

MINUTES



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FEBRUARY 26, 1986

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Dana at 1:48 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room at the Hall of Administration.

Members in attendance were:

Supervisor Deane Dana
Councilwoman Jacki Bacharach
Councilwoman Pat Russell
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
Ray Remy, alternate to Mayor Bradley
Councilman Robert White, alternate for Mayor Reed

Staff members present:

Rick Richmond, Executive Director
Ronald Schneider, Principal Deputy County Counsel
Kathy Torigoe, Executive Secretary
Vickey Lechuga, Senior Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of February 12, 1986 were approved unanimously as submitted.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

1. Metro Rail Funding Contract - The contract is about two-thirds of the way through the 90-day period established by Congress. Some progress has been made but it will have to be accelerated in the next month. Staff will be briefing the Commission on the required financial commitments of the Commission once details of the contract requirements are established.

2. Mentioned that LACTC legislative representatives, Irving Smith from Washington and Tim Egan from Sacramento, are here to report to the Commission during the Intergovernment Relations Committee report.
3. Requested that staff prepare an information packet for the Commissioners on the overall transportation plan for Los Angeles County.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the FRC's meeting of February 24, 1986. The committee's recommendations were as follows:

Transportation Zone Guidelines

- o Approve the Transportation Zone Guidelines as recommended by staff, incorporating the changes shown in the attachment. (Attached is the revised copy of the guidelines.)
- o Limit acceptance of applications to two, until the effectiveness of transportation zones is demonstrated.

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

Mrs. Mednick indicated that accepting of applications should be kept open during the pre-application period and not limit to only two.

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

Much discussion followed.

Roll call vote was taken:

Yes: Sanborn, King, Donley, Remy, Russell, White, Bacharach, Mednick, Dana

No: Geoghegan

Motion was passed.

Hermosa Beach's Withdrawal from the Formula Subsidy Program

- o Approve Hermosa Beach's request to withdraw from the formula subsidy program.
- o Direct staff to revise operators' formula shares accordingly at the Fiscal Year 1987 mid-year reallocation.

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

Staff Support for Social Service Paratransit Coordination

- o Approve one analyst position and one secretary position, and associated budget increases, to continue Social Service Paratransit Coordination. This request would result in a \$27,000 increase to the Fiscal Year 1986 budget, to be funded from the special projects reserve.
- o Direct staff to return in one year and report on the savings resulting from this program and the need, if any, for additional staffing.

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

Additional Office Space

- o Authorize the Executive Director to amend the existing lease with Garfield One Associates to acquire approximately 5,000 square feet of second floor office space, of which approximately half would be sublet to our consultants. This request would result in a \$30,000 increase in the office space account of our budget, to be funded from the special projects reserve.

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

Selection of Local Streets and Roads Needs Inventory Consultant

- o Select Berryman & Stephenson Industries (BSI) Consultants to provide assistance to the Local Streets and Roads Needs Inventory.
- o Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate a phased contract with the consultant.

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

Mr. Sanborn also reported that the FRC received information on the following items:

1. Proposed Commission comments on the newly-issued Federal Private Enterprise Participation Policy. The FRC forwarded its comments to the Intergovernmental Relations Committee for action.
2. Proposed State and Federal budgets for Fiscal Year '87.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Donley reported on the IRC meeting of February 26 as follows:

State Legislation

Two State bills were submitted by the IRC for consideration:

SB (Deddeh) revises various sections of the Transportation Development Act (TDA) to delete obsolete provisions. The measure was initiated by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG).

Mr. Donley moved for the Commission to adopt a "support" position for SB 949. Motion was seconded by Mr. King. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

SCA 12 (Foran) has recently been amended to include a provision which defines fuel taxes and motor vehicle fees collected by the State as "user fees." This change would insure that these fees are not subject to expenditure limits imposed by the 1979 Gann Initiative.

Mr. Donley moved for the adoption of a "support" position for SCA 12. Motion was seconded by Mr. Geoghegan. Hearing no objection, motion was carried.

1986-87 Budget for Transportation

The Governor's 1986-87 budget for transportation programs was submitted as an information item. The Governor's proposal represents a four percent increase over expenditures anticipated for this current year. Major project decisions will be made when the California Transportation Commission adopts the next State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) later this year.

Federal LegislationFY 1987 Budget Proposal and H.R. 4144

An analysis of the President's FY 1987 federal budget proposal and H.R. 4144, the Administration's bill to reauthorize the Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA) was presented as an information item. The analysis detailed the impact these two complementary proposals would have on Los Angeles County transportation programs. The reauthorization bill would consolidate several federal DOT programs and adopt a block grant funding approach for mass transit and streets and roads programs. Funding levels for all transportation programs would be significantly reduced. This item will be considered for action on March 12.

Federal Private Enterprise Participation Policy - Comment Letter to UMTA

The Commission reviewed a comment letter to UMTA sharing the LACTC's concerns regarding the Federal Private Enterprise participation guidelines recently issued by the agency. The comments of the FRC were endorsed by the IRC for inclusion in the letter.

Mr. Donley moved that the Commission approve the letter. Mr. King seconded the motion. Hearing no objection, the motion was carried.

LACTC Federal and State Consultants

Mr. Irving Smith and Mr. Tim Egan gave presentations on the current legislative and political activities on the Federal and State level respectively.

Legislative Matrix

The Legislative Matrix was presented as an information item.

APTA Legislative Conference

The booklet, which will be presented to the Los Angeles County Congressional delegation during the March 9-11 APTA Legislative Conference, was brought to the attention of the Commission. The booklet was written jointly by LACTC, SCRTD, SCAG, and GLATC staff.

RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the following information item for the RCC meeting of February 21, 1986:

Station Design Concepts

The committee reviewed the preliminary station design concepts for the Long Beach-Los Angeles rail transit project. The committee will be refining criteria for standardizing certain aspects of stations and offering variability in other aspects at the option of local jurisdictions.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

Mrs. Bacharach reported on the following information items which were discussed at the RTC meeting on February 21, 1986:

Lincoln Heights Route Refinement Study Community Involvement Program

The committee reviewed public participation plans for the Lincoln Heights Route Refinement Study, which is getting underway in the next month or two.

The committee also discussed progress on the San Fernando Valley Route Refinement Study and results of the community workshops which were held. A public meeting of the RTC will be held on March 12.

Financial Planning Review

The committee reviewed the financial planning for the Commission's rail development program, focusing on the local share of funding for the Metro Rail project. The committee will be bringing its conclusions and issues to the Commission in the near future.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. APTA Legislative Conference

Commissioners Bacharach, Donley, King, and Remy have expressed an interest to attend the APTA Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. on March 9-11. Commission approval was requested for their travel.

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

2. Departure of Dan Caufield

Mr. Caufield will be leaving the Commission to accept a position as Vice President of Construction with the Long Island Rail Road in mid-March.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Robert Caso, representing the Long Beach Boulevard Area Association, appeared before the Commission and commented the station design concepts and financial funding for transit.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

The Finance Review Committee meeting has been changed to March 6 at 2:00 p.m. and the Intergovernmental Relations Committee will meet on March 12 at 12:15 p.m.

Notice was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.


RICK RICHMOND
Executive Director