

# MINUTES



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January 13, 1986

Meeting of December 18, 1985 was reconvened on January 13, 1986 at 9:10 a.m. at the L.A. Airport Marriott. The topics discussed were rail transit development, highway system development, bus system development, and public education. No actions were taken. Meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

The regular Commission met  
1:42 p.m. in the Board of

1986

by Chairwoman Bacharach at  
om at the Hall of Administration.

Members in attendance were

Councilwoman Jacki Bacharach  
Supervisor Deane Dana  
Mayor Christine E. Reed  
Councilwoman Pat Russell  
Councilman Marc Wilder  
Mayor Tom Bradley  
Marcia Mednick  
Blake Sanborn, alternate to Supervisor Schabarum  
Walter King, alternate to Supervisor Hahn  
Robert Geoghegan, alternate to Supervisor Edelman  
Roy Donley, alternate to Supervisor Antonovich  
Don Watson, Ex-Officio for State of California

Staff members present:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bryan Allen clarified the intent of his remarks at the December 18 meeting (page 8 of minutes, under Public Comment) was that parties should be expected to take strong legal action against the LACTC if it amended its Local Return Guidelines to allow streets and roads funding. It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes with this clarification noted. Hearing no objection, minutes were approved.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON

A request was received to hold the election of Vice Chairperson over to 2:30 p.m. Hearing no objection, Mrs. Bacharach accepted the request.

CHAIRWOMAN'S REMARKS

Mrs. Bacharach indicated that 1985 was an active year for the Commission which showed many initiatives and accomplishments. She reviewed the accomplishments of the Commission for the past year and thanked the Commissioners and staff for their support.

She then passed the gavel on to Supervisor Dana as the new chairman for 1986. On behalf of the Commission, Mr. Dana expressed appreciation to Mrs. Bacharach for her dedicated service as chairwoman and presented a resolution and gift to her.

REMARKS BY NEW OFFICERS

Mr. Dana thanked the outgoing chairwoman for her leadership and expressed his desire for a year of cooperation between the Commission and other local agencies and private transportation providers.

Regarding the LACTC Committee assignments, he indicated that he appreciated the response from the members on desired committee assignments and will be making the assignments at the next meeting.

Regarding Metro Rail, important negotiations on a contract with the Federal government to proceed with Metro Rail construction will occur in the next sixty days. The Commission will be part of the discussions. Any commitments made by the Commission will have to be approved by the Commission members but Mr. Dana also anticipates issues to arise during negotiations which will require an informal response from the Commission, and the Executive Director would like Commission members to review issues which can't await the next Commission meeting. Therefore, he appointed a three-member Metro Rail Contract Working Group to meet with the Executive Director on an as-needed basis to review elements of the proposed contract involving commitments of the Commission. The members of the working group are Chairman Dana; Blake Sanborn, chair of the Finance Review Committee; and Jacki Bacharach, chair of the Rapid Transit Committee.

Mr. Richmond briefed the Commissioners on the Metro Rail Project.

Chairman Dana also requested that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to use Special Counsel in the negotiation and review of the contract as necessary.

A motion was made by Mr. Dana that the Executive Director be authorized to consult with Special Counsel as he sees fit in fulfilling the LACTC's role in negotiations with the Federal government on a Metro Rail funding contract. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Reed. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### FINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the FRC meeting of January 8, 1986. The recommendation of the committee was as follows:

##### FY 1987-91 LACTC Supplemental Short-Range Transit Plans (SRTP)

Approve the supplemental guidelines for the FY 1987-91 Short-Range Transit Plan, with the Private Enterprise section omitted. Staff will return with this revised section at a later date since new Federal guidelines are anticipated within thirty days.

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

Mr. Sanborn also reported that the FRC received, as information, reports on the following issues:

1. Interest expressed by various cities in replacing RTD lines scheduled for elimination.
2. Status of Federal funding cutbacks for transit in FY 1985-86.
3. RTD's response to Commission Service Notification Policy approval.
4. Potentially lapsing Federal-Aid Urban funds. No funds lapsed on the January 1, 1986 deadline.

#### HIGHWAY ISSUES TASK FORCE

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 12.

#### INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The next meeting is scheduled for January 29.

RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RCC meetings of December 20, 1985 and January 8, 1986, as follows:

Master Cooperative Agreements

The committee recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to execute cooperative agreements with Department of Water and Power-Power Systems; Southern California Water Company; and Union Oil Company and begin to issue work orders for necessary activities including design work.

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

Century Rail Transit Project

The committee reviewed staff's management report on the Century rail transit project. The committee recommended the Commission authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute an amendment to the DeLeuw Cather & Company contract for continued engineering services on the Century rail transit project for the 12-month period ending January 15, 1987, at a cost not to exceed \$630,000.

Mrs. Bacharach moved for approval, seconded by Mr. King.

Mr. Bryan Allen appeared before the Commission and commented that he approved the committee's recommendation and that he hoped that the committee, staff and consultants will make progress toward excellence in the design of the project. He also commented that he approved the following item.

General Engineering Consultant Contract Amendments

The committee recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to execute an amendment to LACTC's April 1985 contract with Southern California Rail Consultants for general engineering services for the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project, providing for an increase in the authorized contract ceiling price, from \$15,250,000 to an amount not to exceed \$23,200,900, and an extension of general engineering services under the contract from January 1986 to April 15, 1986. The committee also recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to execute an amendment to LACTC's April 1985 contract with Southern California Rail Consultants, providing for engineering/EIR services for the Mealy Street Freight Rail Diversion (Alternative MC-5) of the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project, in an amount not to exceed \$2,003,300. These contract amounts are included in current budget authorizations.

Mrs. Bacharach move for approval, seconded by Mr. King. Mr. Donley suggested that the committee obtain progress prints of plans and engineering specifications before progress payments are made in advance. Mr. Richmond indicated that staff will work with Mr. Donley. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Mrs. Bacharach also reported on the following information items:

#### Refined Mid-Corridor Vehicular Control Strategy

Staff presented the committee with a refined mid-corridor vehicular control strategy. The committee concurred in progressing design as recommended and asked staff to seek concurrence of local jurisdictions affected. The conclusions and next steps are included in the agenda packet.

#### Transportation Occupations Program Progress

The committee was briefed on the Transportation Occupations Program initiated by LACTC in cooperation with the Compton Unified School District.

#### Status of Public Affairs Activities

Staff presented an update on Public Affairs activities for the Long Beach-Los Angeles project. Community informational meetings on design concepts are scheduled during January and will continue over the next few months. Staff will be opening a field office in each of the three major segments of the corridor. A more aggressive speakers' bureau is planned and a program to inform school children about project construction in their area are being planned. Mrs. Bacharach showed a sketch of the Commission's construction mascot who needs to be named.

#### Professional Liability Insurance

Staff and Commission's Risk Management consultant responded to concerns raised at the committee's December 12 and 20 meetings. The committee voted to postpone consideration of owner-controlled professional liability insurance to its next meeting, if the committee can get an extension of the quotation. The committee needs time to consider the effect of decisions on insurance on LACTC's subcontracting and affirmative action programs. A final report will be given at the next meeting.

#### Light Rail Vehicle Procurement Status

The committee reviewed the status of technical specifications for the light rail vehicle procurement. A summary of the procurement process and key features of the Final Request for Technical Proposals will be presented by staff at the Commission meeting.

Distribution of a handout summarizing some of the major issues involved in the procurement of light rail vehicles was made to the Commissioners. Mr. Richmond briefed the Commission members on the light rail vehicle procurement process.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Updated copies of an opinion from County Counsel on the applicability of the Political Reform Act of 1974, as amended, to LACTC were distributed to the members.
2. APTA Legislative Conference is scheduled for March 9-11 in Washington, D.C. Interested members were requested to contact Kathy Torigoe as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Notice of Meetings

Notice was received and filed.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON

Nominations were opened by Chairman Dana. Commissioners Reed and Bradley were nominated to the office of Vice Chairperson. Voting was done by secret ballot. Mayor Bradley was elected as Vice Chairman of the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

  
RICK RICHMOND  
Executive Director

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