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**Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority**

**MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS**

**March 24, 1993**

**Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street, 3rd Floor  
Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room  
Los Angeles, California**

Called to Order at 1:34 P.M.

**Directors Present:**

**Richard Alatorre, Chairman  
Edmund D. Edelman, Vice Chairman  
Michael Antonovich  
Evan Anderson Braude  
Marvin Braude  
Yvonne Brathwaite-Burke  
James Cragin  
John Fasana  
Gloria Molina  
Mark Ridley-Thomas  
Larry Zarian  
Jerry Baxter, Ex Officio**

**Alternates Present:**

**Robert Arthur  
Derrick O. Boston  
Jane Ellison  
Marvin L. Holen  
Nick Patsaouras  
Ray Remy  
Antonio Villaraigosa**

Items were considered in the following order.

1. APPROVED Minutes of March 3, 1993 meeting.

2. Chairman's Remarks

o Other MTA Board Committee Appointments

Chairman Alatorre distributed copies of Committee Assignments and announced that other appointments would be made by the next meeting.

o Report on Federal Appropriation Efforts

Director Evan Braude reported on the recent trip to Washington, D. C. for the APTA Legislative Conference by Board members and alternates. He reported on meetings with members of Congress to discuss continued funding for MOS II and III, Union Station Gateway and the Electric Trolley Bus, as well as Domestic Policy Advisor Greg Simon regarding the lightweight bus project.

o Process for selection of Board Officers

Referred to Executive Management Committee to review motions and make recommendations to the MTA Board at the earliest possible date.

Chairman Alatorre made a motion that as part of the Board Officers, a Second Vice Chairperson be established on a rotation basis and nominated Director Larry Zarian to fill the position. The motion was seconded and unanimously APPROVED.

4. Intentionally left blank

Chairman Alatorre introduced new C.E.O. Franklin White.

5. Braude, Cragin, Fasana, Zarian:

Director Cragin moved the recommendation to approve Administrative Support for Corridor MTA Board Members effective April 1, 1993; and job description and salary range for MTA Board Administrative Analyst. The motion was seconded and the following discussion ensued.

Alternate Remy suggested moving slowly on staff additions. Director E. Braude asked for a clear policy statement from the Board on this issue. Alternate Villaraigosa expressed the opinion that the suggested salary is too high and that the staff should be hired from the inside.

APPROVED, on an 8 to 4 roll call vote, the following substitute motion by Alternate Remy:

That this matter be referred to the Executive Management Committee and a report be requested from the CEO as to how staff for the corridor members should be handled.

Chairman Alatorre suggested that Director Cragin meet with CEO White after today's meeting to discuss temporary help and assured the Corridor Directors that this matter will be on the agenda for the next MTA meeting.

Director Molina inquired about the motion she introduced at the last meeting regarding a search to fill the positions of Inspector General and General Counsel. She asked why a request that a motion submitted by a member of the Board, with a request that it be calendared for the agenda, was not honored.

Director Antonovich agreed that Board members should have the right to submit motions and have them considered by the Board or a committee.

Alternate Holen moved that the vehicle of Director Special Items be used to allow Directors to add items to the agenda under their own names. The motion was seconded and APPROVED on a unanimous voice vote.

Director Antonovich then moved that agenda items be carried forward unless and until appropriate back-up materials are sent out to the Directors. The motion was seconded and APPROVED on a unanimous voice vote.

6. APPROVED the following contracts in excess of \$5 million.  
(Required vote by principal members)

- a. Metro Red Line - contract award to CH2M Hill, in the amount of \$9,342,000 covering waste handling services on Metro Red Line Segments 1, 2 & 3.

Directors Alatorre and Burke abstained from the vote on 6a.

- b. Acquisition of professional cash management services - selection of Amervest Co. Inc, Bear Stearns and Wertheim, Schroder Inc. to be added to list of firms to be used as cash managers for MTA operating funds.

Director Molina abstained from the vote on 6b.

- c. Metro Pasadena (Contract No. E0070-EMC) authorized award of contracts to Tatsumi & Partners, Inc. covering design support services for landscape master planning for three line segments in an amount not to exceed \$350,000; form of contracts subject to approval of Counsel.

7. APPROVED extending fare structure on the Metro Red Line for 30 days and REFERRED to the Operations Committee for recommendation. (Required vote by principal members)

Comment received from J. Walsh.

8. Intentionally left blank

9. APPROVED, on a unanimous voice vote, an Interagency Transfer Agreement between Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and the SCRTD/MTA granting access to OCTA Commuter Rail monthly pass users to the Metro Red Line during AM Peak and PM Peak hours effective March 29, 1993; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

10. APPROVED, on a unanimous voice vote, a 30-day extension to the current Interagency Transfer Agreement between the SCRRRA (dba Metrolink) and the SCRTD/MTA honoring Metrolink Fare Media on a limited basis on connecting RTD/MTA bus and Metro Red Line services effective April 1, 1993; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

Items 11-16 of the Consent Calendar were unanimously approved by voice vote on one motion. Item 17 was moved on a separate motion and carried with Directors Antonovich and Burke abstaining from the vote.

11. ADOPTED a resolution to designate persons authorized to sign checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money drawn in the name of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority on its accounts.

12. ADOPTED a resolution authorizing the Chief Executive Officer of the MTA to execute and file all MTA federal grant applications, agreements, assurances or any other document with the United States Department of Transportation, as required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

13. ADOPTED a resolution stating:

- a. the intent of the MTA to adopt agency-wide policies and procedures in compliance with FTA procedures, and
- b. that policies and procedures formerly approved by the LACTC and SCRTD will remain in effect until new policies and procedures have been adopted.

14. ADOPTED continuing resolution for budgetary authority during remainder of Fiscal Year.

15. AUTHORIZED the following interim MTA compensation and benefits items:

- a. Suspension of MTA participation in OASDI (old age, survivor and disability insurance) effective April 1, 1993; and establishment of a temporary trust account to hold employee and matching MTA contributions in lieu of participating in OASDI until the consolidated MTA pension/benefits plan is adopted and implemented.
- b. Adoption of SCRTD's 401(k) Plan and approve "name change" amendments effective March 31, 1993.
- c. Adoption of a resolution authorizing the MTA to elect participation as a direct reimbursable employer for Unemployment Insurance.
- d. Adoption of a resolution authorizing a contract with PERS to continue retirement coverage for LACTC employees.
- e. MTA Board members' interim enrollment in selected fringe benefits programs under the same terms and conditions currently offered members of the SCRTD Board of Directors and refer to Executive Management Committee for further action.

16. Intentionally left blank

17. **CONSIDERED** report on contracts over \$100,000:

- a. **LACTC** items
- b. **SCRTD** items

**Public comment received from:**

**Tracy Nye, Morrison Knudsen;  
Jean Boylan, Attorney for Morrison Knudsen**

**protesting award of platform edge warning strip replacement contract to Terra-Cal Construction, Inc.**

**Staff explained that initially it was determined that Terra-Cal did not meet the DBE requirement. After further consideration, it was determined that they had demonstrated good faith efforts.**

**Director Molina suggested that a staff report be done on this MBE/WBE area and action to award be delayed until the next meeting.**

**Director Molina made a motion directing staff to prepare a summary review of MBE/WBE process utilized on this contract. The motion was approved on a unanimous voice vote.**

**Director Cragin moved the balance of 17A, and 17B. The motion was seconded and APPROVED on a unanimous voice vote.**

**Director Ridley-Thomas abstained from the vote on 17A; and Directors Antonovich and Burke abstained from the vote on 17A and 17B.**

19. **Public Comment received from:**

**E. Mann, Director, Labor/Community Strategy Center - 30-Yr. Plan focuses too heavily on rail and suburban needs and too little on inner-cities.**

L. Hoyos - Labor/Community Strategy Center - spoke regarding the disparity in funding.

M. Chacon, El Rescate - stressed need for more buses, cleaner buses and better security.

R. Canon, Labor Community Strategy Center - increase in service for the transit dependent.

J. Walsh - cross border leasing issue

T. Roberts - cross border lease issue

R. Snyder - requested reconsideration of the historical support for rail transit and cited subsidy disparities.

P. Chiodo, L.A. Twice - Red Line safety issues.

B. D'Amato - Red Line safety issues.

B. Allen - Electric Trolleybus project.

Director Antonovich requested that an item be placed on the April Agenda to consider a program to attack graffiti.

Director Burke requested a report on overcrowding.

18. Considered items arising subsequent to posting of the agenda.

Director Edelman:

Added to the Agenda and APPROVED, on a unanimous voice vote, the provision of security protection on Metrolink San Fernando Valley Line through Sylmar, Pacoima and San Fernando at a cost of \$800,000.

Public comment received from:

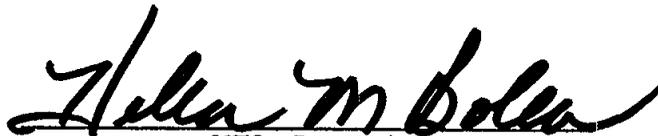
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CLOSED SESSION

3. Adjourned to Closed Session to consider real estate acquisition at 3:26 P.M., returning to Open Session at 3:33 P.M. Authorized just compensation in the amount of \$5,450,000 for the following two parcels:

Parcel R82-C5-825	Weddington Investment Partnership
Parcel C3-826	North Hollywood Associates

Adjourned at 3:33 P.M. in memory of Former  
RTD Director, Jay B. Price

  
MTA Secretary