

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting
Board of Directors
Thursday, May 10, 1984
District Board Room
425 South Main Street
Los Angeles

Called to order at 1:21 p.m.

Directors Present:

Nick Patsouras, President	Michael W. Lewis
Gordana Swanson, Vice-President	Jay B. Price
John F. Day	Ruth E. Richter
Jan Hall	Charles H. Storing
Nate Holden	George Takei
Marvin L. Holen	

1. Recognized retirees and certificates presented by Director Takei.
2. Report of the President

President Patsouras commented that he and other District representatives had testified before the Senate Appropriations Committee and had experienced a couple of victories. Congressman Anderson's bill to increase the authorization to provide an additional \$1 billion over the next three years and to extend the authorization period to Fiscal Year 1987 won unanimous approval in the subcommittee.

President Patsouras also reported that he had met with Senators Cranston and Wilson who committed their efforts on behalf of the D'Amato bill. The Senators suggested that a letter be sent, signed by the Senators and Congressmen Moorehead and Anderson to Secretary Elizabeth Dole requesting a meeting to solicit her support and expeditious decision on the Metro Rail Project.

3. Report of the General Manager

General Manager Dyer spoke to a report dated May 10, 1984 regarding Metro Rail Funding Status. He discussed the implication of the receipt or non-receipt of a Letter of Intent and a Letter of No Prejudice, and why both are needed for the Metro Rail Project. He also discussed the status of the authorization bills and the justifications for the Metro Rail Project. There was discussion concerning the commitment of the state and local funds and the impact of the perception by UMTA of the state and local funding commitment. There was also discussion concerning the cash flow and the impact of different levels of federal funding on the construction schedule. Mr. Dyer concluded that we have to recognize that we don't have a project that is fundable by the federal government. We have to begin to look at revisions that will convince Congress that it can be built. We have testified that we would need \$234 million in appropriations. We must translate that amount into the first phase construction of a workable project.

4. Director Special Items

Director Day reported that the Ad Hoc Committee on Accessible Transportation is recommending that the Board authorize travel expenses for the Chairman of the Committee to visit manufacturers of bus seats, wheelchair securement devices, and the Carpenter Bus Works, located in Illinois and Indiana. On motion duly made, seconded and carried, with Director Richter voting against the motion, the motion was carried.

5. Adopted the Accessible Service Program of Consensus Objectives and District Objectives with proposed budgets approved by the Ad Hoc Committee on Accessible Service.

General Manager Dyer reported that the goals and objectives for the Accessible Service Program would cost \$11 million, with a \$4.9 million total cost for Fiscal Year 1985.

Director Takei moved approval of the recommendation with the suggestion that the more important goals and objectives be incorporated into the FY 85 budget and that the General Manager determine the priority of the remainder of the goals and objectives. This motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

CUSTOMER RELATIONS & PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE REPORT

6. Received and Filed status report on the Bus Stop Informational Signage Program.

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ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 7-9)

7. Received and Filed status report on preparation for the 1984 Olympic Games.

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Requested that a letter signed by the President and the 4 County appointed Directors be sent to the County of Los Angeles requesting that buses be allowed to park in the County Parking Lot at First & Spring Streets at no cost to the District.

ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT - Cont'd.

8. Authorized the General Manager to enter into contractual agreements with the City of Los Angeles and the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles for the continued provision of Shuttle Bus Service for FY 1984-85 in Downtown Los Angeles and Westwood; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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9. Approved the report on operation of the Los Angeles Airport Transit Center, including 1) approval of modification to Lines 42, 111, 112, 117, 220, 225, 226, 232, 439 and 560 to serve the Los Angeles Airport Transit Center, 2) approval of the elimination of Line 608, and 3) concurrence with staff's position that all municipal carriers wishing to use the Center will be required to pay a portion of the operational cost of the Center based on their share of the total trips operated in and out of the facility.

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GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 10-11)

10. Received and Filed the Federal Legislative Update Report and took action supporting H.R. 5504 (Glenn Anderson) and S.B. 2325 (D'Amato), which bills seek to increase the authorization levels for Section 3 and extend the authorization period through Fiscal Year 1987 of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982.

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GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT - Cont'd.

11. Received and Filed State Legislative Update.

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

12. Authorized the General Manager to maintain the level of employee contributions to the pensions plans at 1.5% of pay for Fiscal Year 1985.

CARRIED with Director Storing voting against the motion.

FINANCE & JOINT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 13-14)

13. Received and Filed third Quarter Budget and Performance Report.

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14. Status report on joint development. (CLOSED SESSION)

No report was made of matters discussed during Closed Session at the Committee Meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 15-21)

15. Authorized the General Manager to award a contract to Banner Printing Company, Compton, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 4-8424, covering printing of Olympic Service Brochures at a total bid price of \$88,806; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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16. Approved Requisition No. 4-3314-6087 and authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Neoplan USA Corporation, Lamar, Colorado, covering procurement of six power plants, cradles and accessories, for an estimated cost of \$226,470; subject to the concurrence of UMTA, with form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This procurement is funded under UMTA Grant No. CA-03-0275.

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17. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Mike Green Fire Equipment Company, Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 3-8422 covering inspection and servicing of fire extinguishers for a two-year period for an estimated cost of \$135,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

18. Authorized the General Manager to execute contracts under RFP No. 038419 covering landscape maintenance for a one-year period, with options for three additional years at the election of the District, at various District Divisions:

- a. Arthur Bradford Landscaping and Maintenance, Los Angeles, covering Divisions 6, 7, 8 and 15 for an estimated cost of \$45,000; and
- b. Superior Landscape, Pasadena, covering Divisions 1, 2, 5, 9, 16, El Monte Busway Station, Hospital Busway Station, and Palm Loop for an estimated cost of \$30,000;

form of contracts subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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19. Approved Requisition No. 4-7200-62 and authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with A Datacom Solution Inc., Cypress, California, covering equipment to expand the existing Dynanet Technical Control Center at an estimated cost of \$37,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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20. Received and Filed Report Calendar - April 19 to May 3, 1984.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

21. a. Approved Minutes of Regular Meetings held March 22 and April 12, 1984;
- b. Ratified bus stop zone changes as filed with the Secretary;
- c. Ratified temporary route diversions as filed with the Secretary;

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GENERAL ITEMS

22. New Business

Mr. Greg Roberts appeared and spoke about the Transit Police.

Mr. Chris Van Michaelles, President of Montex Corporation, appeared and spoke about the methanol fueled bus demonstration project. He was directed to contract Mr. Sam Black.

Mrs. Idalah Perkins, representing a neighborhood group on Denker Street appeared before the Board concerning the heavy traffic of buses going to and from the division. After discussion, Mrs. Perkins was assured that this situation would be rectified immediately, and she was thanked for taking the time to appear before the Board.

Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.


District Secretary