



**Rail  
Construction  
Corporation**



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APPROVED WITH CORRECTIONS  
SEE MEETING OF 1-18/90

**RAIL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION  
MINUTES OF MEETING NOVEMBER 20, 1989**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

JACKI BACHARACH  
CAROLE STEVENS  
WALTER KING

**STAFF PRESENT**

JERRY GIVENS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION  
LAURENCE WELDON, PROJECT ENGINEER, CONSTRUCTION  
AL SCALA, MANAGER OF CONTRACTS  
NORM JESTER, MANAGER OF RAIL SYSTEMS  
AL PATASHNICK, SENIOR TRANSPORTATION ANALYST  
BARBARA NORRIS, SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

**OTHERS**

BOB JOHNSON, TRANSIT INSURANCE ADMINISTRATORS  
TONY STEVENS, TRANSIT INSURANCE ADMINISTRATORS

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF NOVEMBER 6, 1989

The minutes of the meeting of November 6, 1989 were approved with the following correction:

Page 6, second paragraph, correct to read ... Hire, immediately, a contract person to raise funds and develop.....

STATUS REPORT ON THE RAIL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION - SLIDE PRESENTATION

Laurence Weldon gave a slide presentation on the current construction status of the Metro Blue Line.

REPORT ON THIRD-PARTY ACTIONS AND CONTRACT CHANGE NOTICES

Jerry Givens presented staff's report (outline attached).

GOVERNMENT CODE CLAIMS

The Board recommended that the Commission formally reject the claims of Virginia M. Curran; Shona Stevens.

METRO BLUE LINE - CONTRACT C335 - CONTINENTAL HELLER - DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Al Scala addressed the Board on contract C335. He stated that a settlement was proposed between Continental Heller and Franklin Reinforcing Steel, Inc. recently, however staff does not have all the details at this time. Mr. Scala asked that this item be tabled for further study and returned to the December 4 Board meeting. The Board concurred.

METRO GREEN LINE, COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT - FOUR CORNERS PIPE LINE COMPANY

Jerry Givens presented staff's report. The Board recommended the Commission authorize the Executive Director to execute the cooperative agreement with Four Corners Pipe Line Company and begin to issue work orders for necessary activities including design work, which should be done by LACTC-controlled forces to the maximum extent possible.

#### **METRO BLUE LINE - SHUTTLE SERVICE**

Al Patashnick updated the Board on the shuttle service being studied which will provide a link from the last LRT station at the northern terminus, at the time of start-up, to 7th & Flower Street. He stated staff has been working with the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation and SCRTD on the shuttle service to 7th & Flower. In regards to similar services at the southern terminus, staff has been working with Long Beach Transit. Staff will work closely with these agencies in order to assure that passengers are dropped off at safe and convenient stops.

The Board discussed the options of using the DASH service, contracting with Foothill Transit, or using SCRTD. They also discussed possible shuttle fares. The Board asked that staff return to its next meeting with an in-depth report on the shuttle service with start-up dates, how it will operate, agreements with other parties, and where LRT passengers will disembark for transfer to the shuttle buses.

#### **METRO BLUE LINE - CONSTRUCTION SAFETY PERFORMANCE**

Tony Stevens and Bob Johnson addressed the Board on the construction safety performance. Mr. Johnson reviewed an outline on the the 1989 Lost Time Accident Experience and Workers' Compensation Claims Experience. Mr. Johnson stated that staff is initiating a safety awareness program. Training courses for consultant and staff with field-related responsibilities is scheduled for December. Also, an extensive and detailed safety handbook is in the final stages of preparation and will be issued to the contractors for their employees. Mr. Stevens stressed the fact that although the project is winding down, there are still dangers and recommended that staff and consultants stress to the contractors that safety should be first and foremost on their minds.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Carole Stevens reported on the SCAG Growth Management Transportation Task Force. This item was referred to the Government and Finance Committee. Ms. Stevens also reported on the proposed Transportation Voucher System being considered whereby an employer gives the voucher to its employees as an incentive to use carpools or public transportation. This item was referred to the Transit Committee.

The Board set two possible dates for a workshop on MOS-2:  
December 8 or December 12.

Jacki Bacharach asked about the Peer Review on rail start-up. Norm Jester explained our participation and the selection process. He stated that a series of meetings between LACTC and SCRTD to discuss staffing and funding levels are being scheduled; when the process is complete, staff will return to the Board.

Norm Jester reported to the Board on the incident appearing in the Los Angeles Times concerning a former security consultant. He stated that the security consultant was terminated last week. Mr. Jester explained that the contract extension approved by the Commission last month was never executed and, therefore, considered null and void. Lou Hubaud stated a replacement is being identified and a new contract may be ready by the next Board meeting.

Carole Stevens expressed her concern with the graffiti problem and asked that staff meet with local neighborhood youth organizations in contact with gang leaders in the respective areas along the Blue Line to encourage the gang leaders to buy into the program. Ms. Stevens stated that the best source of getting the gang leader's names is through the local youth organizations. Jacki Bacharach asked that the Community Relations staff meet with herself, Ms. Stevens, and the Sheriff's Department to go over what options are available.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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