# SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS BOARD MEETING September 23, 2013

**ROLL CALL**: Roll Call was taken at 6:01 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Cohn, Hansen, MacGlashan, Miller, Morin, Nottoli, Pannell, Schenirer, Serna, and Chair Hume.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Motion: Action Summary Board Meeting of September 9, 2013
- 2. Resolution: Award of a Contract with Thompson Coburn LLP for Legal Services for Litigation of the Section 13(c) Issue (Behrens)
- 3. Resolution: Authorizing the General Manager/CEO to Execute a Termination Agreement with Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority for the RT Sublease of Light Rail Equipment (Brookshire)
- 4. Resolution: Authorizing the Release of the Invitation to Bid for Printing of Bus and Light Rail Pocket Timetables (Selenis)
- Resolution: Authorizing Travel Outside the United States for Gottfried Diringer, Transportation Supervisor and Trainer, to Attend the APTA International Rail Rodeo Committee Meeting in Montreal, Canada, October 16 - 29, 2013 (Barnhart)
- 6. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Execute A 90 Day Credit Extension: Note: Modification and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Existing Short Term Note with Wells Fargo Bank in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$25.0 Million with an Effective Date On or After October 1, 2013 and a Final Maturity Date of December 28, 2013 (Brookshire)

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Pannell moved; Director Hansen seconded approval of the consent calendar as written. Motion was carried by voice vote.

#### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

- 7. General Manager's Report
  - a. Government Affairs Update
  - b. Individualized Paratransit Access Update
  - c. Monthly Performance Report (August 2013)
  - d. RT Meeting Calendar

Mike Wiley verbalized his written report.

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

### **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

8. Information: Update on Regional Transit's Advertising Campaign (Masui)

Director Budge suggested that RT staff add radio station 1140 to the advertising campaign.

Director Hansen asked what plans RT has going forward. Alane Masui and Mike Wiley indicated that RT plans to use more social media.

Chair Hume asked staff to try and find a sexier term for "light rail" which will be a catchy name for the whole system. Alane Masui committed to working on that project and providing an update to the Board.

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

ACTION: NONE - Alane Masui introduced 3fold President, Gordon Fowler. Mr. Fowler and Darcey B. Self provided a power point presentation on the advertising campaign that RT has been running since September 3<sup>rd</sup> and will continue to run through October 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### REPORTS, IDEAS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

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

#### Speakers:

Mike Barnbaum - As part of "Here We Ride's" campaign to make others aware of the entertainment sports complex and the transit component in Senate Bill 743 (Steinberg), Here We Ride is going to be busy in October (Try Transit Month) attending unmet transit needs hearings throughout the region.

Mary Sutton - Ms. Sutton was upset because she received an unscheduled visit from a County social worker from Adult Protective Services. Ms. Sutton does not understand why Adult Protective Services was there to visit her because she only wants assistance

with transportation.

Chair Hume expressed to Ms. Sutton that her current living situation is not compatible with Paratransit's policy, and that she needs to change her situation, or something needs to happen that makes her situation work. RT contacted the Department of Human Assistance to provide assistance or advice on how to help Ms. Sutton with her transportation needs. Chair Hume recommended that Ms. Sutton contact the social worker to get assistance/advice.

Chair Hansen reiterated that Paratransit operators cannot leave their vehicles unattended to escort any passengers to their ultimate desired location. He also suggested that Ms. Sutton may need to move to a place that makes transit available to her.

Director Nottoli wanted to know if there was anything that can be done by providing a spotter when Ms. Sutton attends necessary appointments (doctor appointments), not social appointments. Director Nottoli suggested that Ms. Sutton work with the County social worker and her apartment manager to help with her transportation needs.

Mike Wiley summarized the events surrounding Ms. Sutton's complaint. It started when Ms. Sutton moved from one location to her current location that required Paratransit operators to violate the rules and procedures that they were directed follow. What RT has been doing since this was first reported to us, to avoid any further violation of those rules and procedures, is that RT has been dispatching her trips through cab services. Contrary to what Ms. Sutton says, that cab service is provided through RT's contract with Paratransit, and Paratransit contracts with a cab company to provide those services. RT has been paying for those costs and that special treatment she has been receiving beyond the rules that everyone else must comply with. RT has been working with any agency we can find to provide additional support for Ms. Sutton. We have provided mobility training, contacted people in her apartment complex, etc. Recently RT contacted the Sacramento County Department of Human Assistance (DHA). DHA followed their own procedures and contacted the Adult Protective Services to reach out to Ms. Sutton.

Director Serna suggested that Ms. Sutton work with a County social worker because that source has not been fully exhausted yet.

Ms. Sutton's friend, Donna Hughes who was in attendance, volunteered to be the gobetween/mediator for Ms. Sutton and the social worker. She has been taking Ms. Sutton to most of her activities/appointments, but has recently taken on a part time job which limits the amount of time she can assist Ms. Sutton.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

#### RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

# **CLOSED SESSION**

# **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

By:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary

## **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

## <u>ADJOURN</u>

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.	
	PATRICK HUME, Chair
ATTEST:	
MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary	