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MINUTES

February 24, 1982

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Edelman at 1:47 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Hearing Room at the Hall of Administration.

Members in attendance were:

Chairman Edelman
Councilwoman Pat Russell
Councilman John Zimmerman
Councilman Russ Rubley
Mayor Ed Russ
Wendell Cox
Ted Pierce, alternate to Supervisor Antonovich
Robert Reeves, alternate to Supervisor Hahn
Barna Szabo, alternate to Supervisor Dana
Ray Remy, alternate to Mayor Bradley
Heinz Heckerth, Ex-Officio for State of California

Staff members in attendance were:

Rick Richmond, Executive Director
Ronald Schneider, Principal Deputy County Counsel
Kathy Torigoe, Executive Secretary
Annette Honda, Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of February 10, 1982. No objection was heard.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Edelman indicated that he would comment later on some of the items on the agenda.

COMMITTEE REPORTSFINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Russ reported on the February 22, 1982 joint meeting of the Finance Review and Service Coordination Committees. The committees' recommendations are as follows:

I. AB 120 Action Plan

- o Approve the changes to the AB 120 Draft Action Plan as supported by staff in Attachment A of the memorandum to the Service Coordination Committee.

II. Request for Proposal: TPM Data Review and Performance Audits

- o Approve the Request for Proposal (RFP) on Phases I and II of the LACTC TPM data review/performance audit program. Staff is directed to provide further detail in the RFP on the process that will be followed to identify the issues which will be included in Phase II of the Performance Audit;
- o Establish the Service Coordination Committee as the primary working committee for the Performance Audit. Issues of primary concern to the Finance Review Committee are to be brought before that committee.

III. SCRTD FY 1981-82 Capital Program Revision

Approve inclusion of the following SCRTD projects in the FY 1981-82 Revised Los Angeles County TIP:

- o 30 minibuses (federal share: \$2,424,000)
- o Earthquake modification for Divisions 3 and 5 (federal share: \$4,105,000)
- o Central Maintenance Facility (federal share: \$16,000,000) - On this project, staff is to seek further information from SCRTD and its consultant on the short- and long-term impacts of subsidy reductions on the need for the size of facility currently being proposed.
- o Equipment (federal share: \$11,159,000). Approval of the portion of this project dealing with the acquisition of fareboxes is contingent upon further SCRTD study of the feasibility of various types of fareboxes.

Items I, II, and III were moved for approval by Mr. Russ, seconded by Mr. Cox. No objections were heard.

IV. Proposed State Prop. 5 Application for Norwalk Track Improvements

Mr. Russ asked Mr. Zimmerman to report on the following recommendation:

- o Authorize staff to pursue the plan of action for implementation of Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe track improvements necessary for the Norwalk Station, as outlined in the staff recommendation. Included are the following actions:
 1. File a State Prop. 5 application in the amount of \$1.1 to \$1.25 million and amend the FY 1982-86 TIP accordingly;
 2. Notify Amtrak of the Commission's action;
 3. Authorize up to \$10,000 of the Commission's rapid transit set-aside (SB 620 funds) in order to expedite the process of an initial contract by Amtrak with Santa Fe to do the required detailed engineering and cost estimates;
 4. If the California Transportation Commission does not act on the Commission's Prop. 5 application by the time Santa Fe completes its engineering work, the Commission will seek a "letter of no prejudice" from the CTC so that we may proceed with the next phase of the project using rapid transit set-aside funds without prejudicing the CTC's ultimate decision on the Prop. 5 application;
 5. With regard to recommended action #4, staff is authorized to communicate the Commission's support for a "letter of no prejudice" policy to the CTC when the CTC considers this issue at its February 25-26 meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Zimmerman, seconded by Mrs. Rubley to improve funds for the improvements. No objection was heard.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Remy reported on the committee's meeting of today.

Mr. Remy commended Mr. Russ on his report on the San Diego Trolley.

He also suggested that the Commission extend an invitation to Assemblywoman Marilyn Ryan to attend a future Commission meeting to commend her, on behalf of the Commission, for carrying AB 548, 549 and 550.

Federal Legislation

Staff Briefing on Impact of Proposed FY 1983 Transportation Budget

At Chairman Edelman's request, the committee investigated the impacts of the proposed federal transportation budget. Mr. Richmond reported on the budget and handed out supplemental information on the federal highway budget and impacts on Los Angeles County.

Mr. Irving Smith briefed the Commission on the status of federal legislation.

Motion was made by Mr. Remy that, while the Commission is supportive of reauthorizing the highway and transit programs, the Commission is not in support of the Administration's proposed budget cuts. Seconded by Mrs. Russell.

Chairman Edelman recommended that the Commission work with other transit agencies, business officials, and interest groups to develop an effective coalition to oppose the Administration's proposed cuts. Until a coalition is developed, Mr. Edelman recommended that a letter be sent to the California Congressional delegation stating the Commission's position on this issue.

Mr. Szabo moved, seconded by Mr. Reeves, that this Commission communicate with the delegation our concerns.

Mr. Cox recommended that the Chairman in his letter review the progress of the Commission working with the transit operators in the establishment of transit performance and efficiency standards.

Mr. Szabo's motion was amended to incorporate Mr. Cox's amendment.

Motion was adopted unanimously.

State Legislation

AB 549 & AB 550 (Ryan): AB 550 has passed the Legislature and is on the Governor's desk and AB 549 is pending a hearing in the Senate Industrial Relations Committee.

AB 1623 (Martinez): The conference report on AB 1623 has been amended to address the Commission's concerns and this measure should be acted on by the Legislature very soon.

It was moved and seconded to approve the IRC's report. No objection was heard.

SERVICE COORDINATION COMMITTEE

Mr. Cox reported that the SCC recommendations were included in the Finance Review Committee report.

PUBLIC HEARING ON DRAFT PARATRANSIT ACTION PLAN

The public hearing on the Draft AB 120 Social Service Paratransit Coordination Plan started at 2:30 p.m. The Executive Director made introductory remarks.

Testimony was heard from Mrs. Rene Wilson, representative of the League of Women Voters and the Pasadena Area Commission on Aging; and Mr. Chip Hazen, spokesman for the LACTC Citizens Advisory Committee.

Hearing no further testimony from the public, the public hearing was closed by Chairman Edelman.

Chairman Edelman asked that the comments on the Action Plan be referred to staff for further consideration. The AB 120 Action Plan will come back to the Commission for adoption on March 10, 1982.

STATUS REPORT ON COMMUTER COMPUTER

Mr. Tad Widby, President of Computer Transportation Services, Inc., briefed the Commission on the status of Commuter Computer.

At 2:50 p.m., Chairman Edelman turned the meeting over to Vice Chairwoman Russell.

A motion was made and seconded to commend Commuter Computer for their good work. No objection was heard.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Commission Members' Travel Request for Approval

Commissioners Cox, Pierce, and Szabo have expressed an interest in attending the American Public Transit Association (APTA) Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. on March 8-9.

Motion to approve the request was made by Mr. Russ, seconded by Mr. Pierce. No objection was heard to the motion.

B. APTA Western Conference

The conference will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah on March 27-April 1. Commissioners should contact staff if they are interested in attending this conference.

Mr. Richmond mentioned that APTA has requested LACTC's participation in the preparation of two policy papers. Mr. Cox and Mr. Paul Taylor are involved.

C. Union Station

Union Station has not been acquired by Caltrans, contrary to what appeared in the press today.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Bryan Allen offered a suggestion regarding how the Commission may be able to increase its public visibility. He suggested having public hearings for the TIP process.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice was received and filed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

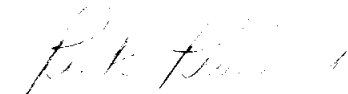
The Commission adjourned at 3:05 p.m. to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

At 3:15 p.m., the Commission reconvened.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



RICK RICHMOND
Executive Director

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