



**Rail
Construction
Corporation**



a Subsidiary of
the Los Angeles County
Transportation Commission

**RAIL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION
MINUTES OF MEETING MARCH 8, 1990**

MEMBERS PRESENT

INTERIM BOARD:

JACKI BACHARACH
WALTER KING
RAY GRABINSKI

PERMANENT RCC BOARD:

DAVID E. ANDERSON
ERNIE CAMACHO
HERBERT L. CARTER
ROBERT E. KRUSE
DON McINTYRE

STAFF PRESENT

NEIL PETERSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
ED McSPEDON, ACTING PRESIDENT/CEO, R.C.C.
RICHARD STANGER, DIRECTOR OF RAIL DEVELOPMENT
AL SCALA, MANAGER OF CONTRACTS
MIKE DEGROOT, SENIOR PROGRAM CONTROL SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR
DAVID SIEVERS, ACTING PROJECT MANAGER FOR THE GREEN LINE
JESSICA CUSICK, SENIOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER
BARBARA NORRIS, SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

OTHERS

NINA PHILLIPS, COUNTY COUNSEL

CALL TO ORDER

IMPLEMENTATION OF RAIL CONSTRUCTION BOARD

Jacki Bacharach began meeting by stating that it would be a joint meeting of the Rail Construction Corporation, Interim Board and the Rail Construction Corporation permanent Board. Ms. Bacharach asked for introductions and a brief background of both Boards, staff present, and members of the audience.

Mr. Peterson explained that the items listed on the agenda are issues that the Board may want to discuss and deal with early on. He discussed the transition and the options available to the Permanent Board in assuming the full responsibilities of the Rail Construction Corporation.

After considerable discussion on the options available and a review of the March 3, 1990 letter from James Pott to Neil Peterson stating his agenda concerns, the Permanent Board concurred that a transition period is needed and agreed on the following:

1. The permanent Board will take responsibility as soon as possible--a specific target date will be set, at the latest 30 days, to assume full responsibility.
2. The Interim Board will handle routine matters until such time.
3. A meeting will be set up for Permanent Board to discuss:
 - strengths of the six initial Board Members
 - Board organization
 - selection of the 7th Board Member
 - backgrounds and philosophies of each member
4. After appointment of the 7th member, a retreat will be conducted for Board Members possibly including or followed by involvement with staff and briefings on the projects and important issues.

Ms. Phillips reviewed the By-Laws of the Corporation with the Board. The By-Laws were filed with the Secretary of State in January 1989 and amended by the Commission in January 1990. The amendment has been filed with the Secretary of State. Mr. Kruse questioned the reference to rail systems in the By-Laws. He asked

if the Board can amend these By-Laws. Ms. Phillips stated that they can be amended by the Board, but have to be ratified by the Commission. Ms. Bacharach clarified that currently according to legislation, the LACTC cannot legally delegate its decision-making authority to the Board. She stated that legislation is currently being sought to permit greater delegation of decision making authority to the RCC Board (SB 1 Robbins).

Mr. Peterson stated that any recommendations by the Board will go to the Commission on the Consent Calendar, where routine ratification is expected, however, any RCC recommendation may be pulled off of the consent calendar by any Commissioner for discussion and possible revision.

Ms. Bacharach emphasized the intent of LACTC that its RCC Members have full and independent authority to carry out their charge in the best interests of the County's Rail Construction Program and that they not represent parochial interests of the LACTC. She expressed LACTC's expectation that the SCRTD appointees have been similarly charged. Mr. Kruse confirmed that this was indeed so.

In the opinion of LACTC Counsel, RCC Board Members are not subject to the disclosure requirements set forth in the Political Reform Act. The Board asked for a copy of the Legal Opinion on disclosure.

After further discussion the Board expressed their desire to move forward with their charge of design and construction of a rail transit system in Los Angeles County.

Jacki Bacharach advised the Board of a Blue Line demonstration ride for staff, Board members and their families on March 10.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of February 12, 1990, were approved as submitted.

THIRD-PARTY ACTIONS AND CONTRACT CHANGE NOTICES

Mr. McSpedon reported on third-party actions (outline attached) and explained to the Permanent Board the interest and involvement of third-parties and the role they play in the implementation of the rail construction program.

City of L.A. - Mr. McSpedon presented an overview of the MOS-2 cost reduction/schedule acceleration plan presented to City Council 3/7. The Board requested additional background information regarding same.

City of Long Beach - Correct 1st bullet to readto replant mature palm trees.....

Ms. Bacharach had a question on the Rail Activation report dated January 1990, Traffic Signal Modifications - what mechanisms do we have to insure the overall coordination of the signals? Mr. McSpedon stated that in the City of L.A. where this would be a significant issue, a Task Force is being implemented that will monitor the street running rail operations before revenue service begins to fine tune traffic signal operations. Control of the signals will rest with the jurisdictions but the guidelines for same will be spelled out in a negotiated operations and maintenance agreement.

METRO BLUE LINE CHANGE ORDER - CONTRACT C560, #28 - MAIN YARDS & SHOPS

Al Scala presented staff's report on Change Order No. 28 in the amount of <\$278,329> which deletes selected unit price and contingency pay items which were not used during the course of construction for this contract. The Board recommended the Commission approve Change Order No. 28 in the amount of <\$278,329>.

METRO BLUE LINE - CONTRACT C140 - LACBD APPROACH COST PLUS CHANGE NOTICE NO. 390A

Al Scala presented staff's report. CPCN No. 390A authorizes the Contractor to commence work and receive partial payment to provide material, equipment and labor to relocate the interface between Contracts C140 and C258 at the intersection of Washington Blvd. and Long Beach Avenue.

The Board approved extending the transition slab at the C140/C250 interface for an efficient transition into the tangent track and all associated construction for a provisional sum of \$175,000 for immediate construction activities as described in CPCN 390A. Once a total lump sum price is negotiated staff will return for approval of the entire change order.

CONTRACT R-80-E0014 - FUNDING FOR RCC TECHNICAL ADVISORY BOARD INCLUDING CONTRACT AMENDMENT TO VLADIMIR KHAZAK COMPANY (VKC)

Al Scala presented staff's report regarding utilizing the services of members of a Technical Advisory Board composed of representatives from SCRTD, Associated General Contractors, City of Los Angeles, the Engineering Consultant Community and others. This Board would provide management advice and assistance to the RCC President and senior staff toward effectively managing the rail design and construction program.

The Board stated concern on establishing and funding a Technical Advisory Board and asked for further information on this item.

The Board recommended that the Commission increase the current contract amount of Vladimir Khazak Company from \$49,000 to \$90,748 and extend its duration through December 31, 1990. The Board recommended delaying the decision on further compensation for the services of the Technical Advisory Board.

METRO RED LINE - MOS-2 FULL FUNDING GRANT AGREEMENT UPDATE

Mr. Stanger presented an update on the status of the MOS-2 Full Funding Grant Agreement submitted to Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) for execution. Staff will forward a copy of this agreement to the Board after it has been finalized and executed.

METRO BLUE LINE - QUARTERLY REPORT ON SCHEDULE AND COST FORECAST

Mr. McSpedon presented an update on the schedule and cost forecast for the Metro Blue Line (see attachments).

Mr. McIntyre asked about the owner-controlled insurance program and asked if any consideration was given to a self-insurance program. Mr. Peterson stated that a study was done and found not to be desirable at this time. This study will be forwarded to the Board.

METRO GREEN LINE - SCHEDULE AND BUDGET UPDATE

Staff presented an overview of the schedule and cost status of the Green Line. A detailed update of the Green Line construction cost estimate should be completed in approximately one month and will be presented to the Board at such time. (See attachments)

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METRO GREEN LINE - ART PROGRAM STATUS

The Board toured the Art Studio and received presentations from the architect and artists working on the art program for the 5 stations in the El Segundo area.

ADJOURNMENT

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