

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

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

November 19, 1975

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 1:05 p.m. on November 19, 1975, at which time Vice-President Thomas G. Neusom called the meeting to order, with President Byron E. Cook entering the meeting at 1:06 p.m.

Directors present:

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| Byron E. Cook, President | Marvin L. Holen |
| Thomas G. Neusom, Vice Pres. | Jay B. Price |
| George W. Brewster | Pete Schabarum |
| Donald H. Gibbs | George Takei |
| Adelina Gregory | Baxter Ward |

Directors absent:

Victor M. Carter

Staff present:

Jack R. Gilstrap, General Manager
George W. Heinle, Manager of Operations
Richard T. Powers, General Counsel
Richard Gallagher, Manager of Rapid Transit
Joe B. Scatchard, Controller-Treasurer-Auditor
Jack Stubbs, Asst. General Manager for Administration
George L. McDonald, Manager of Planning & Marketing
Robert Williams, Manager of Customer Relations
Richard K. Kissick, Secretary
Byron Lewis, Director of Personnel
Michael Olivas, Deputy Administrator, Equal Employment
Opportunities

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

Certificates of Merit

President Cook presented the District's Certificates of Merit to Nicholas C. Bayerle, Operator-of-the-Month, and to Beverly Kitchel, Information Operator-of-the-Month, for October, 1975, for outstanding service in the performance of their duties.

Board of Directors Recessed in Executive Session at 1:10 p.m.

On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Directors recessed in Executive Session at 1:10 p.m., to consider personnel and labor matters.

The Board of Directors reconvened at 2:13 p.m. with Directors Brewster, Cook, Gregory, Holen, Neusom, Price, Schabarum, Takei and Ward responding to Roll Call. Directors Carter and Gibbs entered the meeting at later times as noted in these minutes.

No report was made of the matters discussed in Executive Session.

(Director Gibbs entered the meeting at 2:14 p.m.)

Resolution
No. assigned

Adoption of Mid-Cities Phase II Service Improvement Program

On motion of Director Brewster, Chairman of the Advance Planning & Marketing Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 3 was approved as follows:

Resolution
No. assigned

R-75-443

Adopted the Mid-Cities Phase II Service Improvement Program as outlined in the report dated November 13, 1975, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary, with an amendment that Line No. 831, which was inadvertently omitted from the report, be added to the recommendation; subject to approval of the Consulting Engineer; also, with the understanding that the staff is to study and report back to the Board a suggestion of tying together Line Nos. 836 and 840 and Line Nos. 823 and 825.

Ayes: Brewster, Cook, Gibbs, Gregory, Holen,
Neusom, Price, Schabarum, Takei, Ward

Noes: None

Absent: Carter

(Director Carter entered the meeting at 2:16 p.m., and President Cook left the meeting at 2:17 p.m., with Vice-President Neusom assuming the chair.)

Adoption of San Gabriel Valley Service Improvement Program

On motion of Director Brewster, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 4 was approved as follows:

R-75-444

Adopted the San Gabriel Valley Service Improvement Program as outlined in the report dated November 13, 1975, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary, subject to approval of the Consulting Engineer; with the understanding that the routing of Line No. 430 in the City of South Pasadena be further discussed with the City of South Pasadena.

Ayes: Brewster, Carter, Gibbs, Gregory, Holen,
Neusom, Price, Schabarum, Takei, Ward

Noes: None

Absent: Cook

Resolution
No. assigned

The following persons appeared before the Board in connection with the San Gabriel Valley Service Improvement Program:

Mr. William H.T. Holden, 2042 Crary Street, Pasadena, 91104, representing the East Altadena Improvement Association and the Altadena Town Council. Mr. Holden submitted suggested changes in the plan, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary. At the suggestion of Director Schabarum, the staff was directed to be responsive to Mr. Holden's suggestions prior to implementation of the Plan.

Mr. George L. Reynolds and Mr. Fred Tosterin, representing the Royal Oak Manor Retirement Home, Duarte. Recommended adoption of the Plan as submitted.

Mrs. Pat Rosker, representing the Pasadena Urban Coalition. Complimented the Board and staff on the Plan and recommended its adoption. Hoped the Beach Buses could run next summer.

Approval of (a) Report and Recommendations Concerning Ongoing Evaluation of District Services in Accordance with Service Evaluation Program; and (b) Holding in Abeyance Request for Service Cuts Equalling \$1,282,800

On motion of Director Brewster, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 5 was approved as follows:

R-75-445

Adopted Section (a) of report dated November 14, 1975, recommending certain changes in accordance with the Service Evaluation Program, including inclusion of certain new lines and deletion of other lines from the Official Route Descriptions; subject to approval of the County of Los Angeles and the Consulting Engineer; and

Directed that Section (b) of the report outlining service cuts totalling \$1,282,800 be held in abeyance with the understanding that the staff will continue its evaluation program and report to the Board of Directors at least monthly.

Resolution
No. assigned

R-75-445
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A copy of the report dated November 14, 1975, is attached to these Minutes as EXHIBIT 1.

Ayes: Brewster, Carter, Gibbs, Gregory, Holen, Neusom, Price, Schabarum, Takei, Ward

Noes: None

Absent: Cook

Approval of (a) Retention of Outside Firms to Assist District in UMTA Documentation Work, and (b) Work Program for Technical Analyses for the Rapid Transit Starter Line

Vice-President Neusom reported on a meeting of the Rapid Transit Committee, and invited a motion to approve the recommendations of the Committee with respect to Agenda Item No. 6.

On motion of Director Price, seconded and carried, as noted below, Agenda Item No. 6 was approved as follows:

R-75-446

- a. Authorized the General Manager to retain private firms to furnish staff assistance to complete necessary rapid transit starter line technical documentation required by UMTA, as outlined in the report dated November 14, 1975, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes as EXHIBIT 2; form of all contracts subject to approval of the General Counsel; and
- b. Approved Work Program required for technical analyses for the rapid transit starter line, as outlined in the report dated November 17, 1975, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes as EXHIBIT 3.

Ayes: Brewster, Carter, Gibbs, Gregory, Holen, Neusom, Price, Schabarum, Takei, Ward

Noes: None

Absent: Cook

Appearance of Representatives of the Joint Venture

Mr. H. A. Thomas, Jr., and Mr. D. R. Miller, representing the Joint Venture of Kaiser Engineers/Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall, addressed the Board regarding statements which had been made at recent Board meetings to the effect that the Joint Venture could not carry out assignments in a completely unbiased manner, especially in the matter of rail versus bus modes, and outlined reasons why their respective firms can submit reports in an unbiased fashion. They stated they would leave a copy of a 1969 report which had been prepared for the District which would substantiate their statements, and requested the Secretary to forward a copy of the report to all Board Members.

Vice-President Neusom stated that he was not aware of any bias on the part of the Board to the Joint Venture.

Announcement that Agenda Item Nos. 10 and 21 would be Carried Over

Vice-President Neusom announced that Agenda Item No. 10, a report regarding UMTA response to the District's specifications for buses equipped to handle the Elderly and the Handicapped, and Agenda Item No. 21, Director Schabarum's request to discuss the purchase of 200 new standard type buses, would be carried

over to the next meeting of the Board, since a response from UMTA had not yet been received.

One member of the handicapped persons in the audience objected to this procedure since several members of the handicapped community had made an effort to attend the meeting.

Report of the Surface Operations Committee - Approval
of Agenda Item Nos. 7 through 9

On motion of Director Price, Chairman of the Surface Operations Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item Nos. 7, 8 and 9 were approved as follows:

Ayes: Brewster, Carter, Gibbs, Gregory, Holen,
Neusom, Price, Schabarum, Takei, Ward

Noes: None

Absent: Cook

R-75-447

Approved following items in connection with purchase of miscellaneous screen processing equipment, as outlined in report dated November 6, 1975, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary:

- a. Authorized the General Manager to enter into contracts with the following lowest responsible bidders (Bid No. 10-7520) covering the purchase of miscellaneous screen processing equipment:

Western Supply Co., 2525 West Washington Blvd., Los Angeles, for ten miscellaneous items at a total cost of \$21,010.26, including sales tax; and

Visual Graphics Corp., 15515 Paramount Blvd., Paramount, covering purchase of one Photo-Typositor with film fonts, at a total cost of \$4,383.10;

Resolution
No. assigned

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form of contracts subject to approval of
the General Counsel.

- b. Authorized the Purchasing Agent to reissue bids covering the purchase of eleven miscellaneous screen processing items for which no bids were received under Bid No. 10-7520; and
- c. Rejection of bids received under Bid No. 10-7520 for one camera, and authorized the Purchasing Agent to call for bids with new specifications based upon reevaluation of the District's projected headsign requirements for the elderly and the handicapped buses; form of bid requirements subject to approval of the General Counsel.

All of the above purchases are funded in part under UMTA Capital Grant Project No. CA-03-0106.

R-75-448

Approved Requisition No. 3099-90 covering the purchase of triangular bus stop signs and authorized the Purchasing Agent to call for bids for the purchase of 3,000, 4,000 and 5,000 signs; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-75-449

Authorized the General Manager to enter into a contract with Saga Food Systems, 11705 Willake Street, Santa Fe Springs, for the furnishing of food services at the District's new headquarters building for a one-year period, with option for an additional year at the election of the District, with the understanding that the contract is to include food prices; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Report of the Finance Committee - Agenda Item Nos.
11 and 12

On motion of Director Carter, Chairman of the Finance Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, the Operating Report for the month of October, 1975 was ordered "Received and filed."

Resolution
No. assigned

On motion of Director Carter, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 12 was approved as follows:

R-75-450

Approved report dated November 11, 1975, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary, amending Resolution No. R-75-154 adopted April 16, 1975, modifying the qualifications of the reduced fare program for the physically handicapped; subject to approval of the Consulting Engineer.

Ayes: Brewster, Carter, Gibbs, Gregory, Holen,
Neusom, Price, Schabarum, Takei, Ward

Noes: None

Absent: Cook

Report of the Personnel Committee - Agenda Item Nos.
13 and 14

On motion of Director Gregory, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 13 was approved as follows:

R-75-451

Approved Requisition No. 6200-272, covering biennial physical examinations, including laboratory tests, for the period January 1 through June 30, 1976, at a cost not to exceed \$9,000, and Requisition No. 6200-274, covering pre-employment physical examinations, including laboratory tests, for the period January 1 through June 30, 1976, at a cost not to exceed \$18,000, and authorized the General Manager to retain Walter T. Ellerbeck, M.D., Inc. to provide said services; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Ayes: Brewster, Carter, Gibbs, Gregory, Holen,
Neusom, Price, Schabarum, Takei, Ward

Noes: None

Absent: Cook

(Director Brewster left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.)

Resolution
No. assigned

Director Gregory moved approval of Agenda Item No. 14(a), a recommendation to establish two System Analyst positions, and Agenda Item No. 14(b), a recommendation to establish a position of Equal Employment Opportunities Representative II, which motion was seconded.

Director Schabarum questioned the feasibility of establishing the positions, especially the two System Analyst positions, prior to consummation of the 13(c) labor protective agreement matter, and made a substitute motion that the two System Analyst positions be held in abeyance and carried over for further consideration, which motion was seconded.

After discussion, separate votes were taken on the two items, carried as noted below, and the following actions approved:

R-75-452

Held in abeyance the establishment of one additional position of Senior Systems Analyst (Grade 13) and one position of Systems Analyst (Grade 10), with said positions to be resubmitted to the Personnel Committee and the Board for consideration.

Ayes: Carter, Gibbs, Gregory, Holen, Neusom,
Price, Schabarum, Takei, Ward

Noes: None

Absent: Brewster, Cook

R-75-453

Authorized establishment of one new position of Equal Employment Opportunities Representative II under the Non-Contract Position Classification and Salary Plan, effective November 19, 1975.

Resolution
No. assigned

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Ayes: Carter, Gibbs, Gregory, Holen, Neusom,
Price, Takei, Ward

Noes: Schabarum

Absent: Brewster, Cook

(Director Carter left the meeting at 2:50 p.m.)

Approval of Consent Calendar - Agenda Item Nos. 15
through 20

On motion of Director Schabarum, seconded and
carried as noted below, Agenda Item Nos. 15 through
20 on the Consent Calendar were approved as follows:

Ayes: Gibbs, Gregory, Holen, Neusom, Price,
Schabarum, Takei, Ward

Noes: None

Absent: Brewster, Carter, Cook

R-75-454

Approved Requisition No. 7300-265 covering the
District's rubbish hauling requirements from all
divisions for a one-year period, with option for one
additional year at the election of the District, and
authorized the Purchasing Agent to call for bids there-
on in accordance with the Rules and Regulations; form
of bid requirements and specifications subject to ap-
proval of the General Counsel.

R-75-455

Approved the following requisitions and authorized
the Purchasing Agent to call for bids thereon in accord-
ance with the Rules and Regulations; form of bid require-
ments and specifications subject to approval of the
General Counsel:

- a. Requisition No. 7200-61 covering the purchase
of eight (8) keypunch/verifiers;
- b. Requisition No. 7200-63 covering the purchase
of one printer/slotter system;

Resolution
No. assigned

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- c. Requisition No. 7200-77 covering the purchase of one optical reader system;
- d. Requisition No. 7200-65 covering the purchase of six (6) Type II terminals; and
- c. Requisition No. 7200-68 covering the purchase of eight (8) Type V terminals.

All of the above purchases are funded in part under UMTA Capital Grant Project No. CA-03-0049.

R-75-456

Approved:

- a. Requisition No. 7300-278 and authorized the General Manager to enter into a contract with Baker Division, Reef-Baker Corp., 5660 N. River Road, Marine City, Michigan, a sole source vendor, covering the District's requirements for Dana Model 184 transmission clutch plates for a one-year period, at an estimated cost of \$14,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel; and
- b. Requisition No. 7300-280, covering the purchase of steel clutch plates and lined clutch plates, and authorized the Purchasing Agent to call for bids thereon in accordance with the Rules and Regulations for a one-year period at an estimated cost of \$40,000; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-75-457

Approved rejection of all bids received under Bid No. 10-7528 covering the District's steam cleaner material requirements for a one-year period, and authorized the staff to test additional products in an effort to develop additional vendors capable of supplying the product.

R-75-458

Authorized the General Manager to:

- a. Amend Retainer Agreement for legal services dated July 16, 1974 to reflect new firm name and to execute necessary forms to substitute

Resolution
No. assigned

) R-75-458
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Bisignani, Kenoff & Conway as attorneys for the District in pending cases; and

- b. Issue the required notice under the aforesaid Retainer Agreement for legal services dated July 16, 1974 to permit the agreement to expire on August 1, 1976;

form of all documents subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Approved minutes of Regular Meeting held November 5, 1975 and Special Meeting held November 10, 1975.

Ratified temporary route diversions caused by construction work, as described in report dated November 11, 1975 filed with the Secretary.

Ratified changes in bus stop zones, as described in report dated November 10, 1975 filed with the Secretary.

Received and filed the Purchasing Agent's Statement of Purchases Over \$1,000 for the month of October, 1975, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary.

(Director Carter returned to the meeting at 2:52 p.m.)

Cancellation of Special Meeting and Committee of the Whole Meeting Scheduled for November 20, 1975

Vice-President Neusom entertained a motion for cancellation of the Special Meeting and the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for November 20, 1975, due to the fact that several Directors would be unable to attend.

On motion of Director Gibbs, seconded and carried as noted below, the following action was approved:

R-75-459

Authorized cancellation of Special Meeting and Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting, both scheduled at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 20, 1975, with the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting to be rescheduled at a later date.

Ayes: Carter, Gibbs, Gregory, Holen, Neusom,
Price, Schabarum, Takei, Ward

Noes: None

Absent: Brewster, Cook

Inquiries by Director Ward

Director Ward inquired as to how patrons of bus lines are notified regarding changes in routes, discontinuances, etc., and Mr. Heinle replied that notices are placed in buses at least one week in advance. Mr. Ward then inquired if notification signs could be placed in buses when lines are being considered for discontinuance, and Mr. Heinle replied that it appeared this would not be feasible since it would have a detrimental effect on patronage.

Mr. Ward also inquired if it were possible for the Board books to be delivered earlier. Mr. Gibbs stated they were being delivered on Fridays before the Wednesday meetings and felt this gave the Directors sufficient time to review the reports.

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There being no further business, the meet-
int was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

R. H. J. Smith

Secretary

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JACK R. GILSTRAP
GENERAL MANAGER

November 14, 1975

To: Members of the Board of Directors
From: Jack R. Gilstrap
Subject: Service Evaluation Program - Cost Reduction Measures

SUMMARY

Through the comprehensive review process established under the Service Evaluation Program economy measures amounting to \$1,245,400 have been adopted or effected to date. (This total includes all projects submitted to the County of Los Angeles and reflects their suspension of two items totalling \$135,800). The dollar savings equate to 26.0 bus-years and 37 buses. A balance of \$1.7 million consequently is required to meet the stipulated cost savings.

To achieve the balance outstanding, staff presented to your Board an alternative involving a request to the County to allow District to take credit for the cost savings accrued through the sector project delays in East Los Angeles, Mid-Cities, Santa Monica Diamond Expressway Lane and San Gabriel Valley projects. Projected estimated cost savings amount to \$2.2 million (reflecting the implementation dates submitted to your Board on November 5, 1975). Pursuant to this alternative a transmittal was sent to the County. In addition, however, it was your Board's wish to see a listing of cutbacks of existing services which would achieve the total savings.

Accordingly staff prepared two lists of projects. One with proposals which staff recommends was developed after careful evaluation of the impact and benefits. The second with a compilation of bus lines on which action, not recommended, could be taken which would produce the cost savings required but with significant attendant adverse impacts. The recommended projects under section (a), if adopted by your Board in total, will result in the release of 14 buses and \$450,100 in estimated cost savings. The listing under section (b) will allow your Board to get the balance of \$1.2 million, however, is not a course of action recommended by staff.

DISCUSSION

Section (a) The following projects developed through the Service Evaluation Program are recommended to your Board for adoption. These projects involve: 1) South Central Grid Lines 359, 361 and 363, 2) San Fernando Valley Lines 24G, 86,

155, 159, 160, 162, 163 and 164, 3) Line 120, 4) South Bay Area Lines 10, 104, 105 and 150 and 5) Park and Ride Lines 758 and 760.

1. South Central Grid System: Passenger counts completed in late September showed that the following Grid lines required review and alterations:

o Line No. 359 - 120th Street: This line with a full day ridership equating to 11.7 passengers per bus-hour, has a higher incremental nighttime usage, 13.1. This phenomena is attributable to the prominent activity centers directly served; on the western end of the route is Southwest Junior College and on the easterly end is the Martin Luther King Hospital. This line does serve key activity centers and does exhibit growth potential. However the passenger traffic indicates a commensurate reduction in service frequency is warranted.

o Line No. 361 - 135th Street: Total weekday boarding passengers was 219 on September 18, 1975 equating to 5.0 passengers per bus-hour. A previous count made in May totaled 220 indicating not only a low level of ridership but no growth potential. Additionally, alternative services are available via Gardena bus lines as well as the District lines. In view of the extremely poor patronage and availability of alternative services, continuance of operation does not appear warranted.

o Line No. 363 - Rosecrans Avenue: Most recent passenger counts show improved utilization to 15.7 per bus-hour. A notable consideration of this line is its inclusion in both the Mid-Cities and South Bay transportation improvement projects. The Consultants' study have identified a travel pattern along Rosecrans Avenue from the eastern extremity of the Los Angeles County to the beach area. In consideration of the potential offered through incorporation in the sector projects, continued operation of this line appears warranted, however, possibly at a reduced level more commensurate with its ridership (with possibility of improvement if future ridership increases indicates need).

2. San Fernando Valley: In an effort to reduce the present unfavorable deficit position of the Valley operation, staff studied and developed proposals which will improve efficiency without compromising the system integrity and with minimal disruption to present riders.

o Lines 86 - Los Angeles - Burbank - North Hollywood - Canoga Park/163 - Sherman Way - Magnolia Boulevard combination action: To improve operating efficiency, staff proposes the cutback of Line 86 to Van Nuys Boulevard and Sherman Way with a concurrent extension of Line 163 on Sherman Way to replace the entire segment of the former's proposed discontinuance. This reroute

will release three scheduled buses with no loss of service. The Line 86 profile and supplementary origin/destination survey indicated that 920 passengers rode locally on Sherman Way and about 375 passengers had trip ends crossing the Van Nuys/Sherman Way intersection. Consequently these 375 passengers would be inconvenienced in that they would be required to make a transfer to complete their trip. The origin/destination data, however, indicated that many of these trips could be made by the use of other lines. A Marketing Program will be directed toward informing the present riders of the alternatives available to them. The expected benefits are, a through service on Sherman Way across the Valley via Line 163, improved efficiency, reduction in operating cost and improved productivity of both Line 86 and 163 without major disruptive effects.

o Lines 24G - Glenoaks Boulevard/162 - Riverside Drive combination action: To improve efficiency, staff proposes the reroute and extension of Line 162 off Victory Boulevard and onto Olive Avenue into the City of Burbank thence onto Glenoaks Boulevard into the City of San Fernando. Concurrently the discontinuance of Line 24G is proposed which will have been replaced by the extension of Line 162. This action would release two scheduled buses. That segment of the route on Victory Boulevard to be eliminated is about 0.8 miles and will affect 25 persons. However, there are alternative services available (via Lines 86 and 163) within a one-quarter mile distance. Night ridership was approximately 5 passengers per bus-hour indicating that night services were not warranted. The beneficial features of this action are improved efficiency and cost reductions without significant adverse impacts.

o Line 159 - Coldwater Canyon - Sheldon Street - Lankershim Boulevard - Tujunga Avenue: At the Board meeting of September 17, 1975, staff proposed the discontinuance of night service on this line. However, some Board members requested a further review to ascertain whether students attending night classes were using the services. Subsequently, a night ridership check was made on Tuesday, September 30, 1975. A second count made Monday October 27, 1975 was used to supplement the former check. The findings of the review were:

| | <u>September Tuesday Night</u> | <u>October Monday Night</u> |
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| o Total passengers boarding | 53 riders | 51 riders |
| o Night ridership productivity | 9.7 pass/bus hr. | 9.3 pass/bus hr. |
| o Night passenger traffic at Valley College and Ulysses Grant High School | | |
| Boarding | 1 rider | 3 riders |
| Alighting | 2 riders | 1 rider |

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| | <u>September</u> <u>Tuesday Night</u> | <u>October</u> <u>Monday Night</u> |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| o Night passenger traffic at Victory Convalescent Hospital | | |
| Boarding | 8 riders | 1 rider |
| Alighting | 3 riders | 0 riders |

As the data indicates there is negligible utilization of night services by students attending the two educational institutions. Based on the low productivity and the minimal usage by students, night service on this line does not appear warranted. If there is no objection by your Board, staff will proceed with the activities required to discontinue night services. The estimated cost savings for the balance of the fiscal year is \$22,800.

o Lines 155 - White Oak Avenue - Zelzah Avenue - Rinaldi Street and Line 160 - Laurel Canyon Boulevard: Staff has initiated the action necessary to establish an operational tie between these two lines. This action will improve the productivity position of Line 155 to about 19 passengers per bus-hour, by releasing one scheduled bus. The estimated net cost savings for the balance of the fiscal year is \$16,000, with a December 28, 1975 effective date.

o Staff further proposes minor route changes for the following lines:

Line 159 - Coldwater Canyon - Sheldon Street - Lankershim Boulevard - Figueroa Avenue: At the request of residents who are disturbed by buses, staff proposes to change the turnaround loop and relocate the layover point. No change in operating costs are involved.

Line 164 - Victory Boulevard: A night turnaround loop and layover point are proposed. No change in operating costs are involved.

3. Proposed discontinuance of Line 120 - Leisure World - Los Angeles Freeway Flyer: This line provides expedited service between the senior citizen's community of Leisure World in Seal Beach and downtown Los Angeles --- one round trip each weekday. Before the development of the Seal Beach area, this service was needed as indicated by ridership in 1973 of 46 passengers. However, a passenger count made on Friday September 5, 1975, showed only 18 passengers were carried indicating minimal current usage or need. In view of the very low patronage, continuance of this line does not appear to be warranted. A possible reason for the

drop-off in ridership may be the alternate services provided by Orange County. No buses are released, however, estimated net cost saving would be \$16,500 for the balance of the fiscal year.

4. Consideration of routes and service changes in the South Bay area involving Lines 10 - Adams Boulevard - Normandie Avenue - Inglewood, 104 - Inglewood Avenue - Prairie Avenue, 105 - North American Aircraft - Inglewood - International Airport, and 150 - Long Beach - Redondo - Santa Monica:

To improve the effectiveness of service by eliminating route duplications in the area around the City of Inglewood and to respond to public requests, the following proposals were developed:

- Reroute of Line 10 to service a senior citizens complex around Hyde Park and the Daniel Freeman Hospital; and extension southerly on Prairie Avenue to the South Bay Shopping Center. No change in service frequency or hours are proposed.
- Reroute of Line 104 from Inglewood Avenue and Broadway, northerly on Inglewood Avenue thence Eucalyptus Avenue into the City of Inglewood. No change in service frequency or hours are proposed.
- Discontinuance of the North American Aircraft leg of Line 105 and reduction in service frequency of the International Airport leg (from 40 minutes to 60 minutes) and discontinuance of Sunday service. The reroute of Line 104 will cover the Inglewood Avenue - Eucalyptus Avenue segment of the discontinued leg. The present level of ridership (11.1 passengers per bus-hour) will not exceed the seating capacity resulting from the service reduction on the International Airport leg. The net effect of these proposals would be an improved efficiency in operation without a denial of alternative services. Admittedly, convenience of some riders will be lessened, however, the changes are felt to be of benefit to a larger market which in turn is expected to increase productivity. There will be no additional buses required to implement the project, however, an additional cost of \$29,300 will be incurred for the balance of the fiscal year.

5. Park and Ride Lines: Ridership checks on the high cost premium service Park and Ride Lines 758 - La Mirada and 760 - Eastland have fallen off to the point where service reductions are called for. Consequently, staff has taken the action necessary to adjust services to the level of ridership. One bus was removed from Line 760 and one bus is tentatively scheduled to be removed from Line 758. The estimated cost savings for the two buses is \$26,000 for the balance of the fiscal year.

