

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

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

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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 1:20 p.m. on October 12, 1978, at which time President Marvin L. Holen called the meeting to order.

Directors Present:

Byron E. Cook
Donald Gibbs
David K. Hayward
Marvin L. Holen
Gerald B. Leonard

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

Staff Present:

Jack R. Gilstrap, General Manager
Richard T. Powers, General Counsel
Samuel M. Black, Manager of Operations
George L. McDonald, Manager of Planning & Marketing
Joe B. Scatchard, Controller-Treasurer-Auditor
Jack T. Stubbs, Assistant General Manager
for Administration
John S. Wilkens, Manager of Employee Relations
Richard Gallagher, Manager & Chief Engineer -
Rapid Transit/Bus Facilities
Robert G. Williams, Manager of Customer Relations
Michael A. Olivas, Deputy Administrator -
Equal Employment Opportunities
R. K. Kissick, Secretary

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Also present were Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley, Los Angeles Councilwoman Pat Russell, members of the news media and the public.

Presentation of Second Quarter 1978 Safe
Performance Awards

Director Richter presented the Second Quarter 1978 Safe Performance Awards to representatives of Transportation Division No. 3 and Maintenance Division No. 15.

Introduction of Guests

President Holen introduced Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley and Councilwoman Pat Russell, Chairperson of the Council Committee on Transportation.

Adoption of Alternative II of the Regional
Core Alternatives Analysis

Director Neusom, Vice-Chairman of the Rapid Transit Committee, presented a draft resolution of the Rapid Transit Committee recommending adoption of Alternative II of the Regional Core Alternatives Analysis, so

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moved, which motion was seconded by Director Cook.

Mr. Gallagher reviewed the history of the Analysis, which was Element IV of the Regional Transportation Development Program (RTDP). He reported that eleven alternatives had been explored-- five rail rapid transit with feeder buses, five all-bus systems and the eleventh one the null alternative.

It was noted that copies of the "Summary of Results" had been distributed to everyone in attendance at the meeting.

Director Lewis inquired where the local 10 percent funding would come from, and Mr. Gallagher and President Holen replied there were a number of ways, including Proposition 5 funds from the City of Los Angeles, other cities, or the funds could be obtained as a result of operating cost savings; also, it was possible the additional funding could be obtained by bonding efforts. Director Lewis asked if the State's Proposition 5 funds weren't already earmarked for highway projects. Mr. Gallagher

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replied that each year the required amount (now 25%) of gas tax funds were first offered for allocation to fixed guideway projects and only if none are requested are those funds allocated to the highway projects.

President Holen explained that the use of both the State's Proposition 5 and the UMTA funds must be requested through the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission.

On Director Hayward's inquiry, General Counsel Powers stated that in his opinion the draft resolution presented did meet the legal requirements of UMTA.

Director Hayward reported that yesterday a joint Congressional Committee had approved legislation which included the provision that 20.5 miles of the Harbor Freeway would be included in the Interstate Highway System.

Ms. Marlee Coughlan, Chairperson of the Mayor's San Fernando Valley Transportation Committee, appeared before the Board and reported the Committee supports the entire regional transit development program and also the proposal which had been recommended

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at today's meeting. Ms. Coughlan filed with the Secretary copies of two resolutions which had been adopted by the Committee regarding the above subjects.

Mayor Bradley commended the San Fernando Valley Committee and felt that today was an historic opportunity for the people in Los Angeles County to commence on the transportation improvements so necessary in the area, and urged the Board to support the motion on the floor to adopt Alternative II.

Councilwoman Russell reported that her committee and the Council had not yet taken action on the matter but had received a presentation, and that she could not take a position on one alternative or another but was happy to see action being taken. She felt that all agencies could work together in meeting the transportation needs and was pleased with the financing plans.

The question was called for on Director Neusom's motion, carried by a Roll Call vote as noted below, and the following resolution adopted:

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R-78-397

RESOLVED, that based upon the summary of results of the Regional Core Transit Alternatives Analysis and subject to future environmental impact reports and statements as required by law, the Southern California Rapid Transit District Board of Directors recommends to the Urban Mass Transportation Administration and all concerned government agencies construction of Alternative II, described as the Central Business District-Wilshire (Fairfax)-Hollywood-San Fernando Valley Rail Rapid Transit route.

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

(Director Lewis left the meeting at
2:05 p.m.)

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 Nos. 3 and 4 were approved and the following resolutions adopted:

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R-78-398

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-3400-8 is ratified and the General Manager is authorized to issue a Change Order to AM General in the amount of \$25,300 to cover the District's prorated cost to ship on United States Flag Vessels as required by UMTA mandate, the articulated buses being purchased by the CalTrans Consortium and the City of Seattle, which purchase is being funded in part under UMTA Capital Grant Project No. CA-03-0106; subject to the concurrence of UMTA, with form of Change Order subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-399

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-2250-105 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to renew the District's primary comprehensive bond through Alexander & Alexander, Inc., brokers, for three years commencing September 14, 1978, at a three-year prepaid premium of \$14,074, and to replace the existing excess bond with a new excess bond, also through Alexander & Alexander, Inc., at a reduced three-year premium of \$11,305 commencing October 14, 1978; form of policies subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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

Report of the Facilities & Construction Committee

On motion of Director Gibbs, Chairman of
the Facilities & Construction Committee, seconded

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and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 5 was approved and the following resolution adopted:

R-78-400

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to withhold the issuance of a Request for Proposals for appraisal services of property contemplated for acquisition for the Central Maintenance and Headquarters Facility until such time as a grant application can be made to UMTA and a Letter of No Prejudice received which will permit UMTA participation in the cost of the appraisals.

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

Report of the Equipment & Maintenance Committee

Director Storing, Chairman of the Equipment & Maintenance Committee, reported that the Committee had reviewed the correspondence and objections of the Grumman Flexible Company regarding the specifications covering the purchase of 230 Advance Design buses, with the company stating that they could not bid on the purchase if there is a requirement that a wheelchair lift be a part of the bid. He further reported that unless the

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specifications were revised that only one bid would be received on the buses.

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

R-78-401

RESOLVED, that the staff is authorized to amend the specifications covering the acquisition of 230 Advance Design buses to delete the requirement of supplying a lift with the bus, but to require lift retrofit capabilities; form of revised specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that funds be set aside in the budget for the above acquisition to be reserved solely for the cost of installing lifts when the state of the art has been developed so that reliable, safe, maintainable lifts can be reasonably assured.

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

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

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R-78-402

RESOLVED, that the staff is directed to forward to the Urban Mass Transportation Administration a request that they immediately institute a fully funded research and development program to develop the specifications for a wheelchair lift for use in transit vehicles that is safe, reliable, and maintainable.

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

Director Storing stated that the Committee had also received a status report on the procurement of the articulated buses, Transbus and the operational problems being encountered on the AM General buses presently being delivered.

(Director Lewis returned to the meeting at 2:10 p.m.)

Report of the Advance Planning Committee

Director Hayward, Chairman of the Advance Planning Committee, reported that the Committee had considered Agenda Items No. 7 and 8. Director Hayward reported that it is the Committee's recommendation that Agenda Item No. 7, the staff

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report dated October 4, 1978 entitled "Review of West and North Los Angeles Sector Improvement Program" be "Received and Filed."

With Respect to Agenda Item No. 8, Director Hayward reported that the Committee recommends that the report on plans for service restoration pending supplementary federal funding be "Received and Filed," and also requested that a report be brought back for consideration by the Finance Committee regarding a budget allocation of these additional funds and recommendations for additional support services. The Board concurred in these recommendations.

Director Hayward further reported that the Advance Planning Committee had reviewed the draft letter to the Los Angeles Transportation Commission regarding the negotiations with the Torrance Transit System with respect to services in the South Bay area and recommends that the necessary District staff resources be committed to this project, which recommendation was moved, and seconded as noted below, and the following

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resolution was adopted:

R-78-403

RESOLVED, that a letter be sent to the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission authorizing the commitment of necessary District staff resources to join with the Cities of Torrance and Gardena in an evaluation of the transportation system in the South Bay area.

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

Report of the Personnel Committee

Director Takei, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, reported that the Committee had reviewed the report and recommendation regarding a change in title and salary of the Deputy Administrator-Equal Employment Opportunities, and that the Committee had recommended a title change to Manager of Equal Employment Opportunities with a salary of \$25,000 per year, rather than the \$27,500 recommended by the staff, with the staff to come back to the Board with a reevaluation of the salary after the position had been filled, and so moved, which motion was seconded.

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Director Lewis stated he preferred the salary be in a range rather than an established salary, and Mr. Takei mentioned the reevaluation to be done after the position is filled. Mr. Takei also reported that he was in favor of the staff recommendation of \$27,500 due to the importance of the job.

Director Gibbs felt the salary should be established now and not subject to the staff coming back to the Board at a later time for a change in salary.

Mr. Gilstrap reported on the reasons for the staff recommendation and that the District had been criticized several times for the salary being too low.

Director Gibbs presented a substitute motion to change the salary to \$27,500 annually, which motion was seconded, carried by a Roll Call vote as noted below, and the following resolution adopted:

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No. Assigned

R-78-404

RESOLVED, that the Non-Contract Salary and Classification Plan is amended to reflect that the title of the Deputy Administrator-Equal Employment Opportunities is changed to Manager of Equal Employment Opportunities, and that the annual salary is to be established at \$27,500 effective with the appointment of a new incumbent in said position.

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

Approval of Consent Calendar

On motion of Director Cook, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Items No. 10 through 22, except Item No. 19, on the Consent Calendar were approved, and the following resolutions adopted and/or actions taken:

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

R-78-405

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Patent Scaffolding Company, 21222 South Wilmington, Carson, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 8-7807 covering scaffold assemblies at a total bid price of \$13,197; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Resolution
No. Assigned

R-78-406

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Cal Chrome, 936 Mahar, Wilmington, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 9-7812 covering rechroming of bus bumpers at an estimated bid price of \$31,165 for a two-year period; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-407

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Clark Equipment, 8314 East Slauson Avenue, Pico Rivera, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 9-7815 covering shelving for South Park Stores at a total bid price of \$32,500; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-408

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Boss Manufacturing Company, 14201 South Figueroa, Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 9-7818 covering rubber gloves at an estimated bid price of \$17,560 for a two year period; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-409

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Grumman Flxible Distribution Center, 3215 North Alameda Street, Compton, the lowest responsible bidder on Items No. 2, 4, 6 and 7 under Bid No. 9-7820 for miscellaneous bus parts at an estimated bid price of \$18,785 for a one-year period; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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No. Assigned

R-78-410

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Master Protection, 2864 Lacy Street, Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 9-7821 covering fire extinguishers at an estimated bid price of \$15,750 for a two-year period; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-411

RESOLVED, that the bid submitted by Molina Gaskets, under Bid No. 9-7813 is rejected in its entirety, and the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Mohawk Manufacturing Company, 6328 West Oaklon Street, Morton Grove, Illinois, the lowest responsible bidder, covering diesel rocker arm cover gaskets at an estimated bid price of \$25,020 for a two-year period; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-412

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-3150-383 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to execute a contract with Xerox Corporation, One City Boulevard West, Orange, under Bid No. CA-03-0132-D covering maintenance service for five Xerox copiers for a one-year period at an estimated cost of \$15,500; form of contract subject to the approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-413

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-7200-! is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to negotiate a contract with Sperry Univac covering the services of a computer systems programmer, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Resolution
No. Assigned

R-78-414

RESOLVED, that the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the sale of scrap metal for a two-year period in accordance with the Rules and Regulations; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-78-415

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. R-75-410 adopted by the Southern California Rapid Transit District Board of Directors on October 15, 1975, be and the same is hereby rescinded in its entirety;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that Robert L. James, Nancy MacCarone and Charles Cureton of General Adjustment Bureau, Inc., and Neville Duvall and Seymour A. Greenstein of Transit Casualty are hereby appointed as Agents of the Southern California Rapid Transit District for the purpose of and with authority to sign, verify and file any and all pleadings in the name of and on behalf of the District in connection with bodily injury and property damage claims against the District.

Approved Minutes of Regular Meetings held September 12, 1978 and September 22, 1978.

Ratified bus stop zone changes as described in report dated October 6, 1978 filed with the Secretary.

Ratified temporary route diversion as described in report dated October 6, 1978 filed with the Secretary.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Approval of Agenda Item No. 19

At the request of Director Richter, Agenda Item No. 19 had been removed from the Consent Calendar for consideration.

Director Richter inquired as to the need to spend money for the hubodometers. Manager of Operations, Sam Black, reported that the cost of hubodometers is less than odometers. Currently, the buses are equipped with neither and to expedite the daily mileage computation, as well as keeping a more accurate maintenance schedule, the hubodometers are needed.

On motion of Director Hayward, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 19 was approved and the following resolution adopted:

R-78-416

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8-3399-197 is approved, and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the purchase of 2,500 hubodometers; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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

Resolution
No. Assigned

Director Special Items

Director Hayward remarked on letters which the General Manager had forwarded to two District employees, Mr. W. C. Hogans and Ms. Curtis Mae Reese, commending them for saving the life of a construction worker by administering CPR. Mr. Hayward suggested that the two employees be introduced at the next meeting of the Board in order that the Board could also commend them.

Report of the General Manager

The General Manager's report of out-of-state travel for the month of September was received and filed.

Mr. Gilstrap then reported on the status of federal legislation and, assuming Congress passes the transportation bill, it would be very helpful to Los Angeles. He stated the legislation, as previously mentioned by Director Hayward, adds 20.5 miles to the Interstate Highway System (Harbor Freeway) which will provide 90 percent federal funding on that freeway, and that the legislation retains the population

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and population density formula for Section 5 operating money and Section 3 capital money. He further reported that a year ago in Atlanta at the APTA Board Meeting that RTD was the only "no" vote on legislation in a form opposed by RTD, with 34 "yes" votes.

President Holen complimented Mr. Gilstrap for his expertise and efforts throughout the past year's legislative efforts.

Adjournment in Memory of Margaret Annette Storing

On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Margaret Annette Storing, mother of Director Charles Storing, and the Secretary directed to send a resolution to the family of Mrs. Storing.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:43 p.m.



R. K. Kissick
Secretary 