

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING
November 11, 2013**

ROLL CALL: Roll Call was taken at 6:04 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Budge, MacGlashan, Miller, Morin, Nottoli, Schenirer, Serna, and Chair Hume. Absent: Directors Cohn, Hansen, and Pannell.

At this time, Director Serna requested that the Board reorder its agenda to accommodate a group present at the meeting that wanted to speak.

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Serna moved; Director Budge seconded a motion to reorder the agenda to move “Public Addresses the Board on Matters Not on the Agenda” up on the agenda to accommodate a group. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Cohn, Hansen and Pannell.

PUBLIC ADDRESSES THE BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Speakers: Nailah Ware* - Representing the Capital Region Organizing Project, Avondale Glen Elder Neighborhood Association and the Arc of Sacramento. Ms. Ware and Ms. Foss requested that the RT Board attend a public meeting they are holding on November 14th. The group is asking for immediate restoration of Route 8, Route 22, and oversight for Paratransit.

Jacque Foss - Ms. Foss noted that Strategies to Empower People supports 315 people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and wanted to thank the Board for “this small break” and hopes to see them on November 14th.

Mike Wiley noted that members of the RT Executive team met with representatives of the above group last week and discussed their concerns in more detail. Staff is in the process of preparing some recommendations and follow-up. RT Staff is planning to attend the workshop on November 14th.

Director Nottoli, Serna and Schenirer noted that due to the short notice of the meeting, the Board members will try and send staff. Director Budge noted that not all members of the Board received the flyer by e-mail. The Clerk will provide a copy of the flyer to the Board members after the meeting.

Director Schenirer asked the group to provide additional detail on the Routes they discussed.

Ms. Ware described Route 8 which used to run in South Sacramento, from Florin Road to

the Power Inn light rail station along Power Inn. Route 22 which used to “ride down to service the Carmichael area”; that Route is still running, but has limited access and no weekend hours. People in their group are having a lot of trouble with the window pick up accuracy from Paratransit. Ms. Foss noted that half of the individuals with physical disabilities that she supports are delayed in arriving to their appointments because of the inaccuracy of the pick up window time. Many of the individuals she supports on the Route 22 are deaf or deaf/blind with intellectual disabilities and there is no bus running on the weekends so they are “stuck at home”, or they have an option to walk to El Camino Avenue, which is roughly a mile.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Motion: Action Summary - Board Meeting of October 28, 2013
2. Whether or Not to Award Contracts for On-Call Real Estate Services (Scofield)
 - A. Resolution: Awarding a Contract for On-Call Real Estate Services to Overland, Pacific & Cutler, Inc.; and
 - B. Resolution: Awarding a Contract for On-Call Real Estate Services to Paragon Partners, LTD
3. Resolution: Approving the First Amendment to the Contract for Employee Assistance Program Services with MHN, Inc. (Bailey)
4. Resolution: Approving the First Amendment to the South Sacramento Corridor Phase II Project Light Rail Project Agreement with the City of Sacramento (Abansado)
5. Resolution: Amending Exhibit A of Resolution No. 13-10-0153, and Approving District’s Authorized Classifications, Positions and Salary Grades (Bonnel)
6. Adopt Ordinance 13-11-01, Amending and Restating Chapters 1 and 2 of Title I of the Sacramento Regional Transit District Administrative Code Pertaining to Procurement Activities and Disposal of Surplus Property (Miller)
7. Resolution: Authorizing the Short-Term, Inter-Fund Borrowing from the Restricted Cash/Investment Trust Account for Developer Fees to Cover Operating Cash Flow Needs Resulting from the Delay in Receiving RT’s 5337 and 5309 Federal Operating Funds (Brookshire)

ACTION: APPROVED - Director MacGlashan moved; Director Schenirer seconded approval of the consent calendar as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Cohn, Hansen, and Pannell.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

8. General Manager's Report
 - a. Government Affairs Update
 - b. RT Meeting Calendar

Mike Wiley verbalized his written report. Mr. Wiley noted that during October, which was "Ride with the General Manager" month, he rode most of the system. Mr. Wiley thanked Director Nottoli for coming out and riding with him on October 30th.

Director Nottoli noted that his trip was refreshing and many of the riders recognized Mike Wiley because his picture was up in the bus. Director Nottoli observed the operators being very courteous, and took their time with passengers and their requests.

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING

NEW BUSINESS

9. Resolution: Adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration for Modifications to the Blue Line to Cosumnes River College Light Rail Extension Project and an Addendum to the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan for the Project (Scofield)

Ed Scofield provided a review of the subject materials and noted that two letters and one e-mail response had been received. The Board and public were provided with Attachment 2 which was a copy of the letters and e-mail, and the responses to those communications.

Director Budge requested that the Board be provided with the current zoning depiction of the old California Highway Patrol property. Luke Evans, from AECOM, stated that he would provide that information to the Board.

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Budge moved; Director Miller seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Cohn, Hansen, and Pannell.

10. Motion: Receive and File the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Reports on Compliance and Internal Controls as required by OMB Circular A-133 and the Transportation Development Act, the Report to the Board of Directors for the Fiscal

Year Ended June 30, 2013, and Designate ~~\$3,022,914~~ \$2,658,910 as the Reserve for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013 (Bernegger)

Brent Bernegger reviewed a portion of the subject matter and noted that the issue paper, and Attachments 1 and 2 had been revised which were provided to the Board and the public. Mr. Bernegger introduced Peggy Van de Vooren - Gilbert and Associates who noted that had no audit adjustments for the June 30, 2013. Gilbert and Associates issued a clean unmodified opinion, and had no materials weaknesses or significant deficiencies or issues to bring to the Board's attention.

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Budge moved; Director Nottoli seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Cohn, Hansen, and Pannell.

11. Information: Update on the Regional Connect Smart Card Project (Mattos)

Mike Mattos provided an update on the Regional "Connect Card" project, which included showing a marketing video. Mr. Mattos introduced Robert McCrary, Project Manager and Lacey Symons-Holtzen, Assistant Project Manager from SACOG, and Thomas Schaich from INIT, Project Manager from the Smart Card provider. Mr. Mattos also demonstrated the use of the "Connect Card" with actual devices he displayed at the meeting, showing how each worked.

Director Nottoli asked whether some of the smaller transit providers had been given an opportunity to join the consortium. Robert McCrary indicated that SACOG had reached out to all transit properties in the region through the Transit Coordinating Committee at SACOG, and at the time, South County Link was going through transition and chose not to take on the project at that time.

Director MacGlashan asked about the possibilities of using Smart phones in the future with some sort of application that may be used to connect with the "Connect Card". Mike Mattos indicated that staff was working on a phone based fare system as a supplement to the card.

Director Miller asked whether the Capitol Corridor would join this consortium. Mike Mattos indicated that, in the future, staff will start communicating with Amtrak.

Mike Wiley indicated that RT staff built the specifications to give a tremendous amount of flexibility in the future with respect to fare structure and fare pricing. The system is designed to accommodate almost everything RT could imagine for the future. RT is envisioning in the future, the possibility of some form of distance or time based fares. RT's future fare structure may require/encourage a passenger to "tap on" and potentially "tap off", so having these installed at all of the rail stations in multiple locations will be important. Buses will be installed with two devices - one at the front door and one at the rear door. One of RT's goals is to drive as many people as possible from the cash payment system to an electronic payment system in hopes of better

control/accuracy, reducing counterfeit passes/tickets, and reducing our cash handling costs. RT and SACOG staffs are working to developing a comprehensive marketing program to inform customers of the new upcoming program.

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

ACTION: NONE - Oral Presentation by Mike Mattos.

12. Information: Review the Strategy for Updating the RT Strategic and TransitAction Plans (Covington)

RoseMary Covington provided an overview of how staff plans to implement the updates to the TransitAction plan and to RT's Strategic Vision and Goals. Both plans now are aged in terms of planning documents. It is now time to relook and update them to be consistent with what is happening in the world today, and make projections for the future that have been affected by the recession. Ms. Covington noted that RT is not doing the Strategic Plan or TransitAction plan over. Many pieces of legislation have passed, MAP 21 for example make changes to the terms of planning projects, New Starts, safety, performance measures, and asset management. Other cities/jurisdictions general plans have been or will be updated in the future. RT's schedule is to look at each plan separately with the Strategic Plan being first, starting this month. Staff expects to have two Board workshops before adoption of the Strategic Plan. The second step will be to update the TransitAction Plan once staff is finished with the update of the Strategic Plan. Staff will review the recommendations with the community and local jurisdictions to see what things may have changed. Staff also expects to hold Board workshops to get during this period relative to needed changes in the TransitAction Plan.

Director Schenirer requested that a work plan and timeline be provided to the Board members for each of the project updates (Strategic Plan and TransitAction Plan).

Director Schenirer asked how the updates to the Board engage with the potential of getting something on the ballot. Mike Wiley noted that staff is working closely with the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) in assessing the potential of moving forward with a ballot measure as early as November 2014. The work done so far is an initial poll, and the results of that poll were provided to the STA Board last Thursday. Further assessment and public outreach will occur based on the STA Board direction. This fits into RT's process relatively well in that RT would ultimately adopt a new Strategic Plan and goals by the spring, and then update the TransitAction Plan by December 2014. Most of the work will be completed prior to that, and if there is a movement to go forward as early as next November, it would be well developed. If there is direction to move forward further down the road in terms of going back to the voters, obviously all of this works well with that.

Director Budge indicated her personal disappointment with updating the plans, noting that is not a look at how we ever provide sustainable service or how we ever serve parts of the County, certainly the majority of Rancho Cordova, which is not on some main

cluster of bus lines. Only some of the strategic goals address either sustainability or true wide-spread service delivery. Service delivery will not change as long as RT does the same old things, just updating plans, talking about SWOT analysis, and those kinds of things. Director Budge stated that she is not comfortable that this limited analysis that is being proposed is going to change anything about the way in which bus service is delivered in Sacramento County. She wants RT to reach out further.

Director Nottoli noted that RT might be able to take advantage of additional service delivery given additional resources.

Mike Wiley noted that the work plan staff is laying out provides for the initial assessment and for RT to get more feedback in detail as to where additional focus may be necessary. Staff is not suggesting that we are going to “rubber stamp” the existing plans. Staff is suggesting that we spend time to really identify with the Board’s and communities input where RT needs to provide additional focus, and try to be more strategic at that focus. As we get through the process, and it requires more involvement/time/resources to go into those with more detail, then that is what Staff will do. RT needs to have that initial assessment to help guide staff in terms of what level of detail we need beyond that.

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

ACTION: NONE - Oral Presentation by RoseMary Covington.

REPORTS, IDEAS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

13. Sacramento-Placerville Transportation Corridor JPA (Oral Presentation) - November 4, 2013 (Budge)

Director Budge indicated that two members (herself and the representative from El Dorado County) and one alternate (Director MacGlashan) of the JPA attended the meeting. The Chair of the JPA was not able to attend and the other members present appointed Director MacGlashan to be Chair. The big issue is still trying to figure out the dynamic and the relationship between trails along this corridor, excursion rail, equestrians, bicyclist, pedestrians, etc. El Dorado’s transportation commission has received a handsome Caltrans grant to study the corridor. The JPA members were only able to psychology focus on the steps that the JPA staff had outlined in terms of how the JPA would analyze the corridor for these combined uses. It took the members 3 motions to get 3 votes to continue the item, and allow the JPA staff to bring back a recommendation on how to combine the little bit of money the JPA was proposing to spend with the grant from El Dorado County, and make sure that everyone’s dollars would be used wisely, and that there was no duplication of planning or investigation.

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Note* This item was moved forward on the agenda earlier in the evening; however a member of public arrived after the item had been heard. The Chair allowed the speaker to talk at this time.

Speaker: Paul Tsamtsis - Representing the Washington Park neighborhood area. He is representing representatives in/around Washington Park which is the area at 16th & F Streets. Twenty years ago, the neighborhood area went through a traffic plan process. The traffic plan worked well. Before the traffic plan and the decade before, on the streets that the plan included, there was a traffic fatality of some sort about 18 months on average. In the 15 or so years the plan has been in place, there has been only one fatality. Part of the plan involves a traffic diverter at 16th & F which was made so a bus could get through. The diverter was supposed to be temporary. The neighborhood has received a commitment from the City to make the diverter permanent. The neighborhood would like to work with RT operations to see if they can convince RT to go (when coming west on F Street) around that block and rejoin the route at 18th Street. Currently cars go speeding through the diverter; there is a school in that location and people (not RT) come barreling through the half-diverter. Councilmember Hansen asked Mr. Tsamtsis to come and talk to the Board to make this request.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ADJOURN

*Handout

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

PATRICK HUME, Chair

A T T E S T:

MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary

By: _____
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary