

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
BOARD MEETING  
August 10, 2009**

**ROLL CALL:** Roll Call was taken at 6:00 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Dickinson, Hammond, Hume, MacGlashan, Miller, Morin, Nottoli, Pannell, Sander, Tretheway and Chair Cohn.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Motion: Action Summary - Board Meeting of July 27, 2009
2. Resolution: Awarding a Contract to Quality Sprayers, Inc. for Weed Abatement Services (Cain)
3. Resolution: Approving Third Amendment to Work Order No. 12 to the Contract with Psomas for General Engineering Support Services (Arnold)
4. Resolution: Authorizing Solicitation of Proposals for General Engineering Support Services (Abansado)
5. Resolution: Declaring Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) Wages and Benefits Neither Fixed Nor Definite (Fong)
6. Resolution: Approving Amendments to the FY 2009 Capital Budget (Tyler)
7. Resolution: Amending Exhibit A of Resolution No. 09-06-0098, and Approving the District's List of Authorized Classifications, Positions and Salary Grades (Bonnel)
8. Resolution: Approving Capital California Airshow Admission Tickets as Fare Equivalent on September 12, 2009 and September 13, 2009 (Selenis)

***ACTION: APPROVED - Director Pannell moved; Director Hume seconded approval of the consent calendar as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Director MacGlashan recused herself on Item #3.***

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

9. General Manager's Report
  - a. Federal Updates

- b. State Updates
- c. RT Meeting Calendar

Mike Wiley verbalized his written report. In addition, Mr. Wiley noted that he was pleased to report that staff had identified an additional \$256,000 in internal cost cutting measures in the areas of supplies, outside services, travel, training, and other services. Staff had also identified \$2,242,000 in additional carryover funds from FY 09 (unanticipated PL/PD and Work Comp claims reductions), and \$127,000 in additional revenue. Consequently RT will be able to avoid any further service reductions.

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

## **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 10. Resolution: Awarding a Contract to Smith, Watts & Company LLC for State Lobbying Services (Noble)

Speaker: DJ Smith

Chair Cohn requested that since the previous lobbying firm did such a good job that staff continue to work with the firm when possible.

***ACTION: APPROVED - Director Tretheway moved; Director Pannell seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Directors Dickinson, Hammond, Hume, MacGlashan, Miller, Morin, Nottoli, Pannell, Sander, Tretheway and Chair Cohn. Noes: None. Absent: None.***

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 11. Information: Funding Status of the Downtown-Natomas-Airport MOS-1 and the South Sacramento Corridor Phase 2 Projects (Brookshire/Nakano)

Speaker: Brian Williams

Several of the Board members made recommendations to staff about pursuing the possibility of swapping funds with other agencies, shifting funds from other RT capital projects into these projects, loaning money, etc. to fund the necessary projects.

***ACTION: None - Oral Presentation - Introduced by Mike Wiley and presented by Dee Brookshire and Diane Nakano.***



12. Resolution: Adoption of the TransitAction Plan (Covington/Marx)

Director MacGlashan noted her concern with the accuracy of the revenue source descriptions in Table 12 of the Executive Summary, and requested that staff amend the table to identify what type of actions should be necessary to pursue these sources (i.e., legislative change, 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote, etc) in the document.

Director Hume suggested that in the future that the reports have consistent page numbers instead of chapter page number.

Director Sander - Chapter 3, Figure 3.4 shows operating costs per passenger mile comparing Sacramento with peer cities. This table shows that the cost per passenger mile exceeds every one of our peers. Are we really operating it at twice the cost per passenger mile of others? We are also near the top of costs on light rail per mile. RoseMary Covington agreed to get back to Director Sander regarding the comparison of numbers on this chart. Mike Wiley noted that this data does need to be updated.

Director Sander noted Chapter 5 - Table 5.8 - Frequency of service - The Rancho Cordova Street Car is getting 30 minute service; the other streetcar services are at 10/15 minute service. The first phase serves a dense office park and 30 minute headway may not meet the need of a rider.

Director Sander noted that Staff did a poll about what riders were interested in seeing on the system - The winner of the poll as noted on Table 6.22 - are safety improvements.

Director Nottoli wanted to know where safety improvements fall into a category. Table 6.3 shows the division and that the costs are included in every element of the plan.

Chair Cohn requested that the executive summary be done in an attractive way visually so that it can be distributed at meetings. The final product should also be on line.

Director Sander is worried about some of the key data because assumptions are based on them. Looking at the Rancho Cordova street car project (Table 7.10) he noted that the table only identifies the key streetcar destinations and he believes that the list is not complete (missing the job center, Capital Village, etc.). Rosemary Covington noted that other maps were produced for every community that talks about transit improvements for each community and about the key destinations served in the community. These maps have been used in individual community meetings. Chair Cohn requested that these maps be included in the final plan.

Director Sander noted Table 10.2 - Rail Project Ranking - The streetcar in Rancho Cordova does not score very well. He reiterated his concern about the accuracy of the data. He noted that the RT's population growth numbers show 17% of the region's

population growth is going to occur in Rancho Cordova. If you look at SACOG's, it is 20%. He noted that a third of the region's population growth is occurring in Rancho Cordova.

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Hammond moved; Director Tretheway seconded approval of the item with modifications to several of the tables and adding more current information in the plan. Motion was carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Directors Dickinson, Hammond, Hume, MacGlashan, Miller, Morin, Nottoli, Pannell, Sander, Tretheway and Chair Cohn. Noes: None. Absent: None**

### **REPORTS, IDEAS AND QUESTIONS FROM DIRECTORS, AND COMMUNICATIONS**

13. Paratransit Board Meeting: July 23, 2009 (Hammond)

Written report provided in Board package; no additional comments were provided by Ms. Hammond.

14. Chair's Report (Cohn)

No report at this time.

### **PUBLIC ADDRESSES THE BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Mike Barnbaum - Noted the RT's website includes alerts to passengers.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

**CLOSED SESSION**

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

### **ADJOURN**

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



STEVE COHN, Chair

A T T E S T:

MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary

By: 

Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary