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
Thursday, February 24, 2000

Called to order at 10:00 A.M.

Directors Present:
Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Chair
James Cragin, First Vice Chair
Richard Riordan, Second Vice Chair
Michael Antonovich
Hal Bernson
Jaime de la Vega
John Fasana
Don Knabe
Jose Legaspi
Gloria Molina
Jenny Oropeza
Frank Roberts
Zev Yaroslavsky
Tony V. Harris, Ex Officio

Chief Executive Officer - Julian Burke
Board Secretary - Michele Jackson
Inspector General - Arthur Sinai
General Counsel - County Counsel

NOTE: Members voting are reflected on the attached “RECAP OF PROCEEDINGS” matrix.

1. APPROVED CONSENT CALENDAR Items 2, 15, 16, 17, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 45, 46, and 49

   *** 2/3 VOTE REQUIRED BY THE FULL BOARD

COMMITTEE AUTHORITY ITEMS: 18, 19, and 22

3. Chief Executive Officer’s Report - Received report.

4. Chair’s Report - None

5. **CARRIED OVER TO MARCH BOARD MEETING** report on **Prop. A and Prop. C** audit from inception to 1998 from Russ Lesser, Chairman of Independent Citizens Advisory & Oversight Committee.

6. **ADOPTED Tort Claims Ordinance.**

7. **FAILED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE CRAGIN MOTION** that the Board approve creation of a Municipal Operator Bus Service improvement and expansion program designed to improve service to the transit dependent countywide by reducing overcrowding and expanding services; and

    that the Board authorize the CEO or his designee to execute funding agreements with the Municipal Operators; and

    that those agreements provide a total for Municipal Operators, for this program, of proposition C 40% funds of $5 million for FY2000; a minimum of $10 million for FY 2001; and a minimum of $15 million each for FY’s 2002, 2003 and 2004; Recognizing that these sums are much less than the estimated fair share the municipal operators should receive based on anticipated funding MTA will need; That these allocations are in addition to the existing Proposition C 40% funded programs.

    **Ayes:** Fasana, Molina, Cragin, Roberts

    **Noes:** Burke, Bernson, Yaroslavsky,

    **Absent:** Oropeza, Antonovich, Legaspi, Knabe, Riordan, de la Vega

    **Abstain:** None

8. **CARRIED OVER TO MARCH BOARD MEETING:**

    **A.** Adoption of the following motion: The Board finds by a two-thirds vote that there only a single source of procurement for the **photo enforcement cameras** and that purchase is for the sole purpose of duplicating the cameras already in use. The Board hereby authorizes the purchase of the cameras pursuant to PUC Section 130237; an

    **B.** award of a firm fixed price contract to Lockheed Martin IMS of Teaneck, New Jersey, for the purchase of six cameras for use on the Metro Blue (B) Line, Photo Enforcement System, at a total contract value of $284,046, including sales tax.

14. **CARRIED OVER TO MARCH ANTONOVICH MOTION** - that this Board direct the
CEO to formally rename the **Pasadena Blue (B) Line** to the Pasadena Rose Line.

15. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:**
   A. the findings of the **Line 104 Public Hearing** held January 18, 2000; and
   B. the transfer of Line 104 to Montebello Bus effective Monday, April 3, 2000.

16. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:**
   A. the establishment of a **modified route and service on Line 177** on an experimental basis; and
   B. the CEO to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Glendale for the operation of service over the portion of route between downtown Glendale and the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

17. **APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR** award of a unit rate contract to Accent Landscaping, Inc., Gardena, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder to provide **landscaping and irrigation maintenance services** for MTA operational and non-operational properties for a five year period, for an amount not to exceed $3,073,158, inclusive of a 10% contingency for as-needed services.

18. **APPROVED UNDER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AUTHORITY** execution of six, three-year, zero based contracts to: Brothers Printing & Lithography, Dual Graphics, George Rice & Sons, Pacific Graphics, Inc., Pacific Printing Industries, and Peaks Associates, the highest rated proposers, to provide emergency, specialty, overflow **outside printing services**, for a combined total for all contracts of an amount not to exceed $450,000.

19. **APPROVED UNDER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AUTHORITY** award of a unit rate contract to Specialty Doors and Automation, Manhattan Beach, the only responsive, responsible bidder to provide maintenance, repair and installation services for all **MTA industrial doors** at all bus and rail facilities, for a five year period, for an amount not to exceed $609,465, inclusive of a 10% contingency for as-needed work.

21. **RECEIVED** report from the **Tunnel Advisory Panel on the Santa Monica Mountain Consent Decree** compliance relative to blasting and groundwater impacts.

22. **APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY:**
   A. execution of Change Order No. 20 to Contract H0648, Communications Installation, with Steiny and Company, Inc., which incorporates Work Authorization Change Notice No. 21 for $200,000, to increase **Systems Testing Support** for the Metro Red (A) Line, Segment 3, North Hollywood Extension, in the amount of $1,210,345 increasing the total contract value from $6,528,596 to $7,738,941; and
B. an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) to provide funding to increase Systems Testing Support in the amount of $1,210,345, increasing the current Metro Red (A) Line, Segment 3, North Hollywood Extension AFE amount from $7,061,579 to $8,271,924.

23. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR execution of Change Order No. 12 to Contract B745, Air Handling Equipment with Tutor-Saliba/Overland Mechanical, Joint Venture, to delete Mid-City air handling equipment and installation work, for the Metro Red (A) Line, Segment 3, Mid-City Extension, in the credit amount of $474,125, decreasing the total contract value from $3,718,910 to $3,244,785.

24. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) to Contract No. MC021 with Anil Verma & Associates to provide funding for pending changes that are within Board delegated authority in the amount of $200,000, increasing the current Metro Green (D) Line (D Line) Project AFE from $22,558 to $222,558 and the total contract AFE from $1,201,010 to $1,401,010.

25. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR BY A 2/3 VOTE :
   
   A. adoption of the following motion: The Board finds by a 2/3 vote that awarding a design/build contract pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130242 (a) will achieve private sector efficiencies in the integration of the design and construction of the CNG Building Modifications at Division 1; and
   
   B. authorizing the CEO to solicit design/build Contract C0640, CNG Building Modifications at Division 1, pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130242 (a).

28. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR a contract with Public Financial Management for financial advisory services for a period of three years in an amount of $250,000 retainer fee per year for each of the three contract years, plus additional task order-based services and annual expenses in an amount not to exceed $55,000 per year, for a total base contract amount of $750,000 and a not to exceed total of $165,000 for expenses and additional services for a total contract amount of $915,000.

29. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR a fixed rate contract with Cash Technologies, Inc., for the sale of currency collected from farebox revenues in an amount not to exceed $2,500,000 for a period of five years, inclusive of four one-year options.

30. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:
   
   A. ratification of expenditures in the amount of $49,555 above the authorized contract amount to U.S. Data Source for photo identification card production services rendered during fiscal year 1996;
   
   B. negotiation and execution of a change order with U.S. Data Source to continue
providing **photo identification card production services** through April 2000, in an amount not to exceed $45,000; for a total amount of $94,555, for a revised contract amount of $557,555.

31. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR increasing the contracting authority for the **Programming Services Bench** in the amount of $775,000 for a revised cumulative total bench amount of $2,125,000.

33. APPROVED AS NOTED positions on the following **State Legislation**:

   A. **AB1612** (Torlakson, Florez and Senator Karnette) - Creates the Transportation Congestion Relief and Local Road Improvement Account in the State Transportation Fund. **WORK WITH AUTHOR/RETURN TO BOARD.**

   B. **AB 1303** (Florez) - Would reallocate a portion of the statewide gas tax to specified accounts. **OPPOSE. APPROVED AS AMENDED TO “WORK WITH AUTHOR” POSITION**

   C. **AB 1765** (Maddox) - Significantly changes procedures affecting only MTA benefit assessment districts. **OPPOSE.**

   D. **AB 1776** (McClintock) - Authorizes the governor to declare a state of transportation gridlock emergency. **NEUTRAL.**

34. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR adoption of the proposed **MTA Defeased Leasing Policy**.

37. CARRIED OVER TO MARCH BOARD MEETING - CLOSED SESSION

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

      1. Velarde v. MTA - Case No. BC 185481
      2. Brown v. MTA - Case No. VC 027613
      3. Lee v MTA - Case No. KC 026562
      4. Song v. MTA - Case No. BC 184845
      5. Orta & Pollon v. MTA - Case No. EC 022220

   B. Personnel Matters - G.C. 54957

      1. Public Employee Appointment - Ethics Officer

   C. Conference with Labor Negotiator - G.C. 54956.8
Approvals:

40. APPROVED de la Vega’s substitute motion to extend exclusive right to negotiate with McCormack Baron for 45 days for a Phase Two Joint Development at the Metro Red (A) Line Hollywood/Western station and report back to the March Committee with additional information regarding original appraisal and the proposal that’s being rejected.

42. CARRIED OVER TO MARCH BOARD MEETING AS AMENDED TO INCLUDE de la Vega motion that service not be cut on express bus lines 424/425, 522 and 418 since doing so would reduce options for transit customers and significantly increase travel times between the San Fernando Valley and downtown Los Angeles.
   
   A. approve the findings of the November 13, 1999 Public Hearing for FY 2000 Service Changes, consisting of: 1) Bus/Rail Interface Plan for MOS-3 Metro Red (A) Line to North Hollywood; 2) Other service changes; and 3) Metro Rapid Bus Demonstration Project;
   
   B. adopting the Final Revisions for the FY 2000 service changes;
   
   C. adopting revised pages to the Official Route Descriptions; and
   

43. CARRIED OVER TO MARCH BOARD MEETING the following actions concerning cities with balances of STP-L funds subject to lapse as of September 30, 1999:
   
   A. Deobligating a total of $247,849 in lapsing 1999 Surface Transportation Program - Local (STP-L) fund balances and reallocate these funds through the STP-L allocation formula; and
   
   B. Allowing a six-month extension from April 1, 2000 to September 30, 2000 for all cities to obligate or trade a total STP-L lapsing funding balance of $1,248,219.

44. CARRIED OVER TO MARCH BOARD MEETING adoption of MTA Rights-of-Way Preservation Guidelines for use by MTA as guidance in the review and approval of requests for interim uses of MTA rights-of-way and other vacant properties.

45. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR $250,000 in deobligated highway funds to begin work on a Major Capital Improvement Study (MCIS) to improve the interchanges in the I-710 Long Beach Freeway between Route 60 - Pomona Freeway and the southern terminus in San Pedro as follows:
   
   A. Deobligate $250,000 from 1994 Call for Projects Highway Program Management Program.
Services;

B. Reprogram the $250,000 deobligated under ‘A’ above to conduct the Major Capital Improvement Study of the interchanges on the 1-710 Long Beach Freeway; and

C. Commit an additional $250,000 from other deobligated highway project funds in the Freeway Modal Category of the Call for Projects for a total allocation to the MCIS of $500,000.

46. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR Caltrans’ request for a Change Order in the amount of $665,000 to correct an unsuitable soil condition for HOV Lanes Project No. 363/4290, I-605 Freeway from Orange County Line to South Street currently under construction using funds currently programmed for contingencies work.

47. APPROVED proposal to extend the pilot program for increasing the span of service on the Metro Rail System through the end of September 2000, including service to North Hollywood AMENDED TO INCLUDE de la Vega motion to develop FY2001 budget based on assumption of extended service hours throughout the fiscal year.

48. APPROVED:

A. the CEO to ratify the issuance of contract MC055 to Sverdrup Civil Inc., a single source Cost Plus Fixed Fee (CPFF) Contract for the period beginning July 16, 1999 through October 31, 2000 to provide the services of Mr. Dwight Chewning to assist the MTA in closing out Segment 2 and Segment 3 Claims and unresolved change orders in the amount not to exceed $350,000; and

B. a total Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) in the total amount of $350,000.

49. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. execution of a sublease agreement with the County of Los Angeles Community Development Commission, for the sublease of approximately 17,978 square feet of office space and existing MTA-owned and controlled furniture at 707 Wilshire Boulevard, for a flat, full-service-gross rental rate of $16,188 per month ($0.90 per square foot) over an approximate 22 ½ month sublease term (co-terminus with the MTA’s existing lease term) anticipated to commence March 15, 2000; and

B. extension of the exclusive listing agreement with Daum Commercial Real Estate Services (“Daum”) for one year to May 31, 2001, allowing Daum to continue to act as MTA’s exclusive agent to market and lease MTA’s surplus office space at 707 Wilshire Boulevard and 818 West Seventh Street under the terms and conditions of the existing contract.

50. APPROVED LEGASPI MOTION that:

A) Staff expand future public outreach efforts related to service changes by
developing and implementing a statistically valid market assessment survey to better analyze the impacts service changes will have on affected customers.

B) Staff report back to Planning & Programming committee within 60 days with an implementation plan for utilizing a market assessment survey to measure customer satisfaction prior to any future service changes.

C) Staff utilize a market assessment survey to measure customer satisfaction 3 to 6 months after any service changes and report findings and any recommended correction to the service changes to the board.

51.  APPROVED BURKE MOTION that the MTA Board endorse the passage of Proposition 15 on the March 7th ballot.

52.  APPROVED negotiation and execution of a change order to Contract PS-4320-0580 with Gruen Associates to initiate and complete Phases II and III for the San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Study, which is the Environmental Impact Statement/Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (EIS/SEIR) for an amount not to exceed $1,245,490 for a revised contract amount of $1,807,440.

53.  APPROVED BURKE MOTION TO CARRY OVER TO MARCH EXPOSITION CORRIDOR to seek further clarification regarding the following issues:

The impact of including consideration of the Exposition Corridor on any potential amendments to be negotiated regarding the Full Funding Grant Agreement for the Westside Mid-city corridor;

Identification of potential source(s) of funding for this corridor; and

Identification of potential ridership sources through engineering and traffic study methodologies.

APPROVED ON ROLL CALL VOTES STAFF RECOMMENDATION, AS AMENDED, authorizing the CEO to proceed with work on Draft Environmental Impact Statements/Reports for the following alternatives in each corridor and consult with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on any issues related to these alternatives.

**Eastside:**

Light Rail Transit (LRT) from Union Station to Atlantic via First Street with the specific choice of tunneling through Boyle Heights from 1st and Boyle to 1st and Lorena, then transitioning to Third Street and proceeding east via Third Street/Beverly Boulevard to Atlantic, with the policy direction from the Board that the preferred mode of transportation would be light rail.

**Mid-City/Westside:**

Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) on Wilshire Boulevard from Vermont Avenue to downtown
Santa Monica, with consideration of minimal operable segments to San Vicente Boulevard (east of La Cienega), Santa Monica Boulevard and San Vicente Boulevard (west of I-405), including a study of a busway route

San Fernando Valley

Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) along the Burbank-Chandler right-of-way from the North Hollywood Red (A) Line Station to Warner Center, with consideration of a minimal operable segment between Woodman Avenue and Balboa Boulevard with rapid bus connections at each end.

A. Adopt the following preliminary capital funding plan:

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B. Direct the CEO to seek New State funding of $632 million or more to fund the three corridor projects.

C. In the event at least the indicated amount of New State funding for each of the respective corridors is not authorized by state legislation by the end of the current fiscal year of the State, the CEO will return to the Board for further consideration of funding alternatives for all corridor projects.

D. Also in support of the foregoing capital projects, direct the CEO to seek New State funding to cover additional operating expenses over the next five years, on a phase-down basis, to assist the MTA in covering increased operating costs while we are otherwise implementing economies and pursuing other operating revenues, as follows:

- FY 01 $ 50 million
- FY 02 $ 45 million
- FY 03 $ 40 million
- FY 04 $ 35 million
APPROVED BURKE MOTION ON A ROLL CALL VOTE, AS AMENDED - that the MTA seek funding for all three proposed corridors from the state; request that the state identify separate funding for each proposed corridor and that all three corridors shall move forward together.

That in the event that one project moves more quickly than the other two corridor projects will not jeopardize funding for any of the three projects.

If the State finds that it cannot fund one or more of the three proposed Corridor Projects the MTA Board will re-assess all three Projects.

That the MTA adopt the policy position that the Wilshire corridor cannot be supplanted or replaced by the exposition corridor.

Ayes: Oropeza, Fasana, Molina, Legaspi, Burke, Cragin, Riordan, Bernson, Yaroslavsky, Roberts

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Antonovich

54. RATIFIED Amendment No. 1 to the City of Los Angeles Financial Contribution Agreement for Metro Rail Red (A) Line Segment 3.

55. APPROVED ANTONOVICH MOTION - I, THEREFORE, MOVE that this Board send a letter to the President, Secretary of Transportation, California Congressional delegation, the House and Senate leadership, members of the Senate and House Transportation Committees, and the Federal Highway Administration requesting legislation and/or regulations which will include safety conditions as a criteria when reviewing and approving highway and freeway improvement projects.

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Board Secretary