

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

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

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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 1:03 p.m. on May 8, 1980, at which time President Thomas G. Neusom called the meeting to order.

Directors Present:

David K. Hayward
Gerald B. Leonard
Carl Meseck
Thomas G. Neusom

Jay B. Price
Ruth E. Richter
Charles H. Storing
George Takei

Directors Absent:

Donald Gibbs
Marvin L. Holen
Mike Lewis

Staff Present:

Jack R. Gilstrap, General Manager
Samuel M. Black, Manager of Operations
Richard T. Powers, General Counsel
Joe B. Scatchard, Controller-Treasurer-Auditor
Jack T. Stubbs, Asst. General Manager for Administration
Richard Gallagher, Manager and Chief Engineer, Rapid Transit
David D. Dominguez, Manager of Equal Employment Opportunities
Patricia Bluemke, Assistant District Secretary

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

Resolution
No. Assigned

Recognition of Retired District Personnel

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

Report of Surface Operations Committee

On motion of Director Price, Chairman of the Surface Operations Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 2 was approved and the following resolution was adopted:

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

R-80-201

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 8.3 (b) (4) of the Rules and Regulations the Special Purchasing Committee met and approved Requisition No. 0-9400-50 covering the District's requirements for regular and unleaded gasoline at an estimated cost of \$1,380,000 for a one-year period;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 0-9400-50 is approved and the General Manager is authorized to extend the agreement with Chevron, U.S.A. Inc., 1201 South Beach Blvd., LaHabra, Calif., covering the District's requirements for regular and unleaded gasoline at an estimated cost of \$1,380,000 for a one-year period; form of document subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Customer Relations & Public
Information Committee

The Board considered the General Manager's report dated May 1, 1980 relative to the Summer Youth Pass Program. The report reviewed the background of the Summer Youth Pass for the past two years and contained a recommendation from the District's New Services Review Board to discontinue the program for 1980 for the following two reasons: (1) Operational difficulties have resulted from frequent use of the pass, particularly for trips to the beach during which youths with surfboards and skateboards disrupted service and acted in a disorderly manner; (2) It was felt that the pass resulted in a loss of revenue and that collecting cash fares would have resulted in more revenues. Therefore, it was the staff's recommendation to discontinue the Summer Youth Pass Program.

The Board discussed the relative merits of the program, and on motion of Director Richter, Chairman of the Customer Relations & Public Information Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted under Agenda Item no. 3.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of Customer Relations & Public Information
Committee - Cont'd.

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

R-80-202

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to inaugurate a Summer Youth Pass Program for youths under 19 years of age with the cost of the youth pass to be \$30.00 for the period from July 1 through September 30, 1980 for use during off-peak periods in accordance with established hours for the base period.

The report of the First Quarter, 1980 Activities of the Marketing & Communications Department was received and filed.

Report of the Facilities & Construction Committee

On motion of Director Price, Vice-Chairman of the Facilities & Construction Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item Nos. 5 and 6 were approved, and the following resolutions adopted:

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

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of Facilities & Construction Committee-Cont'd.

R-80-203

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to renew lease agreements with Greyhound Lines, Inc. for station facilities at the El Monte Station and Division 9, for primary terms of five (5) years with options for an additional five (5) years at an initial rate of \$2,500 per month; each lease rate to be increased approximately fifteen (15) percent every three (3) years, subject to termination by either party on one hundred twenty (120) days notice, with form of agreement subject to the approval of the General Counsel.

R-80-204

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to submit a sealed and/or oral bid for the purchase of 1.78 acres of property located at 7000 Telegraph Road, Downey, to be used for the establishment of a Metro Operating Division; form of bid and all documents subject to the approval of the General Counsel, as outlined in the General Manager's report dated May 2, 1980, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary.

Report of the Advance Planning Committee

On motion of Director Hayward, Chairman of the Advance Planning Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 7 was approved and the following resolution adopted:

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

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of Advance Planning Committee - Cont'd.

R-80-205

RESOLVED, that the District does support the concept of a mall to enlarge the Olvera Street Plaza area and the General Manager is authorized to request the City of Los Angeles to institute a Transit Mall in North Main Street in lieu of the proposed complete closure to vehicular traffic;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that if the City of Los Angeles declines, the District opposes closing the street to buses on the grounds of the deterioration of service for bus patrons on Main Street.

On motion of Director Hayward, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 8 was approved and the following resolution adopted:

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

R-80-206

RESOLVED, that the service coordination program in the South Bay area involving the Torrance Transit System and the Gardena Municipal Bus Lines is approved in concept as outlined in the General Manager's report dated April 30, 1980, filed with the Secretary, and the General Manager is authorized to proceed to identify the necessary financing arrangements and implement the service changes.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Government Relations Committee

On motion of Director Hayward, Vice-Chairman of the Government Relations Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 9 was approved and the following resolution adopted:

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

R-80-207

RESOLVED, that the Memorandum of Understanding with CalTrans and the City of Los Angeles regarding public acquisition, development and operation of Union Station property for a Transportation Complex is approved in concept with the stipulation the agreement be amended to provide that income in excess of operating costs for the downtown people mover parking structure be divided in an equitable manner among the users of the operation.

Report of the Rapid Transit Committee

Under Agenda Item No. 10, Director Meseck, Chairman of the Rapid Transit Committee, reported no consideration was made of the Final Work Statement to Control Preliminary Engineering for the Rapid Transit Project as the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission staff requested additional time to review the Work Statement.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Rapid Transit Committee - Cont'd.

On motion of Director Meseck, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 11 was approved and the following resolution adopted:

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

R-80-208

RESOLVED, the Rapid Transit Minority Business Enterprise policy, a copy of which is filed with the Secretary, has the endorsement of the Board of Directors and the General Manager is authorized to forward the policy to the Urban Mass Transportation Administration.

Report of the Personnel Committee

On motion of Director Takei, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item Nos. 12 through 14 were approved and the following resolutions adopted:

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

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of Personnel Committee - Cont'd.

R-80-209

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 0-2200-19 is approved and the General Manager is authorized to execute a contract with Musick, Peeler & Garrett covering outside legal services through the end of Fiscal Year 1980 in an estimated amount of \$75,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-80-210

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to amend the existing contract with Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc., to provide group medical services to non-contract personnel who elect coverage; form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-80-211

RESOLVED, that Requisitions Nos. 0-9500-33 and 0-9500-35 were approved and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to issue Requests For Proposals covering:

- a. Development of a non-contract classification system and recommended salary grade allocations;
- b. Development of a BRAC classification system and recommended salary grade allocations;

form of RFP subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Under Agenda Item No. 15, Director Takei reported the staff was requested to provide the Personnel Committee additional information on the development and validation of a physical abilities test for Service Attendants and Cash Clerks.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Report of the Finance Committee

On motion of Director Meseck, Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Item No. 16 was approved and the following resolution adopted:

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

R-80-212

RESOLVED, that the report dated May 1, 1980 relative to 1980-81 Fiscal Year Inter-Agency Agreements for the Operation of the Downtown Los Angeles and Westwood Mini-Bus Service is approved and the General Manager is authorized to enter into contracts on the terms outlined in the above mentioned report with the City of Los Angeles, and the Community Redevelopment Agency for the operation of the Downtown Mini-bus; and with the City of Los Angeles for the operation of the Westwood Mini-bus service, during the 1980-81 Fiscal Year; form of agreements subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Approval of Consent Calendar

Under Agenda Item No. 17, the staff reported the General Manager's report dated April 30, 1980 relative to the procurement of furniture for Divisions 1, 4 & 6 should be amended to delete the recommended award of contract to Western Office Furniture as the amount was such, Board approval was unnecessary.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Approval of Consent Calendar - Cont'd.

Upon motion of Director Richter, seconded and carried as noted below, Agenda Items 17 (as amended) through 27 were approved and the following resolutions adopted and/or actions taken:

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

R-80-213

RESOLVED, that the report dated April 30, 1980 relative to the procurement of furniture for Divisions 1, 4 & 6 is approved and the General Manager is authorized to reject non-responsive low bids and award contracts to those who were the lowest responsible bidders, which procurement is funded in part under UMTA Capital Grant Project No. CA-03-0090; form of contracts subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-80-214

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 0-3399-1051 is approved, and the General Manager is authorized to execute a contract with Cummins Service & Sales, 1661 McGarry St., Los Angeles, covering procurement of the District's requirements for cylinder liners for the Cummins #256 engine for a one-year period at an estimated cost of \$11,500; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Approval of Consent Calendar - Cont'd.

R-80-215

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to award a contract to Master Protection, 2684 Lacy St., Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 3-8019 covering the District's requirements for fire extinguishers for a two-year period at an estimated cost of \$37,160; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-80-216

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 0-3399-1054 is approved, and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the District's requirements for masking tape for a two-year period; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-80-217

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 0-3399-1052 is approved and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the District's requirements for acid core wire solder for a one-year period; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-80-218

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 0-3399-1050 is approved and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the District's requirements for shifter output gears for a one-year period; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-80-219

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 0-3399-1053 is approved and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to call for bids covering the District's requirements for granular floor cleaner for a one-year period; form of bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Approval of Consent Calendar - Cont'd.

R-80-220

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 0-3400-37 is approved and the Purchasing Agent is authorized to issue Requests For Proposals covering professional services for on-site inspection of twenty (20) double-deck buses in Stuttgart, Germany, which procurement is funded in part under UMTA Capital Grant Project No. CA-03-0132; form of RFP subject to approval of the General Counsel.

R-80-221

RESOLVED, that a meeting of the City Selection Committee shall be called, pursuant to Section 30222 of the Southern California Rapid Transit District Law to be held at approximately 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 5, 1980 at Luminarias Restaurant, 3500 Ramona Blvd., Monterey Park, for the following purpose:

- a. to determine the number of votes each member is entitled to cast in accordance with the latest population estimate prepared by the Population Research Unit of the State Department of Finance; and
- b. to enable the Corridor "C" subcommittee of the Committee to elect a Director for the term expiring June, 1984, and which Directorship is presently held by Carl Meseck of Glendale,

and the Secretary is hereby instructed to notify members of the City Selection Committee of the date, time and place of the meeting as provided in the District's Law.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Approval of Consent Calendar - Cont'd.

--- Approved Minutes of Regular Meeting held April 10, 1980 and Special Meetings held April 12, 1980 and April 23, 1980.

--- Ratified temporary route diversions as described in report dated May 2, 1980, filed with the Secretary.

--- Ratified bus stop zone changes as described in report dated May 2, 1980 filed with the Secretary.

Request of Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Mr. Stubbs reported a request has been received from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department asking permission to use one of the fueling tanks at Division 7 temporarily while construction is underway at their facility. The Sheriff's Department is located adjacent to Division 7 and the construction is scheduled to commence May 12th and take approximately five to six months. The Sheriff's Department proposes to replace the gasoline used, avoid the District's peak refueling periods and hold the District harmless for any accidents arising out of their activity.

With the concurrence of all members present, this matter was added to the agenda.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Request of Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept. - Cont'd.

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

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

R-80-222

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to enter into an agreement with the County of Los Angeles permitting use of gasoline tanks at the District's Division 7 by the Sheriff's Department for an approximate six-month period; form of document subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Director Special Items

Director Hayward requested the Special Board Meeting to consider fare adjustments be scheduled as soon as practicable. A meeting has been scheduled in Seattle on June 7th for the United States Conference of Mayors, but if the Board decides to meet on June 9th or June 10th, he will not be able to attend.

Report of the President

President Neusom reported on his recent trip to Sacramento. He reported he had received

Report of the President - Cont'd.

a letter from Walter Ingalls, Chairman of the Assembly Committee on Transportation, and he expressed the concern of several members of the Committee regarding the fare increase, the rationale behind the fare increase, the financial position of the District and he wanted additional information. When Mr. Neusom contacted Mr. Ingalls to give him the information he requested in the letter, it was decided Mr. Neusom would travel to Sacramento and present the information to the Committee. Mr. Gilstrap and Mr. Vandeventer accompanied Mr. Neusom. A presentation was made to the Los Angeles County members of the Assembly Transportation Committee. The Committee asked questions regarding the fare increase, the logic behind it, the financial posture of the District at the present time, and what our prospects are for the future. The Chairman of the Committee indicated we should by all means support Assembly Bill 74 and Mr. Gilstrap reported we are on record in support of that and amendments are being worked out at the present time on that bill.

The Committee was interested in how the District was able to delay implementation of the fare increase in light of the financial situation.

Report of the President - Cont'd.

President Neusom reported he explained that the County Transportation Commission was providing the District with \$4.6 million, the amount necessary to carry us through the end of this fiscal year. The explanation dealt with the fact there were additional funds the Commission has available, and the recommendation put to the Board and to the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission was to attempt to use those funds as soon as possible in an effort not to have to increase the fares as much as we had indicated. The Committee was adamant in that position.

President Neusom concluded by saying that the meeting was a good opportunity to inform the Assembly Committee of the requirements imposed upon the District and let them know the District is meeting them and taking actions to remain fiscally sound.

Upon motion of Director Hayward, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board retired to Executive Session at 1:45 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 2:30 p.m. with Directors Neusom, Richter, Hayward, Leonard, Price, Storing and Takei responding to roll call.

President Neusom reported the Board met in executive session to discuss the problems surrounding crime on District buses.

Resolution
No. Assigned

Upon motion of Director Leonard, seconded by Director Richter and unanimously carried as noted below, the following resolution was adopted:


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

R-80-223

RESOLVED, that the Southern California Rapid Transit District recognizes and is deeply concerned with the evidence of increased crime on its buses and will seek both short term and long term solutions to threats against the safety of its passengers and drivers; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, the District will seek the cooperation of community leaders and assistance of law enforcement agencies to reach practical solutions to these social problems.

The meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.


Assistant District Secretary