

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

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

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March 2, 1978

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 1:05 p.m. on March 2, 1978, at which time President Marvin L. Holen called the meeting to order:

Directors Present:

George W. Brewster
Donald Gibbs
Marvin L. Holen
Gerald B. Leonard
Mike Lewis

Thomas G. Neusom
Jay B. Price
Ruth E. Richter
Charles H. Storing
George Takei

Director Absent:

Byron E. Cook

Staff Present:

Jack R. Gilstrap, General Manager
Richard T. Powers, General Counsel
Joe B. Scatchard, Controller-Treasurer-Auditor
George L. McDonald, Manager of Planning & Marketing
Samuel M. Black, Acting Manager of Operations
John S. Wilkens, Manager of Employee Relations
Mike Olivas, Deputy Administrator-Equal
Employment Opportunity
Ralph de la Cruz, Principal Analyst
Helen M. Bolen, Assistant Secretary

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

Report of the Nominating Committee and Election of Officers

Director Brewster, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported that the Committee had met and nominated Director Holen for President and Director Takei for Vice-President. President Holen inquired if there were any nominations from the floor. There being none, upon motion duly made and seconded, the nominations were closed. Director Brewster moved approval of the report of the Nominating Committee by unanimous acclamation, which motion was seconded, unanimously carried and the following resolution adopted:

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RESOLVED, that Director Marvin L. Holen is reelected President of the Board of Directors and Director George Takei is elected Vice-President of the Board of Directors for a one year period beginning March 2, 1978.

Administering of Oath of Office

Assistant Secretary Helen M. Bolen administered the oath of office to President Marvin L. Holen and incoming Vice-President George Takei, copies

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of which oaths of office are attached to these Minutes as EXHIBITS 1 and 2, respectively.

Adoption of Resolution Designating Persons Authorized to Sign Checks, Drafts or other Orders

On motion of Director Price, seconded and carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted:

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

R-78-76

RESOLVED, that Lloyds Bank California, or Security Pacific National Bank, each as a designated depository or the Southern California Rapid Transit District be and they (including their correspondent banks) are hereby authorized, requested and directed to honor all checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money drawn in the District's name on its account (including those drawn to the individual order or any person or persons whose names appear thereon as signer or signers thereof) when bearing the signature or facsimile signatures of the following, as indicated:

Signed by:

J. B. Scatchard
Treasurer

F. M. Carr
Assistant Treasurer

Countersigned by
any of the following

Marvin L. Holen
President

George Takei
Vice-President

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Signed by:

T. V. Collins
Assistant Treasurer

W. Taylor
Assistant Treasurer

Countersigned by any
one of the following

Jack R. Gilstrap
General Manager

Jack Stubbs
General Manager
Pro Tempore

George L. McDonald
General Manager
Pro Tempore

Richard Gallagher
General Manager
Pro Tempore

and Lloyds Bank California, or Security Pacific National Bank (including their correspondent banks) shall be entitled to honor and to charge the District for all such checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, regardless of by whom or by whom or by what means the actual facsimile signature or signatures thereon may have been affixed thereto, if such facsimile signature or signatures resemble the facsimile specimens from time to time filed with Lloyds Bank California, or Security Pacific National Bank by the Secretary or other officer of the District. That all previous authorizations for the signing and honoring of checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money drawn on the said Lloyds Bank California, or Security Pacific National Bank by the District are hereby continued in full force and effect as amplified hereby.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the President and Secretary be and they are hereby authorized to execute a Certificate of Authority of Officers to Lloyds Bank California, or Security Pacific National Bank certifying that the officers named therein have been duly elected and are now qualified to sign as such officers on behalf of the District; that the specimen

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signatures appearing opposite the names and titles on the Certificate of Authority of Officers are the genuine signature of such officers and that Lloyds Bank California, or Security Pacific National Bank are authorized to recognize these signatures until written notice to the contrary is given to said Bank or Banks.

(Director Storing left the meeting at 1:10 p.m.)

Authorization to Proceed in the Acquisition of
1,000 Replacement Buses

Director Mike Lewis, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported that his Committee had considered the recommendations of the Equipment & Maintenance Committee regarding the acquisition of 1,000 replacement buses and had reviewed the funding options available to the District. It is the Committee's recommendation that staff proceed with the preparation for a grant application to UMTA. Upon motion of Director Richter, seconded and carried as noted below, this recommendation was approved, and the following resolution was adopted:

R-78-77

RESOLVED, that the staff is authorized to prepare a grant application to the Urban Mass Transportation Administration for approximately 820 buses, with the mix, i.e., size and style, to be determined by the Board of Directors at a later date.

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No. Assigned

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

Director Lewis also reported that the Finance Committee had heard a report from Dennis Cannon, the District's consultant on handicapped matters, who is working with UMTA on a policy that will implement the accessibility requirement on all UMTA funded procurements. Staff has been asked to prepare some options for the District to consider in response to this requirement.

Director Gibbs stated that he is in favor of improving the service and that he is hoping to get the economies established so that they can be enforced. President Holen stated that the curve on maintenance cost is rising rapidly due to the increased age of the fleet. UMTA will fund 80% of the cost of new buses and nothing on maintenance costs.

Report of the Rapid Transit Committee

On motion of Director Leonard, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 3

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was approved, and the following resolution
was adopted:

R-78-78

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to execute a contract amendment with Skidmore, Owings and Merrill covering an increase of \$4,900 to a new contract total of \$40,876 for urban design services in connection with the Rapid Transit Program; which project is paid for by UMTA Project No. CA-09-0053 and Fiscal Year 1977 Proposition 5 funds; subject to the concurrence of UMTA, with form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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

Report of the Facilities and Construction Committee

Director Price, Vice-Chairman of the Facilities & Construction Committee reported that the Committee had considered Agenda Item No. 4 at its meeting this morning and recommended that staff proceed with the necessary studies for establishment of the facilities at the Macy-Lyons site. After further discussion concerning the alignment of the proposed extension of the Busway to the Union Station area, on motion of Director Price, seconded and carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted:

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No. Assigned

R-78-79

RESOLVED, that staff is directed to proceed with the studies necessary for the establishment of the Central Maintenance Facility and the Headquarters Office Building at the Macy-Lyons site, with the understanding that this study will not prejudice the gathering of other site information;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that staff is to include in the above studies the additional information with respect to the alignment of the proposed extension of the Busway to the Union Station area, including its possible conversion to rail.

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

(Director Storing returned to the meeting
at 1:20 p.m.)

Report of the Government Relations Committee

Director Neusom, Chairman of the Government Relations Committee, reported that the Committee had received a comprehensive report from staff regarding all legislative activities concerning the District, which will be discussed at the APTA Legislative Conference to be held in Washington March 5-8. The Committee also recommended adoption of a policy with respect to H.R. 10578. Upon motion of Director Neusom,

Resolution
No. Assigned

seconded and carried, as noted below, the Committee's recommendation was approved, and the following resolution was adopted:

R-78-80

RESOLVED, that the policy relative to H.R. 10578, attached to these Minutes as Exhibit 3, is hereby adopted.

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

Report of the Personnel Committee

On motion of Director Takei, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 6 was approved and the following resolution adopted:

R-78-81

RESOLVED, that the report dated February 27, 1978, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary, relative to anticipated retirements beginning June 1, 1978, is adopted, and the General Manager is authorized to make duplicate appointments to a position, for a period not to exceed one month, in those instances where training is necessary.

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

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Finance Committee

Director Lewis, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported that the Committee had considered Agenda Item No. 8 and recommended no action be taken since it appears that the matter of the District's Claim for \$4.2 million in TDA funds (Sales Tax) may be resolved at the March 8, 1978 meeting of the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission. In the event that the issue is not resolved at that date, it may be necessary to call a Special Meeting of the Board to consider this matter.

Director Lewis reported that Agenda Item No. 9 was recommended for approval and upon motion duly made, seconded and carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted:

R-78-82

RESOLVED, that the report dated February 23, 1978, relative to the revision of date for the Public Hearing on the proposed Earthquake Rehabilitation Program, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary, is approved, and the Secretary is authorized to reschedule the date for said Public Hearing from March 9, 1978 to April 27, 1978, and to publish the Notice of Intent.

Resolution
No. Assigned

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

On motion of Director Lewis, seconded and
unanimously carried, the Operating Report for
the month of January, 1978 was Received and Filed.

Approval of Consent Calendar

On motion of Director Richter, seconded and
carried as noted below, Agenda Items No. 11 through
15 on the Consent Calendar, except Item No. 12,
were approved, and the following resolutions and/
or actions adopted:

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

R-78-83

RESOLVED, that the General Manager
is authorized to award a contract to Hetzel
Brothers, 1457 East Washington Boulevard,
Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder
under Bid No. 2-7814 covering the District's
requirements for steel brake shoes for a
two-year period, at an estimated cost of
\$25,000 for the two-year period; form of
contract subject to approval of the
General Counsel.

Resolution
No. Assigned

R-78-84

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-4410-879 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to amend the contract with Printasign Signing Service, 1615 West 7th Street, Los Angeles, covering specialty printing services for the balance of Fiscal Year 1978, to increase the total cost to an amount not to exceed \$15,500; form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-85

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Flexible Distribution Center, 3215 North Alameda, Compton, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 2-7810, covering the District's requirements for splitter drums for a one-year period at an estimated cost of \$14,200; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Ratified bus stop zone changes as described in report dated February 24, 1978 filed with the Secretary.

Ratified temporary route diversions as described in report dated February 24, 1978 filed with the Secretary.

Agenda Item No. 12 - Approval of Contract
with Charles Barr Associates

After inquiry by Directors Richter and Takei, Mr. McDonald, Manager of Planning & Marketing, reported that Charles Barr, on a contractual basis, brings to the District the best type of non-news writing available; that he has prepared copy for the Annual Report and done a number of other

Resolution
No. Assigned

assignments for the District in the past, and that the District would like to have his talents available. Director Takei responded that this type of talent is what the District should expect in its staff. Mr. McDonald further stated that the Rapid Transit Department has also requested the services of Mr. Barr for the Alternative Analysis task. Director Neusom stated that if the need for the writing talent is there, then perhaps the \$20,000 amount is too high and suggested a lower amount for a shorter time frame.

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

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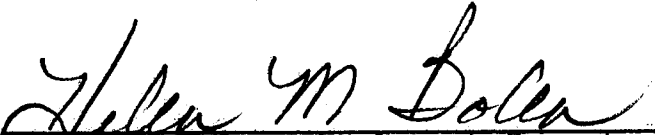
RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-4410-834 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Charles Barr Associates, 28954 Portsmouth Drive, Sun City, California, covering consultant services at a total cost not to exceed \$10,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that if the need for Mr. Barr's services is evident beyond the approved amount, the matter is to be brought back before the Board for further consideration.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Ayes: Brewster, Gibbs, Holen, Lewis,
Neusom, Price, Takei
Noes: Richter, Storing
Abstain: Leonard
Absent: Cook

There being no further business, the meeting
was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.


Helen M. Bolen, Assistant Secretary

The SCRTD opposes any reduction in the amount of funds available for capital project assistance as contained in H. R. 10578. The District proposes that the current Section 3 Capital Grants Discretionary Program be continued and expanded. The District does support the administrative "set-aside" of monies for bus replacement only; if the demand for bus replacement exceeds any "set-aside"; e. g., \$400-\$500 million annually, additional Section 3 discretionary funds should be used to finance such grants. All other capital projects should continue to be funded through the traditional program.

With regard to operating assistance, the District supports an increased level of funding beyond the currently authorized \$850 million within the Section 5 Formula Grants Program. The District supports continuation of the use of population and population/density factors, to allocate these funds for operating assistance. Notwithstanding the fact that there is no nationally available data to support other factors, more compelling is the fact that such assistance should be used to create and expand rather than focus on existing service.

We support the concept of two funding tiers for Section 5. Ideally, the second tier should recognize the unique transportation needs and air quality problems of the major urbanized areas. The second tier should direct a large proportion of dollars to those urbanized areas with populations of 500,000 or more.

It would be unfortunate and inequitable to base this tier on ridership or rail miles; however, we would consider a criteria that addressed air quality and the federal requirement for meeting the requirement of the Clean Air Act.

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