

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

Minutes of Special Joint Meeting of The  
Boards of Directors of the Southern  
California Rapid Transit District and the  
Orange County Transit District

March 28, 1979

Upon notice duly given, the Boards of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District and the Orange County Transit District met at a Joint Special Meeting at the Knotts Berry Farm Steak House, 8039 Beach Boulevard, Buena Park, California, at 7:05 p.m. on March 28, 1979 at which time OCTD Chairman Ralph B. Clark called the meeting to order.

SCRTD Directors present

Marvin L. Holen, President (7:15 p.m.)  
Ruth E. Richter, Vice-President  
David K. Hayward (7:15 p.m.)  
Gerald B. Leonard  
Michael W. Lewis (7:15 p.m.)  
Thomas G. Neusom  
Jay B. Price  
George Takei

SCRTD Directors absent

Byron E. Cook  
Donald Gibbs  
Charles H. Storing

OCTD Directors present

Ralph B. Clark, Chairman  
William E. Farris, Vice-Chairman  
Philip L. Anthony  
Al Hollinden  
Robin Young

OCTD Directors absent

None

A list of staff members and guests present is attached to these Minutes as EXHIBIT 1.

Chairman Clark introduced Robert J. Datel, District Director of Caltrans, District 7, who, in turn, introduced Lou Bedola, Caltrans' Senior Transportation Planner, for a presentation of Caltrans' plans for freeway transit, including the I-105 Century Freeway and the Harbor Freeway, and how Caltrans is actively working to insure that studies on the I-105 are compatible between the two counties. Construction start on the I-105 is hopefully next year, with a 1983 target date on the Harbor Freeway.

OCTD General Manager James Reichert presented an update report of progress made in transit lines since the last meeting of the two boards. He stressed the importance of developing mass transit along I-5 (Santa Ana Freeway), and briefly described the proposed transportation centers for Santa Ana and Anaheim. OCTD has commenced an alternative analysis studying all corridors, including the Santa Ana Freeway and Pacific Electric rights-of-way.

(RTD Directors Holen, Hayward and Lewis, and General Manager Gilstrap entered the meeting at 7:15 p.m.)

OCTD Staff Director of Development Services Hill Hornung completed the OCTD update on transit planning.

RTD President Holen was introduced and he stressed the importance of the two agencies working together toward a common goal.

RTD General Manager Gilstrap reported on the District's increased ridership, and reported that 160 buses had recently been added with revenues funding the additional costs. He further reported that Mr. Gallagher would report on the Wilshire corridor rapid transit starter line, one of the District's most important projects, with the other working on a program updating the District's bus fleet.

RTD Chief Engineer and Manager of Rapid Transit Richard Gallagher reviewed the Wilshire corridor rapid transit line, and RTD Manager of Planning and Marketing George McDonald reported on the development of the Century and Santa Ana corridor transit plans working in association with Caltrans. He also briefly reported on the three RTD lines, 757, 800 and 802, which connect in Orange County.

Mr. Gallagher responded to questions regarding the proposed Wilshire line, including costs, type of equipment proposed, etc. The estimated cost is \$1.2 billion in 1978 dollars, with an estimate of \$1.8 billion at the midway point of construction.

OCTD General Counsel Kennard Smart briefly reported on the Section 13 (c) labor protective provisions of the UMTA Act of 1964, as amended, with an update of latest actions. A recent Kansas City decision especially has had far reaching effects on 13 (c) agreements with respect to interest arbitration. However, RTD and OCTD agreements do not have the interest arbitrations in their agreements.

Mr. Smart responded to several questions posed by board members.

The meeting was recessed for dinner at 8:03 p.m.

Following dinner, RTD Manager of Operations Samuel Black gave a slide presentation of new bus technology, both foreign and domestic, and reported on the problems the District is experiencing with 200 new AM General E & H buses, especially with the lifts.

Chairman Clark introduced all guests present and called for a few remarks from Frances Mossman, member of the California Transportation Commission. He then introduced RTD President Holen who reported on meetings earlier in the week in Washington, D.C. with Congressional leaders and UMTA officials regarding the District's proposals to update its bus fleet by the addition of 1,500 buses over the next four-year period. He then introduced RTD Director Michael Lewis to present his ideas and suggestions for consideration by the two boards.

Mr. Lewis felt that both agencies should consider appointment of a small Resolutions Committee to resolve questions such as financing on an on-going basis, and also including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Discussion of provisions of regularly scheduled service by OCTD within Los Angeles County, park-rides, etc., and possibly a line to Diamond Bar.
2. Discussion of joint plans in the event of an energy crunch.

3. Role of SCAG, since neither District is represented by a membership on SCAG.
4. Southern Pacific right-of-way from Los Angeles County into Orange County, and possible a joint application for purchase.
5. Discussion of 13 (c) labor protective agreements.
6. Provision of rail transit service between Los Angeles and Orange County on the Amtrak line, since there are no passenger stops by Amtrak in Los Angeles County at present.
7. Develop an agreement between the two districts to provide service in event of a service interruption by either district.

Mr. Lewis was hopeful the two districts would proceed on the above outlined basis, with the two boards to meet again in six months to review progress made at a meeting to be hosted by the SCRTD in Los Angeles.

Chairman Clark thanked Mr. Lewis for his presentation and stated that on the behalf of his board OCTD would cooperate in setting up the committee. RTD President Holen concurred.

On joint motion of OCTD Chairman Clark and SCRTD Director Price, seconded and carried, both boards concurred in the suggestions as presented by RTD Director Lewis.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.



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R. K. Kissick, Secretary



List of staff members and guests present at Joint  
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SCRTD staff

Jack R. Gilstrap, General Manager  
Samuel Black, Manager of Operations  
Jack Stubbs, Asst. General Manager for Administration  
Richard T. Powers, General Counsel  
George L. McDonald, Manager of Planning and Marketing  
Richard Gallagher, Chief Engineer & Manager-Rapid Transit  
Joe B. Scatchard, Controller-Treasurer-Auditor  
Robert Williams, Manager of Customer Relations  
Sam Olivito, Community Relations Representative  
Mike Barnes, News Bureau Manager  
Richard K. Kissick, Secretary

OCTD staff

James P. Reichert, General Manager  
Hil Hornung, Staff Director of Development Services  
Kennard Smart, General Counsel  
Robert Neeson, Staff Director, Employee Relations  
John Beatty, Staff Director of Finance & Administration  
Patrick Butters, Staff Director of Transit Services  
Mary Evelyn Bryden, Community Relations Coordinator  
Thomas Eichhorn, Information Officer  
Patricia Scanlen, Clerk of the Board

Guests present

Caltrans - Robert J. Datel, District Director, District 7  
Lou Bedola, Senior Transportation Engineer  
Frances Mossman, member of the California Transportation  
Commission  
Stanley Williams, Chairman, OCTD Citizens Advisory Committee  
William Ackermann, Jr., Director of Transportation Planning,  
SCAG  
Thomas L. Jenkins, Executive Director, Orange County  
Transportation Commission

