

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting
Board of Directors
Thursday, August 11, 1983
District Board Room
425 South Main Street
Los Angeles

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Called to order at 1:07 p.m.

Directors present:

Michael W. Lewis, President
Ruth E. Richter, Vice-President
John F. Day
Jan Hall
Nate Holden
Marvin L. Holen

Nick Patsaouras
Jay B. Price
Charles H. Storing
Gordana Swanson
George Takei

1. Recognition of retired personnel and presentation of plaques by Director Hall.
2. Recognition of meritorious action by District employee Jowette Mason and presentation of certificate by Director Richter.
3. Report of the President

President Lewis reported that he and Director Day had attended the District's Bus Rodeo Finals on Saturday, August 6th. Operator John Downes is the finalist who will represent the District at the APTA competition in Denver.

4. Report of the General Manager

General Manager Dyer reported that the District had received a request from Sue Ridenauer, Chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Accessible Transportation (CACAT) who requested to be placed on the agenda regarding CACAT's concerns about the EEC lift being installed on the 415 Neoplan buses.

Ms. Ridenauer appeared, stating that the EEC lift received the lowest rating in a 1981 UMTA study of the six lifts that were studied. She requested the District to perform extensive and detailed performance tests and that CACAT members be a part of the testing team. She also indicated that CACAT will request the California Highway Patrol to conduct an analysis of the lift.

Director Holen asked if the lift met the District's specifications. Mr. Dyer responded that the lift is provided by Neoplan under a performance specification. He is making arrangements to have the prototype bus brought to Los Angeles. He did state that he believes that the District's technical engineering personnel will be able to make the determination if the lift meets the specifications. Mr. Dyer indicated that he felt that EEC will make every effort possible to meet the specifications. President Lewis suggested that CACAT put together a list of features they would like to see included in the lift.

Representatives from EEC also appeared before the Board to answer concerns about the lift. They stated that this is a new and advanced version of the lift that was tested in 1981; in fact this lift is a fourth generation lift. The discussion concluded with members of the Board indicating they will be looking with interest at the results of the 'acceptance test' on the lift.

General Manager Dyer introduced Mr. Roger Kundert, the District's new Director of Employee Relations.

Mr. Dyer indicated that the District has received from the State of Bavaria an invitation to attend an exposition and to visit the facilities of Neoplan and Man, as well as to view fixed rail facilities. The proposed dates for this trip would be between September 12 and September 23. He urged Board members to consider this trip, as well as a suggested trip to the Far East; i.e., Tokyo, Hong Kong and Singapore to view their transit properties and to study the joint development applications. After discussion, the Secretary was directed to check with the Directors concerning their availability.

5. Director Special Items

NONE

FACILITIES & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 6-7)

6. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Coastate Builders, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. CA-03-0182-G covering construction of a new Bus Maintenance Building at Division 5 at a total cost of \$4,157,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This project funded under UMTA Grant CA-03-0182.

Mr. David Morales of California Association of Minority Contractors appeared before the Board protesting the award to Coastate Builders. His opposition was based on the fact that the low bidder did not meet the stated MBE/WBE goal of 21%, while the second low bidder did meet the stated goal.

Mr. John Pinner of Pinner Construction Co. appeared before the Board to protest the proposed award to Coastate Builders. The basis for his protest was because he felt that if he had not gotten as high a percentage of minority participation his bid would have been the lowest bid.

General Manager Dyer responded that staff had examined the bids in great detail and concluded that the lowest bidder had made a good faith effort to meet the goals. Director Holden commented that the second low bidder feels that he has been hurt by complying with the stated goals. He suggested that the matter be tabled for administrative review.

FACILITIES & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 6-7)
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After discussion, and with a suggested addition to the motion that the award of this contract in no way commits the Board to a policy of accepting less than the stated minority participation goals, the motion to accept staff recommendation carried on a Roll Call vote as noted below:

Ayes: Hall, Holen, Patsaouras, Price,
Richter, Storing, Swanson, Takei
Noes: Day, Holden, Lewis
Abstain: None
Absent: None

7. Authorized the General Manager to execute construction contract change orders for the West Los Angeles Transit Center in an amount not to exceed \$80,000, due to changes required by CalTrans and the City of Los Angeles and minor design changes due to unforeseen conditions.

This project is funded by SB 620 funds.

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EQUIPMENT & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 8-9)

8. Authorized the General Manager to:

- a. file an application with UMTA under Section 9 or 9A of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, to provide \$4,616,000 for replacement engines, air conditioners, and radiators for 230 Grumman Flexible 870 buses;
- b. accept and execute the grant contract; and
- c. certify the findings of the public hearing held August 11, 1983;

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

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9. Authorized the General Manager to procure ten used articulated buses from Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District, at a total cost of \$237,301, including taxes and delivery; subject to documentation with UMTA and CalTrans of the transfer and approval of the local share by LACTC; form of documents subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 10-11)

10. Authorized the General Manager to execute an amendment to the Inter-Agency Transfer Agreement with the County of Los Angeles; form of amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 10-11) (cont'd)

11. Approved minor route modification to Line 490 to service Baldwin Park Park/Ride facility.

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- 11a. Took action to formally request the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission to earmark the funds generated under Proposition A and S.B. 325, as a result of the 1984 Olympic Games, for use by the District for the provision of service as outlined in the District's transit plan and budget.

Motion carried, with Directors Holden and Storing voting "No."

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 12-14)

12. Report on SB 1238 (Watson) - Metro Rail Financing through Benefit Assessment Districts.

Approved transmittal of the report entitled "Response to Request of Board of Supervisors on SB 1238, Benefit Assessment District Bill; to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

Director Holen requested consideration of a proposed resolution concerning benefit assessment districts and single family residences. There was discussion concerning the proposed resolution with Director Holen offering an amendment to the effect that it would not be the intent of the District to include residential properties. During discussion, President Lewis commented that elected officials would like to say that homeowners will not be assessed.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 12-14) (cont'd)

Director Hall moved approval of the written draft resolution, which motion was seconded by Director Swanson. After discussion, with the concurrence of the maker of the motion, the proposed resolution was amended slightly.

On a call for the question, the resolution was adopted, with ten affirmative votes and Director Holen abstaining.

A copy of the resolution is filed with the Secretary.

13. Authorized the General Manager to:

a. file an application with UMTA, pursuant to Section 8 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, in the amount of \$23,125, for MBE/WBE participation in a trip to Europe to view major development programs and projects; and

b. accept and execute the grant document;

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

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14. Approved Requisition No. 3-8100-169 and authorized the General Manager to amend an existing contract with Robert J. Harmon and Associates, 1201 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C., covering consultant services in the preparation of a public/private co-venture work program, increasing the total cost by an additional \$24,900 to a total cost of \$74,800; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

15. Approved Requisition No. 3-8100-195 and authorized the General Manager to execute a contract amendment with Nutter, Bird, Marella, Boxer, Wolpert and Matiz, covering legal fees for pending Metro Rail litigation increasing the cost by \$30,000 to a total not-to-exceed amount of \$80,000; form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Funded under UMTA Grant CA-03-0130.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

16. The Board received the report requesting an amendment to the Fare Reduction Agreement with the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission covering reimbursement of FY 1984 expenses and relief of overcrowding condition.

On motion of Director Hall, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board concurred with the Finance Committee recommendation that a meeting be arranged between the District's Finance Committee and the Commission's Finance Committee to discuss the proposed amendment to the Agreement covering the Proposition A Fare Reduction Program and the District's Transit Plan and Budget for the 1984 Olympic Games.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 17-29)

17. Approved Requisition No. 3-4460-095 and authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with John Miyauchi & Associates, 672 South Lafayette Park Place, Los Angeles, under RFP No. 068307-2, covering design consultation services for a one-year period at an estimated cost of \$45,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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18. Approved Requisition No. 3-4460-094 and authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Banner Printing Company, 2959 East Victoria Street, Compton, under RFP No. 068309-2, covering high-volume emergency printing for a one-year period at an estimated cost of \$50,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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19. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Van Noy Company, 672 South Lafayette Park Place, Los Angeles, under RFP No. 068308-2, covering graphics design services for a one-year period at an estimated cost of \$60,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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20. Approved Requisition No. 3-3399-1318 and authorized the General Manager to exercise an option for one additional year with Elect-Air Tool, 308 West Verdugo Avenue, Burbank, covering miscellaneous abrasives and grinding wheels at an estimated cost of \$42,000; form of option subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 17-29) (cont'd)

21. Authorized the General Manager to execute contracts with the lowest responsible bidders under Bid No. 7-8308, covering air suspension bellows assemblies for a one-year period, with an option for one additional year at the election of the District:

- a. Grumman Flxible Distribution Center, 3215 North Alameda, Compton, covering items 1, 4 through 8, and 10 through 13 for an estimated annual cost of \$80,632;
- b. Motor Devices, 573 - 4th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, covering items 2, 9, 14 and 15 for an estimated annual cost of \$22,570; and
- c. Hausman Bus Parts, 9846 Atlantic Avenue, South Gate, covering item 3 for an estimated annual cost of \$22,130;

form of contracts subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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22. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Brake Supply Company, Inc., 644 Ceres Avenue, Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 6-8324 covering Timken-Bower bearings for a one-year period, with an option for one additional year at the election of the District, for an estimated annual cost of \$164,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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23. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with London Mat Industries, P. O. Box 292 Station B, London, Ontario, Canada, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. CA-06-0119-A, covering AVM/APGS passenger counter mats for a total bid price of \$75,700; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This procurement covered under UMTA Grant CA-06-0119.

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CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 17-29) (cont'd)

24. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with A. G. Layne, Inc., 4578 Brazil Street, Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 7-8313, covering Rule 66 lacquer thinner for a one-year period, with an option for one additional year at the election of the District, at an estimated annual cost of \$34,800; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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25. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with L & N Uniform, 13200 South Avalon Blvd., Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 7-8315, covering laundry service of work uniforms and shop towels for a two-year period, at an estimated cost of \$172,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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26. Approved Requisition No. 3-0999-230 and authorized the General Manager to renew a contract for one additional year with Los Angeles County Communications Department, 500 West Temple St., Los Angeles, covering lease of pagers at a cost not to exceed \$30,000; form of contract renewal subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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27. Approved minor route modification to Lines 250-253 in East Los Angeles.

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CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 17-29) (cont'd)

28. Received and Filed Report Calendar - July 21 to August 4, 1983.

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29. a. approved Minutes of Regular Meeting held July 28, 1983;
- b. ratified bus stop zone changes as filed with the Secretary;
- c. ratified temporary route diversions as filed with the Secretary;
- d. Received and Filed Purchasing Agent's Statement of Material & Supplies Account - March through June, 1983.
- e. Received and Filed Purchasing Agent's Statement of Purchases \$5,000 to \$25,000 - July 1983.

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GENERAL ITEMS

30. New Business

Robert Swan appeared before the Board speaking on transit matters.

Greg Roberts appeared before the Board speaking on the subject of overloading.

Adjourned at 3:47 p.m.



District Secretary