

MINUTES



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RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING MAY 6, 1988

MEMBERS PRESENT

JACKI BACHARACH, CHAIRWOMAN
WALTER KING

STAFF PRESENT

ED McSPEDON, DIRECTOR, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION
NORM JESTER, MANAGER, RAIL SYSTEMS
MANIT CHURANAKOSES, MANAGER, RAIL FACILITIES ENGINEERING

OTHERS

TOM TANKE, TRANSCAL
MIKE SANCHEZ, SANCHEZ KAMPS & ASSOCIATES
DOUG LOW, SCRTO
LARRY GALLEGOS, DELOITTE/KELLOGG JOINT VENTURE
WES LEAS, WES LEAS & ASSOCIATES

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Committee approved the minutes of the April 22, 1988 with the following additions and corrections:

Page 3 of minutes - Spell out ROP to read Regional Occupational Program (ROP).

Page 3, second to last section - In addition to asking staff to look into this matter, the Committee offered their assistance and it wanted to designate segments of the program to be considered for private funding.

Jacki Bacharach commented about a time limit in going out to private concerns.

REPORT ON THIRD-PARTY ACTIONS AND CONTRACT CHANGE NOTICES

Ed McSpedon presented staff's report on third-party actions and contract changes notices (outline attached).

Mr. McSpedon stated that at the meeting with the Los Angeles Department of Public Works (LADPW) on May 4, it was decided to have a weekly report every Friday listing the priority actions that we need to have closure on, with the critical dates. The LADPW was instructed by Supervisor Hahn's office not to issue construction permits to LACTC in Supervisorial District No. 2 for any light rail work until the Supervisor is satisfied with the design and cost sharing arrangement for Florence Station.

Mr. King stated concerns on several issues regarding the Florence Station. One being that UMTA wanted us to have a police station on the site and signs for the station and security. Mr. McSpedon said he had met with Mr. Alfred Delli Bovi, Administrator, Urban Mass Transportation Administration, Washington, and he had indicated to Mr. Delli Bovi that security was a problem on this line. Mr. Delli Bovi called Chairman Schabarum with an offer to fund some security facilities for this line. Mr. Schabarum asked that staff come up with some ideas on how to implement this. Staff is looking at involving the local police departments and county sheriff in systems security by providing facilities for them that would benefit us as well as providing facilities which would encourage private sector involvement in park-and-ride lot security, etc.

Another issue Mr. King stated was that the Commission should take responsibility of acquisition of the properties at the Florence Station site and not the County. He also stated that leasing the property from the Church at the site was not legal. Jacki Bacharach stated that the Commission should meet with Supervisor Hahn's office to resolve these issues and come back to the Committee at their May 16 meeting.

BRIEFING ON SAFETY CERTIFICATION

Tom Tanke addressed the Committee on the safety and quality assurance procedures for the project. He informed the Committee that although most modes of transportation have some kind of agency or government body that certifies their systems as safe to operate there is no government agency that certifies rail transit safety. Therefore, we have to certify ourselves. The PUC is an oversight party in terms of safety. They have a set of general safety orders which we must comply with. However, the PUC will not state that we are safe they will only indicate when or how we are not safe.

Mr. Tanke stated that the basis for establishing the safety program is to take all the appropriate national and local codes, regulation standards and make sure these codes are incorporated into the criteria and that our design and specifications meet that criteria. He also stated that using the codes as a basis, a set of criteria standards is developed; a checklists against those standards and a review against those checklists are also developed. After which, a certificate is issued stating that the element is traceable all the way back to the codes and standards. This is done on every contract.

The next stage involves the contract specs and contract packages and state that they meet the criteria. A test program is developed to be sure everything works together, that we have a program plan for future operations and everything is approved. At this point the Executive Director signs a letter saying when the system will open and that it is safe to open.

BRIEFING ON SIGNING & GRAPHICS

Manit Churanakoses addressed the Committee on signing and graphics. He stated that in order for patrons to travel on our systems with ease, convenience, safety and want to use the system again, we have to have signs and graphics that are simple, direct, uniform and consistent among all lines while still complementing the architectural aspects and visual impacts of the system. Mr. Churanakoses stated that our consultants have been working on the signing and graphics program and are at the 30% review level. He proceeded to present the philosophy and approach of the signage and graphics program. Mike Sanchez outlined the steps taken at this level such as reviewing project designs, researching other projects and coordinating with SCRTD. He stated that interfacing

with SCRTD was on-going process. Doug Low of SCRTD addressed the Committee on how SCRTD was proceeding with their signing and graphics program. The Committee expressed their concern that our project and the Metro Rail project be united to look like one system. Mr. Sanchez outlined the methods being studied to have a common denominator for the signs and graphics.

BRIEFING ON PROJECT MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT SERVICES

Larry Gallegos addressed the Committee on the management oversight services. He described some of the benefits that the Commission receives from the project management oversight function such as developing policies and procedures, document control, etc. Also, another important function is the review and recommendation of beneficial changes to general conditions and special provisions of contract documents, etc. Mr. Gallegos briefed the Committee on the organizational structure of his firm and how it functions in assisting the owner to assure that a quality project is delivered on time and within budgets. He stated that project management oversight is not only technically focused, but also management focused.

CONTRACT H840 - FARE VENDING EQUIPMENT PROGRESS REPORT

Norm Jester informed the Committee that starting today--through the use of video taping--they would be briefed on things happening in the manufacturing plants. Mr. Wes Leas gave a presentation on the events taking place in the Chicago plant concerning fare collection.

Attachment