

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Committee of the Whole Meeting
Board of Directors
District Board Room
425 South Main Street
Los Angeles

JUNE 4, 1992

Called to order at 1:10 p.m. by President Holen:

Directors Present:

Marvin L. Holen
Charles H. Storing
Evan Anderson Braude
Nick Patsaouras (arr 124pm)

Carl W. Raggio
Gordana Swanson (arr 146pm)
James L. Tolbert
Antonio Villaraigosa

Directors Absent:

Richard Alatorre
Mas Fukai
Don Knabe

President Holen welcomed Councilman Nate Holden, a former RTD Board member. Councilman Holden complimented the District for the outstanding job they have done in providing service to the transit dependent public.

1. Received and Filed the General Manager's report dated May 30, 1992 on the status of funding for Reduced Fare Program.

Staff noted that there will not be any additional lines handed over to Foothill Transit Zone in June.

The biggest constraint on providing additional service, if necessary, is funds. Staff said that how soon and how much additional service might be require would depend on whether increased patronage occurred during peak or off-peak periods. Approximately 303 new buses are expected for delivery between July and November. If there is a high demand for additional service, it may be necessary to keep some of the older equipment on the street rather than retire the buses.

Staff was requested to work closely with community based organizations and to review other sites for distribution of the ticket books.

General Manager Pegg said that discussions have continued with the FTA and although nothing is in writing, it is very possible that funding may be available. He noted that the back-up commitment from Supervisor Hahn of \$2 million has been a big help in talks with the federal government.

Director Patsouras asked staff to review a half month pass and to consider making the monthly pass good the day before and day after the valid month.

2. Received and Filed the General Manager's report dated June 1, 1992 on reorganization activities.

General Manager Pegg reviewed the main elements contained within the report. He said that definition of the various levels within the LACTC and RTD needed to be reviewed as they relate to each other. Specifically, Board of Directors and how the reorganization will occur was of top priority. There is a need to determine the duties of the entities and a process for determining personnel requirements.

There is also a need to merge the financing. An audit, with a cut off date prior to the merger, would be advisable to facilitate the reorganization.

Along with determination of personnel requirements is a need to review benefit packages of each agency. The benefit package of one agency or the other could be adopted or a new structure considered. This applies to non-contract employees as union employees are covered by their respective contracts.

Mr. Pegg also commented that in his opinion the Chief Executive Officer should have input into the reorganization process and executive staff.

Director Villaraigosa spoke on the issue of personnel requirements and his concerns that fair play for all levels was put into effect. He suggested that adequate information be provided all employees at each junction of the reorganization. General Manager Pegg said that a copy of the District's Headway was being sent to many employees of the Commission. It was stated that the Commission is considering a bi-weekly newsletter for employees.

3. Received and Filed the Proposed Fiscal Year 1993 Annual Budget.

General Manager Pegg spoke to the budget and the handout document on Estimated Allocation of Prop C Revenue.

On question staff indicated that the 44 additional police positions depend on receipt of Prop C funds. Director Villaraigosa questioned the difference in the Transit Police budget presented several months ago of \$8 million and the current proposed amount of \$15/16 million. At the request of several directors, a schedule will be prepared indicating the differences.

Staff said that the budget is based on no fare increase and better service to the public.

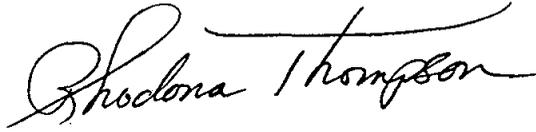
4. Received and Filed the General Manager's report dated May 29, 1992 on Electric Fuel Cell Technologies.

On question concerning the type of bus, staff said that the look will be the same with a different type of 'engine'. Buses could be retro-fitted at considerable cost. Staff also noted that there is a problem concerning weight and passenger capacity. A joint presentation with LACTC staff will be made to the Commissioners.

5. Public comment

Appearance of D. Hill concerning DBE status of his company.
Director Villaraigosa requested a status report to the Board.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at
2:30 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rhodona Thompson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Rhodona Thompson
Recording Secretary