

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING
September 28, 2015**

ROLL CALL: Roll Call was taken at 5:58 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Hansen, Harris, Hume, Jennings, MacGlashan, Miller, Morin, Nottoli, Serna and Chair Schenirer.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of September 14, 2015
2. Resolution: Awarding a Contract to DeAngelo Brothers, LLC for Weed Abatement Services (Cain)
3. Resolution: Approving the Second Amendment to the Contract for On-Call Trane Chiller Repair and Preventive Maintenance with Johnson Controls (Cain)
4. Resolution: Approving a Memorandum of Agreement between Sacramento Regional Transit District and Administrative Employees' Association for the Term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2019 (Hearns)
5. Resolution: Amending Exhibit A of Resolution No. 15-07-0085 and Approving New Job Descriptions and the District's Authorized Classifications, Positions and Salary Grades (Bonnell)

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

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

6. General Manager's Report
 - a. Government Affairs Update
 - b. System-Wide Improvement Initiatives (Ham)
 - c. RT Meeting Calendar

Mike Wiley noted that he had the opportunity to go to Washington DC with 6 members of the California Transit Association (CTA). Over one day and a half, he attended 21 meetings, and made contacts on behalf of CTA and advocated for state wide improvements at a higher level with state wide focus for transit. With respect to the expiring transportation authorization, the word that he got most frequently was to expect an extension.

At the State level, the Governor today signed AB 422 (the line of credit bill) and AB 738 (which allows for negotiation and activation of jurisdictions) and are effective as of January 1, 2016. Additionally, the Governor signed AB 906 (legislation relating to Elk Grove).

Director Budge inquired as to why the Rancho Cordovan public hearing is being held at RT instead of in Rancho Cordova. Mike Wiley indicated that he would look into the matter.

Laura Ham provided some information on the System-wide Initiative Plan. Ms. Ham noted that RT has executed an agreement with the Downtown Sacramento Partnership for stop and station cleaning in the Downtown area. Additionally, Los Rios students approved the new fare structure (96% in favor) and the Board of Regents of Los Rios is expected to hear the item in October. Staff will be coming back to the Board with a Title VI and Environmental Justice Analysis at the end of 2015 for implementation of the new program. Staff will be coming to the Board to authorize release of proposals for the real estate broker contract within 60 days. This contract will assist staff in evaluating properties with transit oriented development (TOD) potential. The broker will assist staff with an update, if necessary of the TOD program and staff will work with the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) with support from Portland State University to look at other ways to activate the properties. The draft System-wide Initiative document will be revised to adopt changes from that collaboration. Ms. Ham noted that staff will be coming back to the Board on October 12th with fiscal responsibility policies (an important piece in the revenue enhancement effort). With assistance from Doug Carter, there has been extensive work with staff on a number of policies. Also, in partnership with Del Paso Boulevard Partnership, RT will be offering Wi-Fi in light rail stations along the Del Paso corridor (especially Arden and Glove, and potentially Royal Oaks).

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING

NEW BUSINESS

7. Resolution: Approving a California Department of Motor Vehicle Driver's License or Identification Card with a City of Elk Grove Address as Fare Equivalent to Ride Free on RT Light Rail Trains and Fixed-Route Buses on Elk Grove Free Ride Day (Masui)

Chair Schenirer encourage the Board members to take advantage of this opportunity and ride with Elk Grove citizens.

Director Jennings prefers a later date in October so that marketing can spread the word to the residents about the Elk Grove free ride day.

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Hume moved; Director Jennings seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote.

8. Information: 7th Street Light Rail Stations, Downtown Sacramento Development and Service to the Golden 1 Center (Wiley)

Mike Wiley reminded the Board that in July 2015 staff provided a comprehensive report on the developing service plan regarding RT's future service to serve the new arena in approximately 1 year. At the time, staff talked about options available with regard to the various stations in/around the Arena site. Staff identified that the 7th & K Street station (7th & K) had some operational and space issues, some limitations with its current function and the way it is configured; however, the service plan had some flexibility with respect to how RT provided service in that area. Mr. Wiley indicated that this proposed action is not being driven by the property owners. When trains, longer than a two car consist, stop at 7th & K, they wrap around the corner and the station has a narrow sidewalk. 7th Street in that location slopes downhill from K to L Street and creates challenges for boarding large volumes of people. A four car train traveling on the Gold Line that pulls into 7th & K will completely block K Street. Mr. Wiley indicated that the direction staff is advocating is to relocate light rail from K to H Street, and dedicate K Street to the Streetcar.

Laura Ham explained the four options: 1) leave 7th & K in its current configuration and attempt to mitigate the issues associated with the sidewalk, the curve and crowd control as 7th Street will be closed during major events and boarding trains could be allowed from both sides of a 3 car train with service more frequently; 2) move the station boarding area north of its existing location on 7th Street – this may conflict with planned development at 7th and J or 7th & L, but would be ideally situated with the alignment plan for H Street. This needs to be explored further, and no funding has been identified for this approach; 3) close 7th & K entirely and direct passengers to 7th & Capitol. Staff is planning significant upgrades to 7th & Capitol to accommodate most passengers. Cost to close this station are estimated between \$140,000 – \$170,000; or 4) close 7th & K for major events only and direct passengers to the 7th & Capitol.

Speakers:	Pamela Santich	Barbara Stanton	Jeffery Tardaguila
	Rick Hodgkins	Mike Barnbaum	

Director Hansen suggested that staff survey the riders that use the 7th & K Station to find out what they think. Additionally, he mentioned that it might be feasible to bypass this station.

Director Serna expressed his concern about safety if the walking distance is increased from the Arena, particularly for persons with disabilities. Mike Wiley indicated that staff is developing a pedestrian mobility plan for all pedestrians.

Director Budge indicated that the area needs to be well lighted and broad.

Director Morin noted that in the interest in moving a lot of people the use of 3 car trains concern him. He would not be supportive of any idea that supports use of 3 car trains.

Director MacGlashan indicated that her least objectionable thought would be to skip the station on game night.

Director Miller expressed his concern about the movement of the trains even if a station is not located in that area.

ACTION: None

9. Resolution: Approving an Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and a Revolving Line of Credit Facility Note with US Bank National Association for \$29 Million with a Final Maturity Date of September 30, 2016 (Bernegger)

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Hume moved; Director Miller seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote.

REPORTS, IDEAS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

10. Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority Meeting Summary – September 16, 2015 (Jennings/Miller)

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum – spoke on both items 10 & 11 at this time.

No additional comments were provided.

11. San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (JPA) Meeting – September 18, 2015 – Oral Report by Director Hume

Director Hume noted that the JPA Board was unable to approve the 2015/16 Operating Budget with Amtrak. Amtrak was unable to provide the numbers for the impact of removing the refurbished trains from service, and the item will probably be heard at its next meeting (October 23). The positive train control (PTC) implementation is not going well – there are a lot of issues with the system that would allow overriding of locomotives to ensure higher safety if the train is going too fast into a turn. Lacking congressional action, starting January 1, 2016, any rail carrying hazardous material, and all commuter and passenger rail will be in violation of federal law. The California Operation Lifesaver activities, tag line is “See tracks, Think train”, was introduced. Additionally, staff provided a report on the August public hearing in Modesto from the Assembly Select Committee.

Mike Wiley indicated that RT implemented a “See track, Think train” campaign over a September 28, 2015 Action Summary

year ago.

PUBLIC ADDRESSES THE BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Speaker: Jeffery Tardaguila – Mr. Tardaguila invited the Board members to visit the Arden/Del Paso light rail station and look at its status. Mr. Tardaguila indicated there are tiles missing and the handicap/disability tiles are broken. He is hoping the Plexiglas has been replaced on the signage. Mr. Tardaguila indicated that on Monday, September 21 he was trying to get to Arden for a birthday party, and at 4:00 p.m. the Route 23 was delayed. He called Customer Service and they did not know why the Route 23 was delayed. He indicated that he later found out that because of the 100 degree temperature a bus motor had died, so there were two Route 23s at Fair Oaks and Garfield coming. He waited for an hour just to get to Arden Fair Mall.

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 7:10 p.m.

JAY SCHENIRER, Chair

A T T E S T:

MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary

By: _____
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary