



**RECAP  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MTA Headquarters  
3rd Floor - Board Room  
One Gateway Plaza  
Los Angeles

Thursday, November 20, 1997 - 9:30 AM

Call to order:

**Directors/Alternates Present:**

Richard Riordan/Jaime de la Vega, Chair  
Yvonne Brathwaite Burke/Michael Bohlke, First Vice Chair  
James Cragin/George Nakano, Second Vice Chair  
Richard Alatorre/Nate Holden  
Michael Antonovich/Nick Patsaouras  
Hal Bernson/Richard Alarcón  
John Fasana/Beatrice La Pisto-Kirtley  
Don Knabe/Robert Arthur  
Jose Legaspi  
Gloria Molina/Vivien Bonzo  
Jenny Oropeza  
Zev Yaroslavsky/Robert Abernethy  
Larry Zarian/Jan Heidt  
Tony V. Harris, Ex Officio

Interim Chief Executive Officer - Julian Burke  
Board Secretary - Georgia Hamilton  
Inspector General - Arthur Sinai  
General Counsel - County Counsel

1. Consider approval of Consent Calendar - **ITEMS 4-11**  
Consent Calendar Addendum - **ITEMS A-F**

([Consent Calendar Addendum](#) - Items Approved Under Committee Authority)

**APPROVED ITEMS 5 through 8 and 11; ITEMS A through F**

Directors voting: Antonovich (conflict item 7), Alatorre, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe (conflict item 7), Oropeza, Riordan, Legaspi, Abernethy, Zarian

Directors Absent: Fasana, Molina

2. Consider approval of **minutes** of October 23, 1997.

**APPROVED**

**APPROVED a motion** by Director Zarian to add an item to the December agenda to consider adding 'Director Special Items' back on the agenda.

3. Chief Executive Officer's Report

**NO REPORT WAS MADE**

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

4. Consider award of contract to Hydro Pressure Systems, North Hollywood, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder to IFB  
6) No. OP33440510R covering **weed abatement, trash and debris removal services** for MTA owned railroad rights-of-way or a three year period with two one-year options, for an amount not to exceed \$3,631,680; \$2,134,080 for the first three years and \$1,497,600 for the two option years.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**

**APPROVED AS AMENDED TO GIVE THE CEO AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AFTER THE PREVAILING WAGES ISSUE IS RESOLVED.**

Directors voting: Bernson, Bohlke, Cragin, Arthur, Fasana, Bonzo, Riordan

Directors absent: Antonovich, Alatorre, Legaspi, Oropeza, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

5. Consider an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure to  
(CC 3) Contract EN031 with Metcalf & Eddy, Inc. covering **environmental engineering services for excavation and disposal of additional lead contaminated soils** in the amount of \$60,000.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR
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6. Consider:  
(CC 5)

- A. a contract to Mass Electric Co. on the Metro Red (A) Line, North Hol covering **traction power system installation** in the amount of \$3,462,000; and
- B. an Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$3,462,000, and a contingency of \$346,200 for potential changes, for a total AFE of \$3,808,200.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR
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7. Consider:  
(CC 8)

- A. Amendment No. 13 to Contract Work Order No. 4 to Contract E0070 with Engineering Management Consultant to **incorporate Consultant Change Notice Nos. 483, 484, 503, 579, 601, 615.01, 616 and 640 covering additional design services** for the Metro Red (A) Line, North Hollywood Corridor, in the amount of \$681,912; and
- B. an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$604,794 for a revised AFE of \$79,614,860.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR
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Conflict of Interest: Antonovich/Patsaouras, Knabe/Arthur

8. Consider approval of:  
(PP 1)

- A. the **Bus System Improvement Plan (BSIP) 2020 Vision;**
- B. in concept, the strategies and tactics; and
- C. continuation of work with the Municipal Operators, Access Services, Inc. (ASI) and the Local Transit System operators and return in 90 days for approval of the BSIP including performance indices.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR
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9. Consider amendments to the **SCRRRA Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement:**  
(PP 3)

- A. making the SCRRA subject to the same statutory restrictions as the OCTA; and
- B. allowing the SCRRA Board to appoint officers to their Office of Treasurer and Auditor.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**

**APPROVED**

Directors voting: Antonovich, Alatorre, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Heidt  
 Director Absent: Legaspi

- 10. Consider execution of a Master Modification Agreement to the (PP 4) MTA Reimbursement Agreement, the Trust Agreement and related documents, with the Grand Central Square Limited Partnership and the Los Angeles Community Redevelopment Agency for the **Grand Central Square Project**, subject to approval of the Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Commissioners and Los Angeles City Council.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**

**APPROVED AS AMENDED: THE CEO IS TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD WITH A REVISED JOINT DEVELOPMENT POLICY THAT SAFEGUARDS THE TAXPAYERS AND MTA FROM EXPOSURE TO RISK.**

Directors voting: Antonovich, Alatorre, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Heidt  
 Director Absent: Knabe  
 Conflict of Interest: Legaspi

- 11. Consider entering into an agreement with Shelter Partnership (PP 5) for **continued funding in FY 1997-98 of SHORE (Support for Homeless Re-Entry) Program** providing MTA tokens to 30 social service agencies for a maximum annual expenditure of \$350,000.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**

**APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR**

**NON-CONSENT ITEMS**

- 12. Recognition of winners of the National Conference on Intermodal Transportation Education and Training.

**RECOGNIZED STUDENTS & PRESENTED AWARDS**

- 13. Consider:

- A. confirming the Board's previous action to award a contract to New Flyer of America, Cookston, Minnesota, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder covering the purchase of 223 CNG regular floor buses, including spare parts and test equipment in the amount of \$79,621,302;
- B. rescinding the Board's previous approval to exercise the procurement option with New Flyer of America to increase the base order by 25%, or 55 buses;
- C. authorizing prompt development of an invitation for bid for **a new procurement for 215 low floor CNG buses** with a delivery schedule commencing in 2001.

APPROVED AS AMENDED: ESTABLISH AS POLICY THE NEXT  
PROCUREMENT WILL BE FOR LOW FLOOR BUSES

Director Antonovich requested staff look at other agencies that have low floor buses to determine if we could contract or acquire them.

- 14. Receive oral report on purposes for public/private partnerships for CNG fleet.  
(OPS  
7)

**RECEIVED REPORT**

**MOTION BY DIRECTOR FASANA - COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

**APPROVE ALL CURRENT AND FUTURE NON-SOLICITED PROPOSALS RECEIVED BY STAFF OR BOARD MEMBERS BE IMMEDIATELY FORWARDED TO THE CEO AND NOT BE AGENDIZED FOR FUTURE MEETINGS; AND THAT THE CEO RETURN TO THE BOARD, WHEN APPROPRIATE, WITH HIS RECOMMENDATIONS ON WHAT PROPOSALS MAY MAKE SENSE TO EXPLORE AND THE PROCESS STAFF WILL TAKE TO EVALUATE THESE OPPORTUNITIES.**

APPROVED AS AMENDED: ALL UNSOLICITED PROPOSALS ADHERE TO CHAPTER 8, SECTIONS 8.08 AND 8.09 OF THE MTA PROCUREMENT POLICY MANUAL ADOPTED JULY, 1997 AND REITERATED THE POLICY THAT ALL PROCUREMENTS EXPLICITLY FOLLOW THE RULES AND PROCEDURES AS CONTAINED IN THE MTA PROCUREMENT POLICY MANUAL AND THAT THE CEO CERTIFY TO THE BOARD STAFF'S ADHERENCE TO THESE POLICIES.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Alatorre, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Bonzo, Oropeza, Legaspi, Yaroslavsky, Zarian  
Director Absent: Riordan

- 15. Consider approval of the **New Service Program** mandated by (PP 2) the Consent Decree.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: REVISED RECOMMENDATION WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE FULL BOARD TO INCLUDE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS, EVALUATION OF CRITICAL LINES, BENCHMARKS FOR REDUCTION/TERMINATION OF PILOT SERVICE AND THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS.**

APPROVED: 1) IMPLEMENTATION OF PHASE I OF THE PILOT PLAN, AS REVISED; 2) THE CEO EXECUTION OF NECESSARY AGREEMENTS FOR THE OPERATION OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY LADOT AND OTHER PROVIDERS; 3) AWARD OF CONTRACT TO TRANSPORTATION CONCEPTS FOR THE OPERATION OF NEW SHUTTLE LINES 218, 603 AND 605, RE-BID THE OTHER FOUR LINES; 4) ESTABLISHMENT OF PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF SERVICES; AND 5) INCLUSION OF LINE 305 IN PHASE II.

Directors voting Aye: Alatorre, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Legaspi, Yaroslavsky, Zarian  
Directors voting No: Antonovich, Fasana

ALSO APPROVED PERFORMANCE STANDARDS TO BE APPLIED TO FUTURE PROCUREMENTS ONLY

Directors Voting Aye: Alatorre, Bernson, Burke, Knabe, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Legaspi, Yaroslavsky, Zarian  
Directors Voting No: Antonovich, Cragin, Fasana

Director Burke requested that a full explanation of all performance standards come back to Operations and Planning & Programming Committees.

16. Consider approval of an increase to the Authorization for Expenditure of \$566,835 to Contract PM020 with Gannett Fleming, Inc., **covering the MTA Project Management Oversight (PMO) consultant**, to perform work during the second year of a three-year contract, as follows:

1. \$431,500 for the Pasadena Blue line (CWO #2);
2. \$135,335 for the LA Car (CWO #3); and
3. No increase for Systemwide Tasks (CWO #4), as any funding would be approved at the time that such work is directed by the Board.

This action will increase the cumulative AFE from ~~\$600,000~~ **\$1,600,000** to \$2,166,835.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**

CARRIED OVER TO DECEMBER - APPROVED UP TO \$50,000 FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS

Directors Voting: Antonovich, Alatorre, Bernson, Knabe, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Heidt

Directors Absent: Burke, Cragin, Legaspi

17. **KNABE** - Consider **naming the Los Angeles County Call Box System** in honor of Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn.

**APPROVED**

Directors Voting: Antonovich, Alatorre, Bernson, Knabe, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky  
Directors Absent: Burke, Cragin, Legaspi, Heidt

18. **MOLINA** - Discussion of **Safety Report** prepared by Behavioral Science Technology, Inc.

(Carried over from October board meeting)

**RECEIVED REPORT**

Director Molina requested an outline of what happens from discovery to resolution of safety violations on construction sites as well as the responsible party.

Directors voting: Bernson, Bohlke, Cragin, Arthur, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan  
Directors Absent: Antonovich, Alatorre, Legaspi, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

19. **ALATORRE** - Consider directing staff to prepare a study and report by December 8, 1997 on alternative approaches to **restructuring and reallocating bus and rail service delivery**, with the objective of meeting the requirements of the Consent Decree at a lower operating cost than projected by the MTA's Operations Division.

**APPROVED AS AMENDED: STAFF TO RETURN IN JANUARY WITH A PRELIMINARY REPORT OF SAVINGS THAT MIGHT OCCUR, COMMUNICATE WITH OTHER TRANSIT AGENCIES FOR THEIR INPUT, AND PERHAPS SEEK A THIRD PARTY FOR EVALUATION OF SAVINGS.**

Directors Voting: Antonovich, Alatorre, Bernson, Knabe, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Heidt  
Directors Absent: Burke, Cragin, Legaspi

20. Consider:
- A. Amendment No. 1 to Contract Work Order No. 64, **Design Support** During Construction Services, in the amount of \$1,696,571, which increases the total CWO to ~~\$2,976,533;~~ **\$2,996,533;**
- B. Amendment No. 1 to Contract Work Order No. 66, **Rail**

**Activation/Start-Up Support**, in the amount of \$554,794, which increases the total CWO to \$654,539;

- C. Amendment No. 1 to Contract Work Order No. 67, **Project Management/Administration**, in the amount of \$660,764, which increases the total CWO to \$960,623; and
- D. an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure for Contract E0070 with **Engineering Management Consultant**, in the amount of ~~\$2,912,126~~, **\$2,912,129** to cover items a through c above, and \$219,212, to be applied to other potential changes within staff authority, for a revised AFE of ~~\$98,792,135~~. **\$98,792,138.**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE  
PRINCIPALS ONLY**

(Carried over from October Board meeting)

**APPROVED AS CORRECTED**

Directors Voting: Alatorre, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Heidt  
Directors Absent: Fasana, Legaspi  
Conflict of Interest: Antonovich/Patsaouras, Knabe/Arthur

**APPROVED**

Directors Voting: Antonovich, Alatorre, Bernson, Knabe, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky  
Directors Absent: Burke, Cragin, Legaspi, Heidt

21. Consider award of contracts to the lowest responsive, (OPS 5) responsible bidders covering **27 month procurement of Cummins engine spare parts** at a total bid price of \$4,633,411:

A. Muncie Reclamation	\$ 4,564
B. Cummins Cal Pacific	\$4,628,847

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE AS AMENDED, STAFF TO COMMUNICATE MTA POLICY TO CUMMINS THAT THEY ARE ENCOURAGED TO DO OUTREACH TO POTENTIAL DBE DISTRIBUTORS IN THE U.S.**

**APPROVED**

Directors Voting: Antonovich, Alatorre, Bernson, Knabe, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky  
Directors Absent: Burke, Cragin, Legaspi, Heidt

22. Hold a public hearing and consider adoption of the **1997** (PP 6) **Congestion Management Program** for Los Angeles County.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE**



**HELD PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTED 1997 CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

Directors voting: Bernson, Bohlke, Cragin, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan

Directors Absent: Antonovich, Alatorre, Arthur, Legaspi, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

**CLOSED SESSION**

- 23. Conference with real property negotiators concerning price and/or terms of sale - G.C. 54956.8:

Pasadena Blue (B) Line - Parcel PA-085  
Miriam C. Spaulding

**APPROVAL OF LITIGATION SETTLEMENT**

**APPROVED SETTLEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$325,000**

Directors voting: Alatorre, Bernson, Burke, Knabe, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Legaspi, Heidt; Director Yaroslavsky Abstained

- 24. Conference with Labor Negotiator - G. C. 54957.6

Agency Negotiator - Raman Raj  
Employee Organization - Amalgamated Transit Union  
Transit Police Officers Association

**RATIFIED CONTRACT WITH AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION**

Directors voting: Antonovich, Alatorre, Bernson, Burke, Knabe, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Legaspi, Yaroslavsky, Heidt

**NO REPORT ON TPOA**

Consideration of items not on the posted agenda, including: items to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff; items to be placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Board; and/or items requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

**NONE**

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC INTEREST WITHIN THE BOARD'S SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION**

**RECEIVED**

ADJOURNED

## CONSENT CALENDAR ADDENDUM COMMITTEE APPROVALS

### OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

- A. Consider award of contract to Now Construction Corp., Santa Fe Springs, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, covering **modifications to the Maintenance Building at Division 2**, for a fixed price of \$1,528,000.

**APPROVED UNDER COMMITTEE AUTHORITY, 4/5 VOTE**

- B. Consider award of contract to Underwood Loss Control, Inc., Westchester, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, covering **replacement of underground fuel storage tanks at Division 8**, for a fixed price of \$1,300,000.

**APPROVED UNDER COMMITTEE AUTHORITY, 4/5 VOTE**

### CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

- C. Consider an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure to (CC 2) Contract No. SP008 with Thompson, Cobb, Bazilio and Associates, covering **contract closeout costs** in the amount of \$18,004.

**APPROVED UNDER COMMITTEE AUTHORITY, 4/5 VOTE**

- D. Consider an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure (CC 4) for Contract B252 with Kiewit-Shea, JV, covering **pending changes at the Vermont/Santa Monica Station** in the amount of \$474,605 for a revised AFE of \$57,205,394.

**APPROVED UNDER COMMITTEE AUTHORITY, 4/5 VOTE**

- E. Consider including a **liquidated damages clause** in two short form construction contracts: Contract MS201, Hollywood Boulevard Restoration; and Contract C2326, Universal City Station LA River Bridge widening at Lankershim Boulevard.

**APPROVED UNDER COMMITTEE AUTHORITY, 4/5 VOTE**

- F. Consider an increase to Work Authorization Change Notice No. (CC 10) 410.02 to Contract No. 3369 with Parsons-Dillingham, covering **continuance of Construction Management Services on Contract B290, Ancillary Construction and Maintenance in support of Segment 2B**, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.

**APPROVED UNDER COMMITTEE AUTHORITY, 4/5 VOTE**

**Conflict of Interest: Knabe/Arthur**