

# MINUTES



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February 12, 1986

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Dana at 1:40 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room at the Hall of Administration.

Members in attendance were:

Supervisor Deane Dana  
Mayor Tom Bradley  
Mayor Christine E. Reed  
Councilwoman Jacki Bacharach  
Councilwoman Pat Russell  
Councilman Marc Wilder  
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  
David Kelsey, Senior Deputy County Counsel, for Ronald Schneider  
Kathy Torigoe, Executive Secretary  
Barbara Norris, Senior Secretary

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of January 29, 1986 were approved unanimously as submitted.

## CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Dana indicated that Senator Newton Russell and Assemblyman Phillip Wyman are planning to address the Commission on Route 138 at its meeting on March 26.

COMMITTEE REPORTSFINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the FRC meeting of February 10. The committee's recommendations were as follows:

Fiscal Year '86 Transit Funding Reallocation

- o Approve reallocation of State and Federal transit subsidies as shown on the attached table (Attachment #1).

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

Fiscal Year '86 Transit Transportation Improvement Program Amendments

- o Delete RTD bus capital projects in response to Federal Section 9 funding reductions as recommended in Attachment #2..
- o Authorize staff to delete additional bus capital projects, as listed in Attachment #3, if necessitated by Section 9 reductions due to the Gramm-Rudman Amendment. Staff was requested to report back with further information on the need for an RTD telephone system purchase, before approving such a purchase.
- o Approve \$2.1 million in RTD funding for the Congressionally-ordered Reengineering Study of the Metro Rail Project. These funds would come from previously approved Federal (\$1 million), State (\$0.9 million) and LACTC (\$196,000) sources for Metro Rail.
- o Approve the Santa Monica Municipal Bus Line amendments listed in the staff report, including an increase in the Santa Monica rail reserve. These amendments involve no net cost increase.

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

RTD Purchase of 90 Buses Using Local Funds

- o Approve the RTD request to purchase 90 buses, with the condition that RTD receive from the Urban Mass Transportation Administration either a "letter of no prejudice," or some other effective means of retaining the leveraging capability of local funds used for this purpose.
- o Instruct staff to return this item for further Commission action if the above condition cannot be met within 30 days.

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

Mr. Goldy Norton, representing United Transportation Union, appeared before the Commission and requested the Commission to not delay any more than necessary in allowing SCRTD to purchase the buses.

Hearing no objection to the committee's recommendation, motion was carried.

Proposition A Policy on Non-Competition and Non-Duplication:  
Applicability to Capital Improvements

- o Continue to find that the Commission's regulation pertaining to non-competition and non-duplication does not apply to capital improvements.

Mrs. Reed moved for approval, seconded by Mrs. Bacharach.

Mr. Geoghegan expressed opposition to the committee's recommendation.

Much discussion followed.

Mrs. Reed made a substitute motion, seconded by Mrs. Bacharach, that staff report back with more specifics on the El Monte issue and ask staff to examine potential modifications of the guidelines.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yes: Sanborn, King, Geoghegan, Donley, Bradley, Russell,  
Reed, Bacharach, Wilder, Mednick, Dana

No: None

Substitute motion was passed unanimously.

Commission Fiscal Year '86 Operating Budget: Mid-Year Adjustments

- o Approve amendments as to the Commission's Fiscal Year '86 operating budget, as recommended in the staff report.

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

Mr. Sanborn also reported that the committee received a report on the resignation from the Paratransit Operations Subcommittee of Foothill Area Community Services and the City of Monterey Park; and the six-month probation from the same subcommittee of the City of Los Angeles Area Agency on Aging and the Mid-Cities Association for Retarded Children.

STREETS AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

The next meeting is scheduled for March 26 instead of March 12.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Reed reported on the IRC meeting of February 12, as follows:

1986 LACTC Government Relations Program

The LACTC Government Relations Program Goals and Objectives proposal was submitted by the Government Relations Sections for approval. The section's proposal summarizes the activities of the Government Relations Section for the coming year. The IRC's recommendation to approve the program was carried without objection.

State Legislation

Three State bills were submitted by the IRC for consideration:

AB 91 (Elder) has recently been amended to require that \$10 million be allocated annually for soundwall construction from the State Highway Account according to Caltrans' priority list. Previously, the bill would have placed a bond act on the State ballot for the construction of soundwalls. Pending further information on the amended version, it was recommended that the current LACTC position of "monitor" on AB 91 remain in effect.

SB 367 (Foran) clarifies the intent of several provisions of SB 300 (Chapter 1600/1985) and provides cities and counties with more flexibility in carry-ing out their local street and road programs. A "support" position was recommended.

SB 878 (Boatwright) would create a transportation authority in the San Francisco Bay Area to administer an increase in local sales tax of up to one percent. IRC recommended a "monitor" position.

Mrs. Reed moved for adoption of IRC's recommendations for the above-mentioned bills. Motion was seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

Federal Legislation

An update on the implementation of the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings law for the FY 1986 budget and a summary of the Administration's FY 1987 budget and STAA Reauthorization bill were presented as information items. More detailed analyses on the impact of these proposals on the transportation programs in Los Angeles County will be presented at the February 26 Commission meeting.

APTA Legislative Conference

The Commissioners were reminded of the March 9-11 APTA Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C.

### Update on Legislative Matrix

The Legislative Matrix was submitted with revisions:

AB 750 (Duffy) has been amended to require Caltrans to establish an Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Advisory Committee to assist the Director of Caltrans in evaluating the effectiveness of E&H transportation programs. It was recommended that staff re-examine the bill and report back to the Commission on the revised measure.

SCA 12 (Foran) has been amended to propose a constitutional amendment clarifying that existing gas tax revenues are user fees and are not subject to expenditure limits imposed by the 1980 Gann Initiative. The IRC recommended that the Commission reconsider SCA 12 when more information is obtained by staff.

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

### RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RCC meeting of February 7. The following are information items discussed at the meeting:

#### Light Rail Vehicle Procurement -- Manufacturing Capability Provision

The RCC has approved wording of the manufacturing capability provision for the LRV Request for Technical Proposals to provide for LACTC evaluation and approval of plans for modification of an existing building. Plans for a completely new manufacturing plant will not be considered.

#### Mealy Street Freight Rail Diversion -- Findings of Fact and Statement of Overriding Considerations

The RCC discussed Findings of Fact and a Statement of Overriding Considerations to accompany the Final EIR for the Mealy Street Freight Rail Diversion. As reported at the last meeting, negotiations with City of Compton and Southern Pacific are proceeding, with March as a target for bringing the Final EIR to the Commission.

#### State Design Concepts

The RCC will consider station design concepts at its next meeting.

#### Review of Owner-Controlled Insurance Program

LACTC staff and the Risk Management Consultants presented to the committee a status report on marketing efforts of the owner-controlled insurance program for the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project. They reported that higher deductible amounts would result in virtually no savings on the premium for professional liability insurance.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the RTC meeting of February 7. The recommendations of the committee were as follows:

SCRTD Metro Rail Reengineering Study

The committee recommended that the Commission approve the use by SCRTD of \$196,000 of the LACTC funds already pledged to Metro Rail for this study. This would match State and Federal funds for the study.

The committee also recommended this approval be contingent on the Rapid Transit Committee and Commission receiving results of the study and community meetings on a schedule which allows time for the Commission's advice to be considered by the SCRTD in making its decisions.

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

Century-El Segundo Extension: Inclusion of Yard Sites and Line Lengths in Environmental Clearance

The committee recommended that the Commission approve the inclusion of two alternative yard sites and line lengths in the Century-El Segundo Extension Environmental Impact Report. The two are:

1. From the Aviation Station south to the vicinity of the candidate yard site located along the Southern Pacific railroad just south of the Hughes EDSG facility in the City of El Segundo.
2. From the Aviation Station south to the vicinity of the candidate yard site on a State-owned parcel north of Compton Boulevard in the City of Hawthorne.

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

Mr. Donley asked for a clarification of recommendation No. 2 as discussed at the RTC meeting.

After much discussion, Mrs. Bacharach offered an amended motion for the rewording of recommendation No. 2:

From the Aviation Station south to the vicinity of the candidate yard site on a State-owned parcel with the final station north of Compton Boulevard in the City of Hawthorne.

Amended motion was seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, the motion was carried as amended.

Century-EI Segundo Extension: Increase in Amount of Consultant Services

The RTC recommended that the Commission approve an increase in the consultant budget for the Century-EI Segundo Extension engineering and environmental study by \$95,000. This will bring the total consultant budget for this work to \$305,000, within the Commission-authorized budget for the EI Segundo work.

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

Los Angeles-San Diego State Rail Corridor Study

The RTC recommended that the Commission commit \$10,000 in funding to the Los Angeles-San Diego State Rail Corridor Study from the FY 1985-86 rail development budget.

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

Request for Proposals: Bond Counsel

The committee recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to issue a Request for Proposals for Bond Counsel Services. A \$50,000 budget allocation for this contract has been made in the current fiscal year budget but is not expected to be drawn upon since Bond Counsel is paid from the proceeds of a bond sale.

The Commission will be advised on the expected costs of Bond Counsel and other issuing expenses when the size of the first issue is determined.

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

PRESENTATION ON THE OLYMPIC LEGACY PROGRAM

Mr. David Grayson of the SCAG Regional Advisory Committee made a presentation to the Commission on the Olympic Legacy Program.

Mr. Wilder moved that the Commission receive the documentation of the Task Force's recommendations and data and refer it to the Streets and Highways Committee for review and recommendation to the Commission as to how the Commission can participate in some of the programs suggested. Motion was seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORTA. Appointment to the Citizens Advisory Committee

Commissioner Antonovich had nominated Mr. Mel Pierovich to serve on the Citizens Advisory Committee and had requested for Commission approval for this appointment.

Mrs. Bacharach moved that appointment of Mr. Pierovich be approved, seconded by Mrs. Reed. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

B. LACTC Personnel

Susan Brown was introduced as the new Director of Government and Public Affairs , who recently joined the Commission staff.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Greg Roberts appeared before the Commission and requested that public hearings be held near bus stops.

Mr. Bryan Allen also appeared before the Commission and commented on the LACTC's involvement in SCRTD's reengineering of the Metro Rail Project. He suggested a language be added to the committee's recommendation as a guideline to RTD.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

The Streets and Highways Committee meeting date has been changed to March 26. Notice was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

  
RICK RICHMOND  
Executive Director

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Attachments