



**Rail  
Construction  
Corporation**



a Subsidiary of  
the Los Angeles County  
Transportation Commission

**RAIL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION  
MINUTES OF MEETING JUNE 11, 1990**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

DAVID E. ANDERSON, CHAIRMAN  
ERNEST CAMACHO, VICE CHAIRMAN  
JUDITH HOPKINSON  
ROBERT E. KRUSE  
DONALD McINTYRE  
JAMES T. POTT

**STAFF PRESENT**

NEIL PETERSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, LACTC  
EDWARD McSPEDON, ACTING PRESIDENT/CEO  
BARBARA NORRIS, SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY  
ILDA LICON, ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

**OTHERS**

JACKI BACHARACH, LACTC COMMISSIONER  
JOHN TAYLOR, AREA MANAGER, TRANSCAL

**CALL TO ORDER**

#### IMPLEMENTATION OF RCC - SELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Mr. Pott moved for the selection of Mr. Ernest Camacho as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors. Seconded and approved by the Board.

Chairman Anderson stated that after individual conversations with Board members, it was decided that the Board would continue to operate as a "Board as a Whole" with no subcommittees at this time. He stated advantages seen in identifying a lead person in various issues to work with staff and other members on selected issues. The lead person would then report back to the Board on these issues. He identified the lead persons as follows:

Donald McIntyre - Finance & Budget  
James Pott - Design & Construction  
Herbert Carter - Budgetary Control & Minority Participation  
Robert Kruse - Construction  
Judith Hopkinson - Real Estate & Joint Development

It was decided that any meeting called by a lead person would be coordinated by Barbara Norris and held with 3 or less interested members.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of May 14, May 23 and May 31, 1990 were approved as submitted.

Mr. Pott asked the status of the listing on issues pending mentioned on Page 7 of the minutes. Mr. McSpedon stated that this listing would be included with future Board Agendas.

Mr. Pott inquired as to any major policy modifications that may be unveiled at the Contractor's Conference on June 14-15. Mr. McSpedon responded that no major changes will be presented, but that staff will reinforce to contractors that policies that are currently developed would continue to be refined in cooperation with the AGC and contractors.

#### THIRD-PARTY ACTIONS AND CONTRACT CHANGE NOTICES

Mr. McSpedon reported that since the passage of Propositions 108 and 111, Caltrans no longer needs the previously requested advance funding for the 10% local match on the Century Freeway.

Mr. McSpedon also reported on the automated vehicle procurement proposal which is expected to be ready for bidding later this year. To date, draft specifications have been prepared and submitted for industry review. All the proposers are international manufacturers as there are no U.S. carbuilders. Mr. McSpedon stated that the response on the specs has been extremely low citing some of the reasons given, i.e., buying a technically complex piece of equipment on a small scale, which makes it a risky design & manufacturing undertaking; systemwide commonality decided by the LACTC; and the fact that no firm commitment can be made on future increases in fleet size (options).

Ms. Hopkinson stated her concern on not being able to get a contractual commitment on additional cars or the spare parts. Mr. McSpedon stated that carbuilders will not commit for 4-5 years out, and that we do have an initial supply of spare parts for the Metro Blue Line cars. Future spare parts and components will have to be procured from individual component suppliers directly by SCRTD.

Ms. Bacharach commented on the Commission's rationale on the purchase of the Long Beach LRV. At that time the northern extension to the Coast line had not been committed, 32 cars were to be used for the Blue Line and 22 for the Green Line. Also the undercarriage of the Blue Line car was not compatible for an automated car.

Chairman Anderson asked that staff review the series of options on the vehicle procurement and return to the Board for further discussion/action.

**GOVERNMENT CODE CLAIM: DOROTHY MAR WILLIAMS**

Ed McSpedon presented staff's report. The Board moved and seconded to recommend that the Commission formally reject the claims of: Edward W. Baker; Maria Teresa Martinez; Epifania Garcia; Mercedes Rivas Montana; and Mary Judy Deayon.

**METRO BLUE LINE - CONTRACT R01-T01-H836. CHANGE ORDER NO. 04 - SAFETY & SECURITY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM**

Al Scala presented staff's report on contract H836, change order No. 04, which compensates the contractor for late access dates, for installation of the safety/security communications system in order to meet the ROD. Also recommended is a time-extension and increase in AFE.

The Board expressed concerns on the current policy on:

- Cost added for learning curve
- Change orders relating to time extensions and accelerations
- authorizing change order work before it has been approved
- % of increase on the total contract
- Time of notification of change notice to the RCC

Mr. Taylor explained that the contractors will not proceed with change notice work until it is in the negotiating stage and that TransCal is not in a standard position to direct the contractor to proceed ahead of time unless there is a critical need to do so.

After further discussion, Mr. McSpedon stated that this issue will be addressed in the Policy Development List requested by the Board.

The Board moved and seconded to recommend that the Commission:

1. Approve Change Order No. 04 in the amount of \$532,760.
2. Approve a time extension to this contract of sixty-nine (69) calendar days.
3. Approve an increase to the current AFE amount by \$493,811 to a revised total AFE of \$4,208,811. This increase in AFE will enable staff to process spending and anticipated changes. The \$493,811 will be transferred from the Project Reserve.

**METRO BLUE LINE - CONTRACT R01-T01-C140. CHANGE ORDER NO. 135 - LACBD APPROACH**

Ed McSpedon presented staff's report on Contract C140, Change Order No. 135 involving installation of concrete encapsulation of the existing 9'x12' sanitary sewer manhole at the intersection of Grand Avenue and Washington Boulevard.

The Board recommended that the Commission approve Change Order No. 135 in the amount of \$407,810. Sufficient contingency remains within the current AFE to cover the cost of this Change Order.

**METRO BLUE LINE - AMENDMENT TO SECURITY GUARD SERVICES CONTRACT**

Ed McSpedon presented staff's report on amendment to the Security Guard Services contract.

The Board recommended that the Commission approve an amendment to a contract with West Oaks Security Services. This amendment will increase the contract amount by \$75,000, from \$440,000 to a not-to-exceed amount of \$515,000, and will also extend the completion date of this contract by two months, from May 15, 1990 to July 16, 1990.

**MOS 2 BRIEFING**

This item was tabled to a future meeting.

**RCC/CONSULTANT ORGANIZATION**

Mr. McSpedon continued this item from the May 31 RCC meeting. He reviewed the current administration of the projects on a project-by-project basis and related problems in having multiple consultant organizations vs. providing a long-term functional organization focusing on a "systemwide" program. This would involve consolidating the current consultant forces on the multiple projects into one GEC and likewise to move toward a more centralized, consistent construction management organization.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board moved to adjourn to an Executive Session to discuss Real Estate matters concerning:


Just Compensation and Authorization to Purchase Green Line Parcel AS518B - H. Kramer & Co.

**CONTINUATION OF RCC/ORGANIZATION**

Mr. Peterson briefed the Board on the structure of the RCC.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

  
EDWARD McSPEDON  
Acting President/CEO

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(RCC/min-5.31)