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MINUTES

June 25, 1980

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schabarum at 3:10 p.m.

Members in attendance were:

Supervisor Peter Schabarum
Councilman Russell Rubley
Councilman John Zimmerman
Wendell Cox
Ray Remy, alternate to Mayor Bradley
Councilwoman Chris Reed, alternate to Mayor Russ
Robert Reeves, alternate to Supervisor Hahn
Robert Geoghegan, alternate to Supervisor Edelman
Eleanor Killeen, alternate to Supervisor Ward
Barna Szabo, alternate to Supervisor Burke
Councilwoman Pat Russell, alternate to Councilman Ferraro
Heinz Heckerth, Interim Commissioner, representing State of
California

Staff members present:

Rick Richmond, Acting Executive Director
Ronald Schneider, Principal Deputy County Counsel
Elyse Nagafuchi, Secretary

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Zimmerman requested a correction be made in the minutes of June 11, 1989 (page 5, last paragraph) to show that the motion was made by himself, not Mr. Szabo.

A motion was made by Mr. Cox, seconded by Mrs. Killeen, to approve the minutes of June 11, as amended. Hearing no objections, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Schabarum indicated that eight different hearings are scheduled on the 1/2% sales tax proposal. A hearing on this issue is anticipated for the evening of July 23 in Long Beach, the day of the second scheduled Commission meeting in July. It was proposed that the Commission have their July 23 meeting in Long Beach.

Mr. Remy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cox, that the Commission meeting of July 23 be held in Long Beach. Hearing no objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

Chairman Schabarum indicated that Mr. Richmond will make the necessary arrangements as to the proper location of that meeting.

Update on Search for New Executive Director

The Commission is scheduled to meet with representatives of Korn/Ferry International on July 9, at which time they will report on their progress of solicitation of potential candidates for the position of Executive Director. The Commission will convene in Executive Session one hour earlier than normal to receive Korn/Ferry's report, with the regular meeting beginning at 3:00 p.m. as usual.

Caltrans' Briefing on El Monte Busway Extension

Mr. Heinz Heckerth briefly reported on the proposed El Monte busway extension project. This project, if approved, will be approximately a \$20 million project, which is hoped to be completed by the 1984 Olympics. Mr. Heckerth explained the route of the busway extension which was indicated on a map used in his presentation.

Caltrans has issued a draft environmental document for review. A public hearing is tentatively scheduled on July 29, 1980 in the downtown area, with a tentative location at Caltrans. This document will go through further review, with anticipated approval by the federal government in May, 1981. At this time, Caltrans should begin acquisition of two parcels of property. Mr. Heckerth emphasized the importance of securing approval of the environmental document which is necessary before right-of-way funds can be expended.

Committee ReportsFinance Review Committee

Commissioner Rubley reported on the following recommendations from the committee meeting of June 23, 1980:

FY 1981-85 Transit TIP: Adopt staff recommendation on bus capital funding for FY 1980-81 and FY 1981-82 (\$154 million) with the following amendments:

- . Approval of additional funding for five (5) buses (\$660,000) as requested by City of Montebello;

- . Provide further review of the SCRTD Administrative Headquarters project before funds are expended on the facility;
- . Approval of staff recommendation on the Wilshire Starter Line (\$805 million over 5 years from all sources);
- . Approval of bus capital funding estimated for FY 1982-83 to FY 1984-85 (\$439 million);
- . Approval of operating subsidy estimates for FY 1981-82 through FY 1984-85, as submitted by operators.

A motion was made by Mr. Rubley, seconded by Mr. Cox, to approve the above recommendations. Hearing no objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

The committee also recommended:

- . Approval of allocation of West Los Angeles Service Coordination Fund (\$1.141 million) to Culver City and Santa Monica;
- . Approval of SB 620 allocation resolutions for \$25.6 million for FY 1979-80. The Acting Executive Director briefly explained that the Commission has certain required findings to make before allocation of these funds can be made.

A motion was made by Mr. Rubley, seconded by Mr. Geoghegan, to approve the above recommendations. Hearing no objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

The committee further recommended:

- . Approval of various FY 1979-80 TIP amendments for Santa Monica, Montebello, Culver City and Torrance to reserve existing TDA funds for capital projects;
- . Consideration of a request from the Mid-Valley Manpower Consortium for the immediate release of \$37,026 of Article 4.5 funds reserved by the Commission on June 11 for purchase and operation of one lift-equipped van. Copies of letters in support of the Mid-Valley Transportation Program from Mayor Jack T. Crippen, City of El Monte, and Senator Joseph B. Montoya, were distributed to the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Mr. Rubley, seconded by Mr. Cox, to approve these recommendations. Hearing no objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

1984 Olympics

A motion was made by Mr. Rubley, seconded by Mr. Cox, to approve allocation of \$104,000 in UMTA Section 8 planning funds for transportation planning for 1984 Olympics (City of Los Angeles and Santa Monica Municipal Bus Lines).

Pursuant to the motion made by Mr. Rubley, Mr. Remy suggested that the Commission take a lead coordinating role. Mr. Remy asked if there is any assurance that the City of Los Angeles and Santa Monica would be working together through the Commission.

The Acting Executive Director explained that the Commission has in the past, on occasion of special studies, requested authority to look over the work program to insure adequate coordination.

Commuter Computer

Mr. Rubley reported that Caltrans has dropped its demand to assume management and responsibility of Commuter Computer. A new contract for FY 1980-81, which includes performance standards, is being negotiated and is expected to be approved soon.

After some discussion on the future role of the Commission and other agencies in ridesharing activities, a motion was made by Mr. Rubley, seconded by Mr. Cox, to approve the following recommendation: As a major funding agency, the Commission should formally state its intention to continue its participation in reviewing Commuter Computer's program, developing reasonable performance standards, and identifying increased and more broadly based funding options. Hearing no objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

Service Coordination Committee

Commissioner Cox reported on the meeting of June 25, 1980. The only action item from that meeting was the adoption of rules and regulations on interagency transfers per PUC Section 99282.5. The committee recommended the following regulations:

1. Public transit operators receiving revenues through the LACTC shall mutually issue and honor transfer tickets submitted as one base fare for continuation of a trip.
2. The charge for interagency transfers may not exceed one-half the base fare of issuing operator. (Mr. Cox indicated that questions have been raised on this point and that the SCC will make a recommendation on this item at a later date.)
3. Fares collected for such interagency transfer tickets shall be retained by the issuing operator.

4. To the extent practical, the ability to transfer conveniently shall be built into the schedules and stops of interconnecting bus lines.

These rules and regulations apply to all operators receiving approvals for funds from the Commission. Documentation of operators' efforts and arrangements toward compliance will be included in their short-range transit plans or funding applications for UMTA 16(b)(2), UMTA Section 18 or TDA Article 4.5 Program.

A motion was made by Mr. Cox, seconded by Mrs. Reed, to adopt items 1, 3 and 4. Hearing no objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Commissioner Remy had the following to report:

ACA 74 (Ingalls): This constitutional amendment is now on the floor of the Senate, and has been amended to maintain the Proposition 5 provisions as requested. The ACA is now opposed by the Governor, Department of Finance, Business and Transportation Agency, as well as the Education Lobby led by Wilson Riles.

SB 1630 (Mills): This bill will probably be the trailer bill to ACA 74.

No action is required on these bills, as it is a continuation of present position.

SB 1755 (Rodda): This bill is being introduced by Senator Rodda from Sacramento, and it relates to Proposition 5 banking and borrowing provisions. SB 1755 provides for a ten year allocation of funds. The problem this bill presents is the exclusion of Los Angeles and San Diego, who have their own banking provisions.

A motion was made by Mr. Remy, seconded by Mr. Szabo, that the Commission indicate by letter to Senator Rodda, requesting him to amend SB 1755 in order to establish the following provisions; that the ten year allocation be reduced to a five year drawdown, the same provisions of AB 1429 and SB 101 as it relates to Los Angeles and San Diego Counties be included in SB 1755, and that approval by the CTC of a specific project be required before funds are banked or advanced. Hearing no objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

SB 512 (Briggs): Previous action has been taken on this bill. Staff has prepared a letter to the members of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee, stating the reasons for opposing this bill.

Mr. Remy recommended that Chairman Schabarum send a letter to the members of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee, indicating that this measure is not supportable from the standpoint of Los Angeles.

SB 1588 (Mills): The City of Los Angeles took position on this bill today. This bill provides that there will be a sanction against the diversion or utilization of Proposition 5 funds unless there is a series of adopted ordinances in a parking management strategy on all non residential properties. Although the IRC agrees with Senator Mills that we should have parking management strategies and the City of Los Angeles should adopt them, the Committee disagrees that there should be a withholding of Proposition 5 funds for any jurisdiction in which a guideway passes through that does not have a series of ordinances that carries out the intent the State Legislature deems is necessary.

The IRC recommends opposition to SB 1588 unless it is made permissive or the effective date is changed to 1982, making it applicable only to commercial and industrial properties, excluding retail properties.

A motion was made by Mr. Remy, seconded by Mrs. Russell, to oppose SB 1588 unless the above amendments are made. Hearing no objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

Vehicle Inspection Program: Senator Presley will be amending a bill he now has in the Assembly to provide for a Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program. Senator Presley's approach enjoys the support of the Governor and the Gas Station Owners Association which provides for the option of a centralized/decentralized inspection program. An agreement has been reached with the leadership that this bill will be considered in Assemblyman Calvo's committee, as opposed to Assemblyman Ingalls' committee.

Mr. Remy recommended that staff follow this bill closely, as it is significant to many jurisdictions.

S.2296 (Williams): The U.S. Senate passed this authorization bill today. This bill has been amended to provide more access to areas under 250,000 in population for Section 5 funding. The IRC is hopeful that Senator Cranston may be a member of the Conference Committee meeting with the House. It is anticipated that Congressman Anderson will be a member of this Committee.

After some discussion, Mr. Remy recommended that the IRC continue to work closely with the Conference Committee upon its appointment, in an attempt to get the best bill possible at this time, but that the LACTC continue its support of the House bill H.R. 6417.

Status Report on $\frac{1}{2}\%$ Sales Tax Transit Program

The Acting Executive Director summarized the staff's recent activities on the $\frac{1}{2}\%$ transit sales tax proposal. Copies of the status report were distributed to the Commissioners.

The staff recommends that the Commission hold eight public hearings in various locations in Los Angeles County. It is the staff's recommendation that the Commission make a major effort to advertise the hearings which would cost approximately \$20,600.

It was further recommended by staff that the Commission form a Steering Committee from which staff can obtain direction and approval on issues which do not require full Commission approval but are significant enough to require more than a staff-level decision. The suggested composition of the Steering Committee is the Chairman, Finance Review Committee Chairman, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Chairman.

Commissioner Reed recommended that the format of the proposed hearings be that of public hearings before a hearing board, as opposed to a workshop type of approach.

Commissioner Killeen recommended that the Commission schedule an additional hearing in the West San Fernando Valley area.

All members present concurred with Commissioners Reed and Killeen recommendations and the staff's recommendation that the Commission compose a Steering Committee.

A motion was made by Commissioner Szabo, that the Commission use the more aggressive advertising program.

Commissioner Cox seconded Mr. Szabo's motion, with an amendment to the motion that the \$20,600 that is being appropriated, be increased by approximately \$3,000 to cover printing costs for the purpose of also providing advertisement signs in buses.

Commissioner Rubley recommended that the cost be increased to \$5,000 and that Santa Monica and Long Beach buses be used in the advertising campaign as well as the SCRTD.

Hearing no objections, the motion was unanimously approved.

Recommendation on FY 1980-1981 LACTC Budget

The Acting Executive Director briefly summarized the staff's recommendations on the FY 80-81 budget.

After considerable discussion, Commissioner Reed made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Killeen, to approve the budget for the fiscal year 80-81 as submitted by staff, except for the portion relating to added staff. Instead of adding five positions, the Commission would add two additional staff members, a fiscal analysis assistant and a transit systems management assistant. Hearing no objections the motion was unanimously approved.

The Acting Executive Director indicated that with the anticipated workload, it may become necessary for the staff to resubmit its request for an additional secretary.

Commissioner Szabo commended Joan Medeiros, Administrative Officer, for her superb job in obtaining high rates of interest on Commission funds.

Acting Executive Director's Report

1. Route Selection Schedule for Long Beach Freeway (Route 7): The Acting Executive Director indicated that the route selection for Route 7 will be discussed at the next Commission meeting July 9.

A meeting of the Route 7 Hearing Board is scheduled for July 2 at the Commission offices.

2. Status of Commuter Computer: Agreement has been reached on the language of Commuter Computer's contract. The Acting Executive Director indicated that the contract appears to be acceptable from the local perspective, and should be approved with no anticipated problems.

New Business

There was no new business to report at this time.

Notice of Meetings

Notice was received and filed.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for July 9, 1980, 3:00 p.m., with an Executive session preceding it at 2:00 p.m. at the Department of Water and Power, Room 1555-H, 111 North Hope Street, Los Angeles.

Respectfully submitted,



RICK RICHMOND
Acting Executive Director