

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting  
Board of Directors  
Monday, December 19, 1983  
District Board Room  
425 South Main Street  
Los Angeles

Called to order at 1:13 p.m.

Directors Present:

Michael W. Lewis, President  
Ruth E. Richter, Vice-President  
John F. Day  
Nate Holden

Marvin L. Holen  
Jay B. Price  
Charles H. Storing  
Gordana Swanson  
George Takei

Directors Absent:

Jan Hall

Nick Patsaouras

1. Presentation of Certificates of Merit to:
  - a. Joe Williams, Maintenance Employee-of-the-Month;
  - b. Patricia Potter, Information Operator-of-the-Month;
  - c. Marshall Long, Operator-of-the-Month;and presentation of plaques by Director Takei.
  
2. Presentation of Safe Worker Awards to Maintenance employees.

3. Report of the President.

Congressman Roybal, Assemblywoman Gloria Molino and Assemblyman Calderon appeared before the Board speaking to the concerns of the Hispanic community regarding the lack of bus service, award of contracts to the hispanic small businessman, the lack of hispanic employees in the District's middle and upper management positions, and the need for an easterly extension of the Metro Rail lines.

General Manager Dyer responded that the positions that expressed by the elected officials were well taken. In terms of the District's DBE/WBE Plan, this recently adopted plan is the best plan in the country. This is also true of the District's Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action Plan. He also stated that as the District moves further into the Metro Rail Project, there will be a major change; smaller contracts will be awarded, which should allow the small hispanic businessman an opportunity to capture a larger percentage of the contract awards. Mr. Dyer concluded by stating that in his opinion, the next line for Metro Rail belongs in the southeast section of the city.

Directors Price and Holden responded to the comments made by Congressman Roybal, Assemblywoman Molino and Assemblyman Calderon.

Congressman Roybal concluded by stating that his main objective in appearing before the Board was to ask the Board to provide an atmosphere of fairness in the employment arena and in the award of contracts. He also stated that he was pleased to hear that major changes will be made within the next few months.

President Lewis announced that it would be necessary to have a Closed Session to consider labor matters. On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the Board recessed to Closed Session at 2:15 p.m. The Board returned from Closed Session at 2:33 p.m. with all Directors responding to Roll Call except Directors Hall and Patsouras.

On motion made, seconded and carried, with Director Day voting against the motion, the following action was taken:

Ratified the collective bargaining agreement with the Transit Police Officers Association (TPOA) covering the period October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1984.

4. Report of the General Manager.

At the request of the General Manager, Agenda Items No. 14A and 22A were added to the agenda.

Mr. Dyer then asked the Board to consider the request of Mr. Peter Ohanesian, Los Angeles County Transportation Commission, concerning the LACTC sponsored legislation to authorize the LACTC to issue rail transit revenue bonds. Mr. Ohanesian stated that this proposed legislation will not give the LACTC any powers that the Commission does not already possess; it just states that the Commission can use revenue bonds in addition to the other powers already enjoyed.

Director Day made a motion that the District support this measure as an urgency matter, which motion was seconded. Following discussion, Director Swanson made a substitute motion to support, with the deletion of Sections 130521 and 130522, which substitute motion did not receive a second. On a Roll Call vote, as noted below, the following action was approved:

Support of the legislation sponsored by the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission which would authorize the LACTC to issue rail transit revenue bonds.

Ayes: Day, Holen, Price, Richter, Storing,  
Takei  
Noes: Swanson  
Abstain: Holden  
Absent: Hall, Lewis, Patsaouras

Director Swanson asked that the record reflect that her opposition is to the wording in the proposed piece of legislation.

5. Director Special Items.

None

SURFACE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 6-9)

6. Approved Requisition No. 3-0990-13 and authorized the General Manager to amend an existing contract with Fleming Associates, La Canada, to provide for an increased workers compensation claim workload, at an increased amount of \$25,000, for a total cost not to exceed \$50,000; form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Manager.

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7. Approval Requisitions No. 3-3399-1333, No. 3-3314-A-5906 and No. 3-3314-5838 and authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Neoplan U.S.A., Boulder, Colorado, covering procurement of a portion of the spare parts package and rotatable units for the Neoplan buses at an estimated cost of \$507,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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

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8. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Arthur Young Company, Los Angeles, under RFP No. 078306 covering a Data Processing Facility Requirements Study at a cost of \$54,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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SURFACE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT - Cont'd.

9. Approved Requisition No. 3-7200-277 and authorized the General Manager to enter into a fixed price contract with Arthur Andersen & Co., Los Angeles, covering computer software services (TRANSMIS II) in the amount of \$6,811,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This project funded in part under UMTA Grants CA-05-0121 and CA-90-0022.

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ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 10-12)

10. Deferred status report on Olympics Concept Plan.
11. Approved policy on service allocation and authorized the General Manager to make limited adjustments in levels of service on routes, with a review at the time the FY '85 Budget is considered.

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ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT - Cont'd.

12. Consider authorization of the General Manager to implement cost reduction measures as required by LACTC Memorandum of Understanding.

Received presentation by Leo Bevon, Planning Manager, Policy and Guideway regarding the proposal to authorize the General Manager to implement cost reduction measures as required by LACTC Memorandum of Understanding.

Directors Storing and Day objected to being asked to make a decision on material distributed at the last minute.

General Manager Dyer recommended that this item be deferred and submitted as a draft report at this meeting. The Board concurred in this recommendation.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE REPORT (Items 13-14)

13. Deferred consideration of certification of findings of Public Hearing held December 8, 1983 on UMTA grant application for funding of final design and construction of Metro Rail Project, and authorization of the General Manager to file such application and to execute all necessary documents; form of documents subject to approval of the General Counsel.
  
14. Received a verbal report on the status of grant contracts with City of Los Angeles, LACTC, and CTC for funding of final design and construction of the Metro Rail Project.

NO ACTION REQUIRED

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE REPORT - Cont'd.

- 14A. Authorized the General Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Cordoba Corporation for a cost plus fixed fee contract at an estimated cost of \$100,000 covering technical assistance to the Office of Equal Opportunity; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

15. Considered report on State Legislative Agenda for 1984.

Approved support of SCA 37(Foran) - County Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax with the county Board of Supervisors to impose the tax.

CARRIED - 6 affirmative votes, with Directors Storing and Holden voting against the motion.

Approved Legislative Policies 1 through 7 as attached to the report dated December 15, 1983 (Agenda Item No. 15)

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

16. Authorized the General Manager to establish new non-contract positions and reclassification of existing non-contract positions in the Print Shop.

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- 16A. Approved the amendment of contract with Charles Olsen, the District's Sacramento legislative consultant, granting a 5.5% increase in the contract for the twelve month period, effective January 1, 1984; form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 17-24)

17. Approved Requisition No. 3-8300-273 and authorized the General Manager to amend an existing contract with Schwab Engineering, Los Angeles, covering consultant services to include the design of a parking lot at the Vernon Yard Locker Building, increasing the cost by an additional \$10,000 for a total cost of \$34,000; form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

18. Approved Requisition No. 3-3399-1335 and authorized the General Manager to exercise an option for one additional year with Jewel Consulting and Distributing, Paramount, covering exterior bus wash compound at an estimated cost of \$23,500; form of option subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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19. Authorized the General Manager to execute a three-year service contract with Montgomery Elevator Company, Gardena, under RFP No. 118314 covering maintenance of eight elevators and one escalator at a cost of \$74,400 for the three-year period; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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20. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Chemco Products, Compton, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 10-8328 covering foamer bus wash brush lubricant for a one-year period, with an option for one additional year at the election of the District, for an estimated annual cost of \$103,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

21. Authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with Arthur Young Company, Los Angeles, under RFP No. 108310 covering consulting services to conduct a Computerized Customer Information System (CCIS) Project Design Review for an estimated cost of \$55,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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22. Approved Requisition No. 3-3399-1334 and authorized the General Manager to exercise an option for one additional year with Refrigeration Sales Company, Inc., Long Island City, New York, covering freon gas at an estimated cost of \$180,000; form of option subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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- 22A. Approved Requisition No. 3-3314-A-5815 and authorized the General Manager to execute a contract with General Motors Corporation, Pontiac, Michigan, covering power plant assemblies at an estimated cost of \$46,400; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Funded in part under UMTA Grant No. CA-03-0132.

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23. Received Report Calendar from December 2 to December 13, 1983.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

- 24 a. Approved Minutes of Regular Meetings held November 21 and December 8, 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 Reports:
1. Statements of Materials & Supplies Account - July, August, September 1983;
  2. Purchases \$2,500 & Over - November, 1983.

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GENERAL ITEMS

25. New Business.

Approved the rescheduling of the January Committee of the Whole Meeting to Thursday, January 19, 1984 at 10:00 a.m. at an off-site location.

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GENERAL ITEMS - Cont'd.

Appearance of Ann Locksmith regarding complaints not being answered.

Appearance of Greg Roberts speaking to transit matters.

Director Holden asked the Board to recognize Mr. Robert Nesbitt, former General Manager of AC Transit.

Adjourned at 4:02 p.m. with best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season.

  
District Secretary