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Upon notice duly given, the Members of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority met at a continued Budget Hearing session at the Authority Board Room, 1060 South Broadway, Los Angeles 15, California, at 10:00 a.m. on December 29, 1959, at which time the Chairman called the meeting to order.

Chairman Carl P. Miller, Members Don Belding, Fred S. Dean, A. J. Eyraud, Russell A. Quisenberry, and Arthur J. Will were present. Member Hayden F. Jones was absent. Also present were Executive Director C. M. Gilliss; General Attorney Gerald G. Kelly; Administrative Assistant Edwin T. Bowler; General Manager Cone T. Bass; Assistant General Manager R. F. MacNally; Treasurer Wm. W. Wakelee; Director of Business Development and Information James H. Raport; Assistant Treasurer H. L. Black; Superintendent of Schedules George F. Goehler; Ernest R. Gerlach of Coverdale & Colpitts, Consulting Engineers; Richard Winn of the Business Development and Information Division; Research Engineer John Curtis; Traffic Analyst D. D. Canning; Secretary Virginia L. Rees; Howard Kennedy of the Los Angeles Times; Harry Bernstein

of the Los Angeles Examiner; Charles Page of the Herald-Express and Carter Barber of the Mirror; and the public.

The Executive Director then read "Remarks by C. M. Gilliss, Executive Director, Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority, in presenting 1960 budget recommendations to Authority members at the budget hearing December 29, 1959," a copy of which is attached to these Minutes as Exhibit A.

There was then discussion as to whether the 1960 Budget should contain provision for possible wage increases to contract employees. It was pointed out that contract employees were now working below the prevailing wage scale. It was the feeling of the Members that in fairness to the employees, provision should be made to increase their salaries to a prevailing wage, effective January 3, 1960, and to provide for such increase in the Authority's 1960 Budget, the increase to be as set forth on Exhibit B attached to these Minutes. It was also the feeling of the Authority that certain work rules, inherited by the Authority from two prior private operators, should be unified in order to terminate discrimination between employees doing the same work and further to allow the Authority to make certain capital expenditures which would result in large financial savings to the Authority, and

further to permit the Authority to make further improvements in the service to the public. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Authority set the 1st day of December, 1959 as the date for the public hearing on its 1960 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary, pursuant to Section 1010 of the Trust Indenture dated January 1, 1958, advertised notice of said hearing in the Metropolitan News and the Wall Street Journal; and

WHEREAS, said hearing was commenced at 2:00 p.m. on December 1, 1959 and, after partial completion, was continued to 10:00 a.m., December 29, 1959; and

WHEREAS, the Authority concluded its public hearing at the December 29, 1959 continued hearing; and

WHEREAS, the budget has the approval of the Consulting Engineer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Annual Budget of the Authority for the calendar year 1960, which is attached as Exhibit C to these Minutes, be and the same is hereby adopted in its entirety. This Budget includes increases for contract employees designed to bring them to prevailing wage rates effective January 3, 1960, and said Budget also reflects savings to the Authority as the result of the adoption of new and uniform working rules for said employees.

There being no further business before the meeting, it adjourned.

VIRGINIA L. REES

Secretary