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DECEMBER 9, 1988

The special meeting of the Commission was called to order by Chairman Schabarum at 2:00 p.m. in the Department of Water and Power Board Conference Room.

Mr. Taylor was in receipt of a letter from Supervisor Antonovich designating Rosa Kortizija as his alternate for today's meeting.

Members in attendance:

Supervisor Peter Schabarum
Supervisor Ed Edelman
Councilmember Christine E. Reed
Mayor Pro-Tem Jacki Bacharach
Councilman Michael Woo
Councilman Ray Grabinski
Marcia Mednick
Walter King, alternate for Supervisor Hahn
Barna Szabo, alternate for Supervisor Dana
Rosa Kortizija, alternate for Supervisor Antonovich
Ray Remy, alternate for Mayor Bradley
Nate Holden, alternate for Councilman Woo
Jerry Baxter, Ex-Officio for State of California

Staff present:

Paul Taylor, Acting Executive Director David Kelsey, Assistant County Counsel Kathy Torigoe, Executive Secretary Elyse Kusunoki, Senior Secretary LACTC Minutes
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Chairman Schabarum announced that Commissioners Bacharach and Reed were reelected last week to their positions as members of LACTC and congratulated both of them.

RESOLUTION OF TRANSIT ISSUES WITH SCRTD

Mr. Taylor briefly summarized that the Resolution was adopted by a 7-4 vote of the SCRTD Board on December 8 and recommended Commission approval of this Resolution today. The Resolution deals with eight points of agreement that were discussed at previous Commission meetings.

Mrs. Reed moved that the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission accept the proposal of the SCRTD as expressed in the document placed before the Commission by staff entitled Agreement between SCRTD and LACTC and that the Commission approve the terms contained in the agreement, seconded by Mr. King.

Chairman Schabarum indicated that the Commission is on the verge of a historic compromise that promises to improve the Commission's relationship with the SCRTD. This compromise transcends the eight-point agreement. In adopting this resolution, each agency has recognized the legitimacy of the other by more clearly delineating the respective roles and responsibilities. This eight-point agreement is the product of innumerable hours of tedious and often heated negotiations. He also indicated that he is proud to have worked closely with Mayor Bradley in forging this compromise and thanked everyone who worked so diligently in bringing this proposal about. He urged the Commissioners to endorse this proposal.

He further summarized the elements of the eight-point plan:

The RTD will receive \$108 million in Proposition A grant money, guaranteeing the uninterrupted continuation of vital bus service. The RTD will not only construct the second phase of Metro Rail (under contract with LACTC as grantee) but will operate all rail in Los Angeles County and oversee the integration of its bus system with all rail lines. The RTD agrees to competively bid many elements of its rail operations and agrees to drop its opposition to the Foothill Transportation Zone allowing this trial project (with the support of the LACTC and twenty cities in the San Gabriel Valley) to proceed immediately. The two agencies agree to a more formalized process for input on future LACTC funding guidelines and resolve to work together in formulating recommendations for local and state reorganization initiatives through joint committees.

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The following persons appeared before the Commission:

- Bill Bolte, Barrier Busters ADAPT
- 2. Mary Volpicelli, Professional Business Women AA
- 3. Zahrina Machadah, L.A. Cares
- 4. Isim Horton, ADAPT
- 5. Randy Horton
- 6. Jean Myers
- 7. Eillibeth Navarro, ADAPT S.D.
- 8. John Walsh, United Riders of L.A.
- 9. James Brennan, Calif. Council of Blind
- 10. Greq Roberts

Mrs. Reed asked for clarification on Part 5 of the Resolution, Proposition A Discretionary Funding, if it is the understanding of the negotiators and the SCRTD that the finding of compliance that is being made is a finding of compliance for those labor provisions in the guidelines and stipulating that those guidelines will not be revisited for the full three-year term of their labor contract. Mr. Schabarum indicated that he believed it is so.

Mr. Edelman indicated his concerns and why he had to vote against the motion.

Mr. Holden raised questions on Part 7, Metro Rail Project.

Commissioners Mednick, Szabo, and King indicated support for the proposed revised agreement.

Mr. Grabinski challenged the Commissioners to look at this matter not as an ending but as a beginning and a first step towards one another in terms of the two agencies and would challege all of the people who seem to think that each one of these agencies is taking a loss to begin to work as hard towards coming up with further solutions than point out the problems between the agencies. Both agencies have different things that they are responsible for and all of us are responsible to the people out here so he suggested that all of the Commissioners think hard about the fact that this is not an ending but a beginning. He asked for a unanimous vote.

Motion was carried 10-1, with a "no" vote by Mr. Edelman.

Chairman Schabarum indicated that it has been correctly observed and there has been a good deal of strong feeling and, in some cases, ill will on this matter. He thanked the Commissioners and staff who worked so hard on this issue. LACTC Minutes December 9, 1988 Page 4

Chairman Schabarum presented Jan Hall, SCRTD Board Member, with a symbolic check for \$108 million .

Mr. Grabinski announced that there will be another unveiling of the light rail vehicle in City of Long Beach on December 19. Commissioners are invited to attend this event which will take place at Pine Avenue and Long Beach Boulevard.

Commission meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

PAUL C. TAYLOR

Acting Executive Director

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