



MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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

January 29, 1998

Called to order at 9:53 a.m.

Directors Present:

Richard Riordan, Chair
Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, First Vice Chair
James Cragin, Second Vice Chair
Michael Antonovich
Hal Bernson
John Fasana
Don Knabe
Jose Legaspi
Gloria Molina
Jenny Oropeza
Zev Yaroslavsky
Larry Zarian
Tony V. Harris, Ex Officio

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

1. **APPROVED Consent Calendar** Items 9 through 13, 18 through 23, 28 through 30, 33, 39. Committee Authority items 6, 8, 36 and 37. Item 24 was pulled from the Consent Calendar and subsequently approved on a separate vote.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

2. **APPROVED minutes** of Regular Board Meetings held November 20 and December 18 and Special Board Meeting held December 11, 1997 and January 14, 1998.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

3. **RECEIVED** Chief Executive Officer's Report Re:

Funding Commitment

CEO Burke gave an update on efforts to preserve the State and Federal rail construction funding commitments for the Pasadena Blue Line and the Eastside and Mid-Cities extension of the Red Line.

State level:

There remains a CTC issue as to whether the previously programmed funds for the Pasadena, Eastside and Mid-Cities projects should be deobligated because of MTA's current inability to demonstrate that the projects are "financially constrained". Discussions have occurred with the CTC staff, several CTC Commissioners, the California DOT, and various California legislators to address this issue.

The CTC is raising issues regarding MTA's '98 County TIP funding allocation. The Board approved \$207 million allocation for North Hollywood (so-called "local return") and certain State legislators are threatening immediate legislation to amend SB45 to require a "local share" percentage in the allocation of the County TIP. Such a requirement could jeopardize the North Hollywood Project.

Federal level:

Discussions continue with the FTA and the U.S. DOT. The areas of focus continue to relate to preserving funding contained in the MOS-3 Agreement, the release of FY98 Appropriations, the FY99 Appropriations and an ISTEA II strategy.

The Board requested the CEO to express MTA's support for the ATTB project to our federal and local partners. The CEO agreed to submit a letter, signed by our Board members, toward this end.

Local funding arrangements

Dialogue has begun with the Chairman of the Los Angeles City Council's Transportation Committee regarding the \$200 million funding agreement which the MTA has with the City. This agreement needs to be renegotiated. The Board will be kept informed.

Conversion of agency ethanol fleet

Management is currently examining a multi-track conversion which will result in some of the current ethanol powered buses being reprogrammed to operate on methanol, and may result in a plan to convert some portion of the alcohol fleet to "clean diesel" and/or CNG. This plan will be brought forward in February for Board approval.

It is management's intent to deal with the cost and reliability issues of this alcohol fleet and to continue negotiating with those responsible to resolve the remaining warranty and liability issues.

The following requests were made by Board members:

- Director Bernson requested a maintenance and longevity record for ethanol and methanol.
- Director Burke requested to meet with staff regarding the May 8, 1997 Detroit Diesel letter covering an offer for conversion and provision for repairs.
- Director Cragin requested that when the CEO meets with our federal partners that MTA explore ISTEA funding scenarios for bus system improvement.
- Director Cragin requested that the CEO meet with CAC regarding the conversion of the alcohol fleet.

4. Chair's Report

NO REPORT WAS MADE

NON-CONSENT

14. **APPROVED:**

A. Change order 46.00 for Change Notice 1.00, to Contract No. C0351, Kajima/Ray Wilson, JV, covering **modifications to the station ventilation system** by reducing the size of Blast Relief Shafts (BRS) No. 1 and No. 2 resulting in a credit of (\$462,216) for a revised contract amount of \$65,499,027; and

B. a reduction in the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) in the amount of (\$462,216) for a total revised AFE amount of \$70,489,135.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Burke, Cragin, Fasana, Molina, Oropeza, Zarian
Directors Conflicted: Alatorre (absent), Bernson, Knabe, Legaspi, Riordan, Yaroslavsky

15. **APPROVED** Change Order No. B281-CO-55.00 to Contract No. B281 with Kajima/Ray Wilson, Joint Venture, for variation in quantity of **reinforcing steel at the Hollywood/Vine Station**, on the Metro Red Line, Vermont/Hollywood Corridor, in the amount of \$682,378 which increases the Total Contract Value to \$55,608,262.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Burke, Cragin, Fasana, Legaspi, Molina, Oropeza, Zarian
Directors Conflicted: Alatorre (absent), Bernson, Knabe, Riordan, Yaroslavsky

40. **RECEIVED AND FILED** report on the **options for the allocation of Proposition 116 and Surface Transportation Program Funds for the North Hollywood Project.**

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

41. **RECEIVED AND FILED** report identifying funds, other than state money, if possible, to complete the **North Hollywood Metro Rail Project**.

APPROVED under reconsideration Director Antonovich's motion, as amended:

To direct the CEO to replenish the MTA 1998 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), as funds become available, **subject to Board approval**, with funds which could have been used for the completion of the North Hollywood Metro Rail Project, but were not immediately available.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

42. **WITHDRAWN** - Fasana's motion to consider fully funding the **MTA Carpool Lane** list.

APPROVED motion by Director Fasana to take a support position on the Murray Bill, AB 1686.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

T. Harris said Caltrans staff is working with MTA staff to coordinate the soundwall projects.

43. **ADOPTED** the revised project recommendations for the **Interregional Transportation Improvement Program**

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

44. **RECEIVED AND FILED** report on **alternative approaches to bus and rail service delivery**.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

45. Director Zarian commented on a recent editorial regarding the MTA rail construction decisions. He characterized the article as incorrect and unfair adding that he hopes to respond in the L.A. Times. Director Riordan asked to be party to that response.

46. **RECEIVED AND FILED** report on the **funding allocation policies for Proposition C 40% Discretionary and Proposition A 35% rail development funds.**

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

47. **APPROVED:**

A. Revision No. 1 to Contract Work Order No. 47 to Contract E0070 with Engineering Management Consultant covering final design services on the **East Side Extension project adding a testing program for precast concrete tunnel liner and gaskets** in the negotiated/audited amount of \$327,507 extending the period of performance to June 30, 1998;

B. an increase to the Authorization for Expenditure in the amount of \$328,000 increasing the AFE to \$5,408,000.

Directors voting: Cragin, *Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, *Molina, Oropeza, Zarian

Directors Conflicted: Antonovich, Alatorre (absent), Bernson, Burke, Knabe, Molina, Riordan, Yaroslavsky

*Selected in accordance with Rule of Necessity provision that allows for establishment of a quorum by drawing names of conflicted Directors.

CONSENT CALENDAR

9. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:**
- A. Change Order No. 31 to Contract No. C0311 with Traylor Bros./Frontier-Kemper, JV in the amount of \$912,837, to **construct the sound enclosure and associated support equipment at the La Brea Shaft site;** and
 - B. an increase to the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) in the amount of \$912,837 for the revised total AFE of \$167,452,636

Conflict of Interest: Knabe, Bernson, Riordan

10. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** rejection of non-responsive bids for Contract H0122 **Closed Circuit Television** Procurement for the Metro Red Line, North Hollywood Extension, Segment 3 and authorize **Re-bidding of contract.**

Conflict of Interest: Bernson

- 11 **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** an increase to the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) for Contract No. B241, Vermont/Beverly Station with Tutor/Saliba-Perini, J.V., to provide **funding for pending changes** that are within Board-delegated authority, in the amount of \$158,300, increasing the current AFE amount to \$46,103,734.

Conflict of Interest: Antonovich, Bernson, Knabe, Riordan

12. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** Unilateral Change Order No. B261-CO-65.00 to Contract No. B261 with Tutor/Saliba-Perini, JV, incorporating into the Contract various **design modifications received after award of Contract**, in the amount of \$233,539, increasing the Total Contract Value from \$47,852,356 to \$48,085,896.

Conflict of Interest: Antonovich, Alatorre (absent), Bernson, Knabe, Riordan

13. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- A. Change Order No. 66.01 to Contract No. C0301 with Tutor-Saliba-Perini, JV in settlement of Claim No. 36 for \$402,713 for **additional rebar hooks per seismic design**, increasing the total contract amount to \$74,232,367; and
- B. an increase to the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) in the amount of \$402,713 increasing the total AFE amount to \$77,279,367.

Conflict of Interest: Antonovich, Alatorre (absent), Bernson, Knabe, Riordan

18. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** award of contract to Coopers & Lybrand, L.L.P., Los Angeles, a one-year, fixed price contract, containing four one-year renewal options, covering **financial audit services** under RFP No. PS 5110 0251 in the amount of \$199,325.

Conflict of Interest: Alatorre (absent), Bernson, Riordan

19. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** adoption of a resolution that permits the implementation of a rate reduction program for the **Benefit Assessment District (BAD)** and **AUTHORIZE** the CEO to execute required program documents, and set BAD assessment rates and provide an annual report to the Board.

20. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** ratification of award of **Contractor Pollution Liability Policy** to the AIG Group at a five-year premium cost of \$386,663; and **AUTHORIZE** the CEO and/or his designee to execute all necessary documentation.

Conflict of Interest: Bernson, Riordan, Yaroslavsky

21. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** ratification of a grant of security interest in a \$2.8 million money market account established pursuant to the requirement of the Construction General Liability and Worker's Compensation Insurance; and **AUTHORIZED** the CEO and/or his designee to execute all necessary documentation.

22. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- A. one-year non-competitive contract with Presidium, Inc., San Francisco, for Operations workers' compensation claims administration with an option to cancel at six months or upon 90 days notice anytime thereafter, at a cost not to exceed \$5,980,000; and
- B. the CEO or his designee to execute all necessary documentation.

Conflict of Interest: Alatorre (absent), Bernson, Riordan

23. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** an amendment to the LACMTA **Non-Contract Employees Retirement Income Plan** (Plan) to provide for 'bridging' of separate periods of service when the first period is vested.

24. **APPROVED:**

- A. a resolution that authorizes the **restructuring of the Proposition C Series 1992-A bonds** through a competitive underwriting process; and
- B. the CEO or his designated representative to:
 - 1. Execute all required documents;
 - 2. Select the providers of any other required services; and
 - 3. Negotiate associated fees.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

28. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** authorization for the CEO to enter into negotiations to execute a **multi-agency agreement between** the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority , the Ports of Los Angeles & Long, Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority and Southern California Regional Rail Authority to construct the **new Redondo Junction grade separation** and other related rail and non-rail improvements at Redondo Junction.
29. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:**
- A. using an additional \$1.5 million from the original MTA fund allocation for the **I-405 (San Diego) Freeway HOV project**, between the Los Angeles/Orange County line and the Route 710 (Long Beach) Freeway, to construct soundwalls as mitigation for this HOV project; and
 - B. proceeding with the soundwall construction under two separate contracts in lieu of a construction change order to avoid delaying the opening of the HOV lane.
30. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** amendment to Contract No. 07H004 with MK Centennial to complete design work and provide construction support services to Caltrans for Segment 3 of the **Route 10 HOV** lane project (Route 57 to the San Bernardino County line) in the amount of \$2,516,800, which includes a 10% contingency of \$228,800.
- Conflict of Interest: Antonovich
33. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** finding that all 88 cities of Los Angeles County and the County of Los Angeles are in **conformance with the Congestion Management Program**.

39. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** termination of contract LAT-038-93 with the County of Los Angeles, Internal Services Department, Radio Division for **leased radio communication services for the Metro Freeway Service patrol program** as these services are no longer cost effective.

APPROVED UNDER COMMITTEE AUTHORITY

6. **APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY, 4/5 VOTE:**
- A. Unilateral Change Order No. B252-CO-80.00 to Contract No. B252, with Kiewit-Shea, Joint Venture, for City of Los Angeles directed **Vermont Street and Sidewalk width revisions** at the Vermont/Santa Monica Station on the Metro Red Line, Vermont/Hollywood Corridor, in the amount of \$265,400 which increases the Total Contract Value to \$55,382,250; and
 - B. an increase to the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) in the amount of \$265,400, for a total revised AFE of \$56,996,189.

Conflict of Interest: Alatorre (absent), Bernson, Riordan

8. **APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY, 4/5 VOTE:**
- A. Contract No. EO112 to INCA Engineers, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$616,260 to prepare **camera ready final design** and contract documents for C3326, Bus Plaza, Parking and Street Improvement and C4326, Lankershim Boulevard widening on the Metro Red Line, North Hollywood Corridor, Segment 3;
 - B. an Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) of \$677,886, including a contingency of \$61,626 for any potential changes.

Conflict of Interest: Riordan

36. **APPROVED UNDER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AUTHORITY** award of contract to Cummins Cal Pacific for **65 L-10 Cummins Diesel Engines Engines to replace diesel engines on the** Fixible Metro Bus fleet at a cost of \$1,287,282; and

CARRIED OVER to the February Committee meeting, AWARD of contract to Valley Detroit Diesel covering **35 Detroit Diesel 6I71** at a cost of \$448,967.

Conflict of Interest: Bernson, Riordan

37. **APPROVED UNDER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AUTHORITY, 4/5 VOTE, AWARD** contract OP35500902 to AAA Electrical Supply for **miscellaneous electrical supplies** for \$450,000 for a twenty-seven month period, and \$215,000 for a one-year option, for a total contract amount of \$665,000

Conflict of Interest: Bernson, Riordan

CLOSED SESSION

48. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - G.C. 54956.9 (a)

A. Wiltern Associates v. MTA
LASC Case No. BC113523

NO REPORT WAS MADE

B. Silver v. MTA
LASC Case No. BS044100

NO REPORT WAS MADE

C. Pacheco v. MTA
LASC Case No. BC146232

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$653,000

D. Arreola v. MTA
LASC Case No. BC163949

APPROVED settlement in the amount of \$461,293

E. Maravilla v. MTA
LASC Case No. LC0338670

NO REPORT WAS MADE

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

Agency Negotiator: Raman Raj
Employee Organization: Teamsters
Non-Represented Employees

NO REPORT WAS MADE

50. **REFERRED TO THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE** Director Oropenza's motion to reinstate **Sunday Metro Information Call Center service** and directed staff to return with a plan for providing Sunday service including an analysis of peak Sunday service hours, cost to reinstate, possible funding sources, and possibility of contracting service out.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Molina, Oropenza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

A. Lipsky said personnel working the Sunday shift had been transferred to provide better weekday service. In order to restore Sunday service, employees would have to be hired and a funding source identified for the current and up-coming fiscal years. He noted that once union positions are increased, the contract does not allow a future reduction in the number of positions.

Director Molina commented on the short period of time before this issue would have to be dealt with for the next budget. She suggested reinstating the service and conducting an effective monitoring system to determine actual use and benefit to our patrons.

Director Legaspi noted that strong customer service is required to increase ridership.

Director Zarian asked about the peak hours for customer information calls on Sunday suggesting use of part-time employees.

Several Directors suggested coordinating service with, or contracting out to other bus service providers or simply investing more dollars for this service.

J. Burke said they would report on the entire concept of this service including whether current service is adequate.

Received public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

PREPARED BY: Rhodona Enright


Assistant Board Secretary



MINUTES

LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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January 14, 1998 - 1:30 p.m.

Call to order at 1:53 p.m.

Directors Present:

Richard Riordan, Chair
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James Cragin, Second Vice Chair
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CEO Julian Burke announced the appointment of Ms. Sharon Landers, Deputy Chief Executive Officer. Ms. Landers comes to MTA from the New Jersey Department of Transportation where she served as Deputy Commissioner.

1.

CONSIDERED authorizing the CEO to **SUSPEND**:

- A) the **East Side Extension** of the Metro Red Line Project and Implement the Demobilization Plan.
- B) the **Pasadena Blue Line Project** and Implement the Demobilization Plan.
- C) the **Mid-City Extension** of the Metro Red Line Project and Implement the Demobilization Plan.

Deputy CEO Allan Lipsky presented to the Board a summary of the staff recommendation to suspend and demobilize the East Side Extension, Pasadena Blue Line and Mid-City Extension of the Metro Red Line. Mr. Lipsky stated the approval of the recommendation would accomplish two goals; namely, 1) shutting these projects down as quickly as possible with the lowest possible additional expenditure, 2) demobilizing these projects in an orderly manner. Mr. Lipsky concluded that the suspension of these rail projects could lead to the deprogramming/deobligation of existing federal and state funding. He noted, however, that the CEO has had encouraging conversations with the FTA, The U.S. DOT and the CTC and will direct his efforts at the local, state and federal levels toward maintaining the agency's options with respect to the amount and application of funding.

CEO Burke said that after much consideration of the comments and issues raised by the members of the Board and the staff, he is more convinced today than ever, that there is no way to proceed with the current schedule of these projects; although he is not advocating termination.

Director Antonovich presented a **motion** to direct the CEO to implement final termination of all subway extensions, terminate all subway contracts for the east side and mid-city projects immediately, and return to the Board at the February meeting with 20-year cash flow projections that reflect the elimination of all future subway extensions.

The **motion FAILED** on a Roll Call vote as follows:

Ayes: Antonovich, Yaroslavsky, Zarian
Noes: Alatorre, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi,
Molina, Oropeza, Riordan
Abstain: Bernson
Absent: None

Comments were received from Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, Congressman Xavier Becerra and staff member Chi Mui of State Senator Polanco's office expressing the opinion that a suspension will adversely affect federal funding.

Councilman Mike Hernandez, Pasadena Mayor Chris Holden and representatives from the offices of State Senators Tom Hayden and Adam Schiff, Assemblymen Antonio Villaraigosa, Jack Scott and Gill Cedillo, Congressman James Rogan, and Councilpersons Sid Taylor, Laura Blakely and Harry Baldwin spoke against any delay to the Pasadena Blue Line and suggested pursuing public/private funding partnerships.

Director Burke suggested that the staff recommendation be amended to specify a 6-month suspension.

A **substitute motion** was offered by Directors Alatorre and Molina to establish a peer review panel to recommend cost-saving proposals related to both the construction and financing of the East Side Extension project, including options to scale back the existing project's scope, and report their recommendations back to the Board within 60 days.

Directors Alatorre and Molina presented an amended **motion** to suspend the East Side Extension of the Red Line, the Pasadena Blue Line and the Mid-City Extension of the Red Line **for six months**. During this time the staff is directed to investigate a wide range of cost-saving measures in both operations and construction. This effort should include cost-benefit analyses of: public-private partnerships to construct and operate rail lines; partnerships with independent bus service providers; redesign of rail lines, rail types, and stations; operational savings measures; and financing alternatives.

The CEO is directed to proceed with the suspension activities outlined in his recommendation. He is directed to consult with the Board of Directors before taking any action regarding the outstanding systems contracts related to the East Side extension. The CEO is directed to provide monthly reports and recommendations to the Board on the results of staff analyses.

After considerable discussion and a 10-minute recess, the Board **ADOPTED**, on a Roll Call Vote the following **RESOLUTION**:

Whereas the Board underscores its continuing directive to complete the East Side and Mid-City Extensions of the Metro Red Line Project and the Pasadena Blue Line Project;

Whereas Los Angeles County has expended tremendous efforts to secure funding at the federal and state level for the rail program;

Whereas the Board strongly desires that every effort be made to preserve funding for the affected projects;

Now, therefore the Board hereby resolves that:

- A) The CEO suspend **for at least six months** the East Side Extension of the Metro Red Line Project and implement the Demobilization Plan.
- B) The CEO suspend **for at least six months** the Pasadena Blue Line Project and implement the Demobilization Plan.

- C) The CEO suspend **for at least six months** the Mid-City Extension of the Metro Red Line Project and implement the Demobilization Plan.
- D) The Board directs the CEO to report on a monthly basis regarding the unfolding ability to preserve the federal and state programmed fundings and on all developments bearing on the ability and timing of restarting one or more of these projects, including any third party proposals to support such efforts.
- E) Board members will, to an appropriate extent, support and engage in the ongoing effort to preserve the federal and state fundings programmed for these projects.
- F) **The CEO will return to the Board in six months or less with a report to the Board of any feasible funding options for the remobilization of any of the subject projects.**

Resolution **APPROVED** on the following Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Alatorre, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana,
 Legaspi, Molina, Oropeza, Riordan
 Noes: Antonovich, Yaroslavsky, Zarian
 Abstain: None
 Absent: None

2. **CONSIDERED** adopting the 1998 **County Transportation Improvement Program** (SB 45) as follows:

- A) **Deobligate** \$12.0 million of previously approved Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects and 1996 State TIP commitments due to project savings, cancellations, and lapsing, and reprogram the funds to projects in the 1998 County TIP;
- B) **Reserve** \$3.7 million for MTA administrative expenses related to the 1998 County TIP projects;

- C) **Adopt** the Regional Transportation Improvement Program of Projects totaling \$746.5 million for the 1998 County Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with the following stipulations:
- 1) Complete the Metro Rail Red Line North Hollywood Extension by committing \$207.1 million to the project;
 - 2) Reserve \$48.4 million for programming to Transportation Enhancements Activities (TEA) as required by the California Transportation Commission (CTC). Reserve half of these funds (\$24.2 million) for future programming;
 - 3) Eliminate the 1997 TIP Call for Projects Shortfall by committing \$474.4 million to projects. Of this amount, \$24.2 million will be TEA funds from the reserve required by the CTC;
 - 4) Resolve the 1997 Call for Projects Eligibility Issue by committing \$3.3 million to the projects;
 - 5) Commit to funding \$11.7 million in 1996 State TIP Underfunded projects; and
 - 6) Allocate the remaining \$25.8 million in available County TIP funds to Carpool Lane Soundwalls (\$8.1 million) and Regional Ridesharing (\$17.7 million).

APPROVED, by voice vote, **motion** presented by Director Zarian requesting the CEO to:

- A) Work cooperatively with Caltrans District #7 to develop a joint list of interregional road projects in Los Angeles County for a the CTC's consideration during the 1998 STIP process; and
- B) Work cooperatively with Caltrans to consider the project

eligibility of the Burbank-Glendale Mobility & Safety improvements and other MTA projects for incorporation into the proposed ITIP and report back to the Board as to the status of this cooperative process envisioned by CTC.

Director Yaroslavsky requested the list of projects.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

Director Antonovich commented that Senate Bill 45 was to provide funds for transportation in the region and that the City of Los Angeles ought to come back with additional funding for the Red Line within their jurisdiction instead of taking funds from communities in the Northern, Eastern and Southern parts of the County.

Director Antonovich presented a **substitute motion** to adopt the 1998 County Transportation Improvement Program (SB45) with the condition that the CEO be directed to identify funds, other than state money if possible, to complete the North Hollywood Metro Rail project and return to the Board in 60 days with his recommendations.

The **substitute motion** was subsequently amended and **APPROVED** as follows:

Adopt the 1998 County Transportation Improvement Program (SB45) and direct the CEO to identify funds, other than State money, to complete the North Hollywood Metro Rail Project, and return to the Board on January 29 with his recommendations; **with the proviso that the Board not be obligated with respect to the use of funds identified.**

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

APPROVED motion presented by Director Zarian to direct CEO and staff to work with local agencies to analyze the concept of a local return or other funding component in future Transportation Improvement Program cycles and return to the Board within 90 days with a recommended policy for funding beginning with the 2000 CTIP

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Burke, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

CARRIED OVER to January 29 Board Meeting, motion introduced by Director Fasana that CEO fully fund the MTA Carpool Lane Soundwall list described in Attachment G of the staff report by reducing the funding for the North Hollywood Red Line shortfall by a like amount; and this action be contingent upon the state funding the 1989 Soundwall Retrofit Projects off the top of the State Highway Account. If the state refuses to do this, the Retrofit Soundwall Projects and the MTA Carpool Lane Soundwall Projects shall return to the Board for funding priority reconsideration.

APPROVED, on a voice vote, motion presented by Director Yaroslavsky, seconded by Director Antonovich, that if any highway projects on the 1996 or 1998 STIP list become deobligated, these funds be set aside any funds from deobligated highway projects on the 1996 or 1998 STIP list to help fund the Santa Monica Boulevard Transit project, subject to Board approval.

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

3. **APPROVED**, on a voice vote, **FASANA/OROPEZA MOTION** - to direct the CEO to return to the Board within 90 days with an implementation plan to divest MTA bus service into subregionally-governed bus service providers, or zones. The CEO is directed to work with the City of Los Angeles, entities studying a San Fernando Valley zone, San Gabriel Valley Council of

Governments (COG), Foothill Transit Zone, Gateway COG, South Bay COG, Arroyo Verdugo cities and other subregional agencies to develop alternative bus service delivery structures based upon the Transit Zone concept; **AMENDED** to include consideration of the following issues in the development plan:

- Impact on existing municipal operators and their options to provide service in the sub-regions
- Impact on the MTA as the regional planning agency for Los Angeles County
- Equity/fairness to disadvantage communities such as Inner City areas
- Cost/savings of such actions
- Amount of funds/assets to be transferred with each line
- Fleet replacement issues
- Analysis of regional formula funding issues and mitigation, if necessary
- Divestiture of lines that cross multiple municipal operator service areas
- Impact on MTA labor agreements
- Consent Decree ramifications
- Interagency transfer and fare agreements
- Divestiture of MTA Operating assets

Directors voting: Antonovich, Bernson, Cragin, Knabe, Fasana, Legaspi, Oropeza, Riordan, Yaroslavsky, Zarian

Received Public comment.

Meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

Prepared by: Christina Lumba-Gamboa
Recording Secretary

Michele Jackson

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