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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Regular Board Meeting
Board of Directors
April 25, 1991
District Board Room
425 South Main Street
Los Angeles

Called to order at 1:00 P.M.

| Directors Present | Directors Absent |
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| Nick Patsaouras, President | Don Knabe, Vice President |
| Gerry Hertzberg | Richard Alatorre |
| Marvin L. Holen | Mas Fukai |
| Jay B. Price | |
| Charles H. Storing | |
| Gordana Swanson | |
| James L. Tolbert | |

Items were considered in the following order:

1. Recognized retirees and employees of the month and presented plaques to departing Directors Jenkins and Milner.

3. Report of the President - No report was made.

4. Report of the General Manager

General Manager Pegg reported that the budget for Fiscal Year 1992 is under development currently. There is an approximate $46 million deficit at this point. With regard to the recently defined base on Proposition A guidelines, the District is working with Commission staff to firm up the base and to formulate the guidelines for Proposition C. The preliminary budget to be presented to the Board will be a reduction from the currently estimated $46 million deficit, but there will still be a substantial need to balance the budget. The Capital Program is either half full or half empty. The rehabilitation of vehicles is about $11 million and should be done. Buses have a 12-year life and require a $25,000 to $40,000 rehabilitation at mid-life. To use government funding for this purpose would effectively extend the life of the bus to 18 years which is not realistic.

Mr. Pegg concluded his report by commenting that the Proposition A issues were resolved at the LACTC meeting yesterday.

5. Director Special Items

Director Swanson announced that District Secretary Helen Bolen has recently been elected to the presidency of her Lioness Club and the RTD Credit Union.

Director Swanson also commented on the noticeable improvement in the appearance of the bus fleet and congratulated Mr. Pegg and staff on their success against graffiti.

Director Tolbert announced that he will be attending the California Transit Association Meeting in Sacramento on Monday and Tuesday of next week. His trip will also include an inspection tour of BART.

6. Received and filed Update Report on **Proposition C Discretionary Fund Guideline Development.**

Unanimous with 7 Directors present.

Gary Spivack, Assistant General Manager Planning and Public Affairs, reported that the definition of "base" service level is very critical and the details of the guidelines should be developed within three months of adoption. He also announced the passage at the LACTC of the 8-vote requirement for imposition of penalties. Propositions A and C are linked; 40% of Proposition A discretionary funds is now split with 95% for operating and 5% for incentive. Proposition C has five areas; 1) discretionary, 2) mandated, 3) bus system expenses, 4) service expansion and 5) convenience. Areas 3 and 4 cover both capital and operating items. This 40% is approximately $160 million. The guidelines adopted by LACTC at their April 24 meeting cover only the bus system expansion.

Director Storing inquired if any priority had been attached to funding of either the bus system or the rail system. Staff commented that the LACTC has recognized the need to fund the operation of any rail system.

President Patsaouras indicated that Mr. Rubin had identified a possible problem with the guidelines and the issue will be revisited in two months. Director Holen commented that the guidelines were adopted by the LACTC only in the broadest sense.

Director Swanson asked if a report is expected on the proposed cost of operating the planned rail system.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items 7 through 23 of the Consent Calendar were unanimously approved in one motion with 7 Directors present.

7. APPROVED Requisition No. 0-3200-290 and a contract with G.T.S.I., Los Angeles, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 04-9104, covering procurement of **Software** for a total bid price of $27,174; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

8. APPROVED issuance of invitations for bids covering the **sale of surplus non-revenue vehicles**, and award of a contract with the highest responsive bidders for an estimated revenue exceeding $25,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

9. APPROVED Requisition No. 1-9610-39, and amendment of an existing contract with First/Company Peerless Products, covering the procurement of various **janitorial supplies**, increasing the total cost by an additional $20,000, for an estimated total contract amount of $44,999; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

10. APPROVED Requisition No. 1-1600-3 and a contract with Chroma Concepts, Irvine, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 04-4910, covering **On Time Warranty Cards**, for a one-year period with an option for one additional year at the election of the District at an estimated cost of $151,447; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

11. APPROVED Requisition No. 1-9399-43 and a contract with Sardo Bus and Coach Upholstery, Gardena, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 04-9102, covering **replacement of bus seat backs, bottoms and installation of 215 partial sets**, for a one-year period, with an option for one additional year at the election of the District, at an estimated annual cost of $225,777; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

12. APPROVED Requisition No. 1-9200-38 and a contract amendment with Twining Laboratories of Southern California, covering the provision of **"as-needed" material testing and field inspections**, through September 1991, for an additional estimated cost of $21,000; for a total contract amount of $57,000; form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

13. APPROVED a License agreement effective May 1, 1991, with El Paso-Los Angeles Limousine Express, Inc. for **use of one bus berth on the parking lot level at El Monte Bus Station** on a month-to-month basis at a fee of $1,000 per month; form of agreement subject to approval of General Counsel.

14. APPROVED a lease agreement, with Metropolitan Property Associates for **office space in the Million Dollar Building** for the Miracle on Broadway Unit of Transit Police, for a one (1) year term with two (2) one-year options at an initial monthly rental rate of $1,575 with annual rental adjustments during the option period based on the Consumer Price Index; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

15. AUTHORIZED rejection of all proposals submitted under RFP No. 90-55 and the reissuance of a revised RFP covering **financial consulting services** related to joint development proposals for Division 7, West Hollywood; form of revised RFP subject to approval of the General Counsel.

16. RECEIVED AND FILED treasurer's report on **Investment of District funds** for March 1991.

17. RECEIVED AND FILED **Report Calendar** from April 12, 1991 through April 24, 1991.

18. RECEIVED AND FILED **Quarterly Report of Sales** for the period of January 1, 1991 through March 31, 1991.

19. RECEIVED AND FILED **Statement of Purchases** for March 1, 1991 through March 31, 1991.

20. RATIFIED **Bus Stops and Zones** Report.

21. RATIFIED **temporary route diversions.**

22. APPROVED **Board Request List** dated April 22, 1991.

23. APPROVED **Minutes** of Regular Board Meeting of April 11, 1991.

EQUIPMENT, OPERATIONS AND ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

24. REJECTED a non-responsive bid and AWARDED a contract to Vanguard Communications and Construction the second lowest bidder under Bid No. CA-05-0133-L, covering procurement of **closed circuit TV system for Fare Retrieval System**, for a total bid price of $93,789; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

    This item is funded by UMTA Grant No. CA-05-0133.

    Unanimous with 7 Directors present.

25. APPROVED Requisition No. 0-9399-259 and a contract with The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Akron, OH, under a negotiated procurement No. 09-9029 covering **Tire Leasing and Service** for a five year period for an estimated annual cost of $7,000,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

    Unanimous with 7 Directors present.

ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE

26. APPROVED a **Cooperative Service Agreement with Orange County Transit District** (OCTD) for FY 1991 - 1992; form of Agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Unanimous with 7 Directors present.

P. Moser of the Los Angeles Transit League suggested extension of Line 104 to the Washington Station, and that RTD fare media be accepted on Foothill Transit Zone Line 690.

Staff responded that a reciprocal fare agreement currently exists.

27. CONDITIONALLY CONSENTED to the operation of **Foothill Transit Zone Express Line 690.**

Unanimous with 7 Directors present.

28. APPROVED minor route **modification to Line 427** in Downtown Los Angeles.

Unanimous with 7 Directors present.

29. APPROVED minor route **modification to Line 161** in the city of Westlake Village.

Unanimous with 7 Directors present.

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

30. APPROVED recommendations as contained in the **State Legislative Update**, i.e. Support AB 446 and AB 947.

Unanimous with 7 Directors present.

31. RECEIVED AND FILED information contained in the **Federal Legislative Update.**

Unanimous with 7 Directors present.

FINANCE AND JOINT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

32. APPROVED Certification of **Findings for Public Hearing held on March 14, 1991,** to consider the District's Fiscal Year 1991 Section 3 Grant Applications to UMTA for $47,884,000 to Purchase 150 Buses and for $4,023,230 to establish a Risk Management Information System.

Unanimous with 7 Directors present.

GENERAL ITEMS

33. There were no items arising subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

34. Public Comment was received from:

L. Navarro, American Disabled for Access Power Today (ADAPT), C. LaVallee and J. Wilhite regarding unsafe wheelchair lifts;

R. Horton and K. Horton regarding bus driver's refusal to stop for R. Horton as a result of a previous altercation on the bus;

J. Dougall regarding balance of Limited vs. Local buses on Wilshire and weathered bus windows;

P. Moser requesting extension of rail service to midnight, and better bus connections to the rail line; and

A. Leonard regarding high number of grievances pending for the TCU.

Director Swanson asked staff to evaluate express vs. local service on Wilshire and bring a report back to the appropriate committee.

Director Storing requested a complete report on the status of the EEC wheelchair lifts and an update on the retrofit program for the Equipment, Operations and Accessible Transportation Committee.

2. Recessed to Closed Session to consider personnel, labor negotiations, real estate and litigation matters at 2:18 p.m. returning to open session for adjournment at 2:37 P.M.

Helen M. Bolen
District Secretary