

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

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Minutes of Regular Meeting of the
Board of Directors of the District

April 9, 1981

Upon notice duly given, the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District met at a regular meeting in the District Board Room, 425 South Main Street, Los Angeles, California, at 1:00 p.m. on April 9, 1981, at which time President Thomas G. Neusom called the meeting to order.

Directors Present:

Jan Hall
David K. Hayward
Marvin L. Holen
Mike Lewis
Carl Meseck

Thomas G. Neusom
Nick Patsaouras
Jay B. Price
Ruth E. Richter
Charles H. Storing
George Takei

Staff Present:

Richard T. Powers, Acting General Manager
Samuel M. Black, Manager of Operations
Suzanne B. Gifford, Acting General Counsel
George L. McDonald, Manager of Planning & Marketing
Joe B. Scatchard, Controller-Treasurer-Auditor
Jack T. Stubbs, Assistant General Manager for Administration
David D. Dominguez, Manager of Human Relations
Robert G. Williams, Manager of Customer Relations
Donald Cornish, Administrator of Labor Relations
Helen M. Bolen, District Secretary

Also present were members of the public and the news media.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Recognition of Retired District Personnel

Director Hayward presented plaques to District personnel who have recently retired.

Introduction of Line Instructors

General Manager Richard T. Powers introduced a group of eight line instructors from Alameda Division (1).

Closed Session

On motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, the Board retired to Closed Session at 1:12 p.m. to discuss the vacant position of General Manager and a Workers' Compensation matter.

The Board returned from Closed Session at 2:00 p.m. with all Directors except Director Neusom responding to Roll Call. No report was made of matters discussed in Closed Session.

Report on Proposition A

General Manager Powers presented a report setting forth the preparatory actions necessary to implement Proposition A on July 1, 1981. Director Meseck made a motion to accept the staff recommendations and to authorize the staff to proceed with those actions necessary, which motion was seconded. Director Lewis inquired about the Commission's role in these preliminary

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report on Proposition A - Continued

actions and if the Commission will be funding any portion of the get-ready expenses. Staff responded that every effort has been made to minimize the financial impacts, and that this matter will be discussed in a meeting with the Commission staff within the next few days.

There was further discussion with staff stating that the Commission staff has agreed that there is more to Proposition A than just lowering the fare on July 1; they recognize that there are other actions and costs associated with the fare reduction, and that the demand for bus service is a mutual problem.

Director Storing inquired if the District is specifically required to reduce the bus fare concurrent with the collection of the tax. General Counsel Gifford indicated that the most reasonable interpretation of the Proposition would be to lower the fare when the tax is collected.

(Director Meseck left the meeting.)

Director Hayward suggested that the motion be amended to include the transmittal of the staff report and Board action to the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission for their information and request for financial participation,

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report on Proposition A - Continued

which amendment was included in the motion.

On a vote as indicated below, the following resolution was adopted:

Ayes:	Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis, Patsaouras, Price, Richter, Storing, Takei
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Neusom, Meseck

R-81-209

RESOLVED, that the report dated April 6, 1981 regarding the preparation for Proposition A implementation on July 1, 1981 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to proceed with the actions outlined in the report;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the report and Board action is to be transmitted to the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission for their information and with a request for financial participation in these actions necessary for the implementation of Proposition A.

Agenda Item No. 4- Request City of Los Angeles to Fund Off-Duty Police Officer Program

At the April Committee of the Whole meeting, a report was received on the action of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in making available \$225,000 to continue the Off-Duty Police Officer Program. The action of the County Board of Supervisors also requested the District to ask the City of Los Angeles for matching funds.

On motion of Director Hayward, seconded and carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolution
No. Assigned

Agenda Item No. 4 - Continued

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis,
Patsaouras, Price, Richter,
Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

R-81-210

WHEREAS, in October, 1980, after receipt of funding in the amount of \$150,000 from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, the District started a program of hiring off-duty police officers on a part-time basis for the purpose of providing greater security for passengers and drivers; and

WHEREAS, in March, 1981, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors provided funding in the amount of \$225,000 to continue this worthwhile program, and requested that the District also seek funding from the City of Los Angeles;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District does hereby request the City of Los Angeles to grant an amount of \$225,000, which would provide for the continuation of the Off-Duty Police Officer Program and provide the much needed security for passengers and drivers until approximately March, 1982.

Report of the Executive Committee

On motion of Director Holen, Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 5 was approved and the following resolution adopted:

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis,
Patsaouras, Price, Richter,
Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Executive Committee - Continued

R-81-211

RESOLVED, that the report dated March 23, 1981 relative to the implementation of a crime/vandalism prevention program is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to implement the program, with periodic progress reports to be made to the Board of Directors.

Report of the Equipment & Maintenance Committee

On motion of Director Storing, Chairman of the Equipment & Maintenance Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Items No. 6 and 7 were approved and the following resolutions adopted:

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis,
Patsouras, Price, Richter,
Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

R-81-212

RESOLVED, that the report dated April 3, 1981 relative to rear destination signs is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to enter into an agreement with Transign Company for the testing of electronic rear destination signs on five (5) buses at no cost to the District;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Manager is authorized to apply for UMTA funding to acquire approximately 400 electronic rear destination signs when such funding is available, pending a successful demonstration of the sign.

R-81-213

RESOLVED, that the report dated April 8, 1981 relative to an update on GMC RTS Bus Problems is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to immediately begin the withhold of \$4,650 from the payment price for each of the 940 buses, with all withhold monies to be paid to GMC upon resolution of the four individual major specification compliance problems.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Facilities & Construction Committee

On motion of Director Patsaouras, Chairman of the Facilities & Construction Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Items No. 8 and 9 were approved and the following resolutions adopted:

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis,
Patsaouras, Price, Richter,
Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: Storing
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

R-81-214

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to negotiate a contract with the firm of Ziegler Kirven Parrish covering architectural engineering consultant services for the design of a new operating facility to be located at the Macy Yards site, with the negotiated contract to be brought back to the Board for approval.

R-81-215

RESOLVED, that the staff is directed to continue to pursue the projects of the Central Maintenance Facility and the Administration Building, but that the projects be separated.

Report of the Surface Operations Committee

Director Price, Chairman of the Surface Operations Committee, reported that Agenda Item No. 10 was brought forward from the Committee awaiting word from Leonard J. Russo, Inc., regarding the possibility of a 30-day extension of the existing contract. At the request of Director Neusom, the Committee recommends this course of action so that Director Neusom and staff can have the opportunity to discuss some of his concerns regarding Russo's association

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Surface Operations Committee-contd.
with minority law firms. Controller Scatchard
reported that Mr. Russo had agreed to the 30-day
extension.

On motion of Director Price, seconded and
carried as noted below, Agenda Items No. 10 and
11 were approved and the following resolutions
adopted:

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis,
Patsaouras, Price, Richter,
Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

R-81-216

RESOLVED, that the report on
administration of Public Liability and
Property Damage Claims - subcontracting
vs. District capability is "Received and
Filed";

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the
General Manager is authorized to extend
the existing contract with Leonard J.
Russo, Inc., for a 30-day period, covering
the administration of the District's self-
insured Public Liability and Property
Damage program; form of extension
subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-81-217

RESOLVED, that Requisition
No. 1-7200-04 is approved, and the Purchasing
Agent is authorized to call for bids
covering procurement of computer power
distribution system, which project is
funded under UMTA Grant Project No.
CA-05-0052; form of bid requirements
and specifications subject to approval
of the General Counsel.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Rapid Transit Committee

Director Hayward presented the Committee report for Chairman Meseck. He moved approval of Agenda Items No. 12 and 14, which motion was seconded and carried.

Director Hayward also reported under Agenda Item No. 13 that the Rapid Transit Committee unanimously recommends the firm of Booz, Allen & Hamilton as the systems engineering analysis consultant for the Metro Rail Project, and he so moved, which motion was seconded and carried.

On a vote as noted below, the following resolutions were adopted:

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Hoken, Lewis,
Patsouras, Price, Richter,
Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

R-81-218

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 1-8000-183 is approved, and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to issue Requests For Proposals covering noise and vibration special consultant for preliminary engineering of the Metro Rail Project, which project is funded under UMTA and State Grants; form of RFP subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-81-219

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to negotiate a contract with the firm of Booz, Allen & Hamilton covering the systems engineering analysis consultant services for the Metro Rail Project, and to bring the negotiated contract back to the Board for approval.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Rapid Transit Committee - Continued

R-81-220

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to N. W. Ayer, 707 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, under RFP 28117 covering design of Metro Rail brochure, at a cost not to exceed \$15,901; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Report of the Government Relations Committee

Director Holen, Chairman of the Government Relations Committee, reported that the Committee had met to receive a report on the State Legislative Program and he presented the following recommendations from the Committee on the specific Bills addressed in the report:

- AB 177 Exclusion of city from AC Transit District
 This bill was carried over
 from previous meeting.
 District was asked to take
 a position of opposition by
 CAPOTS and AC Transit District.
 Committee recommendation on
 March 26, 1981 was to oppose
 the Bill.
- AB 950 Assembly Transportation Financing
 Letter be directed to the author
 setting forth the Bill's
 deficiencies.
- SB 320 Ridesharing
& SB 321 Support.
- SB 456 Transportation facilities for the
 1984 Olympics
 Oppose and relate to author
 that this Bill could have
 serious impact on the District's
 future unless the District is
 made the recipient of the funds.
- SB 571 Extension of SB 620 funds
 Support.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Government Relations Committee-contd.

SB 591 State Air Pollution Standards
A decision on this Bill was
deferred to the full Board.

SB 630 Local Agency Fees
Oppose.

During the discussion of AB 950, Director Lewis stated that there are several transit financing Bills in the Legislature at this time. He expressed concern about the number of Bills and asked staff to study these Bills, break them down into policy areas for the Government Relations Committee to consider and to formulate a line of policy on transit finance issues.

On motion of Director Holen, seconded and carried as noted below, the Board concurred in the staff and/or Committee recommendations on all Bills except SB 591 and SB 630, and the following resolution was adopted:

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis,
Patsouras, Price, Richter,
Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

R-81-221

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District hereby adopts the Committee and staff recommendations on AB 177, AB 950, SB 320 and SB 321, SB 456, and SB 571 as stated above in these Minutes.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Government Relations Committee-contd.

After discussion, on motion of Director Hayward, seconded and carried as noted below, the Board took no position on SB 591:

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis,
Patsouras, Price, Takei
Noes: Richter, Storing
Abstain: None
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

On motion duly made, seconded and carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted regarding SB 630:

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis,
Patsouras, Price, Richter,
Takei
Noes: Storing
Abstain: None
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

R-81-222

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District does hereby go on record in opposition to Senate Bill 630.

Director Holen reported the Committee recommendation that the District not submit any legislation on transit vehicle weight factors until the next Legislative Session. On motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, the Board concurred in this recommendation.

Director Holen also gave a summary report of the meeting several members of the Board had last week with UMTA Administrator Designate Arthur Teele. The purpose of the meeting was to request

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Government Relations Committee-contd.
the release of the last increment of \$12 million of preliminary engineering funds for the Metro Rail Project. The strong implication received was that the Department of Transportation will not release these funds. The Federal officials indicated that the Federal budget would not allow for the expenditure of \$12 million. It was pointed out that the funds already spent would be wasted if the funds were cut prior to the completion of preliminary engineering. Director Holen reported that two offers were made: 1) If appropriate question were asked by a Member of the House of Representatives Appropriation Sub-Committee on Transportation, UMTA would state for the record that the Metro Rail Project is a meritorious project; or 2) Offer the District a letter of no prejudice to allow future funding in the amount of \$12 million by UMTA should the funds become available, even if the funds had been raised elsewhere and had been expended. Director Holen concluded his summary by stating that Congress will be considering the matter next week. The District has a letter signed by 12 members of Congress asking that the funds be included in the budget, and indicated that Mr. Teele expressed a willingness to come to Los

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Government Relations Committee-contd.
Angeles to make a statement that the Administration finds the Metro Rail Project meritorious. The Federal people also suggested that Los Angeles look to the Interstate Transfer of Funds for this project.

Report of the Personnel Committee

On motion of Director Takei, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Items No. 16 (A) through (E) were approved and the following resolution adopted:

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis,
Patsaouras, Price, Richter,
Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

R-81-223

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to include in the Non-Contract Salary and Classification Plan the following positions:

Two (2) Systems Programmer
Salary Grade 75 (\$2420-\$2997)
Three (3) Computer Operations Supervisor
Salary Grade 50 (\$1887-\$2337)
One (1) Computer Programmer
Salary Grade 45 (\$1795-\$2223)
Two (2) Engineer
Salary Grade 79 (\$2518-\$3119)
One (1) Real Estate Specialist
(Regular Part-Time)
Salary Grade 65 (\$2190-\$2713)
One (1) Business Manager
Salary Grade 75 (\$2420-\$2997)
One (1) Marketing Sales Representative
Salary Grade 45 (\$1795-\$2223)
One (1) EEO Representative I
Salary Grade 45 (\$1795-\$2223)

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Personnel Committee - Continued

R-81-223
(contd)

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the salary for the vacant new position of Project Scheduler/Cost Engineer in the Rapid Transit Department be adjusted from Salary Grade 60 (\$2084-\$2581) to Salary Grade 79 (\$2518-\$3119).

Approval of the Consent Calendar

Vice-President Richter announced that Item No. 17 was removed from the Agenda. On motion of Director Price, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Items No. 18 through 24 on the Consent Calendar were approved and the following resolutions adopted and/or actions taken:

Ayes: Hall, Hayward, Holen, Lewis,
Patsouras, Price, Richter,
Storing, Takei
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Meseck, Neusom

R-81-224

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Rosco, Inc., 144-31 91st Ave., Jamaica, New York, the only bidder responding to Bid No. 3-8120-A covering outside rearview mirrors at an estimated cost of \$36,702 for the one-year period; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-81-225

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Better Built Fence, 3306 Daisy Avenue, Long Beach, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 3-8113-A covering construction of concrete block wall at South Central Division (5) at a total bid price of \$24,248; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Approval of Consent Calendar - Continued

R-81-226

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Sentry Security, 8559 Canoga Avenue, Canoga Park, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 3-8118 covering electrically operated gates at Alameda (1) and South Central (5) Divisions at a total bid price of \$15,510; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-81-227

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Robert Wada & Associates, 699 So. State College Blvd., Fullerton, under RFP 28120-A covering surveying and preparation of a topographic map of Macy Street Yards at a fixed price of \$11,073; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-81-228

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 1-3399-1139 is approved and the General Manager is authorized to extend the existing contract with Armour Glass, 9401 Ann Street, Santa Fe Springs, covering District's requirements for pre-cut glass covering a three-month period at an estimated cost of \$60,000, pending award of new yearly contract; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-81-229

RESOLVED, that Requisitions No. 1-3399-84 and No. 1-3399-98 are approved and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering procurement of three brake lathes, which procurement is funded in part under UMTA Grant Project No. CA-03-0154; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Ratified bus stop zone changes as filed with the Secretary.

Ratified temporary route diversions as filed with the Secretary.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Approval of Consent Calendar - Continued

"Received and Filed" Purchasing
Agent's Statement of Material & Supplies
Account for January, 1981.

Setting of Joint Meeting with Orange County
Transit District

A date has been agreed upon for the semi-
annual dinner meeting with Orange County Transit
District. On motion of Director Lewis, seconded
and carried, with Director Storing voting "No",
the following resolution was adopted:

R-81-230

RESOLVED, that a Special
Joint Meeting will be held with Orange
County Transit District on Tuesday,
April 28, 1981, at 6:30 p.m.

Setting of Time for May Committee of the Whole
Meeting

On motion of Director Price, seconded and
unanimously carried, the meeting time for the
May Committee of the Whole Meeting to be held
in Long Beach at the Public Library, located at
101 Pacific Avenue, will be 2:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting
adjourned at 3:30 p.m.


District Secretary