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MINUTES

June 23, 1982

The regular Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Edelman at 1:50 p.m. in the Board Room at the Department of Water and Power.

Members in attendance were:

Supervisor Edmund Edelman  
Councilwoman Pat Russell  
Mayor Jacki Bacharach  
Wendell Cox  
Blake Sanborn, alternate to Supervisor Schabarum  
Burke Roche, alternate to Supervisor Hahn  
Ted Pierce, alternate to Supervisor Antonovich  
Barna Szabo, alternate to Supervisor Dana  
Ray Remy, alternate to Mayor Bradley  
Heinz Heckeroth, 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

The minutes of June 9, 1982 were approved unanimously, as submitted.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Edelman named the members of the standing Rapid Transit Committee. The members are as follows:

Pat Russell, Chairwoman  
Jacki Bacharach  
Kenneth Hahn  
Mike Antonovich  
Russ Rubley

Chairman Edelman thanked Mr. Sanborn and the Finance Review Committee for carrying the workload for the past few months.

He also asked staff for recommendations of where members might visit rapid transit systems that are now in operation.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### FINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanborn reported on the committee's meeting of June 21, 1982. The committee's recommendations are as follows:

##### Proposition A Local Return Guidelines

- o Adopt the Proposition A Local Return Proposed Final Guidelines as revised by FRC.
- o Authorize staff to send these guidelines to all 82 cities and the County of Los Angeles for their use in implementing projects under the Proposition A Local Return Program.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Cox. Motion was carried, hearing no objection.

##### Report on CTC 1982 STIP Policies Regarding County Minimums

- o Formally appeal the CTC's 1982 STIP policy regarding county minimums during the STIP appeals process in August 1982, pending the outcome of the adoption of the 1982 STIP by the CTC on June 25, 1982.
- o Endorse a Commission policy supporting the flexible interpretation of SB 215's county minimum formula, as a short-term solution to the county minimum problem.
- o Endorse a legislative revision to SB 215's county minimum formula to exclude federal interstate funding, such as that used for the Century Freeway, from application under the county minimum requirement, as a long-term solution to the county minimum problem.

Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Cox.

Mr. Remy suggested that item 3 of the STIP policies be held from action until it is taken up at the Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting and brought back at a later date for Commission approval. He indicated that IRC reviewed the legislative issues relative to the county minimum problem and that IRC has several recommendations.

Mr. Sanborn amended his motion to include only the first two items of the STIP policies; seconded by Mrs. Bacharach. Motion was carried, hearing no objection.

#### Fare Reduction for Subscription Bus Services

- o Review of the eligibility of subscription bus services for fare reduction under Proposition A was held over for further discussion among the FRC, SCRTD, and ARCO.

This was an information item.

#### FY 1982-83 Commission Budget

- o Adopt the FY 1982-83 Commission budget with the removal of an amount of approximately \$3,400 as it relates to the PERS contribution of the Executive Director.

Mr. Richmond clarified that there is an allowance that would or would not cover PERS. Staff will make an adjustment at a later date.

With that understanding, Mr. Sanborn moved for approval; seconded by Mr. Cox. Motion was carried, hearing no objection.

#### New Business

- o Request staff to report at the Commission's July 23, 1982 meeting on Caltrans' recommendations to the CTC regarding Los Angeles County Guideway Projects nominated for inclusion in the 1982 STIP.

Mr. Cox indicated that it should be reported at the June 23 meeting instead of July.

#### INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Remy reported on the IRC's meeting of today. The committee's recommendations are as follows:

#### Federal Legislation

Mr. Remy reported that since President Reagan had indicated opposition to the 5¢ increase in the gasoline tax, the legislative approach to both highway and transit reauthorization measures has changed. It looks as though we are dealing with one-year reauthorization of legislation on highway and transit matters. There are some questions as to whether there should be a straight reauthorization of this existing transit legislation or whether they should take some of the elements of HR 6211 (Anderson) and make that the frame work of a one-year bill. IRC will follow those items of importance and report back to the Commission relative to funding matters and also prioritization of funds.

## State Legislation

## SB 1711 (Holmdahl) and AB 3179 (Young)

Mr. Remy reported that in meeting county minimums, a situation could arise where it may be unlikely that any major transportation project other than the Century Freeway could be funded in this county for the next 10 to 15 years. In order to meet the statewide county minimums of other counties, there are several bills that affect this issue. SB 1711 and AB 3179 provide some flexibility in the Caltrans' sale of surplus property, with those funds being retained within the county for use on other highway projects. IRC supports these bills.

SCR 82 (Robbins)

This resolution by Senator Robbins urges the California Transportation Commission to exempt the interstate funding for the Century Freeway from the Los Angeles County highway minimums provided under SB 215. IRC supports this resolution, but felt that it is only a resolution and it does not have a binding effect upon the State Commission. The committee felt that a suggestion should be made to the Senator that he include reference within the resolution to a study by both the State Commission and the regional commission.

## AB 3800 (Marguth)

This bill would repeal the LACTC's 1/2¢ sales tax increase. IRC received a report that a number of agencies have opposed this measure and it appears that it will have at least some opposition in the legislature. A hearing is scheduled at the end of this month. IRC was informed that SB 1331 (Foran) has passed the legislature and has been signed by the Governor. IRC continues to support SB 1335 (Foran), which is the reauthorization of SB 620 monies from the transportation planning development account.

AB 3283 (Robinson)

IRC recommends this Commission take a position on AB 3283 which authorizes the Orange County Transportation Commission to levy a sales tax of up to one percent with a simple majority vote. The bill now provides for a two-thirds vote. The bill is being amended to basically have the same provisions that we have in Los Angeles County.

Mr. Roche asked whether the Commission will be sending a representative to testify on Marguth's bill.

Chairman Edelman asked staff to notify all members by memo when Marguth's bill will be heard and have members indicate to staff whether they plan to attend.

Mr. Cox asked staff to coordinate with the transit operators (SCRTD, Santa Monica, Long Beach, etc.) to make sure that they have effective representation at the hearing.

Mr. Richmond indicated that staff is actively mobilized in terms of getting opposition positions on AB 3800.

Mr. Remy indicated that Orange County has been supportive of LACTC's effort with Howard Berman's bill for the 1/2¢ sales tax increase; therefore, this Commission should lend support for Assemblyman Robinson's bill, which reduces it to a simple majority vote.

Mr. Remy moved for approval of the IRC report plus support of AB 3283 (Robinson); seconded by Mr. Sanborn. Motion was carried, hearing no objection.

#### Proposition 5 Fund Application

Mr. Richmond commented on the CTC issue. A series of three documents were sent relating to the pending light rail applications for Proposition 5 funds before the CTC. Caltrans is recommending 50% funding with a series of conditions. On the second tier corridor projects and the other three corridors that we have amended to include other Proposition A corridors, Caltrans is recommending that that program of that application not be funded. The first letter relates to the Los Angeles-Long Beach application, in which we have asked for relief on some conditions in advance of the action on the resolution and an understanding that CTC's staff is favorably inclined to our request and will suggest some changes in the conditions. The second letter supports the second tier application, making some points which we feel are not correctly dealt with in terms of Caltrans' recommendation on why that additional application should go forward. There is still a difference between Caltrans' recommendation of not funding it and what the Commission is requesting.

A question-and-answer period followed.

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Appointment to Citizens Advisory Committee: Commissioner Bacharach nominated Alyce Vrba to the CAC, which requires Commission approval. It was moved by Mrs. Bacharach for approval; seconded by Mr. Cox. Motion was carried.