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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Regular Board Meeting
Board of Directors
District Board Room
425 South Main Street
Los Angeles

March 26, 1992

Called to order by President Holen at 12:15 p.m.

Directors Present:

Marvin L. Holen
Charles H. Storing
Richard Alatorre
Evan Anderson Braude
Mas Fukai
Don Knabe

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

- 2. Recognized retirees for February and March: Ricardo G. Banaga, John W. Burns, Jr., Louis L. Butler, Charles Colbert, Otis L. Knapper, Harry Simmons, John W. Smith and Russell E. Wilson.
- 3. Recognized employees of the month Operator Richard Alvarado, Maintenance Employees Lisandro Martinez and Eldon Takahara, and Information Operator Natalie Ramirez.

7. Received an extensive presentation on deployment of Transit Police Officers on the bus system by Chief S. Papa and Lt. Tim Murphy.

Director Alatorre complimented Chief Papa on a good presentation and plan noting that the only piece missing was the price. Director Alatorre then made a motion to direct the Controller to work with the Transit Police Department to determine the cost for this program, which motion was seconded and unanimously approved with 11 Directors present:

APPROVED, that the Controller-Treasurer is hereby directed to work with the Transit Police Department to determine the cost of the program adding approximately 44 sworn officers each year over a three period.

Director Villaraigosa referred to the \$20 million in Proposition C funds alluded to by Director Alatorre that are allocated for security on both bus and rail and that the Board should aggressively seek an appropriate portion of this amount to be utilized for bus security. He also requested the words "and employees" be added on the charts indicating passenger safety.

On question, S. Papa said that they are currently meeting with the LAPD to consider deployment of LAPD officers to best aid Transit Police when necessary.

Director Patsaouras noted that advertising on the buses has increased and, in his opinion, the additional revenue, which is due in large to better security on buses, should come back to the Transit Police Department.

It was also noted that rail needs the bus system to bring people to it and without adequate security on buses, many people will not ride thus a decline in rail patronage.

Director Patsaouras said that based upon performance of the Transit Police Dept., he predicted they would patrol rail in the future.

E. Clark thanked the Board for their recognition of the need to increase security on the bus system and that the plan presented by Chief Papa was a step in the right direction.

Director Fukai requested S. Papa to review whether the task force set up in Supervisor Hahn's district was still in effect. S. Papa said this program had been discontinued due to the stoppage of funding from Supervisor Hahn's office and she would review paperwork to ascertain the contact person.

Appearance of H. Hodge and K. Washington, Operators out of Division 3215, speaking to bus security. Following comments by Operator Washington regarding her near assault, Director Alatorre requested information on LAPD's response to this call.

1. Recessed to Closed Session at 1:38 p.m. to consider personnel, real estate, litigation and legal matters. Returned at 2:22 p.m. with all Directors present.

8. Reviewed and considered recent actions regarding the oversight audit of MOS-I.

President Holen said there were many issues to consider with respect to Director Patsouras' proposed motion; i.e., land, employees, and approximately \$54 million in Benefit Assessment funds. FTA (formerly UMTA) has insisted that the RTD remain the grantee.

E. Fuentes, Inspector General, said that one of the duties of his office was to audit MOS-1. When the LACTC assumed construction of MOS-1 the District attempted to have the grantee status transferred to them. As late as last week the District has been informed by the FTA that the District is to remain as the grantee with oversight responsibilities. Over the past few months the Office of Inspector General has contacted Mr. Neil Peterson's office at the LACTC in an attempt to audit the books on MOS-1. It is the LACTC's position that any audit done by the District would be duplicative and unnecessary, and access to these records was denied. Mr. Fuentes further commented on his duties to the District and members of the Board. He noted that if an audit is done at the end of the project and any claims are denied, then the District would be responsible for repayment to the federal government. An oversight audit done at this time allows for correction of any claims.

Director Patsouras placed a motion on the floor, which was seconded by Director Fuaki, proposing legislation to be incorporated in the ISTEA Technical Corrections bill currently before Congress transferring grantee status from the District to the LACTC.

Director Tolbert asked Director Patsaouras if he would be willing to transfer the grantee status after the audit with Director Patsaouras responding that the legislation would take months and "Yes."

Director Villaraigosa said he was reluctant to get into a war with the LACTC but, the District did have oversight and audit responsibilities of MOS-1 and before he would consent to turning the grantee status over to the LACTC he would want an audit of the current status.

E. Fuentes said that even if the grantee status were turned over to the LACTC the District would still be responsible for auditing the cost of Benefit Assessment.

Director Alatorre questioned the sanctions against the District or LACTC if we were unable to obtain access to the books and do an audit. Staff said that no sanctions would be against the LACTC as the District is the grantee and the federal government would consider the District out of control of the project and could stop funding.

G. Spivack noted that unless the District retained ownership of the land, joint development projects could be in jeopardy.

Appearance of K. Woodman, an attorney from Washington, D.C. whose firm does work for the LACTC. On question of Director Patsaouras, Mr. Woodman said he didn't see any reason why after transfer of grantee status the District could not retain ownership of the land with some type of local agreement.

Director Storing questioned how the District could perform oversight of the project without an audit.

Director Tolbert asked how long the audit would take with E. Fuentes responding approximately 90 days.

Following lengthy discussion on conducting of an audit, transfer of grantee status to the LACTC, land issues, benefit assessment and employees, the following was approved on a Roll Call vote as noted below:

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District (SCRTD) does hereby instruct the staff of the SCRTD to begin the process of negotiation with the staff of the LACTC on the possible transfer of Grantee status for the MOS-1 Project to the LACTC, with the agreement to include, among other things, consideration of employee status, RTD ownership of the property and related projects, repayment of the \$54 million advanced by the SCRTD to the MOS-1 Project borrowed from insurance reserves, and the pending audit of the MOS-1 Project to be conducted by the SCRTD;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a proposed agreement shall be submitted to the SCRTD Board of Directors at their April 9, 1992 meeting.

4. Report of the President

No report was made

5. Report of the General Manager

General Manager Pegg spoke about his recent trip to Washington, D.C. and the possibility of obtaining funds from the federal government for alternate fuel projects.

6. Director Special Items

Director Tolbert commended the Telephone Information Department for a job well done.

Director Knabe recommended the Board and staff view the Transportation Exhibit at the Children's Museum. Recently a grand opening was held and he found that the display on transportation was very interesting.

9. ADOPTED the Fiscal Year 1993-1997 Short Range Transit Plan - Business Plan (SRTP).

UNANIMOUS, with 11 Directors present

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items 10 through 20 on the Consent Calendar were approved in one motion with all Directors present and Director Alatorre "abstaining" on item 12.

10. REJECTED all bids submitted under Bid No. 02-92-24-C covering traffic control systems for Division 7 and APPROVED reissuing Invitation to Bid at a later date.

11. APPROVED a twenty-one month revenue lease agreement with provisions for month-to-month extensions with Jacob Mehdian for the use of approximately 23,000 square feet of land on Westlake Avenue between Wilshire Boulevard and 7th Street for use as a commercial parking lot at a monthly rental rate of \$700 for one year, \$900 for year two, and \$1,100 for each month-to-month extension; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

12. APPROVED Requisition 2-0990-38 and exercised options for one additional year covering rubbish and baled paper pick-up services from various District locations as follows:

- a. Perdomo & Sons, Los Angeles, covering 16 locations for rubbish and seven locations for baled paper for an estimated additional cost of \$250,000;
- b. AWM Disposal Services, Inc., Los Angeles, covering eight locations for an additional estimated cost of \$57,000;
- c. Waste Management, Sun Valley, covering three locations for an additional estimated cost of \$8,000;
- d. Duran Environmental, Inc., Pomona, covering one location for an additional estimated cost of \$5,000;
- e. Metropolitan Waste Disposal, Inc., Montebello, covering one location for baled paper for an additional estimated cost of \$1,500;
- f. Crown Disposal, Inc., Sun Valley, covering three locations for baled paper for an additional estimated cost of \$3,500;

for a total contract option cost of \$325,000; form of options subject to approval of the General Counsel.

13. APPROVED minor route modification to Line 56 in the Willowbrook area of the County of Los Angeles.

14. RATIFIED bus stops and zones report as filed with the Secretary.

15. RATIFIED route diversions as filed with the Secretary.

16. RECEIVED AND FILED Board Requests for March 23, 1992.

17. APPROVED minutes of Board meeting held March 12, 1992.
18. RECEIVED AND FILED Report Calendar for March 13 through March 25, 1992.
19. RECEIVED AND FILED Statement of Purchases for the month of February, 1992.
20. RECEIVED AND FILED Treasurer's report on Investment of District Funds for February, 1992.

PERSONNEL & LEGAL COMMITTEE

21. APPROVED amendment to the employees' Deferred Compensation and 401(k) Plans to provide for the assessment of a recordkeeping/administrative fee of \$1.50 per month to the plans' participants.

UNANIMOUS, with 11 Directors present

22. APPROVED appointments of Ann Neeson and Mel Marquardt to the Pension Plan Administrative Committee and Investment Board.

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EQUIPMENT, OPERATIONS & ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

23. REJECTED sole source contracts covering friction rings, brake pads and semi-conductor modules for Light Rail Vehicles and authorized staff to reissue Invitations to Bid with revised specifications; AUTHORIZED to obtain parts on an emergency basis during the bid process; form of documents subject to approval of the General Counsel.

UNANIMOUS, with 11 Directors present

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

24. APPROVED Requisition 1-1800-323 and a contract with Excel Security Services, Inc., Gardena, the highest rated proposer under RFP 91-96 covering security guard services for a one-year period commencing April 1, 1992, with options for two additional one-year periods at the election of the District, for an estimated annual cost of \$750,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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Director Villaraigosa suggested future Board reports contain check lists of the evaluation criteria so Board members can be assured that all firms have been measured fairly.

ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE

25. RECEIVED AND FILED status report on Central Business District (CBD) Sector Study.

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GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

26. RECEIVED AND FILED State Legislative update report and took the following action:

OPPOSE SB 1538; MONITOR AB 3547; and OPPOSE SB 1440

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RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

27. RECEIVED a report for proposed modification of the current Metro Rail Locally Preferred Alternative to Pico & San Vicente and adoption of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report and unanimously ADOPTED the following resolution with 11 Directors present:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District hereby approves the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for the Metro Orange Line Western Extension subject to the following conditions:

1. The portion of Minimum Operable Segment 3 should run west from the Wilshire/Western station to the Pico/San Vicente station, with one intermediate station located at Olympic/Crenshaw Boulevards; and,
2. The Los Angeles County Transportation Commission shall develop a masterplan for an expanded off-street bus facility to meet SCRTD operational bus/rail interface requirements at the Pico/San Vicente rail station to replace the Pico/Rimpau bus terminal. The masterplan shall, in cooperation with the SCRTD, also address pedestrian, parking, kiss and ride, and bicycle access requirements for the station as well as likely land use developments that will impact the station environs.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Southern California Rapid Transit District Board of Directors hereby supports the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission resolution of March 25, 1992 requiring the City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission, and the United States Congress to work toward the resolution of environmental issues which would permit the evaluation of alternative alignments which could return the line to Wilshire Boulevard at the Miracle Mile in order to serve the museums and the Miracle Mile area. This action should occur prior to extending such line west beyond the Pico/San Vicente station.

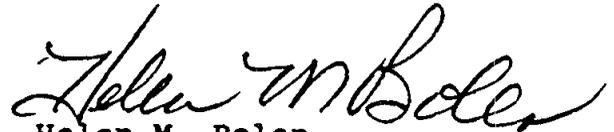
GENERAL ITEMS

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

29. Public comment

Appearance of J. Walsh speaking on miscellaneous transit matters.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.



Helen M. Bolen
District Secretary

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Directors Absent:

Richard Alatorre

Mas Fukai

1. RECEIVED AND FILED the General Manager's report dated March 20, 1992 concerning the Fiscal Year 1993-1997 Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) - Business Plan .

With the aid of graphs, staff gave a detailed presentation on the SRTP Business Plan. Director Raggio asked if the survey the District conducted of the Central Business District (CBD) was utilized in the Business Plan. Staff confirmed that the information in the Plan was consistent with the recently completed survey. General Manager Pegg indicated that the 'Transit Now' Plan included a growth forecast. Director Villaraigosa noted that any scenario in the 30 Year Plan should address overcrowding. Director Patsaouras commented on the overcrowded service in the San Fernando Valley and noted that a major restructuring study will be done in the near future.

Director Swanson asked staff to develop a plan identifying various funding scenarios and a wide range of options involving farebox revenues. Gary Spivack indicated staff would provide various structural changes in the current fare system and would suggest a workshop to review the many options.

Director Raggio asked how the Business Plan could be integrated into the 30 Year Plan and what the future plans are. He questioned how the District could proceed to make credible input and be a viable part of the 30 Year Plan. Mr. Spivack responded that staff from the District and Los Angeles County Transportation Commission were meeting to review the 30 Year Plan and these issues were being addressed for inclusion. Staff noted that the additional 100 buses per year have not been dedicated to any particular operator; therefore, it is unknown how many the District would receive. There is also the possibility the number of buses available would be reduced due to a lack of funding.

2. There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.



Rhodona Thompson
Recording Secretary