



Minutes

RAIL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION (RCC) FEBRUARY 8, 1993 MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT

ROBERT KRUSE, CHAIRMAN
JUDITH HOPKINSON, VICE CHAIR
DAVID ANDERSON
ERNEST CAMACHO
DON McINTYRE
JOHN MURRAY
MAS NAGAMI

STAFF PRESENT

EDWARD McSPEDON, PRESIDENT/CEO
CHARLES STARK, PROJECT MGR., METRO RED LINE, SEGMENTS 1 & 3
DAVE SIEVERS, PROJECT MGR. METRO GREEN LINE
LINDA FORD McCAFFREY, MGR., CONTRACTS, METRO GREEN LINE
MIKE BACA, MGR., CONTRACTS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
LAURENCE WELDON, PROJECT MGR., METRO PASADENA PROJECT
BONNIE VERDIN, BOARD SECRETARY
MERCY MENESES, ASSISTANT BOARD SECRETARY

OTHER

AUGUSTIN ZUNIGA, COUNTY COUNSEL
MARTY RUBIN, EMC
K.N. MURTHY, EMC
TIMOTHY SMIRNOFF, EMC

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES


The minutes of the January 19, 1993 meeting were approved as submitted.



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3. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Mr. Kruse commented:

- On the successful opening of Segment 1 of the Metro Red Line and commended staff on this accomplishment. Mr. Stark took this opportunity to introduce the Segment 1 team to the Board.
- That he is optimistic that the merger of the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission (LACTC) and the Southern California Rapid Transit District (SCRTD) will eventually result in improvements in the way our jobs are done.

4. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Mr. McSpedon reported the following:

- Staff sought and obtained prior approval from the Board Chairman to advertise Items 7 & 9 because the nature of these items is time-critical. Adjustments can still be made should a consensus of the Board choose otherwise.
- In a matter related to Item 12 on today's agenda, the EMC is preparing to advertise proposals for the L.A. Car follow-on engineering services.
- This morning the bid prices of the L.A. Car proposals were opened. All four teams have satisfied the technical requirements to date. The base aggregate prices for 72 cars range from a low offer of \$223 million by Siemens/TRW to a high offer of \$303 by Sumitomo/Rockwell. It is expected that these prices will decrease once negotiations commence.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

5. FORECAST OF UNEXECUTED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
CONTRACT CHANGES OVER \$200,000

The RCC Board received this status report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items 11 and 13 were pulled for discussion. Mr. Camacho moved, Mr. Anderson seconded to approve the remaining Consent Calendar items. Motion was approved.

Incidental to Item 10, Mr. McIntyre inquired what the status of the Hollywood Bowl issue is. Mr. McSpedon stated that two

years ago the Commission authorized the design and early construction of the Highland station in order to consolidate the construction impacts on Hollywood Boulevard. The Commission also authorized the expenditure of \$200,000 by SCRTD to conduct a study of a connector between the Hollywood Bowl and the Highland station but the results of this study were unclear. Staff was directed to report back on the status of this issue.

6. FORECAST OF UNEXECUTED CONSTRUCTION/PROCUREMENT
CONTRACT CHANGES OVER \$200,000

The RCC Board recommended that the Commission receive the above captioned status report.

7. METRO BLUE & METRO RED LINE - CONTRACT NO. C6380
STATION SIGNAGE MODIFICATIONS (ADA)
REQUEST TO ADVERTISE

The RCC Board recommended that staff be authorized to proceed with the advertisement of Contract No. C6380.

8. METRO RED LINE, SEGMENT 2 - CONTRACT NO. B213
WILSHIRE/VERMONT STATION, STAGE II - SITE DEMOLITION
REQUEST TO ADVERTISE

The RCC Board authorized staff to proceed with the advertisement and solicitation of invitation for Bid No. B213.

9. METRO RED LINE, SEGMENT 2 - CONTRACT NO. B288
HOLLYWOOD/VINE STATION - SITE DEMOLITION
REQUEST TO ADVERTISE

The RCC Board authorized staff to proceed with the advertisement and solicitation of invitation for Bid No. B288.

10. METRO RED LINE, SEGMENT 3 - ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT
CONSULTANT (EMC) SELECTION TO AWARD EMC CONTRACTS FOR
SECTION DESIGN SUBCONTRACT C-301

The RCC Board recommended that the Commission accept the EMC's negotiated contract value for the execution of a contact with Bechtel for design of Section C-301.

A letter of no prejudice has been secured from the Federal Transportation Authority (FTA) to ensure federal participation on this contract.

12. METRO GREEN LINE - CONTRACT NO. E0001
LTK ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR START-UP VEHICLES
AMENDMENT NO. 1

The RCC Board recommended that the Commission approve Amendment No. 1 which increases Contract No. E0001 from \$4,388,095 to \$5,033,130 by \$645,335 and also approval of contingency of \$200,000 for changes during procurement. This amendment is within the contract forecast, and funding is available within the Metro Green Line budget.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

11. METRO GREEN LINE - CONTRACT C0090, ANCILLARY
CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE, REQUEST TO ADVERTISE

Mr. Murray noted that this report does not contain the MBE/WBE goals. Mr. McSpedon stated that this item was included on the agenda without the goals only because staff fully anticipated securing the goal calculations by today's meeting. Mr. McSpedon provided the following MBE/SBE/SMBE goals:

MBE	40%
WBE	10%
SMBE	20% (1/2 of MBE)

Mr. Murray stated that he previously inquired about the methodology that staff uses to determine participation. Mr. Murray inquired where we are in this process and whether a more objective, scientific methodology was used to establish the anticipated levels of participation or goals for this particular contract.

Ms. McCaffrey stated that this is a task order contract to be executed on a need-by-need basis. Ms. McCaffrey further stated that Contract Compliance analyzed all the different disciplines needed for this work and then identified those disciplines where MBE or WBE exist in our data base and extracted those portions of the work based on the engineer's estimate.

Mr. McSpedon stated that he has not analyzed how these particular goals were derived but has examined the methodology generally used for calculating goals and it is his impression that the process is not as scientific as it could be. Mr. McSpedon stated that he has tasked Malcolm Ingram, Director of Quality Assurance, to put together a task force consisting of RCC staff, Contract Compliance staff, and some consultants to develop improvements to the goal setting process. In addition,

Jeff Christiansen, Director of Program Management, has been assigned to assist Shiela Walker, Contract Compliance Administration Director, to develop improved methods of overall monitoring, reporting and managing of these goals.

Following much further discussion, it was agreed that a Board subcommittee should meet in March 1993 to work on the development of a policy establishing a more scientific methodology for setting goals.

Mr. Camacho moved, Mr. McIntyre seconded to approve this item. Motion was approved.

The RCC Board authorized staff to proceed with the advertisement and solicitation of Contract No. C0090.

13. METRO RAIL PROJECTS - ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT (EMC) SELECTION TO AWARD EMC CONTRACTS FOR VARIABLE MESSAGE SIGNAGE

Mr. Nagami stated that the table in the issues section of the report indicates three proposals were received but the text of the report indicates only two proposals were received. In addition, Mr. Nagami noted that the evaluation scores and weights were not provided in the report and should have been. Mr. Nagami also noted that a footnote in the report indicated that no DBE goal was established because of the work scope and requested clarification.

Mr. Rubin clarified that the submission of one of three firms was inadequate therefore only two firms were evaluated. Mr. Rubin also stated that no scores or weights were given to the two firms evaluated because of the specialized nature of this work. Mr. Rubin noted for the record, that since the inception of the EMC, although the DBE goal has been set at 27%, the EMC has been achieving close to 31% participation.

Mr. Rubin further explained that in this particular instance, however, there were not enough Los Angeles basin firms in the EMC's data bank who provide this type of work.

Following further brief discussion, Mr. Camacho moved, Mr. Murray seconded to approve this item. Motion was approved.

The RCC Board recommended that the Commission accept the EMC's selection of ETA Opticomp for design of variable message signage for the Metro Rail systems.

REGULAR CALENDAR

15. METRO PASADENA PROJECT - BUDGET OVERVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF PROJECT TRANSFER FROM LACTC TO RCC

Mr. Weldon provided a briefing on this item.

Mr. Weldon clarified for Mr. McIntyre that Caltrans has advised the LACTC not to take into account the Long Beach Freeway construction and if the freeway construction ever comes close to our project Caltrans will work around it.

Mr. Weldon stated that negotiations continue with the MTA and the City of Pasadena for grade separation on Colorado Boulevard.

16. METRO RED LINE, SEGMENT 3 - GEOTECHNICAL PREVIEW OF THE TUNNELING CONDITIONS IN NORTH HOLLYWOOD

Mr. Murthy and Mr. Smirnoff provided a presentation on this item.

17. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board heard comments from John Walsh.

18. BOARD MEMBER REQUEST FOR FUTURE ITEMS

Mr. McIntyre announced that the Finance and Budget Committee has set a Workshop meeting on March 15, 1993 at 10 a.m. and extended an invitation to the full RCC Board of Directors.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board adjourned to Executive Session to discuss:

Actual Litigation - G.C. #54956.9 (c)

- Contract A165
- Contract B630
- Case No. BS21615

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

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