



- b. Cap to Cap 2014 Update
- c. Fix 50 Update
- d. Sacramento Republic Transit Service Update
- e. Peer Review Update
- f. International Bus Roadeo
- g. Complaint Investigation Update
- h. RT Meeting Calendar

Mike Wiley introduced Mark Watts to provide a summary of efforts relative to Cap and Trade under the Government Affairs Update for the State. Mr. Watts recounted the Governor's budget and Senator Steinberg's proposed legislation.

The Governor's original proposal was to spend \$800 million in the 14/15 budget year; \$100 million was money the Governor recaptured from what he had loaned into the State General Fund last year. The areas that affected transportation/transit were in sustainable communities and clean transportation programs; specifically proposing \$300 million with \$250 million dedicated to high speed rail; \$50 million for rail modernization for existing rail services; \$100 million to be invested into the sustainable communities strategy.

Senator Steinberg proposed a carbon tax which was intended to provide a resource to assist middle/low income motorists (tax filers) to minimize the hit when the fuels transportation Cap and Trade kicks in in 2015. This proposal received opposition Senator Steinberg came back with a comprehensive structure for Cap and Trade, embracing the Governor's proposal and set in motion for the 15/16 budget. This formula based proposal would dedicate 40% to affordable housing and sustainable communities; 30% to transit; 20% to high speed rail; and 10% to Caltrans for complete streets. Within the transit allocation, a third would be dedicated to additional connectivity for rail, and an equal amount for transit passes. A net for transit (on a \$3 billion program) would be \$900 million.

The Governor's May revision has not been released to date. The belief is that the revenues will be larger than \$750 million + \$100 million carryover.

Chair Serna indicated that under SB 535 there is a mandate that 25% must benefit projects, and 10% has to be spent in disadvantaged communities.

Mr. Wiley noted that in order to fund improved or expanded service, RT has to have an on-going flow of revenue to pay for the on-going operating costs. RT has to show a clear demonstration that it has a committed and secure operating source to pay for the operating costs.

Mr. Wiley indicated that the California Transit Association Executive Committee voted to endorse a proposed program that includes a set aside for intercity rail as part of the transit piece.

Mr. Watts noted that Senator Bell has been trying to develop a program that lists projects similar to the TCRP.

Alane Masui indicated that she and Jeff Damon represented RT on this year's Cap to Cap trip. Of the 300 delegates, 45 served on the transportation team including Chair Serna and Director Budge. RT helped to produce a brochure that highlighted the County's 19 priority projects as well as the TIGER applications/recommendations.

Mr. Wiley indicated that there has been an increase in ridership on rail, about 6%, more on the Gold Line than the Blue Line due to the Fix 50 project. Bus ridership does not seem to be impacted much. Mr. Wiley believes that when the Fix 50 project moves to the west bound side of the freeway, RT will see more activity on the buses and trains.

Mr. Wiley noted that RT had packed trains to/from the Sacramento Republic games. Total boardings on game days showed 2,000- 3,000 boardings on those two Saturdays, which represents a 10 – 15% increase in Saturday ridership. The biggest issue RT had was making sure that fare revenue was collected. To overcome customers not paying fares, RT set up tables at the event and presold return trip tickets to customers as they went into the stadium, thus avoiding long lines at the fare vending machines.

Mark Lonergan noted that APTA staff will be participating in the Security Peer Review Panel. Mr. Lonergan noted that the Peer Review report will be disseminated for public comment. Director MacGlashan suggested a "hybrid" type meeting where the agenda includes only a consent calendar, and then have the Peer Review presented as a workshop format at a regular meeting. Director Budge volunteered Rancho Cordova City Hall as a location that RT could hold a meeting, and believes that RT's headquarters is the best place to hold the meeting during a regularly scheduled Board meeting. Director Budge volunteered to sit on a Peer Review Panel if RT decides to have an Ad Hoc Committee. Director Nottoli suggested that two or three meetings be "on the road", one North/South of the river, or the main legs of our current light rail system using a Board committee for a couple of the meetings, or listening sessions allowing the Peer Review Panel to talk to our customers.

Director Budge asked Mike Wiley to bring back a proposal for providing the Security report to the public and the RT Board. Mark Lonergan indicated that these public meetings may happen in late August, September or even later.

Mark Lonergan reported on the International Bus Rodeo in Kansas City. RT's Maintenance Team placed 15<sup>th</sup> out of 32 teams. RT's Operator was 45<sup>th</sup> out of 53 operators in the 40 foot bus category.

Mr. Wiley reviewed the rest of the GM's written report.

Speaker: Thomas Huddle – Mr. Huddle asked staff to provide additional/extended  
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service when the Sacramento Republic moves to Cal Expo.

Director Nottoli would like to see if RT can work with the Republic Football Club to include, in the purchase of a ticket, the fare to ride RT to and from the event, or something similar. Mr. Wiley noted that he has already started a discussion with the Republic Football Club to work something out similar to Director Nottoli's suggestion.

## **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

8. Proposed FY 2015 Budget (Tyler)
  - A. Accept Public Comment on the Proposed FY 2015 Budget; and
  - B. Motion: To Continue the Public Hearing to June 23, 2014

Les Tyler reviewed the changes to the Operating budget document since it was put out to the public for review on April 14, 2014. No changes were made to the capital budget.

Director Nottoli inquired as to what level of service expansion is included in this budget. Mike Wiley indicated that the South Line was the only expansion of service included in this budget.

Speakers: Rick Hodgkins                      Mike Barnbaum

A court reporter was in attendance and took verbatim comments from the speakers and Board members.

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

## **NEW BUSINESS**

9. Resolution: Approving Sacramento Regional Transit District's Title VI Program Update (Drake)

Director Budge inquired as to the usage of the language and public participation plan. James Drake explained the process that yielded the five non-English languages that were used.

Speaker: Jeffery Tardaguila

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

10. Information: Update on the Entertainment Sports Complex (ESC) and RT's Efforts (Canfield)\*

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum Jeffery Tardaguila\*

Ms. Canfield noted that in recent months the focus of their conversations with the ESC group has centered around construction, detours and impacts. Ms. Canfield noted that the two bus stops on L street, between 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> street are the two stops that are being proposed to be closed down with the construction of the project. Ms. Canfield reviewed the proposal for relocation of the stops during construction and beyond.

Director Cohn asked staff to change the map to include the new bus stop in a different color. He also reminded staff that approximately one year after the ESC opens that the Streetcar should be operational.

Director Budge inquired as to why the estimated average fare was so low. Mike Wiley explained that the average being used is a combination of the number of different fares on the system, and that staff provided a conservative estimate.

**ACTION: NONE – Oral Presentation by Traci Canfield.**

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

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

Speakers:

Rick Hodgkins – Mr. Hodgkins indicated that he is unable to read the bus stop sign number unless it is in braille. He noted that someone had told him that some of the signs had been stolen and damaged. He suggested that RT place audible equipment at the stations and bus stop signs. Mr. Hodgkins plans to attend the City Council meeting next week and wanted to know how late he could stay to be able to take Paratransit home. Mr. Hodgkins attends Raging Waters every year and, for health reasons, stays until the Carnival closes, and wants to know how late Paratransit runs during the State Fair. Mr. Hodgkins noted that he was told that the Route 21 was meeting performance standards. His biggest fear is that Route 21 will never receive any attention until the Entertainment Sport Complex closed up.

Jeffery Tardaguila – Mr. Tardaguila noted the bad traffic at Howe and Fair Oaks after 3:00 p.m. Mr. Tardaguila is hoping that the RT Board will find the appropriate entity to address a realignment or put in a program to allow the lights to have a better traffic flow from Arden/Hurley down to below the freeway. Mr. Tardaguila noted that there is a vendor (Amtrak Station) that posts a number of “your buses” and noted that the schedules are displayed there. Mr. Tardaguila would like a connection to Folsom from Sunrise.

**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 8:02 p.m.

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PHILLIP R. SERNA, Chair

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MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary

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