

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Directors of the District

August 11, 1977

Upon notice duly given, the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District met at a regular meeting in the District Board Room, 425 South Main Street, Los Angeles, California, at 1:00 p.m. on August 11, 1977, at which time President Marvin L. Holen called the meeting to order.

Directors present:

George W. Brewster	Thomas G. Neusom (1:15 p.m.)
Byron E. Cook	Jay B. Price
Marvin L. Holen	Ruth E. Richter
Gerald B. Leonard	Charles E. Storing
Mike Lewis (1:15 p.m.)	George Takei

Director absent: Donald Gibbs

Staff present:

Jack R. Gilstrap, General Manager
George W. Heinle, Manager of Operations
Richard T. Powers, General Counsel
George L. McDonald, Manager of Planning and Marketing
Joe B. Scatchard, Controller-Treasurer-Auditor
Richard Gallagher, Manager & Chief Engineer-Rapid Transit
Byron Lewis, Director of Personnel
Robert Williams, Manager of Customer Relations
Richard K. Kissick, Secretary

Also present were members of the public and the news media.

Presentation of Second Quarter 1977 Safe Performance Awards

President Holen presented the Second Quarter 1977 Safe Performance Awards to Jack Greasby, Manager of Division 9 (Transportation) and to Cliff Lawson, Manager of Division 15 (Maintenance).

Introduction of Anthony Fortuno, Manager of Marketing and Communications

Mr. McDonald introduced Anthony Fortuno, Manager of Marketing and Communications, who commenced his new duties on August 8.

Request for Report on Minibus Service in Granada Hills area

Director Leonard stated that he had had an excellent response from a questionnaire circulated in the Granada Hills area that persons in the area would use a minibus service, since the nearest service to their area terminated at Balboa and Renaldi. He estimated the cost for a one-year test period would be about \$80,000 and it was hoped the funding for the test would come from service cuts in other areas of the San Fernando Valley. Director Richter did not agree with funding the service by means of service cuts and felt the proposed one-year test period was too long.

After discussion, on motion of Director Leonard, seconded and unanimously carried, the staff New Services Review Board was requested to submit a report regarding the proposed service at the next meeting of the Board, or as soon thereafter as possible.

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Resolution
No. Assigned

Review of Distance Fares - Tabled to a Future Meeting

President Holen stated that the Mayor's Advisory Council, San Fernando Valley Transportation Committee, had requested that their appearance before the Board regarding the distance fares recently instituted be tabled to a future meeting, but he felt the matter should be discussed at a future meeting whether or not a representative of the Committee appeared.

Report of the Surface Operations Committee

On motion of Director Price, Chairman of the Surface Operations Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item Nos. 4 and 5 were approved, and the following resolutions adopted:

Ayes: Brewster, Cook, Holen, Leonard, Lewis,
Neusom, Price, Richter, Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Gibbs

R-77-320

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to file a grant application with the State of California Department of Transportation, Business and Transportation Agency, covering demonstrations of automatic slack adjusters, an automatic diagnostic system, a computerized data access and report generator, an improved system of collection and integration of fuel and mileage data, computerized individual

Resolution
No. Assigned

training program for employees, and study of feasibility of a supervisory command and control system in transit operations, at an estimated cost of \$683,180, which program is to be funded 100 percent under funds provided by SB 283 (amendment to PUC Code Chapter 1130-1975); and to execute all documents in connection with said application, with form of all documents subject to approval of the General Counsel.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that since there is no possibility that these projects will have a significant effect on the environment, this action is not covered by the District's environmental guidelines or the requirements set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act, and pursuant to Title 14 California Administrative Code Sections 15023 and 15060, the preparation and review of environmental documents is not required.

R-77-321

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 7-7300-642 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to exercise options for one additional year covering the District's requirements for oil and fuel filter elements as follows, with form of options subject to approval of the General Counsel:

- a. California Luber Finer Sales, 7157 Paramount, Pico Rivera, covering Baldwin Filters, at an estimated cost of \$13,100;
- b. Apollo Warehouse, 1073 East Artesia, Carson, covering Fram Filters, at an estimated cost of \$11,000;
- c. Cummins Service & Sales, 1661 McGarry, Los Angeles, covering Fleet Guard Filters, at an estimated cost of \$11,400; and
- d. AC Auto Parts, 19016 Vermont Avenue, Torrance, covering AC filters, at an estimated cost of \$20,400.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Advance Planning and Marketing Committee -
Agenda Item No. 6

Director Brewster, Chairman of the Advance Planning and Marketing Committee, reported that the Committee had considered the staff recommendations regarding removal of the age limitation on student fares and recommended its approval, except that the Committee recommended that a student be required to carry eight semester units, rather than the two-thirds full load recommended by staff.

On motion of Director Brewster, seconded and carried as noted below, the Committee recommendation was approved and the following resolution adopted:

R-77-322

RESOLVED, that the report dated August 4, 1977 recommending removal of the age limitation on student fares is adopted, except that a student will be required to carry eight semester units, rather than the two-thirds full load as recommended in the aforementioned report.

Ayes: Brewster, Cook, Holen, Leonard, Lewis,
Neusom, Price Storing, Takei
Noes: Richter
Abstain: None
Absent: Gibbs

President Holen reported he was attempting to arrange a meeting with Howard Miller, President of the

Resolution
No. Assigned

Los Angeles Board of Education, regarding a contract with the school district to sell student passes. He was hopeful of negotiating an agreement even if it was necessary to pay a 3 percent commission to the district.

Report of the Rapid Transit Committee

On motion of Director Leonard, Chairman of the Rapid Transit Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item Nos. 7 and 8 were approved, and the following resolutions adopted:

Ayes: Brewster, Cook, Holen, Leonard, Lewis,
Neusom, Price, Richter, Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Gibbs

R-77-323

WHEREAS, the Special Purchasing Committee required by Section 8.3 (b)(4) of the Rules and Regulations met on August 11, 1977 and recommended approval of Requisition No. 7-8000-967 in excess of \$500,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 7-8000-967 be and the same is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to execute an agreement with the City of Los Angeles providing for services of the City Planning, Traffic and Engineering Departments in connection with the 4-element Regional Transit Development Program at a cost not to exceed \$600,500; subject to the concurrent of SCAG and UMTA; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to execute a letter agreement with the Southern California Association of Governments to provide funds

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No. Assigned

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in the amount of \$50,000 to Caltrans in connection with computer and staff time by Caltrans to provide patronage forecasts for the Regional Transit Development Program, on the basis outlined in the report dated August 4, 1977; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Report of the Finance Committee

On motion of Director Lewis, Chairman of the Finance Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 9 was approved and the following resolution adopted:

R-77-325

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to execute a contract with the County of Los Angeles covering financial support of District operations by the County in Fiscal Year 1978 in an amount of \$5.2 million; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Ayes: Brewster, Cook, Holen, Leonard, Lewis,
Neusom, Price, Richter, Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Gibbs

Report of the Personnel Committee

Director Takei, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, reported that the Committee had received progress reports on the non-contract merit step increase program and the employee suggestion program and expected additional reports at the next meeting of the Committee.

Resolution
No. Assigned

With the approval of all Directors present, the matter of conducting an affirmative action seminar was added to the agenda for consideration.

Director Neusom explained the program which would be conducted by Dr. Charles H. King, Jr., President of the Urban Crisis Center, Atlanta, Georgia, and the fact that the program was tentatively scheduled to be held September 9 and 10.

(Director Leonard left the meeting at 1:57 p.m.)

After discussion, on motion of Director Takei, seconded and carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted:

R-77-326

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Charles H. King, Jr., president of the Urban Crisis Center, Atlanta, Georgia, to conduct an affirmative action seminar in Los Angeles, tentatively scheduled for September 9 and 10, at a cost not to exceed \$3,500; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Ayes: Brewster, Cook, Holen, Lewis, Neusom,
Price, Richter, Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Gibbs, Leonard

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RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 7-7300-644 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to exercise an option for one additional year with Pervo Paint Co., 6624 Stanford Avenue, Los Angeles, covering the District's requirements for curb marking

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No. Assigned
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paint at an estimated cost of \$20,000; form of option subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-77-328

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 7-9500-016 is approved, and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for proposals covering the cost of reproduction and binding of the blueprints and specifications for the Engineering Department for fiscal year 1978, with option for one additional year at the election of the District; form of request for proposal and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-77-329

RESOLVED, that the report dated August 3, 1977 proposing minor route modifications to Line No. 162-Riverside Drive-Olive Avenue-Glenoaks Blvd. in the City of San Fernando, is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to include in the Official Route Descriptions Second Revised Page 162 effective October 16, 1977; subject to approval of the Consulting Engineer.

--- Approved Minutes of Regular Meeting held July 28, 1977.

--- Ratified temporary route diversions as described in the report dated August 5, 1977 filed with the Secretary.

--- Ratified bus stop zone changes as described in the report dated August 3, 1977 filed with the Secretary.

--- Received and filed the Purchasing Agent's Statement of Material and Supplies Account for the month of June, 1977.

Director Special Items

Director Price reported on a letter petition which had been received from users of the La Mirada Park and Ride facility requesting investigation of acts of vandalism which had been experienced at the lot. After discussion,

the staff was directed to furnish a report at the next meeting.

(Director Leonard returned to the meeting at 2:05 p. m.)

Director Lewis suggested that the District prepare a response to the recent Legislative Analyst's report. Mr. Gilstrap felt that a response should not be made that would embarrass the office of the Legislative Analyst, and President Holen felt that there were some comments contained in the report that should be responded to.

After discussion, the matter was referred to the Government Relations Committee for review and recommendations.

Director Neusom inquired about the 200 E & H buses now being manufactured, and Mr. Heinle reported that AM General is still working on the problems, that there is no delivery date as yet and AM General is seeking relief from the liquidated damage payments under the contract. Mr. Heinle also reported that AM General is to advise the District when twelve prototype buses will be ready.

Director Neusom reported that he had been presented a legislative analysis of some of the pending bills and would have the analysis sent to the Board. He also reported that the Government Relations Committee would also try to have a monthly update on legislative matters.

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Director Lewis suggested that in preparing for the next legislative session various reports issued the last few years with respect to many California properties, the County of Los Angeles, the County of Los Angeles, the County Commission, etc., should be analyzed. Mr. Gilstrap stated the staff would be pleased to compile such an analysis.

Director Richter requested a progress report updating the status of the proposed West San Fernando Valley maintenance and operating facility.

Mrs. Richter reported that a meeting of the Community and Customer Relations Committee would be held at 10:00 a.m. on August 18 to review pass sales by means of Ticketron.

A report of complaints received by Mrs. Richter regarding missed trips out of Division 8 caused by buses which had transmissions out was referred to the Maintenance and Equipment Committee for review.

Director Price requested that a copy of the next notice of sale of used surplus autos be sent to the Vernon City Council.

Director Cook announced that a meeting of the Administration, Efficiency and Economy Committee would be convened immediately following adjournment.

The General Manager's report of out-of-state travel during the month of July was received and filed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:33 p. m.


Secretary