

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Committee of the Whole Meeting
Thursday, February 6, 1986
District Board Room
425 South Main Street
Los Angeles

Called to order at 1:02 p.m.

Directors Present:

Nick Patsaouras
Gordana Swanson
John F. Day
Jan Hall

Nate Holden (arr. 1:53 p.m.)
Marvin L. Holen
Jay B. Price
Charles H. Storing

Directors Absent:

Carmen A. Estrada
Norman H. Emerson
Leonard Panish

Also present were members of staff, the public and the news media.

1. Received and Filed the report on Automatic Data Collection System (ADCS) Demonstration dated February 6, 1986.

Staff reviewed the report in detail. Coordination between the numerous departments is important for this system to work. Director Storing asked if it was the District's intent for this program to be system-wide. Staff responding in the affirmative.

2. Received status report on Short Range Transit Plan (S RTP) dated January 29, 1986.

General Manager Dyer talked about the S RTP emphasizing that this was a preliminary report. He encouraged all Directors to attend the Committee of the Whole Workshop scheduled for Saturday, February 22 because additional information will be available along with the implication of the Gramm/Rudman admendment. The S RTP will be discussed in detail.

The S RTP will be brought back to the Board in early March for approval. The plan must be submitted to the funding agencies by mid-March.

3. Received report on purchase of 90 buses.

The General Manager's report dated January 30, 1986 on the proposed purchase of 90 buses was reviewed.

Discussion centered around the age of the District's fleet and policies involved on the federal side as well as internally.

Staff said the 150 buses on order has been delayed. It has been determined that purchase of 90 buses will aid in meeting current ridership demands.

Concern was expressed with the District paying 100% of the cost if financing is not available and a precedent being set. UMTA regulations concerning funding the purchase of buses was also discussed. Staff said all avenues for funding have been examined and it is their opinion that this purchase is the only option available.

Approximately four manufacturers have expressed an interest in bidding on this procurement and have indicated they could comply with the six month delivery schedule.

A brief discussion ensued regarding specifications. If the District purchases the buses, UMTA regulations would not have to be considered in the specifications, giving the District more flexibility in considering the District's needs. The Board was requested to inform staff at the February 22 workshop meeting of any specific specifications they might want included in the bid specifications.

4. Received status report on CORE public meetings.

The Committee was given an in-depth summary of the General Manager's report dated February 6, 1986 on the Metro Rail CORE Study Milestone 1 public meetings.

Comments made at each of these meetings are being evaluated and will be made available to the Board as well as the community.

Greg Roberts appeared before the Board suggesting meetings of this nature be held in the San Fernando Valley.

5. Received and Filed status report on Fiscal Year 1986 Objectives - Second Quarter.

Staff noted that approximately 80% of the District-wide objectives have been accomplished.

6. Received and Filed Fiscal Year 1986 Budget Forecast - Second Quarter.

7. Received and Filed status report on the preparation of the EA/EIR for relocation of Division 6.

Staff reviewed the schedule of events that will be involved in the decision making for the relocation of Division 6. Two key dates are May 22, approval of the final alternatives; and, July 31, selection of the preferred site.

Staff said that funding of the actual relocation of the division has not been identified at this time. On query, staff indicated that continued operation at the present location is one of the alternatives being considered. The land value at the present location is extremely high.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.



Rhodona Thompson
Recording Secretary