

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting
Board of Directors
Thursday, April 11, 1985
District Board Room
425 South Main Street
Los Angeles

Called to order at 1:03 p.m.

Directors Present:

Nick Patsaouras	Nate Holden
Gordana Swanson	Marvin L. Holen
John F. Day (arr. 1:47 p.m.)	Leonard Panish
Norman H. Emerson (arr. 1:15 p.m.)	Jay B. Price
Carmen A. Estrada	Charles H. Storing
Jan Hall	

1. Recognition of retirees and presentation of certificate by Director Day.
2. Presentation of Suggestion Award by Gayel Pitchford.

3. Report of the President

President Patsouras reported the General Manager had recently met with the California Transportation Commission and obtained a commitment of funds to the District for the Metro Rail system for 85-86.

He also announced the District joined the Campaign for Missing Children and outlined the District's involvement in the project.

4. Report of the General Manager

The General Manager reported on federal appropriation and budget process presently underway; and also on the status of union negotiations.

He also mentioned the necessity of the Ad Hoc Committee on Accessible Transportation scheduling a meeting to discuss topics for discussion at the American Public Transit Association Annual Conference to be held in Los Angeles in the fall of 1985.

He urged members of the Board to attend the California Association of Publicly Owned Transit Systems to attend the upcoming legislative session to be held in Sacramento April 17 and April 18.

5. Director Special Items

Director Holden requested a copy of the letter sent to the District from Neoplan USA Corporation relative to Neoplan bus replacement.

6. The Board discussed at length the General Manager's recommendation to adopt a resolution of necessity to institute eminent domain proceedings to acquire Metro Rail Parcel Al-176 at 654 So. Figueroa Street.

Mr. Steven Gavin, representing Gavin, Abel & Flanigan, Inc., spoke on behalf of the Ahmanson Commercial Development Company and Griffin Realty Corporation and urged the members of the Board to consider a proposed development program which in their opinion was compatible with the District's Metro Rail station. Mr. Gavin and members of the firm outlined proposed cost savings and plans for their proposed joint development of the site. He urged the Board to not approve the recommendation to institute eminent domain proceedings but to consider their development proposal as an alternative.

Mr. Tom Baggett, Attorney for Home Savings, suggested as an alternative course of action the taking of necessary easements only.

Mr. Robert Murray, Assistant General Manager - Rapid Transit, outlined the potential problems if the District deviates from its schedule.

Board members discussed with representatives of the firms the District's desire to work with them and urged further discussions to further evaluate the opportunity for a public-private sector partnership and outlined the Board's reluctance to delay the project and the resultant costs to the public.

Director Holen, Chairman of the Rapid Transit Committee, moved to accept the staff's recommendation to adopt the resolution of necessity to Institute Eminent Domain Proceedings to acquire Metro Rail Parcel Al-176 at 654 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, which motion was seconded by Director Price. He suggested the District continue dialogue with developers with respect to development of the property.

The Board discussed the acquisition further and Director Estrada made a motion to condemn the necessary easements rather than the fee-taking procedure, which motion was seconded by Director Day. On a roll call vote the motion failed, results of which are listed below:

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

Agenda Item No. 6 - Cont'd.

The vote was taken on Director Holen's original motion to adopt the resolution of necessity to institute eminent domain proceedings and the motion carried, with the results listed below. (The complete text of the resolution is filed with the Secretary)

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

EQUIPMENT & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 7-8)

7. Received and Filed status report on Peat Marwick Mitchell contract covering Automated Storage and Retrieval System/Materials Management System (ASRS/MMS) interface.

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8. Approved Requisition No. 5-3400-11 and authorized the General Manager to execute a final settlement agreement with Lawson National Distributing Company of Houston, Texas, for an amount not to exceed \$69,551, relative to additional costs incurred in providing 30 small transit buses equipped with front door Lift-U wheelchair accessibility equipment, subject to concurrence of UMTA; form of settlement agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This project is funded under UMTA Grant No. CA-05-0043.

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FACILITIES & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT

9. DEFERRED approval of construction work at Division 2.
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CUSTOMER RELATIONS & PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE REPORT

10. Board reviewed the District's transit advertising program and instructed the staff to continue to evaluate the program.

ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 11-12)

11. Consideration was given to the new local public notification requirements for service changes adopted by the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission.
- Vice-President Swanson made a motion to reject the requirements, which motion was seconded by Director Holden, with direction given to the General Manager to transmit a transcript of the Advance Planning Committee's deliberation of the subject at the Committee level along with an opinion of District Counsel to the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission.

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The Board discussed the requirements and whether or not that action was appropriate. Director Emerson made a substitute motion to Receive and File, which motion was seconded by Director Holen. The motion failed, with the results of the vote shown below:

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

The vote was taken on Director Swanson's original motion to reject the requirements, and the motion passed, with the results of the vote shown below.

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

Director Hall suggested a member of the Board attend meetings of the Commission to make them aware of the District's position on matters of interest.

President Patsaouras referred to the RTD/LACTC joint committee which was established to open communication between the agencies.

12. Approved route modification to Line 266 - LAKEWOOD-ROSEMEAD BOULEVARDS, in the City of Long Beach.

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RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 13-14)

13. Considered authorization to acquire the right-of-way for Metro Rail Project (MOS-1).

Adopted resolution authorizing the General Manager, or his delegate, to acquire the following certified parcels for the Metro Rail Project (MOS-1):

<u>A130</u>	<u>A140</u>	<u>A148</u>
A1-035	A1-126	A1-146
	A1-144	A1-147
	A1-150	A1-148
	A1-152	A1-148
		A1-151

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14. Approved Requisition No. 5-4200-35 and authorized the General Manager to amend an existing contract with Schimpeler-Corradino Associates, Louisville, Kentucky, covering additional services as General Planning Consultant, increasing the total cost by an additional \$70,000 to a total cost of \$1,706,430; form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This project is funded in part under UMTA Grant No. CA-03-0130.

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

15. Approved 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.

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FINANCE & JOINT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 16-17)

16. Received and Filed the monthly report of Investments of Surplus Cash for the month of March, 1985.

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17. Authorized the General Manager to:
- a. request SCAG to file with UMTA a Section 5 FY 1985 Operating Assistance Grant for approximately \$2.8 million in FY 83 carryover Section 5, Tier II dollars;
 - b. accept the grant and execute the contract pursuant to the grant; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel;
 - c. schedule a public hearing on April 25, 1985 at 1:00 p.m.; and
 - d. request the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission for an amendment to the FY 84-85 Transportation Improvement Program.

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CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 18-20)

18. Authorized the General Manager to remove usable parts from and sell fire-damaged Bus No. 8066 for scrap, subject to approval of the General Counsel; subject to concurrence of UMTA.

A portion of the revenue received will be credited to UMTA Grant No. CA-03-0090.

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19. Received and Filed Report Calendar - March 22 through April 3, 1985.

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- 20a. Approved minutes of Board Meeting held March 28, 1985.

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- 20b. Ratified bus stop zone changes as filed with the Secretary.

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- 20c. Ratified temporary route diversions as filed with the Secretary.

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- 20d. Received and Filed Purchasing Agent's Report of Purchases \$5,000 to \$25,000 for the month of March, 1985.

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GENERAL ITEMS

21. Consideration of labor matters.

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 2:02 p.m. to discuss labor matters returning at 2:20 p.m.


22. New Business

Greg Roberts appeared before the Board on transit related matters.

a. Received and Filed Legislative up-date report.

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The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.


Patricia J. Bluemke
Assistant District Secretary