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Upon notice duly given, the Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District met at a regular meeting in the District Board Room, 1060 South Broadway, Los Angeles, California, at 10:00 a.m. on December 2, 1969, at which time President Kermit M. Bill called the meeting to order.

Directors Kermit M. Bill, Charles E. Compton, A. J. Eyraud, Jr., Leonard S. Gleckman, David K. Hayward, Herbert H. Krauch, Michael E. Macke, Don C. McMillan, Thomas G. Neusom, Douglas A. Newcomb and Norman Topping were present.

Also present were General Manager Samuel B. Nelson; General Counsel Milton McKay; Assistant General Manager for Operations George F. Goehler; Assistant General Manager for Rapid Transit Development Jack R. Gilstrap; Assistant General Manager for Engineering Richard Gallagher; Controller-Auditor-Treasurer H. L. Black; Secretary Virginia L. Rees; and the public.

) After roll call, President Bill recessed the meeting in order that representatives of the Temple Manufacturing & Research Company, Inc. might make a presentation in Conference Room 205 of its Aerotrans-Way, and the public was invited to attend.

The meeting reconvened at 10:25 a.m., and Directors Bill, Compton, Eyraud, Gleckman, Hayward, Krauch, Macke, McMillan, Neusom and Newcomb responded to roll call.

President Bill announced that Director Topping had been excused.

Approval of Minutes

) The Minutes of the Budget Hearing and of the Regular Meeting held November 18, 1969 were approved.

Certificate of Merit

Director Gleckman presented the District's Certificate of Merit to Clifford F. Querl, Operator-of-the-Month for November, 1969, in recognition of the outstanding courtesy displayed by Mr. Querl toward his passengers and the public.

Temporary Route Diversions

) After discussion, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-264

RESOLVED, that the temporary route diversions caused by construction work affecting Lines 3, 16, 23, 28, 74, 84, 95 and 124, as described in report dated November 24, 1969 filed with the Secretary, be and the same are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Changes of Bus Stop Zones

After discussion, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-265

RESOLVED, that the report dated November 21, 1969 relating to bus stop changes, filed with the Secretary, be and the same is hereby ratified and approved.

Report of Purchasing Agent - Statement of Material & Supplies Account

Pursuant to Section 8.3 D of the Rules and Regulations, the Purchasing Agent's Statement of Material & Supplies Account for the Month of October, 1969 was presented to the meeting and was ordered "Received and Filed." A copy of the Statement is filed with the Secretary.

Approval of Sale of Former Rail Right-of-Way in Vicinity of First Street and Bimini Place, Los Angeles - Robert Reindl and Louise T. Reindl, Purchaser

After discussion, on motion of Director Compton, Chairman of the Surface Operations Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-266

WHEREAS, the District is the owner of a continuing interest in that certain rail right-of-way property consisting of a 30 + foot strip of land fronting on the westerly side of Bimini Place approximately 69.15 feet southerly of First Street, with a depth of approximately 151 + feet, situated in the city of Los Angeles, county of Los Angeles, state of California, which property can only be conveyed by quit claim deed and which is more particularly described as follows:

Those portions of Lots 32 and 33 of the Bimini Tract, in the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California, as per map recorded in book 5 page 133 of Maps, in the office of the county recorder of said county, lying south of the following described line:

Beginning at a point in the East line of said Lot 33, distant South along said East line of said Lot 69.15 feet from the Northwest corner thereof; thence North 89° 43' West 155.76 feet more or less to a point in the West line of said Lot.

EXCEPTING therefrom that portion thereof described in the deed to Charles Burr, recorded February 2, 1910, as Instrument No. 143, in book 4018 page 233 of Deeds;

and

WHEREAS, the fee value of said right-of-way property consisting of approximately 5,320 square feet was appraised in May of 1963 by an independent appraiser at \$4.75 per square foot, or a total of \$25,270.00; and

WHEREAS, an offer in the amount of \$12,000.00 to purchase the District's interest in the above described right-of-way property has been received from Robert Reindl and Louise T. Reindl, the owner of the adjoining property immediately north thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee on December 1, 1969 considered General Manager Samuel B. Nelson's report dated November 25, 1969 recommending that the offer of Robert Reindl and Louise T. Reindl to purchase said right-of-way property for a net cash price of \$12,000.00 be accepted; subject to approval

of the Consulting Engineer, with waiver of compliance with Section 9.10 of the Rules and Regulations, and form of conveyance instrument subject to approval of the General Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee at its meeting on December 1, 1969 concurred in the General Manager's recommendation to accept the offer of Robert Reindl and Louise T. Reindl to purchase said right-of-way property for a net cash price of \$12,000.00; subject to approval of the Consulting Engineer, with waiver of compliance with Section 9.10 of the Rules and Regulations, and form of conveyance instrument subject to approval of General Counsel Milton McKay; and

WHEREAS, it is the determination of the District that the above described right-of-way property is not needed for its requirements or for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Southern California Rapid Transit District Law, and that such property is not necessary, appropriate, profitable to or for the best interest of the District and the System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the offer of Robert Reindl and Louise T. Reindl in the amount of \$12,000.00 covering the purchase of the property above described be, and the same is hereby accepted; subject to the approval of the Consulting Engineer, with waiver of compliance with Section 9.10 of the Rules and Regulations;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Manager be and he hereby is authorized to take any and all actions necessary to complete the sale of said property; form of conveyance agreement subject to approval of General Counsel Milton McKay.

Amendment of Interurban Passenger Tariff No. 17 and of Local Passenger Tariff No. 18 Relating to Transportation of Wheelchair Passengers

After discussion, on motion of Director Compton, Chairman of the Surface Operations Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-267

WHEREAS, on September 10, 1969 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors by motion requested the District to re-evaluate its policy of prohibiting the transportation of wheelchair passengers on its buses; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 1969 this Board of Directors directed the General Manager to review the District's policy with respect to the handling of wheelchair passengers; and

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee on December 1, 1969 considered General Manager Samuel B. Nelson's report dated November 25, 1969 recommending that the Rules and Regulations governing the District's Interurban Passenger Tariff No. 17 and Local Passenger Tariff No. 18 be amended to provide for the carrying of wheelchair passengers, as follows:

HANDICAPPED PERSON WITH STANDARD SIZE FOLDING WHEELCHAIR, WHO IS ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE PASSENGER WHO IS PHYSICALLY ABLE TO ASSIST THE HANDICAPPED PERSON IN BOARDING, SEATING AND ALIGHTING FROM THE BUS, PROVIDED THAT A SEAT IS AVAILABLE FOR THE HANDICAPPED PERSON, WILL BE CARRIED DURING THE FOLLOWING HOURS:

MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY - 9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM
AND 7:00 PM TO MIDNIGHT
SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS - 5:00 AM TO MIDNIGHT

WHEELCHAIRS MUST BE FOLDED AND STORED IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH OR CREATE A HAZARD TO OTHER PASSENGERS. A STANDARD WHEELCHAIR, WHEN FOLDED, MUST NOT EXCEED 45" IN LENGTH, 12" IN WIDTH, AND 36" IN HEIGHT;

and

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee concurred in the General Manager's recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he hereby is authorized to amend, effective as of December 7, 1969, the Rules and Regulations of the District's Interurban Passenger Tariff No. 17 and Local Passenger Tariff No. 18 to provide for the carrying of wheelchair passengers, as follows:

HANDICAPPED PERSON WITH STANDARD SIZE FOLDING WHEELCHAIR, WHO IS ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE PASSENGER WHO IS PHYSICALLY ABLE TO ASSIST THE HANDICAPPED PERSON IN BOARDING, SEATING AND ALIGHTING FROM THE BUS, PROVIDED THAT A SEAT IS AVAILABLE FOR THE HANDICAPPED PERSON, WILL BE CARRIED DURING THE FOLLOWING HOURS:

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RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Manager be and he hereby is directed to report the action of this Board of Directors relating to the carrying of wheelchair passengers, as hereinabove described, to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

Approval of 1970 Annual Budget

Director Gleckman, Chairman of the Finance & Governmental Affairs Committee, reported that the Committee this morning again reviewed the proposed budget for the calendar year 1970, which was the subject of a public hearing on November 18, 1969, and that it was the Committee's recommendation that the Budget be adopted.

After discussion, on motion of Director Gleckman, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-268

WHEREAS, the District held a Budget Hearing on November 18, 1969 at which the District's 1970 Annual Budget was presented and discussed; and

WHEREAS, the Finance & Governmental Affairs Committee recommends that the 1970 Annual Budget be adopted; and

WHEREAS, the District now desires to adopt its 1970 Annual Budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Annual Budget of the District for the calendar year 1970, attached to these Minutes as Exhibit 1, be and the same is hereby adopted.

Adoption of Ordinance No. 0-69-1, entitled "An Ordinance Imposing a Transactions and Use Tax to be Administered by the State Board of Equalization."

President Bill announced that the next order of business was to consider adoption of Ordinance No. 0-69-1, introduced at the November 18, 1969 Regular Meeting subject to five day rule under Section 30273 of the District Law, and entitled:

"An Ordinance Imposing a Transactions and Use Tax to be Administered by the State Board of Equalization."

After discussion, on motion of Director Gleckman, Chairman of the Finance & Governmental Affairs Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, further reading of Ordinance No. 0-69-1 was waived.

Director Gleckman announced that the Ordinance will become effective immediately upon adoption and will after execution be published in the Los Angeles Daily Journal pursuant to Section 17 thereof and Section 30275 of the District Law, and reported that it was the recommendation of the Finance & Governmental Affairs Committee that the Ordinance be adopted.

After discussion, on motion of Director Gleckman, seconded and unanimously carried, Ordinance No. 0-69-1, reading as follows, was adopted:

"ORDINANCE NO. 0-69-1

AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A
TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX TO BE ADMINISTERED
BY THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Be it ordained by the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District (hereinafter called 'District'):

Section 1. TITLE. This ordinance shall be known as the Southern California Rapid Transit District Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance.

Section 2. OPERATIVE DATE. 'Operative date' means the first day of July 1970.

Section 3. PURPOSE. This ordinance is adopted to achieve the following, among other purposes, and directs that the provisions hereof be interpreted in order to accomplish those purposes:

(a) To impose a transactions and use tax in accordance with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code;

(b) To adopt a transactions and use tax ordinance which incorporates provisions identical to those of the Sales and Use Tax Law of the State of California insofar as those provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements and limitations contained in Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code;

(c) To adopt a transactions and use tax ordinance which imposes a tax and provides a measure therefor that can be administered and collected by the State Board of Equalization in a manner that adapts itself as fully as practicable to, and requires the least possible deviation from the existing statutory and administrative procedures followed by the State Board of Equalization in administering and collecting the California State Sales and Use Taxes;

(d) To adopt a transactions and use tax ordinance which can be administered in a manner that will, to the degree possible consistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, minimize the cost of

"collecting the transactions and use taxes and at the same time minimize the burden of record keeping upon persons subject to taxation under the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 4. CONTRACT WITH STATE. Prior to the operative date this District shall contract with the State Board of Equalization to perform all functions incident to the administration and operation of this transactions and use tax ordinance; provided, that if this District shall not have contracted with the State Board of Equalization prior to the operative date, it shall nevertheless so contract and in such a case the operative date shall be the first day of the first calendar quarter following the execution of such a contract.

Section 5. TRANSACTIONS TAX. For the privilege of selling tangible personal property at retail a tax is hereby imposed upon all retailers in this district at the rate of one-half of 1 percent of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail in this district on and after the operative date.

Section 6. PLACE OF SALE. For the purposes of this ordinance, all retail sales are consummated at the place of business of the retailer unless the tangible personal property sold is delivered by the retailer or his agent to an out-of-state destination or to a common carrier for delivery to an out-of-state destination. The gross receipts from such sales shall include delivery charges, when such charges are subject to the state sales and use tax, regardless of the place to which delivery is made. In the event a retailer has no permanent place of business in the state or has more than one place of business, the place or places at which the retail sales are consummated shall be determined under rules and regulations to be prescribed and adopted by the State Board of Equalization.

Section 7. USE TAX. An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in this District of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer on and after the operative date for storage, use or other consumption in this District at the rate of one-half of 1 percent of the sales price of the property. The sales price shall include delivery charges when such charges are subject to state sales or use tax regardless of the place to which delivery is made.

"Section 8. ADOPTION OF PROVISIONS OF STATE LAW. Except as otherwise provided in this ordinance and except insofar as they are inconsistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, all of the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, excepting Section 6376, are hereby adopted and made a part of this ordinance as though fully set forth herein.

Section 9. LIMITATIONS ON ADOPTION OF STATE LAW. In adopting the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, wherever the State of California is named or referred to as the taxing agency, the name of this District shall be substituted therefor. The substitution, however, shall not be made when the word 'State' is used as part of the title of the State Controller, the State Treasurer, the State Board of Control, the State Board of Equalization, the State Treasury, or the Constitution of the State of California; the substitution shall not be made when the result of that substitution would require action to be taken by or against this District or any agency, officer or employee thereof rather than by or against the State Board of Equalization, in performing the functions incident to the administration or operation of this ordinance; the substitution shall not be made in those sections, including, but not necessarily limited to, sections referring to the exterior boundaries of the State of California, where the result of the substitution would be to provide an exemption from this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not otherwise be exempt from this tax while such sales, storage, use or other consumption remain subject to tax by the state under the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, or to impose this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not be subject to tax by the state under the said provisions of that code; the substitution shall not be made in Sections 6701, 6702 (except in the last sentence thereof), 6711, 6715, 6737, 6797 or 6828 of the Revenue and Taxation Code. The name of this District shall be substituted for the word 'state' in the phrase 'retailer engaged in business in this state' in Section 6203 and in the definition of that phrase in Section 6203.

Section 10. PERMIT NOT REQUIRED. If a seller's permit has been issued to a retailer under Section 6067 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, an additional actor's permit shall not be required by this ordinance.

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"Section 11. EXEMPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS.

(a) There shall be excluded from the measure of the transactions tax and the use tax the amount of any sales tax or use tax imposed by the State of California or by any city, city and county, or county pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or the amount of any state-administered transactions or use tax.

(b) There are exempted from the computation of the amount of transactions tax gross receipts from:

(1) Sales of property to operators of common carriers and waterborne vessels to be used or consumed in the operation of such common carriers or waterborne vessels principally outside the county of sale.

(2) Sales of property to be used outside the District which is shipped to a point outside the District, pursuant to the contract of sale, by delivery to such point by the retailer or his agent, or by delivery by the retailer to a carrier for shipment to a consignee at such point.

(3) The sale of tangible personal property if the seller is obligated to furnish the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

(4) A lease of tangible personal property which is a continuing sale of such property for any period of time for which the lessor is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by the lease prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

(5) For the purposes of subsections (3) and (4), the sale or lease of tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.

"(c) There is exempted from the use tax imposed by this ordinance the storage, use or other consumption in this District of tangible personal property:

(1) The gross receipts from the sale of which have been subject to a transactions tax under any state-administered transactions and use taxes ordinance.

(2) In the transportation or transmission of persons, property, or communications or in the generation, transmission or distribution of electricity or in the manufacture, transmission or distribution of gas in intrastate, interstate or foreign commerce by public utilities which are regulated by the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California.

(3) If the purchaser is obligated to purchase the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

(4) Or the possession of, or the exercise of any right or power over, tangible personal property under a lease which is a continuing purchase of such property for any period of time for which the lessee is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by a lease prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

(5) For the purposes of subsections (3) and (4), storage, use or other consumption, or possession, or exercise of any right or power over, tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.

Section 12. AMENDMENTS. All amendments subsequent to the effective date of this ordinance to Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code relating to sales and use tax and which are not inconsistent with Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code shall automatically become a part of this ordinance; provided, however, that no such amendment shall operate so as to affect the rate of tax imposed by this ordinance.

"Section 13. ENJOINING COLLECTION FORBIDDEN. No injunction or writ of mandate or other legal or equitable process shall issue in any suit, action or proceeding in any court against the state or this District, or against any officer of the state or this District, to prevent or enjoin the collection under this ordinance, or Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, of any tax or any amount of tax required to be collected.

Section 14. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section 15. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance relates to the levy and collection of taxes for the purposes of the Transit District Public Transportation Improvement Fund authorized by Chapter 1567, Statutes 1969, and shall take effect immediately.

Section 16. OPERATIVE PERIOD. This ordinance shall be operative for a period of six months after the operative date and thereafter shall be automatically repealed. However, the provisions of this ordinance shall thereafter remain applicable for the collection or refund of the taxes imposed in the District during the operative six-month period and for the performance of any and all functions incident to the administration and operation of this ordinance.

Section 17. PUBLICATION. The Secretary shall cause this ordinance to be published once within 15 days after passage in the Los Angeles Daily Journal, a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the district.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ day of _____, 1969.

President of the Southern California
Rapid Transit District, California

ATTEST:

Secretary of the Southern California
Rapid Transit District, California"

(SEAL)

In the vote on Ordinance No. O-69-1, Directors Kermit M. Bill, Charles E. Compton, A. J. Eyraud, Jr., Leonard S. Gleckman, David K. Hayward, Herbert H. Krauch, Michael E. Macke, Don C. McMillan, Thomas G. Neusom and Douglas A. Newcomb, being more than two-thirds of all of the members, voted "Aye." Director Norman Topping was absent.

Agenda Item No. 11 - Agreement For Preparation to Administer and Operate District Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance

Upon motion of Director Gleckman, Chairman of the Finance & Governmental Affairs Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, Agenda Item No. 11, reading:

"Consider authorization of the General Manager to execute on behalf of the District an agreement between the Southern California Rapid Transit District and the State Board of Equalization, entitled 'Agreement For Preparation to Administer and Operate District Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance;' form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel,"

was held over for consideration at a later meeting.

General Manager Nelson reported that Assemblyman Lanterman, who authored A.B. 2136, had made some inquiries of the State Board of Equalization as to the cost of collection; that just this morning he had received a copy of the reply of the State Board of Equalization to Assemblyman Lanterman's letter, and that he felt further discussion on the matter with the State Board was in order.

Approval of Amendment to Lease Agreement - Studio Transportation Inc., Lessee - Portion of Vernon Yard Property

Upon approval of the ten Directors present, consideration of amendment to Lease Agreement with Studio Transportation Inc., Lessee, was added to the Agenda.

After discussion, on motion of Director Compton, Chairman of the Surface Operations Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-269

WHEREAS, the District leases a certain portion of its Vernon Yards property, located in the City of Vernon, under Lease Agreement dated April 1, 1969, as amended, to Studio Transportation Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the City of Vernon has advised Studio Transportation Inc. that it must install restroom facilities in Building #67 located on the leased premises since the present facilities are more than 200 feet from Building #67; and

WHEREAS, in order to resolve this problem, agreement has been reached with Studio Transportation Inc. to amend Lease Agreement dated April 1, 1969, as amended, to adjust the leased premises to consist of an area of approximately 33,470 square feet which would include Building #92 located approximately 60 feet from the present restroom facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee on December 1, 1969 considered report dated November 25, 1969, submitted by Real Property Manager Haudenschild and presented to the meeting by General Manager Samuel B. Nelson, recommending that:

- (1) Lease Agreement dated April 1, 1969, as amended, with Studio Transportation Inc., Lessee, be amended to adjust the leased premises to consist of an area of approximately 33,470 square feet, excluding, however, a 20-foot railway spur track right of way, as shown on map attached to said report, and to increase the monthly rental thereunder from \$600.00 to

\$665.00 effective as of December 1, 1969; in all other respects, the existing terms and conditions of the lease to remain in full force and effect; with waiver of compliance with Section 9.10 of the Rules and Regulations, and form of agreement subject to approval of General Counsel Milton McKay, and

- (2) Building #99, a 22'x30' two-sided wood frame iron shed on concrete blocks, attached to Building #92 be demolished and removed from the leased premises since it is no longer useful in the operation of the District or the System; subject to the approval of the Consulting Engineer;

and

WHEREAS, General Manager Samuel B. Nelson recommended that the above described amendment to said Lease Agreement be approved and that Building #99 be demolished; and

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee concurred in General Manager Nelson's recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he hereby is authorized to execute on behalf of the District an Amendment to Lease Agreement dated April 1, 1969, as amended, between the Southern California Rapid Transit District, Lessor, and Studio Transportation Inc., Lessee, to adjust the leased premises to consist of an area of approximately 33,470 square feet, excluding, however, therefrom a 20-foot railway spur track right of way, and to increase the monthly rental thereunder from \$600.00 to \$665.00 effective as of December 1, 1969; in all other respects, the existing terms and conditions of the lease to remain in full force and effect; with waiver of compliance with Section 9.10 of the Rules and Regulations, and form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that this Board of Directors does hereby authorize the demolition and removal of Building #99, a 22'x30' two-sided wood frame iron shed on concrete blocks, attached to Building #92 and located on the above described leased premises, since said building is no longer useful in the operation of the District or the System; subject to the approval of the Consulting Engineer.

Public Information & Marketing Committee Meeting

President Bill announced that Director Macke, Chairman of the Public Information & Marketing Committee, had advised that the Committee will meet on December 10, 1969 at 10:00 a.m.

Reaffirmation by District of Pledge to Cooperate with All Levels of Government and to Assist All Responsible Public and Private Concerns in Planning, Construction and Operation of New and Improved Public Transportation Systems to Meet Growing Needs of Los Angeles Metropolitan Community

After discussion, on motion of Director Gleckman, Chairman of the Finance & Governmental Affairs Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-270

WHEREAS, the need for improved public transportation in the Los Angeles metropolitan area becomes more pressing daily; and

WHEREAS, major financing legislation is pending at the state and federal level and prominent engineering and research firms are actively working toward early breakthroughs in transit technology; and

WHEREAS, these legislative and technological efforts promise exciting transit developments in the immediate future; and

WHEREAS, the Southern California Rapid Transit District now operates over 80% of all public transportation in Southern California and is the public agency created by the State of California to plan, build and operate new transit systems for the area; and

WHEREAS, the District has established an outstanding operating record to date and is highly knowledgeable about the area's present and future transit needs by reason of having conducted in-depth engineering and planning studies as part of the District's comprehensive transit development program; and

WHEREAS, the District's Technology Review Board, composed of engineering experts from the major universities and the District staff, have only recently completed a thorough review of new transit technology and is constantly updating its information on all new developments in the field; and

WHEREAS, the locally appointed SCRTD Board of Directors represents the cities and county of Los Angeles thereby insuring a strong and necessary local voice in the formulation of transportation policy which will vitally influence our community's future; and

WHEREAS, under the direction of the Board of Directors, the District staff has the legal responsibility and technical skill, the operating experience and demonstrated management expertise, and the vigor and desire to successfully direct the development of new transit systems;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the SCRTD reiterates its pledge to cooperate in the fullest with all levels of government and to assist all responsible public and private concerns in the planning, construction and operation of new and improved public transportation systems to meet the growing needs of the people of our great Los Angeles metropolitan community;

AND, FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Manager be instructed to transmit this resolution to all appropriate local, state and federal officials and specifically to Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe to emphasize the District's ability and desire to implement any federally sponsored demonstration programs for new transit systems in the Los Angeles metropolitan area.

Non-Contract Employees - Adoption of Certain Improved Benefits

Upon approval of the ten Directors present, consideration of the recommendations relating to certain improved Non-Contract Employee benefits, as described in General Manager Nelson's report dated December 1, 1969, was added to the Agenda.

