

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting  
Board of Directors  
Thursday, January 24, 1985  
District Board Room  
425 South Main Street  
Los Angeles

Called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Directors Present:

Nick Patsaouras  
Gordana Swanson  
John F. Day  
Norman H. Emerson  
Carmen A. Estrada  
Jan Hall

Nate Holden  
Marvin L. Holen  
Michael W. Lewis  
Jay B. Price  
Charles H. Storing

1. Certificate of Appreciation presented by Vice-President Swanson to Robert W. Selig, President of the Theatre Association of California, Inc.
  
2. Presented Certificates of Merit to:
  - a. Kevin Tate, Information Operator-of-the-Month;
  - b. Robert Perkins, Operator-of-the-Month;
  - c. Jack Landrum, Maintenance Employee-of-the-Month;and presentation of plaques by Director Estrada.

3. Suggestion Award presented to Michael Scaiola by Al Rice.

4. Report of the President

President Patsouras reported that he was pleased to announce that the new Chairman of the Assembly Transportation Committee is Richard Katz.

President Patsouras reported that the City of Los Angeles has agreed to contribute \$3 million to the District to maintain the cost of the monthly fare pass at \$4 for their elderly and handicapped citizens. He credited Directors Emerson and Estrada with this accomplishment, along with the cooperation of Council President Pat Russell.

5. Report of the General Manager

Mr. Dyer reported that at the February Committee of the Whole meeting, he would suggest that a considerable amount of time be allocated to what is happening at the federal level. He suggested the Board carefully examine the three federal budgets that will be released; i.e., the administrative budget, the Senate budget and the House budget. He indicated that Section 9 operating assistance could be changed that would have significant impact on the District.

At the state level, there will be a serious shortfall of monies two to three years out. Senator Foran has introduced legislation to deal with this. This should also be addressed at the Committee of the Whole meeting.

Mr. Dyer concluded by stating there is growing support for the Metro Rail Project. A good many people have stayed firm in their support, while new people have come out in support. He stated that he believes the District has a very good chance to get the project started within the next few months.

6. Director Special Items

Director Holden asked Mr. Dyer to discuss the Neoplan buses. President Patsouras indicated this subject would be added to the agenda as Agenda Item No. 8A.

FACILITIES & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 7-8)

7. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Ray Wilson Company, Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. CA-05-0133-B covering design and construction of a new parking structure at Division 3 (Cypress Park) for a total bid price of \$813,700; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This project is funded under UMTA Grant No. CA-05-0133.

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8. Rejected non-responsive bids submitted by General Electric Company and Square D Company and authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with CGI Systems, Paramount, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. CA-03-0213-J covering outdoor switchgear and indoor substations for the Central Maintenance Facility for a total bid price of \$588,570, subject to concurrence of UMTA; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This project is funded under UMTA Grant No. CA-03-0213.

CARRIED, with Director Storing voting "No."

FACILITIES & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT - Cont'd.

8A. Received status report on Neoplan structural failures.

Director Holden spoke, indicating his letter expresses his concerns that the District must be well informed on this problem. In conclusion, he made a motion that the District support the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), which motion was seconded by Director Day.

Following additional discussion, Director Swanson asked what Director Holden was attempting to accomplish with his motion. He indicated that the District should support NHTSA and that we should be on record in support. Director Holen indicated he is unclear as to the legal implications. Director Holen then made a substitute motion that the matter be referred to the Equipment & Maintenance Committee for monitoring. This motion was seconded by Director Hall and passed on a Roll Call vote as indicated below:

Ayes:	Emerson, Estrada, Hall, Holen, Lewis, Patsouras, Price, Storing, Swanson
Noes:	Day, Holden
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 9-11)

9. Motion to accept the staff recommendation was made by Director Swanson and seconded. Following discussion concerning the need for participation by the private sector at the Universal City location, Director Lewis made a substitute motion to allocate \$9,691,000 of the staff proposed \$12,691,000 to the Universal City Station access road, subject to a match of funds or a Benefit Assessment District agreement with the private sector, with the remaining \$3 million being allocated to the El Monte Station Parking Structure.

This motion was seconded by Director Hall. The substitute motion carried on a Roll Call vote as noted below and the following action was approved:

Ayes: Emerson, Estrada, Hall, Holen, Lewis,  
Patsouras, Price, Storing,  
Noes: Swanson  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Day, Holden

10. Received and Filed scope of work for use of Proposition A Local Return Funds.

Director Emerson indicated he is concerned about the lack of early action components in the scope of work. He requested that each of the Board members work with their appointors or appointing bodies to try to protect the elderly and handicapped fares. Director Price asked that staff prepare a list of cities indicating what the Proposition A revenues were for last year and what percentage of those funds would be needed to support the subsidy of elderly and handicapped fares in their area.

Director Hall indicated that cities that have their own public transit systems are not going to be pleased with this type of proposal from the District.

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ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT - Cont'd.

11. Approved amendment for extension of Agreement with the City of Pasadena for the provision of Line 601 - PASADENA SHOPPER SHUTTLE; and authorized the General Manager to execute future extensions, if any, beyond the requested April 6, 1985 deadline, for continued operation of Shopper Shuttle service during the remainder of this fiscal year; form of amendment & future extensions subject to approval of the General Counsel

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 12-14)

12. WITHDREW from the agenda the Side Letter of Agreement No. XXVII with the Brotherhood of Railway, Airline, and Steamship Clerks establishing a new classification of Equipment Inventory Specialist; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.
13. WITHDREW from the agenda the Side Letter of Agreement No. XXVIII with the Brotherhood of Railway, Airline, and Steamship Clerks establishing a new classification of Data Processing Library Clerk; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.
- 14a. Adopted set of criteria and standards for charitable organizations to qualify for donation through District payroll deductions.

An additional requirement was included in the criteria and standards limiting organizations to using not more than 15% of dollars collected for administrative costs, with an objective of 10% overhead expenses.

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT - Cont'd.

- 14b. Approved inclusion of the Brotherhood Crusade in the District's 1985 Program for employee donations through payroll deduction, provided they meet the criteria and standards adopted by the Board at this meeting.

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Mr. Denny Blackwell, representing the Brotherhood Crusade, and other persons, addressed the Board thanking them for their favorable action on this matter. Approximately 300 people were present for this item. At the conclusion of the item, Director Price suggested that people who would benefit from this action could express their thanks to the District by writing to their Senators and Congressmen urging support for the Metro Rail Project.

Director Nate Holden also commented that the District's acceptance of the Brotherhood Crusade as a payroll deductible charitable organization was a positive step.

FINANCE & JOINT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

15. DEFERRED creation of an Board of Directors Audit Committee.

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Staff to prepare a more detailed report outlining procedures and responsibilities and bring it back to the Committee for consideration.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 16-24)

16. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Star Machine and Tool Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, the only bidder responding to Bid No. CA-90-0022-R covering procurement of two heavy-duty brake lathes for a total bid price of \$69,150, subject to concurrence of UMTA; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This procurement is funded under UMTA Grant No. CA-90-0022.

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17. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Sun Electric Company, Van Nuys, the only bidder responding to Bid No. 12-8421 covering procurement of one automotive diagnostic center and exhaust emission analyzer for a total bid price of \$28,550; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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18. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Truck and Bus Group, General Motors Corporation, Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. CA-90-0022-X covering procurement of two 1-ton cargo vans for a total bid price of \$27,520; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This procurement is funded under UMTA Grant No. CA-90-0022.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

19. Approved minor modifications to Line 48 - MAPLE AVENUE-SO. SAN PEDRO STREET, in the City of Los Angeles.

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20. Approved minor modification to Line 264 - ALTADENA DRIVE-SAN GABRIEL BLVD., in the City of Rosemead.

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21. Approved minor route modification to Line 265 - PARAMOUNT BOULEVARD, in the City of Paramount.

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22. Received and Filed Report Calendar - January 3 through January 17, 1985.

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- 23a. Ratified bus stop zone changes as filed with the Secretary;

- 23b. Ratified temporary route diversions as filed with the Secretary;

- 23c. Received and Filed Purchasing Agent's Report of Sales - Fourth Quarter, 1984.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

24. Adopted resolution formally placing the new City of West Hollywood in Corridor B of the District's City Selection Committee.

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GENERAL ITEMS

25. New Business

Greg Roberts spoke before the Board on transit related matters.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

  
Helen M. Bolen  
District Secretary