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## MINUTES

### RAIL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION (RCC) JULY 11, 1994 MEETING

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

ROBERT KRUSE, CHAIRMAN  
DAVID ANDERSON  
EVAN ANDERSON BRAUDE  
ROBERT ARTHUR  
JIM BROWDER  
ERNEST CAMACHO  
RAUL PEREZ

#### STAFF PRESENT

EDWARD McSPEDON, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CONSTRUCTION & PRESIDENT, RCC  
CHARLES STARK, PROJECT MANAGER, METRO RED LINE SEGMENTS 1 & 3  
DAVID SIEVERS, PROJECT MANAGER, METRO GREEN LINE  
MICHAEL BACA, DIRECTOR, CONTRACTS MANAGEMENT  
SCOTT VRANESH, CONTRACTS MANAGER, PASADENA BLUE LINE  
LINDA FORD McCAFFREY, CONTRACTS MANAGER, METRO GREEN LINE  
CAROL INGE, DIRECTOR, WESTSIDE AREA TEAMS  
MELISSA SCHIAVO, ACTING RCC BOARD SECRETARY  
MERCY MENESES, ASSISTANT RCC BOARD SECRETARY  
ROSA GONZALEZ, MTA SECRETARY

#### OTHERS

YVONNE BURKE, MTA BOARD MEMBER  
HAL CROYTS, ALTERNATE TO JAMES CRAGIN, MTA BOARD MEMBER  
NATE HOLDEN, ALTERNATE TO RICHARD ALATORRE, MTA BOARD CHAIRMAN  
PHYLLIS PAPAN, ALTERNATE TO JOHN FASANA, MTA BOARD MEMBER  
AUGUSTIN ZUNIGA, COUNTY COUNSEL

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:07 P.M.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 1, 1994 meeting were approved as submitted.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Mr. Kruse presented resolutions to various members of the Citizen's Committee on Metro Construction (CCMC) in recognition of their contributions to the mitigation programs in the Hollywood community.
- Mr. Kruse reported that six members of the RCC Board attended the APTA Rapid Transit Conference last month. A brief recap of the Board's activities is contained in Mr. Kruse's letter. (Please see Attachment A to these minutes.)
- The Board heard comments from Howard Watts.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. McSpedon reported the following:

- The MTA Board awarded Contract No. B642, which is the public address system for Metro Red Line, Segment 2, at their last meeting.
- There is a special MTA budget meeting on Wednesday to consider a budget for FY '95. Several items on today's agenda that pertain to the Pasadena Blue Line, including Items 17, 18, and 28, are specified as "pending MTA adoption of the budget" that will furnish funds to proceed with this work.
- The APTA Construction Committee has made some progress in beginning a national information exchange. The FTA will be using the project management oversight consultants nationally to begin a pilot "Lessons Learned" project. Los Angeles is one of the pilot cities, and the MTA is submitting three items: 1) change control system; 2) modular station design program; and 3) grade crossing safety program. We are also pursuing a grant through the Transit Cooperative Research Program to fund the development of a database and a management system to collect and distribute information nationwide.

- During the last few weeks, the MTA has had visitors from: the Athens Metro project; the City of Newark, who are interested in a light rail project to connect Penn Station and Broad Street Station downtown with Newark Airport and the City of Elizabeth; and a transit planner from Melbourne, Australia.
- A video was shown which contained newsclips of the completion of excavation of the tunnels from Hollywood Boulevard to Wilshire.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

- The Board heard comments from John Walsh.

STANDING INFORMATION REPORTS

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

The RCC Board received this status report.

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

The RCC Board received this status report.

8. REPORT ON WORK ORDERS AND WORK ORDER REVISIONS OVER \$200,000  
FOR A PERIOD ENDING 6/30/94

The RCC Board received this status report.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Board heard comments from John Jontig of the City of Pasadena on Item 18.

Mr. Arthur asked staff for an explanation of the seemingly high number of change orders coming forward on the Metro Green Line. Mr. Sievers replied that there are several reasons for this. The primary reason is that the project is nearing completion (Metro Green Line is currently 87% complete) and staff is completing, reconciling and closing out contracts. In some cases, relatively small amounts of additional expenditure authority (AFEs) are required, but because they bring the contract totals above the Board's original authorization, Board action is required. In some cases, change orders represent final negotiated settlement of contract disputes and thereby forestall end-of-job claims or litigation. In some cases, change orders toward the completion of a project represent final reconciliation of measured and installed quantities of materials versus estimated quantities assumed at bid time. In many cases, such as on Items 13

& 14 on today's agenda, these change orders result in credits back to the MTA which reduce the final contract cost. Overall, the Green Line remains on budget and adequate funds exist within the project budget to cover these items.

Mr. Camacho moved, and Mr. Anderson seconded, to approve the Consent Calendar items. Motion was approved, with Mr. Arthur abstaining on Items 17 & 20.

9. METRO GREEN LINE - CONTRACT NO. C0095  
I-105 TRAFFIC BARRIER FENCING  
CONTRACTOR: L.K. COMSTOCK & COMPANY, INC.  
APPROVAL TO INCREASE AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE (AFE)

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board approve an increase in the AFE for subject contract in the amount of \$382,809 for a revised total AFE of \$11,061,700.

10. METRO GREEN LINE - CONTRACT NO. C0100  
I-105 TO COMPTON BOULEVARD  
CONTRACTOR: STEVE P. RADOS, INC.  
APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 107

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA approve Change Order No. 107 for:

- a) a time extension of 98 days to Milestone 8A which extends the contract completion date by 39 days, but will not impact the approved ROD; and
- b) an additional \$776,776.30 to the current value which increases the total contract value to \$67,095,946 but is within the current AFE amount of \$68,800,000 (See Attachment A).

11. METRO GREEN LINE - CONTRACT NO. C0100  
I-105 TO COMPTON BOULEVARD  
CONTRACTOR: STEVE P. RADOS, INC.  
APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 108

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board approve Change Order No. 108 for:

- a) a time extension of 21 days to Milestone 8A, which extends the contract completion date, but will not impact the approved ROD; and

- b) an additional \$402,458.89 to the current contract value which increases the total contract value to \$67,095,946 (assumes approval of CO #107, also on this Agenda) but is within the current AFE amount of \$68,800.000 (See Attachment A).

12. METRO GREEN LINE - CONTRACT NO. C0501  
SYSTEM FACILITY SITES  
CONTRACTOR: S.J. AMOROSO CORPORATION  
APPROVAL TO INCREASE AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE (AFE)

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to approve an increase to the AFE for the subject contract in the amount of \$170,020.00 for a revised AFE total of \$5,894,985.00.

13. METRO GREEN LINE - CONTRACT NO. C0600  
I-105 TRACKWORK  
CONTRACTOR: MORRISON-KNUDSEN  
APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 57

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board approve Change Order No. 57 for a Contract Value reduction of (\$1,135,750).

14. METRO GREEN LINE - CONTRACT NO. C0610  
EL SEGUNDO TRACKWORK  
CONTRACTOR: HERZOG CONTRACTING CORPORATION  
APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 29

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board approve Change Order No. 29 for a Contract Value reduction of (\$431,663).

15. METRO GREEN LINE - CONTRACT NO. H0831  
SCADA  
CONTRACTOR: HARRIS CORPORATION  
APPROVAL TO INCREASE AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE (AFE)

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board approve an increase in the AFE for subject in the amount of \$200,000 for a revised total AFE of \$3,977,924.

16. METRO BLUE LINE (LONG BEACH) - CONTRACT NO. C6680  
WATTS URBAN GREENWAY PROJECT  
CONTRACTOR: JA MAR ENGINEERING, INC.  
APPROVAL TO INCREASE AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE (AFE)

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board approve an increase in the AFE for the subject contract in the amount \$2,000, for a revised total of \$157,000.

17. PASADENA BLUE LINE - CONTRACT NO. MC013  
CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES  
AMENDMENT NO. 1, CONTRACT WORK ORDER NO. 1

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board approve an increase to the Authorization for Expenditure per Attachment "A", in the amount of \$6,374,862.00 which includes the negotiated amount of \$5,813,477, plus contingency in the amount of \$561,385.00. This action is contingent upon Fiscal Year 1995 funding of the Pasadena Blue Line and the award of the CWO will be delayed until MTA Board approval of the budget.

18. PASADENA BLUE LINE - APPROVAL OF ALTERNATIVE SITE FOR  
SIERRA MADRE VILLA PARK AND RIDE FACILITY AND  
ISSUANCE OF NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board:

1. Approve the Johnson & Johnson/Merck alternative for the Sierra Madre Villa Park and Ride facility. This approval action will permit the MTA Director of Real Estate to make an Offer of Just Compensation, which is under separate MTA Board agenda action. The Offer of Just Compensation is contingent upon MTA Board approval of the Pasadena Blue Line Budget.
2. Authorize staff to issue the Notice of Determination for this action approved at their meeting of July 27, 1994.

19. PASADENA BLUE LINE - MASTER COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT  
WITH CROWN CABLE TELEVISION

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute the Master Cooperative Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. Additional future expenditures shall be as determined at a later date and processed to the respective Boards for approval.

20. METRO RED LINE, SEGMENT 2 - CONTRACT NO. B745  
AIR HANDLING EQUIPMENT  
CONTRACTOR: TUTOR-SALIBA CORPORATION AND OVERLAND  
MECHANICAL, INC., A JOINT VENTURE  
APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 5

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board authorized the Chief Executive Officer to execute Change Order No. B745-CO-5.00 for the value of \$308,124.85.

21. METRO RED LINE, SEGMENT 3 - CONTRACT NO. MC030  
CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES  
NOTICE OF ADVERTISEMENT

The RCC Board recommended that staff proceed with the advertisement and solicitation of Contract No. MC030.

22. METRO RED LINE, SEGMENT 3 - HOLLYWOOD/HIGHLAND STATION  
ADDITIONAL LAND USE, REQUEST TO APPROVE CEQA ADDENDUM  
TO SUPPLEMENTAL EIA/SUBSEQUENT EIR

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board:

- Approve the Addendum at Exhibit A and adopt the changes to the Metro Red Line, Segment 3 described therein.

23. METRO RAIL PROJECTS - CONTRACT NO. 3369  
CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES  
CONTRACTOR: PARSONS-DILLINGHAM  
REQUEST TO INCREASE AFE, AMENDMENT NO. 18

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board approve an increase to the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) in the amount of \$7,514,603.32, which increases the amended AFE for these projects to \$256,328,791.32.

REGULAR CALENDAR

24. METRO RED LINE, SEGMENT 3 - MID-CITY EXTENSION  
ENGINEERING REASSESSMENT STUDY

Mr. Stark provided the Board with background on this item.

Supervisor Burke expressed concern about retaining joint development potential at the station site as well as possible traffic interruption with these options. Mr. Stark responded that the design is preliminary and an elevated structure with a short bridge and an escalator down could be built to facilitate passenger movement from one side of the street to the other, as could other alternatives.

Mr. Anderson asked if there is a point where one alternative would be recommended instead of proceeding forward with two. Ms. Inge responded that staff

would do a draft of the two alternatives, and would then bring a recommendation to the Board as to which alternative should be taken to the final. Mr. Anderson asked whether it would be possible to include input from the Joint Development staff so that the recommendation would include their input. Ms. Inge responded that this would be a necessity.

The Board heard comments from:

- John M. Gresham of the Wilshire Park Association
- James McCormick of the Coalition for Rapid Transit
- Percy D. Austin of the Wilshire Park Association

Supervisor Burke asked if the water table on Crenshaw is greater than at Union Station and whether this presented a problem. Mr. Stark responded that it is very similar, that the water pumped at Union Station was less than half of what was originally estimated and there was no local settlement of surrounding buildings due to construction of Union Station. Supervisor Burke asked for a comparison of water tables at various places along the construction. Mr. Stark stated that staff would present this information on Thursday at the Planning and Programming Committee Meeting.

The Board heard comments from R.J. Strotz of the Wilshire Park Association.

Mr. Holden stated that if the Olympic and Crenshaw station was moved further north, then the gas would be far enough below the surface to safely put a subway station in that area. Mr. Stark agreed to follow up with Mr. Holden on this issue.

Following further discussion, Mr. Browder moved, and Mr. Braude seconded, to approve this item. Motion was approved, with Mr. Arthur abstaining.

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board adopt the following recommendations:

1. Authorize staff to proceed with the environmental process necessary to environmentally clear a new vertical alignment for the Mid-City segment. This process will focus on two alternative alignments within the approved Metro Red Line, Segment 3 Mid-City Segment horizontal alignment:
  - a. Alternative #2 - A bored tunnel and cut-and-cover tunnel alignment with shallow cut-and-cover stations, and
  - b. Alternative #3 - A bored tunnel and cut-and-cover tunnel alignment with aerial stations.



- b. **Alternative #3 - A bored tunnel and cut-and-cover tunnel alignment with aerial stations.**
2. **Authorize an amount, not-to-exceed \$650,000, for the environmental work together with a community outreach program, through the RCC's environmental consultant, necessary to complete a Draft and Final SEIS/SEIR for the Mid-City Segment.**
3. **Authorize an amount, not-to-exceed \$1.0 Million, for RCC's Engineering Management Consultant (EMC) to provide the necessary engineering support services to complete a Draft and Final SEIS/SEIR and continue engineering research on issues related to construction and operation in an environment where hydrogen sulfide gas is present.**

#### HEARING

25. **METRO GREEN LINE - CONTRACT NO. H1310  
SIGNAGE AND GRAPHICS  
CONTRACTOR: CALIFORNIA NEON PRODUCTS  
REQUEST FOR SUBCONTRACTOR SUBSTITUTION**

Mr. Zuniga opened the hearing.

Testifying on behalf of California Neon Products, the Prime Contractor, was Richard McCarter, V.P. and Chief Financial Officer of California Neon Products.

Testifying on behalf of R.B. Enameling was Richard O. Prieto, President of R.B. Enameling.

Ms. McCaffrey gave an introductory presentation on this item. Mr. Anderson asked how many of the 1,600 porcelain signs have been delivered. Mr. McCarter responded that none had been delivered.

Mr. Camacho asked whether it was California Neon Products' intention to substitute the subcontractor with another minority owner. Mr. McCarter replied that they would look for another minority owner but R.B. Enameling is the only one of which they are aware. Mr. Camacho asked what happens to the goal which was set for this contract. Ms. McCaffrey stated that staff has been working with Contract Compliance to try and identify other firms but there are apparently no other minority firms that supply this type of work. Therefore, 15% of the 25% MBE portion of the goal would not be fulfilled; the WBE portion of the goal is not affected by the substitution.

Mr. Braude moved, and Mr. Anderson seconded, to approve this item. Motion was approved.

The RCC Board recommended that the Prime Contractor, California Neon Products (CNP), be allowed to utilize any available enameling contractor since there are no other certified SMBE or MBE subcontractors performing the required work in the MTA directory.

Mr. Zuniga closed the hearing.

27. METRO RAIL PROJECTS - CONTRACT NO'S SS001, SS002, SS003  
SECURITY GUARD SERVICES  
RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD

Mr. Baca gave a brief presentation on this item.

Mr. Zuniga pointed out that the Agenda did not fully identify all three contracts being awarded: SS001, SS002 and SS003. Mr. McSpedon asked that this staff report be corrected as the narrative following the chart on Page 1 shows incorrect figures.

Mr. Arthur moved, and Mr. Braude seconded, to approve this item. Motion was approved.

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board:

1. Make the finding that International Security, Inc., is the most advantageous to the MTA because of their achievement of the highest points scored based on Board approved evaluation criteria, and;
2. Award Contract SS001 with International Security Inc., in the amount of \$7,798,144.00 for a 2-year tenure with three-one year options to renew.

In addition, award a second contract to U.S. Guards, Co., the second ranked team, in the amount of \$1,800,000 and award a third contract to The WakenHut Corporation the third ranked team for \$900,000.

28. PASADENA BLUE LINE - CONTRACT NO. C6430  
ARROYO SECO BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION  
RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD

Mr. Vranesh gave a briefing on this item.

Mr. Anderson moved, and Mr. Browder seconded, to approve this item. Motion was approved.

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA Board award Contract No. C6430 to Kiewit Pacific Co., the lowest-priced responsive and responsible bidder for the total contract amount reflected below:

Total Contract Award, Pasadena Blue Line	\$10,359,464.00
10% Contract Reserve Fund (Excluded from Award Amount)	\$ 1,035,946.00
Total Commitment Request	\$11,395,410.00

29. METRO RAIL PROJECTS - RECOMMENDATION FOR ADOPTION OF CONSULTANT COST GUIDELINES

Mr. Baca gave a presentation on this item.

Mr. Braude moved, and Mr. Arthur seconded, to approve this item. Motion was approved.

The RCC Board recommended that the MTA adopt the proposed Consultant Cost Guidelines. The guidelines shall allow for recognition of consultant cost which are fair and reasonable; and allow for a reasonable amount of profit to effectively motivate the contractor to perform outstanding work.

21. BOARD MEMBER REQUEST FOR FUTURE ITEMS

There were no requests for future items at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:19 P.M.

Submitted by:



MELISSA SCHIAVO  
Acting RCC Board Secretary

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