

# MINUTES



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SEE MEETING 6/19/89

## RAIL CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING MAY 15, 1989

### MEMBERS PRESENT

JACKI BACHARACH  
MARCIA MEDNICK  
RAY GRABINSKI  
WALTER KING  
MIKE LEWIS (PART TIME)

### STAFF PRESENT

NEIL PETERSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (PART TIME)  
ED McSPEDON, DIRECTOR, DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION  
AL SCALA, MANAGER OF CONTRACTS  
MANIT CHURANAKOSES, MANAGER OF RAIL FACILITIES ENGINEERING

### OTHERS

MANUEL PADRON, MANUEL PADRON & ASSOCIATES

### CAL. TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF MAY 1, 1989

The minutes of the meeting of May 1, 1989 were approved as submitted.

**CONTRACT C415 - FIRESTONE BRIDGE BRIEFING**

This item was discussed at the LACTC meeting of May 10, 1989.

**CLOSED SESSION: REVIEW OF PENDING CONSTRUCTION CLAIMS**

The Committee asked for a closed session to discuss pending construction claims and contract change orders.

**CONTRACT C435, CHANGE ORDER #018 - AERIAL STRUCTURES**

Jacki Bacharach asked that staff send more backup information on contract change orders.

Al Scala presented staff's report on Change Order #018. The Committee recommended that the Commission approve Change Order #108 in the amount of \$2,000,000 as an advance against a final negotiated settlement of an outstanding claim. Sufficient contingency remains within the current Authorization for Expenditure for this contract.

**CONTRACT H0832, CHANGE ORDER #011 - CABLE TRANSMISSION SYSTEM**

Al Scala presented staff's report on Change Order #011 exercising an option in the current contract to furnish, install and test the Cable Transmission System for the Norwalk/El Segundo rail transit project.

The Committee expressed its concern on exercising this option without finding out what options are available today's market. Another concern expressed is whether the fiber-optic network has the capability of adding the SAFE program.

Ed McSpedon stated we have looked at the capability and cost of using the telephone company to provide circuits for the SAFE boxes vs. our fiber optic network and found our fiber optic network (Cable Transmission) system to be a functional and cost-effective alternative.

The Committee directed staff to seek an extension on our option until the end of June, and to return to the Committee's June 2 meeting with a report on the current market and the compatibility with the SAFE program.

**CONTRACT P830, CHANGE ORDER #005 - SPECIAL TRACKWORK**

Al Scala presented staff's report on contract R01-T08-P830, Change Order #005 for design revisions required due to the Long Beach Loop. He stated the reason for needing a recommendation on this Change Order is because of the time extension of 150 days. This 150 days does not impact any project milestones.

The Committee recommended that the Commission approve Change Order #005 in the amount of \$28,120.27 and grant a time extension to the contract of 150 calendar days.

**CONTRACT C140, CHANGE ORDER #036 - LA CBD APPROACH**

Al Scala presented staff's report on contract R01-T01-C140, Change Order #36. This Change Order involves design revisions to traffic signal heads, loop detector runs and traffic signal mast arm lengths at intersections along Flower St. and Washington Blvd.

Ms. Bacharach questioned the Fair Cost Estimate (FCE) figure stated in the Executive Summary. Mr. Scala stated it should be corrected to read \$927,127.00.

She also asked whether the FCE left out temporary traffic signal work as an oversight. Mr. Garrison responded that when the FCE was done, TransCal was not aware of the temporary signal that would be required by LADOT.

The Committee recommended that the Commission approve Change Order #036 in the amount of \$955,000.

**CONTRACT C2125, CHANGE ORDER #230 - SATELLITE YARD TO L.A. RIVER  
BRIDGE**

Al Scala presented staff's report on Change Order #230 which represents final settlement for time and monies, and fully satisfies all requests for extension of time and other claims and disputes against contract C2125.

The Committee recommended that the Commission approve Change Order #230 in the amount of \$2,187,696. Sufficient contingency remains with the current authorization for expenditure for this contract.

**REPORT ON THIRD-PARTY ACTIONS AND CONTRACT CHANGE NOTICES**

Ed McSpedon presented staff's report to the Committee (outline attached).

He reported that the 1st draft on the traffic study on grade separation and Washington Blvd. will be finalized this week. Staff will report back to the Committee on June 2.

Regarding the County of Los Angeles declining to share in the cost funding on the grade separation on Imperial Highway, the Committee asked that Mr. King follow up with Supervisor Hahn's office.

Jacki Bacharach reported on the meeting in Compton regarding MC-5. She stated that the City has received the financing they need for their share, but is asking the Commission to agree to give them a \$7 million dollar advance on their own Prop. A monies, if needed. This money will supplement what they get from the State and other sources.

One of the items discussed at this meeting was, instead of building a useless track for the future, would SPTC be willing to build the diversion a little further north. Mr. Peterson will be bringing this matter up at his meeting with the SPTC on Wednesday, May 17.

Jacki Bacharach asked about the status of the interagency personnel reassignment with the DWP. Mr. McSpedon stated that he originally had an agreement in concept with DWP, but due to a change in DWP's management, a letter has been received stating they are not interested.

**METRO BLUE LINE - CLAIM OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY  
ETM & WILLOWBROOK, COMPTON**

Ed McSpedon presented staff's report. The Committee recommended that the Commission formally reject the claim of Southern California Edison Company.

**CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT CONTRACT NO. R90-S19-MY005**

Al Scala presented staff's report on contract R90-S19-MY005 for Configuration Management. The Committee recommended that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to execute contract No. R90-S19-MY005 for the period of June 1989 to June 1993, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$2,901,508 to LKG Configuration Management Consultants for configuration management services. A 10% contract reserve fund of \$290,151 is also required to cover the cost of changes and/or extra work outside the contract scope if required.

**THE GREEN LINE - ROSECRANS BRIDGE DESIGN UPDATE**

Manit Churanakoses addressed the Committee on the options to identify cost savings for the Rosecrans Bridge design being reviewed by staff and consultants. Staff and consultants will return to the Committee at their June 2 meeting with their findings and recommendation.

Pat Russell, representing Continental Development Corporation, commended staff for doing the value engineering, and stated that she would like to see both the light rail bridge and the SPTC freight rail bridge done at the same time in order to keep the impacts at a minimum.

Don Camph, representing El Segundo Employers Association, has been meeting with the City of Hawthorne and the Commission on both bridges and expressed the City's desire to have the two bridges designed and built simultaneously.

**THE GREEN LINE - EL SEGUNDO ALIGNMENT, ADDITION OF NEW STATION**

Mr. McSpedon stated that this study was done primarily to find out if adding this station would be a detriment to the line. Mr. McSpedon stated we have discussed the line with property owners in the El Segundo area. Hughes Corporation has shown an interest in seeing the line grade separated on their property and in turn is willing to contribute back to the Commission, at no cost, a number of real estate considerations, (i.e, fee title for column touchdown points, aerial easements, permanent maintenance easements) and would contribute a portion of their parking lot for a kiss and ride. Hughes would have to go to their Board for approval. They would like the Commission to consider an additional station between the Aviation and Mariposa stations.

Manuel Padron addressed the Committee on the addition of a new station on the El Segundo alignment and its impacts on the run time of the operation and ridership. Mr. Padron summarized that since the additional station is in an area when the train will be slowing down to 25 mph for a sharp curve, the additional station would only add approximately 32 seconds to the running time. He also reported that there would be a net increase of 715 riders per day. The cost per rider, according to UMTA criteria, indicates that adding this station would be cost-effective. Mr. Padron's conclusion is that it would not be a detriment to the rail line.

Don Camph stated that ESEA is greatly interested in the project and is looking into funding from the private sector for the additional station. He also stated that ESEA has had contacts with UMTA and they have shown an interest in funding the project.

Mr. McSpedon stated that our design of the guideway does not preclude an additional station, but is essential to our negotiations with Hughes.

#### **MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT**

The Committee discussed the monthly progress report on the Norwalk/El Segundo rail transit project.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Ray Grabinski expressed his concern on the aesthetics of the mid-corridor from Washington Blvd. into Long Beach. He requested that community redevelopment groups from Los Angeles, Long Beach, Compton and the County get together with the LACTC to develop a beautification program for that section. He stated that using the landscaping of trees, plants instead of just billboards would help minimize the graffiti along the alignment and induce local pride in the rail system. The Committee directed staff to return to the June 2 meeting with a report on what steps staff is taking to meet with the cities and elected officials to promote a beautification program along the mid-corridor.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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Attachments