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Upon notice duly given, the members of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority met a regular meeting at the Authority's Board Room, 1060 South Broadway, Los Angeles 15, California, at 3:00 o'clock p.m. on July 15, 1958, at which time the Chairman called the meeting to order.

Chairman Carl P. Miller, Members Don Belding, Fred S. Dean, Russell A. Quisenberry, Arthur J. Will and Clarence A. Winder attended. Member Hayden F. Jones was absent. Also present were Executive Director Ralph P. Merritt; General Attorney Gerald G. Kelly; General Manager Cone T. Bass; Public Relations Director James H. Raport; Controller Wm. W. Wakelee; Ernest Gerlach and Clark Abbott of Coverdale & Colpitts, Consulting Engineers of the Authority; Secretary Virginia L. Rees; Administrative Assistant James H. Lyons; H. L. Black, Assistant Treasurer, John Wagner and R. O. Christiansen of the Public Relations Department; Roderick M. Hills of Musick, Peeler & Garrett; representatives of the press; and the public.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on July 1, 1958 were approved.

Condemnation Action

The General Attorney reported that the Los Angeles Transit Lines was named as a party defendant some time ago in the case entitled Roland T. Kinney, Executor v. City of Inglewood, et al, Superior Court No. 700,020, and that it has now been determined that Los Angeles Transit Lines had no interest at stake that had been transferred to the Authority. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, there is presently a condemnation action filed in the Los Angeles Superior Court numbered 700,020 and titled "Roland T. Kinney, Executor v. City of Inglewood, et al."; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has no interest in the land which is the subject of said lawsuit;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the General Attorney is authorized to enter a Disclaimer of Interest in the above-mentioned lawsuit.

Rules and Regulations

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that Article 5.3 of the Rules and Regulations of the Authority shall be amended to read in its entirety as follows:

5.3 Employment of Office Personnel. Subject to the prior approval of the Authority, the Executive Director may employ office personnel at compensation previously determined by the

Authority; provided that the Executive Director may employ replacements for office personnel without the approval of the Authority, so long as every such replacement receives no greater compensation than received by the replaced employee; provided further, that the Executive Director may employ temporary replacements for office personnel on vacation or on leave of absence without the approval of the Authority, so long as every such temporary replacement receives no greater compensation than received by the absent employee.

Transfer of Automotive Equipment

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the preamble and resolutions adopted at the March 25, 1958 regular meeting of the members of the Authority under the title "Transfer of Automotive Equipment" are hereby rescinded in their entirety. RESCINDED BY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED DEC. 1, 1959

RESOLVED FURTHER, that in lieu of such rescinded preamble and resolutions, the following resolutions are hereby adopted:

RESOLVED, that SHELBY T. BROWN and F. L. BADER, employees of this Authority be, and hereby are, authorized to execute and deliver in the name of and on behalf of this Authority applications for the registration of motor vehicles with the Department of Motor Vehicles of the State of California, and such other instruments as may be required in connection with such registrations.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that C. P. Carter and H. L. Black, employees of this Authority are hereby designated as proper persons, and are hereby authorized, to sign for and on behalf of this Authority the name of this Authority on any and all certificates of ownership, registration cards, affidavits of non-operation, statements of fact, or any other papers in connection with

the registration, transfer or sale of any automotive equipment owned by this Authority.

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Settlement Agreement with Domenich Basso, Inc.

The General Attorney noted that at its June 17, 1958 meeting the Board authorized the purchase of 11 Plymouth automobiles from Domenich Basso, Inc. for the total purchase price of \$20,478.00. This price was identical to that bid by Domenich Basso, Inc. and with respect to six automobiles such bid was contained in a letter from that organization. However, as a result of further oral communications a misunderstanding developed between Domenich Basso, Inc. and members of the Authority's staff as to whether or not Domenich Basso, Inc. had also agreed to sell five additional automobiles at the same offered price. Domenich Basso, Inc. advises that because of a change in factory policy, it is unable to deliver a total of 11 cars on the basis of the original bid, but it will deliver the 6 cars at the bid price. Because of this factor and because of the misunderstanding heretofore mentioned, and upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the General Attorney be, and he hereby is, authorized to enter into the letter agreement with Domenich Basso, Inc. in the form reviewed at this meeting.

Authorization to purchase Six Plymouths

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and

unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the preamble and resolutions adopted at the June 17, 1958 regular meeting of the Members of the Authority under the title "Replacement of Automobiles" are hereby rescinded in their entirety.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that in lieu of such rescinded preamble and resolutions, the following resolutions are hereby adopted:

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby, authorized to replace six automobiles now obsolete or wrecked with six Plymouth cars at a total cost of \$9,443.54, including cost of additional servicing and equipment.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Manager be, and he is hereby, authorized to dispose of the six cars being replaced.

Coverdale & Colpitts Report on Origin and Destination Survey

Preliminary to Mr. Abbott's report, Mr. Merritt stated that since he had received a number of inquiries as to the necessity of making such a study that he would like to call attention to the fact that many metropolitan areas in the United States today are making a similar study. He made a brief report on the progress in various large cities. Mr. Merritt stated that what we are doing and what Mr. Abbott would speak about is the kind of background information necessary to determine the need of transportation in this area - that if we have no need of mass rapid transit facilities the proof should develop out of this study and if we do have

such a need, further studies will indicate where need exists, the extent of the need and still further studies will lead to the recommendation of the type of facilities best suited to each situation.

Mr. Abbott then made a report to the Authority on the progress of the Origin and Destination survey, a copy of which report is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

Inclusion of Other Counties in Metropolitan Areas

Mr. Merritt advised the Authority that he had received from certain of the representatives of San Bernardino, Riverside and Orange Counties requests for meetings for the purpose of open discussion whereby these counties may be able to present to the Legislature at its forthcoming session in 1959 possible amendment of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority Act for future inclusion of these counties as a part of the Metropolitan Area. There was no objection to acceptance of such invitation by the Executive Director.

Annual Budget

The Authority instructed the Executive Director to prepare study and develop a budget for the approval of the Authority in ample time so that the Authority may file a copy with the Secretary, the Trustee, and the Consulting Engineer before the 1st day of October, 1958.

Changes of Bus Stops

Mr. Bass reported that since the last meeting 34 bus stops have been established and 3 bus stop zones have been abandoned. Mr. Bass filed with the Authority a list of all such bus stop changes made from July 10, 1958 to date. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the report of the General Manager relating to bus stop changes be and the same is hereby ratified and approved;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that said report be lodged with the Secretary of the Authority.

Rerouting of Line No. 60

Mr. Bass stated that it was necessary to reroute Line No. 60 in the City of San Bernardino in order to conform to the one-way street plan in San Bernardino. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the General Manager recommends that Transit Authority Line No. 60 in the City of San Bernardino be rerouted and restrictions lifted in the manner described at this meeting and in the memorandum inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes as Exhibit 2; and

WHEREAS, such routing change will in no way tend to reduce the net revenues of the Authority below the amounts required by the provisions of Section 1002 of the Trust Indenture; and

WHEREAS, such rerouting is necessary in order to conform to the one-way street plan in San Bernardino;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that Transit Authority Line No. 60 in the City of San Bernardino be rerouted and restrictions lifted as hereinabove mentioned.

Replacement of Automobiles

Mr. Bass recommended the purchase of eleven automobiles, in addition to the six Plymouths authorized earlier at this meeting, to take the place of cars now operated in excess of 100,000 miles. He stated that bids were submitted on these eleven cars to the Ford, Chevrolet and Plymouth dealers and that Plymouth did not bid on this request. Mr. Bass recommended acceptance of the lowest Chevrolet bid of \$20,421.44 since the Ford bid did not conform to bid specifications. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to purchase and prepare for service eleven Chevrolet automobiles for utility use at a total price of \$20,421.44, and installation of equipment at an additional cost of \$2,500; these utility automobiles to take the place of cars now operated in excess of 100,000 miles and he is hereby authorized to dispose of the eleven cars being replaced.

Authority to scrap 1945 Diesel Coach

The General Manager reported that it was desirable to salvage and scrap 1945 Model TD4007 GMC Diesel Coach and use the parts for the repair of other buses rather than to attempt to repair it. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to scrap 1945 Model TD4007 GMC Diesel Coach (No. 6804) complete with engine, the parts to be used in servicing other coaches of similar type.

Rerouting of Lines No. 5 and 7

The General Manager recommended the temporary rerouting of Lines 5 and 7 due to construction work on the interchange of the Santa Monica and Harbor Freeways. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

Lines Nos. 5 and 7

WHEREAS, the General Manager recommends that Transit Authority Lines Nos. 5 and 7 be rerouted and restrictions lifted in the manner described at this meeting and in the memorandum inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes as Exhibit 3; and

WHEREAS, such routing change will in no way tend to reduce the net revenues of the Authority below the amounts required by the provisions of Section 1002 of the Trust Indenture; and

WHEREAS, construction work on the interchange of the Santa Monica and Harbor Freeways make it impossible to make passenger stops at Pico Boulevard and the Harbor Freeway;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that Transit Authority Lines Nos. 5 and 7 be rerouted and restrictions lifted as hereinabove mentioned.

West Hollywood Division Construction

Mr. Bass presented to the meeting a proposed addition to the West Hollywood Division which will provide storage

space for transfers and other supplies required at the Division which now have to be delivered on a daily basis; will increase the number of turn-in windows for operators from one to three; and will make it possible for operators to be instructed in that Division rather than having to be transported elsewhere. The estimate for building this facility is \$25,000. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to request bids for the construction of additional facilities at the West Hollywood Division; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that after he has obtained bids the General Manager submit the proposed contract to the Authority with a recommendation of the contractor to whom the contract should be awarded.

Summer Changes

The General Manager then reported on changes made to increase service for the summer period when the entertainment and beach activities are more active than at other times. He stated that on July 7 the Sunday service on Line 83 was increased by 50% with a 10 minute headway instead of 15 minutes during hours of travel to and from the beach; that school services were added to serve the summer school sessions; and that on July 4th and any other appropriate days extra trips were added to accommodate the streamer going to Catalina.

La Cienega Line

The General Manager presented a report on the test operations of the newly established Line No. 99, the La Cienega Boulevard Line, and stated that on July 12th the Saturday and Sunday service had been reduced as approved by the Board at its last meeting. A copy of this report is attached hereto as Exhibit 4.

Downtown Special Loop Service

Mr. Bass stated that the Downtown Special Loop Service started as scheduled on July 7th and that the patronage so far has been quite disappointing. A copy of the General Manager's report is attached hereto as Exhibit 4.

Public Address System

Mr. Merritt reported that the public address system requested at the last meeting had been investigated and bids for its cost of installation were being received.

Report of Purchasing Committee

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Report of Purchasing Committee of Authorizations from July 3, 1958 to July 10, 1958 as attached hereto as Exhibit 5, be and the same is hereby ratified and approved and the appropriate payments are hereby authorized.

PERY Collectible Bill

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Controller be, and he is hereby authorized to pay PERY Collectible Bill No. 253829 dated June 9, 1958 in the amount of \$1,149.83 to cover repairs to telephone line account auto striking Authority Pole No. 50349R; such amount to be recovered from insurance carrier.

Change of Location of Metro 2-way Radio Transmitter

Mr. Merritt stated that it was desirable to move the small radio station which the Authority operates from Flint Peak to Mount Modjeska in Orange County due to interference from stronger stations. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to purchase the necessary equipment in the amount of \$1,073.50 to change the location of the former Metro 2-way radio transmitter from Flint Peak to Mount Modjeska.

Purchase of Cap Badges

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to purchase 5,000 gold finished cap badges numbered consecutively 1 to 5,000 at a total cost of \$6,250 (\$1.25 each).

Purchase of IBM Cards

Mr. Merritt stated that it would be necessary to

purchase IBM cards in order to accomplish the origin and destination study being made by Coverdale & Colpitts. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to purchase 1,300,000 special IBM cards for transit needs study at a cost of \$2,613 as a charge against the Origin and Destination survey.

Membership in Professional and Institutional Organizations

The Executive Director reported that the Authority took over from predecessor companies a long list of organizations which were professional, civic and other types of organizations to which the predecessor companies were members or to which they made contributions. After submitting the matter to the General Attorney he found by Opinion dated May 12, 1958 that the Authority, as a public corporation is not in a position to make any contribution since it must receive a return for whatever it does but that individual employees of the Authority may contribute. Mr. Merritt then presented to the meeting a list of the organizations to which the Authority's employees belong, a copy of which is attached to these minutes as Exhibit 6. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, the Authority will acquire needed information because of its membership or the membership of its employees in the organizations hereinbelow listed; and

WHEREAS, the information will be useful to the Authority and to such employees as may be given memberships in the performance of their duties for the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the benefit to the Authority will be sufficient to justify the amount of money paid for such memberships; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has prepared documents to support the above findings; and

WHEREAS, membership in such organizations has been approved as to form by the General Attorney;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that memberships in the following professional and institutional organizations hereinbelow listed be and the same are hereby ratified and approved:

<u>Name of Organization</u>	<u>Cost of Annual Membership</u>
American Congress of Surveying	\$ 5.00
American Institute of CPA's	25.00
American Institute of Electrical Engineers	20.00
American Public Works Association	25.00
American Society for Industrial Security	10.00 (and \$10 initiation fee)
American Society of Mechanical Engineers	25.00
American Transit Association	5,500.00
Building Owners and Managers Association	167.78
California Association of Peace Officers	3.30
California Society of CPA's	18.00
Chief Special Agents Association	30.00
Institute of Traffic Engineers	17.50
Los Angeles County Peace Officers Assn.	8.50
Los Angeles Metropolitan Traffic Association	500.00
National Association of Purchasing Agents (also Purchasing Agents of Los Angeles)	80.00
National Machine Accounts Association	15.00
National Defense Transportation Association	15.00
Personnel and Industrial Relations Assn. (PIRA)	50.00
Society of Automotive Engineers	25.00
Merchants and Manufacturers Association	1,200.00
National Safety Council	2,500.00
Town Hall	40.00

