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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Regular Board Meeting
Board of Directors
October 10, 1991
District Board Room
425 South Main Street
Los Angeles

Called to order at 1:08 P.M.

Directors Present:

Marvin L. Holen, President
Charles H. Storing, Vice President
Richard Alatorre
Mas Fukai
Don Knabe

Nick Patsaouras
Carl W. Raggio, Jr.
Gordana Swanson
James L. Tolbert
Antonio Villaraigosa

Director Absent:

Evan A. Braude

Items were considered in the following order.

2. Report of the President - None
4. Director Special Items - None
5. Recognized Senior TOS (Vehicle Operations) Luis Alcantar for invaluable assistance to Long Beach Fire Department pursuant to a hazardous material spill.

6. Recognized citizen Corey Brooks for assisting Transit Police Officers in the identification and apprehension of suspects involved in crime aboard an RTD bus.

1. Recessed to Closed Session at 1:17 p.m. to consider personnel, real estate, litigation and legal matters and labor negotiations, returning to Open Session at 1:30 p.m. with the same members in attendance.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items 8, 9, 13 and 14 of the Consent Calendar were unanimously approved in one motion. Item 12 was also approved with Director Patsouras abstaining. Items 10 and 11 were pulled for discussion.

8. APPROVED the disposal of 115 surplus or obsolete buses as follows:
 - a. The sale of 104 buses by vendor-site auctioneer;
 - b. Equity transfer of approximately nine obsolete buses to other transit properties that have expressed interest in acquiring used buses. (Six to the city of Gardena and three to Yolo County.)
 - c. Donation of two buses to the Los Angeles Police Department;form of sale subject to approval of the General Counsel.

9. APPROVED a contract with Employee Support Systems Company, Orange County, under RFP No. 91-24, covering Employee Assistance Program for a one year period, with an option for four additional one-year periods at the election of the District, for an estimated annual cost not to exceed \$130,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

12. RECEIVED AND FILED Treasurer's report on District's Investment of Funds for the month of August 1991.
13. APPROVED minor route modification to Line 497 in the City of Pomona.
14. RECEIVED AND FILED Report Calendar from September 26, 1991 through October 9, 1991.
10. APPROVED Requisition No. 1-1100-29 and a one-year contract with a one-year renewal option, with Facts Consolidated, Los Angeles, under RFP No. 91-76, covering a consumer panel market research study for a total first year cost of \$101,272; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Unanimous with 10 Directors present.

Director Patsouras asked why the two lower priced firms were rejected. Paul Como explained that the recommended vendor offered a larger sample size; more interviews and therefore a lower interview rate. The staff determination was that Facts consolidated offered the best value.

7. CARRIED OVER for two weeks action on Blue Line security arrangements.

Carried on the following Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Alatorre, Fukai, Knabe, Patsouras,
Raggio, Tolbert, Holen
Noes: Storing, Swanson, Villaraigosa
Abstain: None
Absent: Braude

Director Villaraigosa indicated his opposition to any delay.

Director Raggio spoke in favor of the delay to allow the Board to receive complete proposals from each agency.

Director Swanson cautioned that a delay should not be taken as a "green light" for individual members to negotiate on behalf of the entire Board, stating that no "back room" politics would be tolerated.

11. CONSIDERED approval of Requisition No. 1-9630-369, and an option with Executive Suite Services, Inc., Northridge, covering trash and debris removal services on the Metro Blue Line, for an additional year, increasing the total cost by an additional \$98,000, for an estimated total contract amount of \$197,600.

Director Swanson inquired if the Procurement Department had sought competitive pricing on this service prior to exercising the option. Staff responded in the affirmative indicating that they could not find a firm to provide the service at a lesser cost.

Director Patsaouras motioned to reject the item and go out for bids. There was no second.

Director Holen suggested that staff research the possibility of using juveniles from the Probation Department to perform the required service.

General Manager Pegg suggested carrying the item over for two weeks to allow time to check the requirements of the Public Utilities Code and related safety issues, whereupon Director Swanson made a substitute motion seconded by Director Tolbert to carry the item over for two weeks. That motion failed on the following Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Raggio, Swanson, Tolbert, Villaraigosa, Holen
Noes: Alatorre, Fukai, Knabe, Patsaouras, Storing
Abstain: None
Absent: Braude

APPROVED motion by Director Patsaouras to reject the recommended contract award, extend the current contract to allow time to determine PUC and safety requirements related to the use of juveniles through the Probation Department and to rebid the service; further, to allow no safety deficiency on the Blue Line.

Unanimous with 10 Directors present.

3. Report of the General Manager

General Manager Pegg asked Board Members to give special attention to the improvement noted in the Fiscal Year 1991 Fourth Quarter and Year End Claims and Safety Report distributed as a Board Box Item from the Risk Management Department.

MARKETING AND CUSTOMER INFORMATION COMMITTEE

15. APPROVED Requisition No. 1-1600-132 and a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission (LACTC), providing for participation in the second year of the City of Los Angeles/Countywide Dial-One-Number Telephone Information demonstration project, for an additional estimated revenue of \$900,000 and a total estimated revenue amount of \$2,830,000; form of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Unanimous with 10 Directors present.

FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

16. APPROVED a year-to-year lease agreement with the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission (LACTC), for the lease of 840 Commercial Street, for use by the Rail Construction Corporation (RCC), a subsidiary of the LACTC, for the storage and/or treatment of MOS-II project contaminated soil, at an annual rental rate of \$1.00; form of agreement subject to approval of General Counsel.

Unanimous with 10 Directors present.

Director Swanson requested that appropriate permits and documents, indicating that the District is to be held harmless, be signed and approved by legal counsel prior to signing the lease agreement. She was assured by staff that was the case.

17. APPROVED a 3-year License Agreement with the City of Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, for a Microwave Relay Facility site located at Beverly Glen at an annual rental rate of \$10,000 in year one, \$12,000 in year two and \$14,000 in year three; form of agreement subject to approval of General Counsel.

As suggested by Director Villaraigosa, it was further agreed that a letter would be sent to the Department of Water and Power requesting additional consideration with regard to future rental rates.

Unanimous with 10 Directors present.

18. WITHDRAWN BY STAFF item regarding liquid waste disposal.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

19. APPROVED Requisition No. 1-3200-243 and ratification of \$617,894 in additional costs incurred during FY 91 under the contract with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department covering law enforcement services for the Metro Blue Line; form of contract documents subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Funded under the SCRTD/LACTC Blue Line Operating Agreement.

Unanimous with 10 Directors present.

20. APPROVED:

- a. Requisition No. 1-3200-239 and ratification of additional costs on Contract 5377 with Excel Security, Inc., Los Angeles, CA covering security guard services for the period August 1, 1990 to July 31, 1991, increasing the first year contract total amount by \$28,612; and
- b. Extension of the term of additional coverage for four Park-N-Ride lot locations along the Metro Blue Line for the second year contract period;

increasing the total two-year contract amount from \$1,396,000 to \$1,503,612 covering the ratification and additional services for the duration of the second contract year; form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This procurement is funded under the SCRTD/LACTC Blue Line Operating Agreement.

Unanimous with 10 Directors present.

21. Considered the Committee recommendation to approve Requisition No. 1-1800-124 and execute contracts for Security Guard Services with Wells Fargo and Akal.

Director Knabe made a substitute motion, seconded by Director Storing, to reject all bids received under RFP No. 91-57 and reissue bid invitations covering security guard services, and extend the current contract as required; form of documents subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Carried with 10 Directors present and Director Patsaouras objecting.

E. Padilla, President of U.S. Guards, questioned the change of recommendation on this item and complained that his company has not been paid for three months.

A. Khalsa, Akal Security, Inc. offered to answer any questions from the Board.

ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE

22. CONSENTED TO the City of Commerce for the operation of a proposed new route.

Unanimous with 10 Directors present.

23. ADOPTED the District's position on the LACTC Draft Congestion Management Program.

Unanimous with 10 Directors present.

The Board offered a commendation to staff for raising the concerns about the program.

24. President Holen announced that this item would be considered later in the meeting.

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

25. APPROVED recommendations as contained in the Federal Legislative Update including the pursuit of regulations that best complement the District's current drug testing program and policy.

Unanimous with 10 Directors present.

Director Swanson requested special recognition for District staff who worked so diligently for clean air through the research and development of alternative fuels. The District's program is considered to be the best in the nation.

FINANCE AND JOINT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

26. APPROVED Requisition No. 1-4200-067 and authorization to negotiate, and upon successful completion of negotiations, enter into a contract for a not-to-exceed amount of \$230,000, with Converse Environmental West (CEW), Pasadena, the highest-ranked firm for RFP No. 91-80; for an Environmental Analysis and Environmental Impact Report for the Union Station Headquarters Project; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Unanimous with 9 Directors present.

24. APPROVED Requisition No. 1-4900-782, negotiation and upon successful completion of negotiations, enter into a contract with a first year budget of \$6 million, with ICF Kaiser Engineers, the highest ranked firm which submitted a proposal in response to RFP 91-65, to provide consulting services for the Electric Bus Project; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This project is entirely funded by the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission.

Carried with 10 Directors present. Director Alatorre abstained from vote and participation in the discussion due to a conflict of interest.

According to A. Perdon this project, which is now entering the preliminary engineering phase, will help clean the air and improve transit services. The consultants will be looking into a prototype/fast track effort to see if it can be completed in less than 4-5 years.

Comment was received from the following members of the ICF Kaiser team.

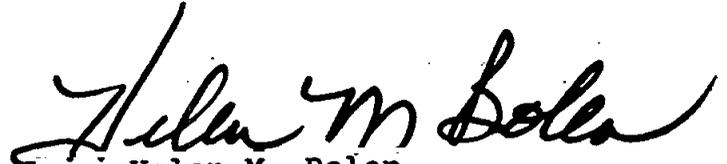
E. Moon, Owner of E. W. Moon Co.
J. Biles, Rich & Famous Productions
G. Trujillo-Daniel, President Golden State Management
T. Gonzalez, President A.C.G. Environments
R. Garcia, President G.V. Diversified, Inc.
J. Talley, Regional Vice President ICF Kaiser Engineers,

and from W. Williams of Morrison Knudsen making himself available to answer any Board questions.

GENERAL ITEMS

27. There were no items arising subsequent to posting of the agenda.
28. No additional Public Comment was received.

Adjourned at 3:08 P.M.


Helen M. Bolen
District Secretary