

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

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

March 26, 1987

Called to order at 1:03 p.m. by President Hall

Directors Present:

Jan Hall
Carmen A. Estrada
John F. Day
Joseph S. Dunning
Nate Holden (arr. 1:15 p.m.)
Marvin L. Holen

Leonard Panish
Nick Patsaouras
Jay B. Price
Charles H. Storing
Gordana Swanson

1. Certificates of Merit presented by Director Estrada to:
 - a. Donald R. Dube, Operator-of-the-Month;
 - b. Henry Thomas, Maintenance Employee-of-the-Month; and
 - c. Alonzo Williams, Information Operator-of-the-Month.

2. Report of the President

President Hall advised the Board members that she had testified before the Assembly Transportation Committee hearing held by Assemblyman Katz. She indicated she would give a full report during the Government Relations section on the agenda.

The President thanked the Board members who attended the public hearing on proposed fare and service changes on Saturday, March 21.

3. Report of the General Manager

Under item 3a, General Manager Dyer presented the results of the District's performance during the month of February under the Performance Action Plan. He detailed his assessment of each element of the Plan, indicating that the overall report card grade as a "B."

There was discussion by members of the Board concerning the various elements, with the focus on continued improvement and the need to assure that the improvements will not be just for the six-month period outlined in the Plan.

In response to questions, General Manager Dyer indicated that he had scored or graded the District's performance and that he would continue to do so, with the audit firm provided by the LACTC verifying the authenticity of the data.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the report on February performance under the Performance Action Plan was "Received and Filed."

General Manager Dyer presented a letter from the audit firm of Deloitte, Haskins & Sells on the subject of the District's inventory accountability and materials management system which indicates that the use of an inventory suspense account is a reasonable and prudent business approach. In the discussion on this subject, several Board members expressed concern about the negativity of articles in the press and suggested an aggressive dissemination of information rather than a defensive answering of questions. In response to a question concerning the longevity of this practice, Mr. Dyer indicated that the suspense account procedure was established as a part of TRANSMIS. President Hall

commented that the purpose of the TRANSMIS program was not to have as much supply in-house and therefore save the District money. Mr. Richeson indicated that the District has saved approximately \$3 million per year in the ordering of bus parts; this is a cost savings to the District and the tax paying public.

On motion made, seconded and unanimously carried, the letter from Deloitte, Haskins and Sells was "Received and Filed."

The General Manager reported that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors had deferred action on a proposed contract with the District pending the District's agreement to make employment applications available at the Headquarters Building and further, to make every effort to hire the most qualified operators. He indicated he would supply a memorandum to the Board of Supervisors agreeing to make applications available. There was discussion concerning the availability of applications at outside locations, the District's affirmative action goals and the need to increase the number of asians and hispanics in the operator ranks.

4. Director Special Items

Director Estrada reported that she had met with Councilman Lindsay and the principals of adult schools regarding the District's policy on the minimum number of attendance hours required weekly to qualify for a reduced fare college bus pass. She requested staff to review the policy to determine if the policy could be revised from its present requirement of 12 hours per week. Staff was also requested to meet with the principals of the adult schools.

Director Estrada also asked for a report on the status of the District's contracts with Leonard J. Russo concerning the administration of the PL/PD and Workers Compensation insurance accounts. Staff responded that the Request For Proposals on the Workers Compensation package will be 'on the street' within the next two weeks. This contract expires in June and staff may request a 30-day extension of the present contract. It was also reported that the Public Liability/Property Damage insurance administration contract expires in August.

5. Adopted District Traffic Ordinance.

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(Text of complete ordinance is on file with the District Secretary)

6. CARRIED OVER report on Procurement Manual Procedures for placing items on the Consent Calendar.

7. On motion duly made and seconded, unanimously approved Benefit Assessment appeals on the following properties:

<u>Appeals Case No.</u>	<u>Parcel No.</u>
A1-28-86	5149-006-009
A1-53-86	5144-015-036
A1-82-86	5149-017-001
A1-167-86	5161-026-025
A1-168-86	5161-026-026
A1-169-86	5161-026-027

Copies of the formal resolutions in these matters are filed with the District Secretary.

EQUIPMENT AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

8. Rejected all bids received in response to Bid No. 02-8723 covering narcotics detector dog services; and

Authorized the Purchasing Agent to reissue Invitations For Bid with revised Scope of Work and Bidder Qualifications for an estimated cost of \$155,000;

form of revised bid requirements and specifications subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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EQUIPMENT & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE - Cont'd.

9. Rejected non-responsive bids submitted by National Guard Products on item no. 2 and Aluminum Sash and Door on item no. 4 and authorized the General Manager to execute contracts with the lowest responsible bidders under Bid No. 02-8705 covering procurement of bus advertising frames:

- a. Aluminum Sash and Door, North Hollywood, covering items 1, 2 and 3 for a total bid price of \$15,549; and
- b. Yarder Manufacturing Company, Toledo, Ohio, covering item 4 for a total bid price of \$17,082;

form of contracts subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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10. Approved Requisition No. 7-3399-25 and authorized contract with Graham Brake and Diesel, Chatsworth, California, covering procurement of undercarriage bus washing system for a test of new technology at a total cost of \$34,955; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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11. Approved termination of the contract with Lift-U, Inc., for failure to perform, under purchase order 88051 covering retrofit of 190 AMG buses with wheelchair lifts with the firm of Lift-U, Inc.; form of documents subject to approval of General Counsel.

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FACILITIES & CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

12. Approved Requisitions 7-8300-3, 7-8300-21 and 7-8300-23, 7-8300-49, and 7-8300-52, and authorized the General Manager to execute five contract change orders with Fluor Constructors, Los Angeles, covering revision of installation of the manlifts and the manlift frames in the Paint Building of the Central Maintenance Facility, increasing the total cost by an additional \$110,642, for a total cost of \$29,165,379; form of contract change orders subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This project is funded in part under UMTA Grant No. CA-03-0213.

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13. Approved Requisition 7-8300-53 and authorized the General Manager to execute Construction Contract Change Order No. 5 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$225,000 to compensate Eaton-Kenway, Salt Lake City, Utah, for demobilization and remobilization costs associated with the installation of the Automatic Storage and Retrieval and Parts Distribution Systems at the Central Maintenance Facility; form of change order subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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ADVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE

14. Received and filed status report on FY 1988-99 Short Range Transit Plan.

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15. Approved minor route modification on Line 262 in the community of East Los Angeles.

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16. Approved minor route modification on Line 37 in the University Heights district of the City of Los Angeles.

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17. Approved minor route modification on Line 120 in the City of Norwalk.

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18. Approved minor route modification on Line 108 in the City of Pico Rivera.

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GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

President Hall gave her report regarding her testimony before the Senate Transportation Committee in support of the consolidation of transportation delivery services in Los Angeles. She also requested staff to compile a list of the technical issues that should be addressed as a part of the legislation. These little technical issues will become the big issues. Technical language should be included in the legislative bills; to accomplish the formation of a new agency by February, 1988 is unrealistic. President Hall stated that it is very important to take an aggressive role and help write the technical language.

Director Estrada asked for a copy of President Hall's testimony and the President indicated she spoke without a script. A paper was prepared by staff, but she spoke without using it. Her testimony was in support of consolidation, but not in support of any specific piece of legislation. President Hall also reported that SCAG will be amended out of AB 18 and the municipal operators basically have been written out of the consolidation.

There was discussion concerning the timeliness of the District's input and influence on the legislation and the importance of referring the District's suggestions for amendments and revisions to the authors and to members of the Assembly and Senate. It was suggested that the Governor be encouraged to issue a statement that he would not be inclined to support AB 18 and SB 2 until technical language is included.

Following comments about the probable course the legislation will take, staff indicated that AB 18 passed out of the Ways & Means Committee and will go to the Assembly floor next week and will go on to the Senate Transportation Committee. SB 2 will be heard on April 7 in the Senate Transportation Committee.

President Hall spoke to the concept of support for these Bills as long as they are accompanied by a companion bill which includes the technical language and asked if any group has testified in support of this possibility. Staff indicated this had not been addressed and there is still ample time to amend SB 2 after the April 7 hearing before it goes to the Assembly.

Director Estrada commented that the Board should have input. To say that the Board supports the concept of consolidation of transit delivery services does not mean that the Board supports AB 18. Director Holden suggested that the District draft a trailer bill. Director Estrada suggested a Special Meeting be scheduled for next week to consider the Board's position on the various technical issues.

Following additional discussion, Director Swanson made a motion proposing recommendations be forwarded to the Legislature as amendments to AB 18 and SB 2 at this time with the stipulation that the District will come forward with an additional, more comprehensive package at a later date. This motion was seconded and discussion ensued.

Director Holden spoke to the need to send a signal to the Legislature. He made a substitute motion stating that the District's position is that we support the concept of consolidation, but we oppose AB 18 and SB 2 until such time they are amended to include the technical aspects that are required to make the new transit organization a functional organization. This substitute motion was seconded by Director Estrada.

Director Holen indicated he believes it would be a mistake to support anything other than a single, comprehensive piece of legislation and he expressed his opposition to a trailing, technical bill. For the District to draft amendments or a piece of legislation would take time. He inquired if staff felt that it was possible to take the time to do this and to obtain a fair hearing for comprehensive amendments if President Hall appears before the Senate Committee on April 7 and describes the process the District will be taking. Ms. Whirlledge responded affirmatively and added that any amendments the District offered would have to be presented to the authors. During the discussion that followed, it was suggested that the motion on the floor be amended to set a Special Meeting Session on April 1, 1987 to consider proposed amendments to SB 2 and AB 18.

Director Estrada suggested that the item be carried over since the President has the power to call a Special Meeting and the Board members have concurred in the need for the Special Meeting. It was stated for the record that the purpose of the Special Meeting on April 1, 1987 at 1:00 p.m. will be to consider amendments to SB 2 and AB 18.

19. The State Legislative update report was "Received and Filed" and the Board took action to oppose AB 1011 and AB 1543. With regard to SB 1068, the Board directed that letters be sent to all members of the Senate and Assembly indicating the Board's position of opposition to the portion of the Bill which deletes the requirement that the Commission designate the District as the Transit Guideway Operator, and stating the District's intent to continue to monitor the Bill.

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20. Received and filed the federal legislative update report.

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RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE

21. Received and filed status report on CORE Study and schedule.

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On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, agenda item no. 40 was moved forward on the agenda.

Director Holen made a motion to schedule a Special Board Meeting for Thursday, April 16, 1987 at 1:00 p.m. to discuss metro rail and the locally preferred alignment. This motion passed with Directors Day, Holden and Patsaouras absent.

Greg Roberts appeared before the Board asking about the soil in the area.

RAPID TRANSIT COMMITTEE - Cont'd.

22. Approved entering into a lease agreement with STB Associates, a partnership dba, Subway Terminal Building Associates, to lease 1,000 square feet of ground floor space and approximately 500 square feet of basement space in the Subway Terminal Building, 417 S. Hill St., for use as a Metro Rail Information Office for four (4) years at a monthly rate of \$2,500; form of documents subject to approval of General Counsel.

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23. CARRIED OVER to a future Board meeting, approval all Metro Rail contract amendments, increasing the aggregate contract price up to five percent (5%), but in no event shall an individual amendment exceed \$99,999; form of documents subject to approval of General Counsel.

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FINANCE & JOINT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- 24 a. Considered approval to execute resolutions of Necessity and Intention to issue Special Benefit Assessment Bonds for MOS-1;
- b. schedule a public hearing for Thursday, May 14, 1987 at 1:00 p.m.; and
- c. rescind resolutions adopted October 23 and December 11, 1986;

form of documents subject to approval of General Counsel.

Due to a lack of a two-thirds majority being present, this item was carried over to the April 1, 1987 Special Board Meeting.

FINANCE & JOINT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Cont'd.

25. Received and filed report on contracts for Benefit Assessment Hearing Officers.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

26. Approved Requisition No. 7-8300-50 and authorized contract with the Department of Water and Power, Los Angeles, covering relocation of overhead power lines at the intersection of Lyon and Macy at the Central Maintenance Facility at an estimated cost of \$28,900; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This project is funded in part under UMTA Grant No. CA-03-0213.

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27. Approved contract with Litro Travel Center, La Puente, under RFP No. 87-03 covering travel agent services for a one-year period with an estimated annual income of \$5,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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28. Approved contract with The Bureau of Business Practice, Waterford, Connecticut, under RFP No. 86-38, for a one-year period at an estimated annual cost of \$100,000 covering an incentive program to reduce absenteeism and occupational injuries; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

29. Approved Requisition No. 7-8300-37 and authorized the General Manager to amend an existing contract with Schwab Engineering, Inc., Los Angeles, covering additional structural engineering services for the Wilshire Customer Service Center, increasing the total cost by an additional \$9,000 to a total cost of \$32,000; form of contract amendment subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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30. Approved Requisitions 7-1800-19, 7-1800-20 and 7-1800-21 and authorized the General Manager to exercise options covering security services as required at various District locations for one additional year with:
- a. West Oaks Security Services, Los Angeles, at an additional cost of \$75,000, for a total cost of \$175,000;
 - b. Lincoln Security Services Inc., Santa Fe Springs, for an additional cost of \$75,000, for a total cost of \$175,000; and
 - c. Coleman Security Services, Los Angeles, at an additional cost of \$75,000, for a total cost of \$175,000;

form of options subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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31. Approved contract with Specialized Business Systems, Glendale, the lowest responsible bidder under Bid No. 03-8716 covering procurement of two Automatic Record Control Systems for a total bid price of \$32,300; form of contract subject to approval of General Counsel.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

32. Approved Requisition No. 7-3314-4103 and authorized the General Manager to exercise options for one additional year covering procurement of oil and fuel filters with:
- a. Airco Filter Sales and Service, at an additional estimated cost of \$360,000, for a total estimated cost of \$720,000; and
 - b. Universal Mack Sales, Los Angeles, at an additional estimated cost of \$19,000, for a total estimated cost of \$38,000;

form of options subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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33. Approved Requisition No. 7-3314-4104 and authorized the General Manager to exercise an option for one additional year with Flexible Corp., Loudonville, Ohio, covering procurement of power steering pumps at an additional estimated cost of \$121,400, for a total estimated cost of \$236,960; form of option subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

34. Approved Requisition No. 7-3314-4102 and authorized the General Manager to exercise options for one additional year with:
- a. Airco Filter Sales and Service, Corona, covering air filter laundry service at an additional estimated cost of \$22,000, for a total estimated cost of \$44,000;
 - b. Airco Filter Sales and Service, Corona, covering procurement of air filter elements at an additional estimated cost of \$53,000, for a total estimated cost of \$106,000; and
 - c. Interstate Filter Sales and System, El Monte, covering procurement of air filter elements at an additional estimated cost of \$46,000, for a total estimated cost of \$90,000;

form of options subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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35. Approved executing contracts with the lowest responsible bidders under Bid No. CA-03-0213-M covering procurement of furniture for the Central Maintenance Facility:
- a. Swedlow, Pasadena, covering Groups I, VII, and VIII, for a total bid price of \$54,476;
 - b. United Business Interiors, Los Angeles, covering Group II, for a total bid price of \$6,606;
 - c. Associates Purchasing Corporation, Los Angeles, covering Groups III, IV and IX, for a total bid price of \$13,678; and
 - d. Space Solutions, Inc., Palmdale, covering Groups V and VI, for a total bid price of \$32,879;

form of contracts subject to approval of the General Counsel.

This procurement is funded in part under UMTA Grant No. CA-03-0213.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

36. Approved contracts with the lowest responsible bidders listed below, and authorized negotiation of a service contract for Division 16 (Pomona) under Bid No. 3-8704 covering rubbish hauling services for a two-year period, with an option for one additional year at the election of the District:
- a. Metropolitan Waste Disposal, Montebello, covering Divisions 4 (Downey) and 34 (Vernon Yard), for an estimated two-year cost of \$12,480;
 - b. System Disposal Services, Cudahy, covering Division 6 (Venice), Hollywood and Wilshire Customer Service Centers, and Terminal 26, for an estimated two-year cost of \$10,560;
 - c. Waste Management, Sun Valley, covering Division 7 (West Hollywood), Location 32 (Headquarters Building), and Terminal 25, for an estimated two-year cost of \$30,120;
 - d. Perdomo & Sons, Los Angeles, covering Divisions 1 (Alameda), 2 (Los Angeles), 3 (Cypress Park), 9 (El Monte), 10 (Los Angeles), Location 14 (South Park), Location 20, and Terminal 17, and bale paper pickup at Divisions 3 (Cypress Park), 5 (South Central), 7 (West Hollywood), 9 (El Monte), and 10 (Los Angeles), for an estimated two-year cost of \$107,040;
 - e. Brown Ferris Industry, Gardena, covering bale paper pickup at Division 18 (South Bay) for an estimated two-year cost of \$3,240;
 - f. Waste Management, Gardena, covering Divisions 5 (South Central), 10 (Los Angeles), 12 (Long Beach), 18 (South Bay), 30 (Central Maintenance Facility), Terminal 28, and LAX Terminal, for an estimated two-year cost of \$38,520;
 - g. Sarian Disposal Services, Sun Valley, covering Division 15 (Sun Valley), for an estimated two-year cost of \$12,840;
 - h. Lopez Rubbish, Chatsworth, covering Division 8 (Chatsworth) for an estimated two-year cost of \$9,600;
 - i. Crown Disposal, Sun Valley, covering bale paper pickup at Division 16 (Pomona), for an estimated two-year cost of \$3,192; and
 - j. Murial Disposal, Compton, covering Pico Loop, for an estimated two year cost of \$2,040;

form of contracts subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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CONSENT CALENDAR - Cont'd.

37. Received and Filed monthly report District Investment of Funds.

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38. Received and Filed Report Calendar for March 6 through 19, 1987.

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39. Approved minutes of Board meeting held February 12, 1987.

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GENERAL ITEMS

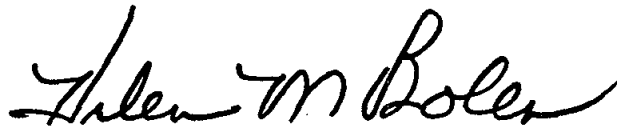
41. Recess to Closed Session to consider personnel and litigation matters.

Due to the lateness of the hour, the workers' compensation matter was held over to the following meeting.

42. Public Comment.

Mr. Sheldon Walter and Greg Roberts appeared before the Board on transit related matters.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m. in memory of Clifford T. Hall, father-in-law of President Jan Hall and Henry Perdon, brother of Assistant General Manager, Albert Perdon.



Helen M. Bolen
District Secretary