

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

Minutes of

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Directors of the District

July 25, 1978

Upon notice duly given, the Board of Directors met at a regular meeting in the District Board Room, 425 South Main Street, Los Angeles, California at 1:05 p. m. on July 25, 1978, at which time President Marvin L. Holen called the meeting to order.

Directors Present:

Byron E. Cook	Thomas G. Neusom
Donald Gibbs	Jay B. Price
David K. Hayward	Ruth E. Richter
Marvin L. Holen	Charles H. Storing
Gerald B. Leonard	George Takei

Director Absent:

Mike Lewis

Staff Present:

Jack R. Gilstrap, General Manager
Richard T. Powers, General Counsel
Samuel Black, Manager of Operations
Jack Stubbs, Asst. General Manager for Administration
Joe B. Scatchard, Controller-Treasurer-Auditor
John S. Wilkens, Manager of Employee Relations
Michael Olivas, Deputy Administrator-Equal Employment Opportunity
Paul Taylor, Manager of Bus Planning
Robert G. Williams, Manager of Customer Relations
Helen M. Bolen, Assistant Secretary

Also present were Senator Alan Robbins, the news media and members of the public.

Employee-of-the-Month Presentations

Director Takei presented commendatory plaques to George J. Brancato, Operator-of-the-Month, Buddy Sutton, Maintenance Employee-of-the-Month, and to Pauline Kennedy, Information Operator-of-the-Month.

Appearance of Senator Alan Robbins

Senator Robbins addressed the Board and stated that his visit was informal and just to report on transit matters in Sacramento and to ask what he can do to help the District. He reported that SB 2194 (Holden) passed the Senate and will be before the Assembly FI&C Committee on August 16th. Senator Sieroty has introduced a resolution to have a major legislative report on alternate means of providing public transportation, which report is scheduled to be before the PUT&E Committee after recess.

Senator Robbins reported on SB 1000 which he sponsored, on the general subject of transit. He commented that the question of rapid transit is still to be resolved. He stated that probably the solution would be to start some system from the present sources of funds. Senate Bill 1000 passed the Senate and is pending in the Assembly Sub-Committee.

He stated that Senate Select Committee Hearings on public transportation will be held on October. One hearing will be on the L. A. C. T. C.

Director Leonard commented that SB 1000 funds are predicated on Prop. 5 funds: up to 25% of gas tax funds coming to the County. could be diverted to rapid transit. He asked if Senator Robbins would be willing to carry legislation to correct this. Senator Robbins replied that he had already talked to Senator Mills about this. Director Leonard commented that AB 3328 (Berman/Ingalls) is another erosion of transit funds. The Board will consider a recommendation later in this meeting to oppose the Bill, and asked the Senator if the District could count on his help in opposing the Bill. Senator Robbins commented that a number of people have taken the position that they will not push any legislation to either assist the Transportation Commission to place a 1/2 cent sales tax measure to make any commitments on what can be done with 1/2 cent sales tax until we can get the views of the Transportation Commission on the possibility of getting those funds available.

Senator Robbins introduced Mr. Rick Rollins, consultant to the Senate Select Committee on transportation problems in Los Angeles County. Senator Robbins stated that he would hope that the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission could be dissuaded from placing any measure on the November ballot.

Director Price queried Senator Robbins about the power of the Commission to reduce the operating area of the RTD, yet the municipal operators operating areas are protected. Senator Robbins said that this matter will be considered at the Senate Select Committee Hearings in August.

At the conclusion of the Senator's comments, President Holen reported that the District's ridership is still growing, yet the funding available is not keeping pace with the needs of the riding public. He also commented that the District has reduced employment in the past 18 months by some 15%.

Resolution
No. Assigned

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 No. 3 was approved, and the following resolution was adopted.

R-78-274

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-2250-103 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to enter into an agreement with Bierly & Associates to handle to a conclusion approximately 850 Workers' Compensation claims incurred prior to July 1, 1978 at a cost not to exceed \$200,000; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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

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Report of the Customer Relations & Public Information Committee

On motion of Director Richter, Chairman of the Customer Relations & Public Information Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted with respect to Agenda Item No. 4:

67-78-275

RESOLVED, that the report dated June 30, 1978, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary, is adopted, and the Reduced Fare Program is not expanded to include participants in Alcoholic Rehabilitation Programs.

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

Report of the Advance Planning Committee

Under Agenda Item No. 5, Director Hayward, Chairman of the Advance Planning Committee, reported that the Committee had received a status report on contracts with Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, Minibus service, and the Hollywood Bowl Park/Ride service, and the contracts have been approved or are progressing satisfactorily at this time.

Director Hayward reported that the Committee had received the draft response to SCAG's draft Regional Transportation Plan and had requested additional time to study the plan. With the concurrence of all members present, on the recommendation of the Committee, this item, reading as follows, was removed from the Agenda and will be

Report of the Advance Planning Committee (continued)

considered by the Advance Planning Committee and resubmitted at the August 8, 1978 Board Meeting.

"Consider approval of response to the SCAG draft Regional Transportation Plan".

Report of the Government Relations Committee

Director Neusom, Chairman of the Government Relations Committee, reported that the Committee had considered Assembly Bill 3328 and recommended opposition to the Bill. On motion duly made, seconded and carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted:

R-78-276

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District does hereby go on record in opposition to Assembly Bill 3328, and further directs the staff to so advise the Legislature.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the President or appropriate Board Member will appear before the Senate Public Utilities Transportation and Energy Committee at its meeting in August to indicate the District's position.

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

Director Neusom further reported that the Personnel Committee had discussed briefly and referred to the Government Relations Committee that matter of the status of District employees. It is the Committee's recommendation that staff investigate the possibility of a ballot referendum which would allow the voters to decide if employees of transit agencies which receive 25% of their funds from the state should be considered

Report of the Government Relations Committee (continued)

public employees and subject to work provisions for public employees.

With the concurrence of all members present, except Director Hayward, the Board concurred in this recommendation.

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 No. 8 was considered and the following resolution was adopted:

R-78-277

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District does hereby endorse the Los Angeles Community Redevelopment Agency's Proposal for a Transportation Center at Union Station, dated June 26, 1978, with respect to the report's description and illustration of the following: (1) conceptual design of Union Station Transportation Center; and (2) concept of bus operations relating to design and use of the Transportation Center, subject to the CRA's agreement to properly provide for the ultimate conversion of the Busway to rail and rapid transit operation.

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

Approval of the Consent Calendar

On motion of Director Richter, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Items Nos. 10 through 23 on the Consent Calendar were approved and the following resolutions adopted and/or actions taken:

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

Approval of Consent Calendar (continued)

- R-78-278 RESOLVED that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Universal Coach Parts, Inc., 7 East Lake Street, Northlake, Illinois, covering the District's requirements for ring gears and pinions for a one-year period, at an estimated annual cost of \$48,100; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.
- R-78-279 RESOLVED, that the General Manger is authorized to award a contract to J & R Manufacturing Company, 1165 South Soto, Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 6-7827 covering the District's requirements for exterior bus wash material for a one-year period, with option for one additional year at the election of the District, at an estimated annual cost of \$41,700; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.
- R-78-280 RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Safeway Signs, 1314 West 134th Street, Gardena, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 7-7807 covering procurement of 5,000 triangular RTD bus stop signs at a total bid price of \$26,525; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.
- R-78-281 RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-7300-864 is approved, and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the District's requirements for miscellaneous fuel and oil filters for a two-year period; form of bid requirements and specification subject to approval of the General Counsel.
- R-78-282 RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-7300-870 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to execute a contract with Korody-Colyer Corporation, 112 North Avalon Blvd., Wilmington, covering the District's requirements for injector tip assemblies for a one-year period at an estimated annual cost of \$38,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel
- R-78-283 RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-7300-865 is approved, and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the District's requirements for clutch drive discs and bevel gear assemblies for a one-year period; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Approval of Consent Calendar (continued)

R-78-284

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-7300-868 is approved, and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the District's requirements for con rod and cap assemblies and crankshaft assemblies for a one-year period with option for one additional year at the election of the District; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-285

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-7300-860 is approved, and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the District's requirements for concentrated pine odor cleaner for a two-year period; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-286

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-8100-133 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to exercise an option for one additional year with Olympic Graphics Services, 1027 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, covering miscellaneous printing services required by Bus Facilities Engineering, at a cost not to exceed \$15,000; form of option subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-287

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-7300-859 is approved, and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the District's requirements for powdered hand soap for a two-year period; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-288

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-7300-869 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to execute a contract with Cummins Service & Sales, 1661 McGarry Street, Los Angeles, covering the District's requirements for cylinder liners for a one-year period at an estimated annual cost of \$10,700; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-289

RESOLVED, that the report dated July 11, 1978, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary, is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to enter into a contract with the State of California, Department of Transportation, covering the preparation and installation of a SCRTD system map in the Los Angeles Union Passenger Terminal, at a lump sum cost of \$2,500; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Approval of Consent Calendar (continued)

R-78-290

RESOLVED, that the report dated July 20, 1978 relative to minor route modifications in the Sylmar area of the City of Los Angeles on Lines No. 24 and 157, is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to include in the Official Route Descriptions Thirteenth Revised Page 24 and Third Revised Page 157;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Community Relations/ Government Affairs Department is authorized to notify in writing those cities and/or municipal operators directly affected, with copies of this notification to be sent to the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission where appropriate.

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Approved Minutes of Regular Meeting held July 11, 1978.

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Ratified changes in bus stop zones as described in report dated July 21, 1978 filed with the Secretary.

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Ratified temporary route diversions as described in report dated July 21, 1978 filed with the Secretary.

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Received and Filed Purchasing Agent's Statement of Purchases Over \$1,000 for the month of May, 1978.

Report of the General Manager

General Manager Gilstrap reported that the District has received word that UMTA had approved the District's request for UMTA participation in the purchase and installation of power steering assist units on the 200 AMG buses.

New Business

Mr. Derrick Wilson, 1079 1/2 W. Kensington Road, Los Angeles, appeared before the Board requesting reconsideration by the Board to

New Business (continued)

allow full-time students over the age of 21 to purchase Student Passes. On inquiry, Mr. Wilson stated that his definition of a full-time student is one who carries twelve-hour semester credits.

After discussion, the Board agreed to reconsideration of the Student Bus Pass restrictions at a future meeting. Mr. Wilson will be advised when this matter will be reconsidered.

Report of the Personnel Committee

Director Takei, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, reported that the Committee had considered the staff report dated July 20, 1978, entitled "Future Pay Increases Under District's Union Labor Agreements", a copy of which is filed with the Secretary, and recommended that letters be written to the labor unions requesting that future pay increases be forfeited in view of the District's financial constraints. On motion of Director Takei, seconded and carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted:

R-78-291

RESOLVED, that staff is directed to draft letters to the District's three (3) labor unions requesting an amendment to the labor contracts to forego wage and cost-of-living increases for the balance of the contracts, with the letters to be reviewed by the Personnel Committee.

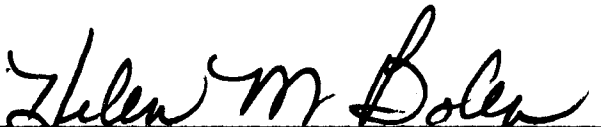
Ayes: Cook, Gibbs, Holen, Leonard, Neusom,
Price, Richter, Storing, Takei
Noes: Hayward
Abstain: None
Absent: Lewis

Report of the Personnel Committee (continued)

Director Takei requested that the Board recess into Executive Session to discuss other Personnel Matters. With the concurrence of all members present, the Board recessed into Executive Session at 1:56 p. m.

The Board reconvened in open session at 2:54 p. m. , with all members present except Director Lewis. President Holen reported that the Personnel Matter considered in Executive Session was not approved by the majority of the Board and would not require formal action on the open agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 2:57 p. m.


Secretary