration.

Members in attendance were:

Mayor Jacki Bacharach
Mayor Christine E. Reed
Councilwoman Pat Russell
Wendell Cox
Blake Sanborn, alternate to Supervisor Schabarum
Walter King, alternate to Supervisor Hahn
Robert Geoghegan, alternate to Supervisor Edelman
Deborah George, alternate to Supervisor Dana
Ted Pierce, alternate to Supervisor Antonovich
Ray Remy, alternate to Mayor Bradley

Mr. Richmond indicated that correspondence was received from Supervisor Dana appointing Deborah George as his alternate for this meeting only in the absence of Barna Szabo.

Staff members present:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of November 14, 1984 were unanimously approved, as submitted.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Mrs. Bacharach congratulated Commissioner Reed who was elected mayor for City of Santa Monica.

Mr. Cox asked that Richard Temple be introduced to the Commission. Mr. Temple was a board member of the Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District for six years.

COMMITTEE REPORTSFINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the FRC's meeting of November 26. The Committee's recommendations for Commission approval were as follows:

California Transportation Commission Guideway
Financial Plan

- o Transmit the Guideway Financial Plan to the California Transportation Commission in order to ensure receipt of Los Angeles County's minimum State Guideway Fund allocation in Fiscal Year 1986.

This recommendation was also endorsed by the Rapid Transit Committee and the Rail Construction Committee.

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

Proposition A 40% Discretionary Program Recommendations

- o Approve the attached recommendations for the use of the Proposition A 40% Discretionary Funds beginning July 1, 1985 (Exhibit A).

These recommendations were thoroughly discussed by the FRC after receiving public and private operator comments; reviewing submitted letters; and reviewing subcommittee recommendations. Recommendation Nos. 3, 4, 6b, 11, 14, 17 and 18 were modified slightly by the Finance Review Committee.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mrs. Reed.

Mrs. Reed mentioned that (bottom on page 2 of the recommendation) there should be an asterisk for NOTE, which indicates that it applies to the sentence in Section 6c.

Mr. Bob Hildebrand, City of Torrance, stated that he wanted to clarify a point in FRC recommendation No. 11 on the Discretionary Grant Allocation formula and asked to be on record that the City of Torrance supports the LACTC staff recommendation of using an average of FY '82 and FY '84 data and including Local Return as Farebox Revenue. He felt that some of the BOS members also support this point of view and indicated that the Cities of Norwalk, La Mirada, and Arcadia support the position of the staff on this issue.

Mr. Remy commented on Recommendations 10, 12, and 13. With regard to No. 10, he was interested in knowing when the enforcement of funding penalties relative to conditions will be developed. Mr. Richmond noted that a draft contract including penalty discussion would be ready within the month. Regarding the conditions, Mr. Remy questioned whether any of the transit operators have had any problems or concerns dealing with the question of conditions in receiving the money. Mr. Richmond explained that on a whole, the transit operators would prefer no conditions; they were particularly concerned about 6a and 6b. He explained that 6a (now 11) had been revised to address the operators' concerns.

Questions were asked by Deborah George concerning the "subsidy-per-passenger" condition (6c) to which Mr. Richmond responded.

Mr. Remy suggested that if the transit operators have a problem with conditions that they notify the Commission and send some material on it, then the FRC can review it.

Regarding No. 12, Mr. Remy moved for an amendment to the language, seconded by Deborah George. The added amendment will be a preamble to No. 12 and should read as follows:

The following position is being taken by the Commission to be forwarded to the transit operators. The Commission will review future fare hearings to be held by the operators and consider, based on those hearings, whether this provision should be reconsidered.

By voice vote, the amendment was unanimously approved by the Commissioners.

Regarding No. 13, Mr. Remy requested mention of inter-agency cooperation be included into the recommendation. This addition will be included in the main motion.

Roll call vote on the main motion with amendments to No. 12 and No. 13.

Ayes: Sanborn, King, Geoghegan, Remy,
Russell, Reed, Bacharach, Cox,
George, Pierce

Nays: None

Motion was carried.

Mrs. Bacharach commended staff for their work on the 40% Discretionary Fund Program.

Route 91 Commuter Lane Demonstration Project

- o Endorse the operation of Caltrans' proposed commuter lane demonstration project on Route 91 for a one-year period starting April 1, 1985.
- o Re-evaluate the Commission's support for the commuter lane test in the event that the recommendations of the Route 91 Corridor Operation Advisory Committee are not carried out by Caltrans.

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

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Remy reported on the IRC's meeting of November 28. The Committee's recommendations are as follows:

State Legislation

- o Reviewed and approved the proposed legislation for construction contracts, and to extend to LACTC the ability to competitively negotiate for specialized or technologically sophisticated equipment per AB 2505 (Vicencia), and to extend competitive negotiation to purchase of rail transit vehicles. Also requested staff to seek an author to introduce a bill.

With regard to the contracting provisions, Committee requested staff develop guidelines that would require the Executive Director to notify the Finance Review Committee or the Rapid Transit Committee when acting for the Commission on purchases up to \$50,000.

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

- o Reaffirmed approval of the language for proposed legislation which would clarify the Commission's authority in the area of eminent domain and grant the Commission the authority to enforce its affirmative action policies.

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

- o AB 2720 (Mountjoy) was introduced in the last session of the Legislature and deals with the streamlining of the Transportation Development Act process. The bill was referred to interim study. Caltrans was directed to conduct a study and hold additional hearings to discuss whether a new bill should be introduced. Caltrans held a hearing in Los Angeles on November 16. All testimony will be presented to the Senate Transportation Committee along with Caltrans' recommendation.

LACTC staff participated in the hearing and drafted a letter to be sent to Caltrans. The Committee approved the letter with modifications which indicates the Commission's continued interest to be part of the overall TDA legislative discussions.

Mr. Remy moved that the Commission authorize the Chair or Executive Director to forward the letter to Caltrans, which was seconded. Hearing no objections, motion was approved.

RAPID TRANSIT/RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEES

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RTC/RCC meetings of November 26, 1984.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

Rail Transit Implementation Strategy:

Movement of Freight on Rail Transit System

The Rapid Transit Committee discussed the movement of freight on rail transit systems and concluded that it would not be advisable at this time to attempt to include the delivery of freight in the off-hours as part of the rail transit system in Los Angeles County.

RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

The Rail Construction Committee discussed the following items for the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project:

- o Transportation Careers Training Program, for which we have authorized necessary applications for federal (UMTA), state (vocational education) and private funding;
- o Involvement of California PUC in design/construction; and
- o Risk management (insurance) program.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Edward Duncan, Bryan Allen, and J. Jamison Moore commented on the movement of freight on rail transit system. All opposed the staff recommendation and encouraged the Commission to include freight-carrying capability in rail transit designs.

SERVICE COORDINATION COMMITTEE

No committee report was made.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. Introduction of Newly-Hired Staff: Introduced Steve Juarez, Government Relations Officer, who will be working on State Legislation for the Government and Public Affairs Division.
- B. Commission Travel Request: Commissioner Cox has been invited to speak at the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials Conference in New Orleans on December 11. Commission's approval was uested.
- Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Remy. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.
- C. Announcement: Reception is being held in honor of Joe Leach on December 4, 1984 at Irwin's Restaurant.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for December 12 at 2:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.



RICK RICHMOND
Executive Director

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Attachments: Exhibits A & B