

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING
November 13, 2017**

ROLL CALL: Roll Call was taken at 5:31 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Hansen, Harris, Hume, Kennedy, Miller, Schenirer, Serna and Chair Morin. Directors Jennings and Nottoli arrived at 5:39 and 5:53 respectively.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NOTE: Chair Morin moved; Director Schenirer seconded a motion to reorder the agenda to hear Items 12, 13 and the Consent Calendar before Public Addresses the Board. Motion was carried unanimously by voice vote. Absent: Directors Jennings and Nottoli.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of October 23, 2017
2. Resolution: Approving the First Amendment to the Agreement with the County of Sacramento for Sheriff Deputy Services (L. Hinz)
3. Resolution: Adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Dos Rios Light Rail Station Project (D. Abansado/N. Nance)
4. Resolution: Amending Exhibit A of Resolution No. 17-06-0086, and Approving the New Job Description of Senior Grants Writer (D. Bonnel/B. Bernegger)
5. Approving a Title VI Fare Equity Analysis for the 90-Minute Ticket on Connect Card, the Daily Best Fare on Connect Card, and the Student Intern Pass (J. Boyle/L. Ham)
 - A. Resolution: Approving a Title VI Fare Equity Analysis for the Daily Best Fare on the Connect Card, Connect Card Fare Ticket (90-Minute Ticket), and the City of Sac Intern ID Badge; and
 - B. Resolution: Amending the Fare Structure (Resolution 09-10-0174) to Add a New "Daily Best Fare" for Connect Card Users and a "Connect Card Fare Ticket" and Authorizing a "City of Sac Intern" ID Badge by SacRT in the Form of a Special Active Connect Card to be Recognized as Fare Equivalent

6. Whether or Not to Approve and Delegate Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Execute the Americans with Disabilities Act Paratransit Services and Lease of Paratransit Buses Agreements (L. Ham)
 - A. Resolution: Approving the Amended and Restated ADA Paratransit Service Agreement with Paratransit, Inc. and Delegating Authority to Execute to the General Manager/CEO; and
 - B. Resolution: Approving the Amended and Restated Lease of Paratransit Buses Agreement with Paratransit, Inc. and Delegating Authority to Execute to the General Manager/CEO
7. Resolution: Adopting the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan for FY 2018 – FY 2022 and Approving the Fourth Amendment to the FY 2018 Capital Budget (D. Goldman/B. Bernegger)
8. Resolution: Approving the License Agreement for Signs with Clear Channel Outdoor (B. Bernegger)

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Budge moved; Director Kennedy seconded approval of the consent calendar as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Jennings and Nottoli.

12. Declaring Arden Way Property Excess to Transit Operations as Surplus (B. Bernegger)
 - A. Resolution: Declaring Property Located at 880, 924, and 936 Arden Way Surplus Property, Excess to Transit Operation; and
 - B. Resolution: Reaffirm Authority to General Manager/CEO to Negotiate and Execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Community Housing Works for the Arden Way Property; or
 - C. Resolution: Rescind Authority of General Manager/CEO and Return with a Purchase and Sale Agreement for Board to Approve

Speakers: Elaine Jackson Jeremy Turner David Plag

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Harris moved; Director Hansen seconded approval of Items A and B and requested that staff provide an informational item under the General Manager's Report when the sale of the property has been finalized. Motion was carried by voice vote.

13. Motion: Continue the Discussion of Whether to Declare 2051 Evergreen Street Surplus Property to the January 8, 2018 Board Meeting (B. Bernegger)

Speakers: David Plag Jane Macway Patty Taylor
 Elaine Jackson* Karen Redman Bernice Creager

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Harris moved; Director Budge seconded approval of item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Director Schenirer.

PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mike Kelly – Mr. Kelly indicated that on September 25 his service animal was attacked by another dog on light rail. Mr. Kelly noted that there are two questions that SacRT employees can ask patrons that bring their “supposed service dog” on the system which are: “Is it a service dog?” and “What task does it perform?” Mr. Kelly wants to make sure that SacRT employees are educated about the questions they are able to ask.

Shannon Dillon – Ms. Dillon also utilizes the assistance of a service animal and indicated that she wants to be able to travel safely on SacRT’s system. Ms. Dillon noted that it is possible that when a service animal is attacked, it may become traumatized so that the animal is unable to provide service in public. Ms. Dillon wants SacRT’s employees to understand that they can ask the 2 questions under the ADA; wants people to understand what tasks are acceptable; would like the Police to be aware of Penal Codes 365.5 and 600.2 which address interference as well as attacks that cause injury or death to a guide dog; and ask that the video be held longer than 3 days. Ms. Dillon requested to be on the agenda for a future Board meeting to continue the conversation.

Margie Donovan – Ms. Donovan indicated that she is a guide dog handler of 36 years also utilizing the assistance of a guide dog. Ms. Donovan indicated that she has been told numerous times by light rail operators that the union prohibits them from asking the 2 legal questions that can be asked. Ms. Donovan requested that the Board agenda this topic. Ms. Donovan indicated that she is aware that there are many fake service animals out in public. Ms. Donovan indicated that SacRT is liable for damages if an incident occurs on the system, noting that emotional support dogs are not service animals. Ms. Donovan indicated that they are allowed in housing and that is a different rule/law, but not allowed in public or on public transportation; most people are passing their pets off as service animals.

Roter Oberholzer – Mr. Oberholzer is also a guide dog user and sees the problem all over; people are afraid to ask the questions. Mr. Oberholzer indicated there are laws and penal codes in place to protect the guide dogs. Mr. Oberholzer would like the video stored longer (90 days or longer) and that service personnel are educated further about the Penal Codes already in place.

Mike Barnbaum – Mr. Barnbaum provided his suggestions for the 2018 Board meeting calendar.

Mrs. Sweatt – Mrs. Sweatt noted that her Connect Card did not work at the 13th Street
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Light Rail Station a while ago. Mrs. Sweatt noted that a “monitor” had her forcibly removed from light rail because her Connect Card did not work. Mrs. Sweatt suggested that SacRT staff riding the light rail should be more courteous, and stated that most of the “guards” have done a good job.

Arthur Ketterling – Mr. Ketterling reported that Paratransit Bus #426 left its door open when loading passengers. He has reported this to Paratransit, Inc. Mr. Ketterling is concerned that a car may hit the door and that SacRT would be liable.

Jeffery Tardaguila – Mr. Tardaguila noted that Item #7 shows a program for Watt/I-80 which has been assigned \$3 million to move the I-80 light rail station. Mr. Tardaguila noted that SacRT is getting rid of the 65th Street light rail station and buses will be moved to the street along with MegaBus. Mr. Tardaguila believes that the Board members do not know what the Mobility Advisory Council does. Mr. Tardaguila wants to know why SacRT is the last one to know about construction in District 4.

Chair Morin requested that Legal Counsel provide the Board with information relative to the guidelines associated with questions that can be asked of patrons riding with animals.

GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

9. General Manager’s Report
 - a. Government Affairs Update and Employee Recognition
 - b. RT Meeting Calendar

Mr. Li introduced 3 employees and presented them with their 20 year and above service certificates: Juan Fernandez, Michael Amaro and Umberto Ghidotti. Mr. Li provided information on SacRT’s upcoming Holiday bus, and the free rides to service members and their families during Veteran’s Day. Mr. Li provided an overview of the 2 conferences he attended with Board Members Morin and Kennedy: American Public Transportation Association’s Annual Meeting and the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce’s Austin Study Mission.

Lt. Hinz provided a security update on her “Adopt a Station” light rail stations: Alkali Flat, Watt/I-80 and Zinfandel. Lt. Hinz noted that the trains are 90-95% staffed with Transit Agents on all trains Monday – Friday (5:30 a.m. – 7 p.m.) and 100% staff after 7:00 p.m. Lt. Hinz summarized her conversation with Mike Kelly regarding the guide dog incident. Lt. Hinz noted that she has been working with Accessible Service and Legal to cover all areas regarding service animals.

Mark Lonergan noted that during some prior testimony a statement was made that there was a union prohibition against asking the service animal questions, and Mr. Lonergan confirmed that there was no prohibition. SacRT’s Transit Officers, Agents, Operators and others are trained to ask the 2 questions regarding service animals.

Director Kennedy noted that he had witnessed the incident of the service animal in September and requested that staff continue to educate our employees on the two questions that can be asked of patrons who ride with animals to verify that the animals are service animals.

Director Jennings requested that staff educate the public on the 7 day rule of keeping SacRT video.

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. Provide Direction on How to Proceed with the Sale of the 65th Street Property (B. Bernegger/D. Solomon)
 - A. Resolution: Reaffirm Delegation of Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement between Sacramento Regional Transit District and Symphony Development for the Sale of the 65th Street Property (APN 015-0010-021) Located in Sacramento, CA; or
 - B. Resolution: Revoking the April 10, 2017 Delegation of Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement between Sacramento Regional Transit District and Symphony Development for the Sale of the 65th Street Property (APN 015-0010-021) Located in Sacramento, CA and Requiring Staff to Bring Back a Final Agreement for Board Approval

Speaker: Stacie Wentling Helen O'Connell Jeffery Tardaguila

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Harris moved; Director Serna seconded approval of Item A with a request to report back on the final sale as an information item under the General Manager's Report. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Hansen and Schenirer.

11. Provide Direction on How to Proceed with the Sale of a Portion of the Power Inn Park and Ride Lot (B. Bernegger)
 - A. Resolution: Reaffirm Delegation of Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement between Sacramento Regional Transit District and Jonathan Sweet for the Sale of a Portion of the Power Inn Park and Ride Lot (APN 079-0310-006-0000) Located in Sacramento, CA; or

- B. Resolution: Revoking the April 10, 2017 Delegation of Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement between Sacramento Regional Transit District and Jonathan Sweet for the Sale of a Portion of the Power Inn Park and Ride Lot (APN 079-0310-006-0000) Located in Sacramento, CA and Requiring Staff to Bring Back a Final Agreement for Board Approval

Director Nottoli questioned the single access to the property and whether someone had spoken to the property owner to see if additional access could be made available. Director Budge indicated that if student housing is built in that location that the Fire Department would require 2 access points.

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Harris moved; Director Jennings seconded approval of Item A with a request to report back on the final sale as an information item under the General Manager's Report. It was suggested by some Board members that SacRT try to acquire, if possible, the sliver of property next to the Park and Ride for access/egress. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Hansen and Schenirer.

PUBLIC HEARING

NEW BUSINESS

REPORTS, IDEAS AND QUESTIONS FROM DIRECTORS, AND COMMUNICATIONS

14. Sacramento-Placerville Joint Powers Authority Meeting – November 6, 2017 (Budge)

No additional comments were provided.

CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (If Necessary)

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 7:44 p.m.

ANDREW J. MORIN, Chair

A T T E S T:

HENRY LI, Secretary

By: _____
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary