

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
BOARD MEETING  
September 25, 2017**

**ROLL CALL:** Roll Call was taken at 5:31 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Hume, Jennings, Kennedy, Miller, and Chair Morin. Director Nottoli arrived at 5:35 p.m.; Director Hansen arrived at 5:37 p.m.; and Director Harris arrived at 6:16 p.m. Absent: Directors Schenirer and Serna.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

Speakers:

Jeffery Tardaguila – Mr. Tardaguila believes SacRT's has better communication with the use of the new mobile app; thanked SacRT for using bus stop numbers so that people can figure out when a bus stop is closed; believes SacRT has not figured out how to abbreviate downtown on the electronic bulletin boards; is concerned that a comprehensive route optimization study cannot be done in 1 year including the evaluation of bus stops; appreciates the communication with the Resident Advisory Board on how to use the Connect Card; and wanted to know if Mr. Carter's contract will end in 2018 or if the Board is going to extend it for labor negotiations.

Rick Hodgkins – Mr. Hodgkins indicated there are two Connect Card terminals that are close together on the platform at Watt/I-80 station, and would like to see four terminals at that station; indicated that he figured out that he had to swipe on and off; indicated a communication problem with an operator (on Route 24) who told him that he was responsible for knowing when he had to get off, and that is was not the operator's responsibility.

Robert Coplin – Mr. Coplin thanked SacRT staff for fixing the water fountain next to the restrooms; suggested that staff ask the non-riding public why they do not ride; noted that riding two hours to get to his destination is unacceptable; wants a better bus system in Sacramento County; wants apps in other languages beside English, and suggested that SacRT pass this information on to SACOG; and noted that he rode Route 30 last Saturday and the operator was rude.

Mike Barnbaum – Mr. Barnbaum summarized the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJPA) meeting of September 22, noting a new operating agreement for the SJJPA and Amtrak starting October 1, 2017; a marketing contract for the SJJPA's morning express services; and noted a presentation by a group from Bakersfield who wanted to

see an express skip stop service; and approval of the new seven train round trip schedule taking effect on January 1, 2018.

Helen O'Connell – Ms. O'Connell thanked James Boyle for attending the meeting on Saturday regarding the Route Optimization Study (ROS); and noted that SacTru is looking forward to working with SacRT to create a citizen's committee to meet regularly and work on the ROS.

Arthur Ketterling – Mr. Ketterling wanted to know when the Louis/Orlando bus stop would be completed. David Solomon noted that the City of Roseville had a construction delay, but is anticipating completion in mid-October.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of September 11, 2017
2. Resolution: Approving the Second Amendment to the Irrevocable Offer of Dedication (IOD) for Light Rail Alignment and Station in Order to Accommodate a Proposed Pacific Gas & Electric Easement (B. Bernegger)
3. Delegate Authorization to the General Manager/CEO to Release Documentation for Solicitation of Bids for the Relocation of TPSS A1 and A055RC and Release Request for Proposals for Procurement of Fare Vending Machines and Dynamic Message Signs (B. Bernegger)
  - A. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Release an Invitation to Bid for Traction Power Substation TPSS A1 and Signal Relay Case A055RC Relocations; and
  - B. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Release a Request for Proposals for Purchase and Installation of Fare Vending Machines; and
  - C. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Release a Request for Proposals for Purchase of Dynamic Message Signs; and
  - D. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Release an Invitation to Bid for Installation of Dynamic Message Signs
4. Resolution: Conditionally Declaring the Sacramento Regional Transit District Administrative Complex Excess to Transit Operations as Surplus (B. Bernegger)
5. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Release a Request for Proposals for Redevelopment of SacRT's Administrative Campus and Bus Maintenance Facility and Waiving the Highest Bidder Requirement for

the Sale of Federally Acquired Real Property in Title VII of the RT Administrative Code (D. Abansado/N. Nance)

6. Resolution: Authorizing the Creation of an Employment Category for Limited Term Employees (S. Booth/S. Chan)
7. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO or Designee to Execute Grant Documents with California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) to Receive FY2016-17 Proposition 1B California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGP) California Transit Assistance Funds (CTAF) (B. Bernegger)

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Budge moved; Director Jennings seconded approval of Items 2 and 6 on the consent calendar. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Schenirer, Harris and Serna.**

1. Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of September 11, 2017

Speaker: Brenda Anderson

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

3. Delegate Authorization to the General Manager/CEO to Release Documentation for Solicitation of Bids for the Relocation of TPSS A1 and A055RC and Release Request for Proposals for Procurement of Fare Vending Machines and Dynamic Message Signs (B. Bernegger)

Speaker: Rick Hodgkins      Helen O'Connell      Russell Rawlings  
Brenda Anderson

**ACTION: APPROVED – Chair Morin moved; Director Hume seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Schenirer, Harris and Serna.**

4. Resolution: Conditionally Declaring the Sacramento Regional Transit District Administrative Complex Excess to Transit Operations as Surplus (B. Bernegger)

Speaker: Brenda Anderson (decided not to speak)

**ACTION: APPROVED – Chair Morin moved; Director Jennings seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Noes: Director Budge. Absent: Directors Schenirer, Harris and Serna.**

5. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Release a Request for Proposals for Redevelopment of SacRT's Administrative Campus and Bus Maintenance Facility and Waiving the Highest Bidder Requirement for the Sale of Federally Acquired Real Property in Title VII of the RT Administrative Code (D. Abansado/N. Nance)

Speaker: Steven Bourasa

Director Budge indicated that this was a premature request, and that staff should proceed by using a consultant to acquire knowledge on how other systems use the information from their Route Optimization Studies to determine a location for an administration building.

Director Hansen noted that highest bidder may not be the best value for the community and this process is only exploratory now, and staff should go through this exercise.

Director Nottoli questioned the offering of a stipend for developers (\$25,000) to engage in a planning process. Neil Nance indicated that staff plans to seek proposals to get a first look to see if anything is attractive, then short list the proposers and bring it back to the Board to approve the short list. Once the short list is determined (up to 3 proposers), the proposers would resubmit their proposals with more detail. Director Nottoli noted and Neil Nance confirmed that the \$25,000 would be for the short list proposers, excluding the firm that receives the award of the project.

Mark Lonergan explained that there are developers or a partnership of developers, that may have an interest, that have available properties that may fit SacRT's needs, and are interested in developing this site. It is more than just a realtor looking for space for SacRT; it is the combination of what SacRT's site is worth against what the developer can do at an alternate site. If there are feasible proposals and the developers do the beginning engineering, staff would have an idea of what it would look like with a bus maintenance and administrative facility. Staff will look at the refined proposal and determine whether it meets SacRT's needs.

Director Hansen noted that it would be helpful to have someone with more expertise; balancing a neutral party with a potential partner, and being able to advise staff on the Campus Master Plan. Director Hansen proposed two options: suggested that staff could find a neutral party that could advise SacRT, or SacRT send out an RFP and ask for a developer team(s) to respond.

Director Nottoli would agree with going out to the marketplace to find a neutral party that would be SacRT's advisor, or go out with the RFP. The Board could then decide if they want to spend money with the short listed proposers.

Henry Li noted that the item was put on the agenda to explore the possibilities for the future. The statement about the stipend can be removed from the RFP, staff can proceed with finding a neutral party to help down the road, and then bring the short list to the Board to have discussions about the stipend. Mr. Li indicated that he did not intend to spend

\$75,000, noting that this process is a common industry practice. Mr. Li indicated that this project has been a ten year project in the making. Mr. Li indicated that SacRT's bus facility is the only one in the nation that requires that staff cross a major road to get to the parking lot.

Director Hansen motioned to approve the release of the RFP, set aside the funds for a later date, and have staff bring back to the Board a time line for the process (basically a flow chart for the Board and the public to understand what the next steps) to go forward.

Director Miller noted that this was a reminder when Citrus Heights built their new City Hall, and this decision was the first step in deciding that served its useful purpose.

Director Hansen restated his phased approach – send the RFP out and have staff come back with responses. The Board will then provide a path forward, and determine at that time, if any funds would need to be expended.

**ACTION: APPROVED – Director Hansen moved; Director Miller seconded a motion to approve the release of the RFP, setting aside the determination of the funds for a later discussion, and have staff bring back the responses to the Board to provide a path forward. Motion was carried by voice vote. Noes: Director Budge. Absent: Directors Schenirer and Serna.**

7. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO or Designee to Execute Grant Documents with California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) to Receive FY2016-17 Proposition 1B California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGP) California Transit Assistance Funds (CTAF) (B. Bernegger)

Speaker: Brenda Anderson

**ACTION: APPROVED – Director Hansen moved; Chair Morin seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Schenirer and Serna.**

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

8. General Manager's Report
  - a. Preparation of Golden 1 Center Events
  - b. Districtwide Performance Update
  - c. RT Meeting Calendar

Mr. Li introduced Tiffani Fink, CEO of Paratransit, Inc. Mr. Li noted that Paratransit, Inc. and SacRT have worked collaboratively to improve productivity to better serve the disabled community. The parties have signed a new 5-year Agreement under the terms approved by both entities. Ms. Fink noted that the collaboration will make both

agencies grow and function better for the riders.

Mr. Li noted that during the upcoming Arena events, SacRT will operate 3 - 4 car trains for major events and King's games for 45 minutes after major events. SacRT will again provide customer assistance in the downtown area and at key light rail stations. New for this season will be the implementation of Connect Card and ZipPass. Extra security and cleaning will be provided on board light rail trains and at key downtown stations during major events. The first free ride day is scheduled for Wednesday, October 18 (the first regular home game season day).

Brent Bernegger provided the August monthly financial report. In August, SacRT experienced more revenues than expenses. Fare revenues have a positive 2.1% variance. Supplies are over budget (i.e. the cost to repair the light rail cars because of the age of the equipment and the fare vending machines have been rejecting bills). Farebox recovery is still under last year's numbers. Ridership went up 2.8%.

Speaker: Rick Hodgkins Mike Barnbaum Brenda Anderson

### **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

9. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Award a Contract for Rancho Cordova Instrument House and Substation Wraps (M. Lonergan)

Speaker: Brenda Anderson

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Budge moved; Director Nottoli seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Schenirer and Serna.**

10. Resolution: Approving Amendment No. 1 to Credit Agreement with US Bank National Association for an Extension of the \$29 Million Line of Credit Facility to September 29, 2018 (B. Bernegger)

Speaker: Steven Bourasa

Chair Morin asked staff to provide Mr. Bourasa with the information he is requesting on the accountability of these funds, and provide the Board with a copy of the correspondence.

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

11. Information: Free Rides for Seniors Age 75 and Over (B. Bernegger)

Brent Bernegger provided a historical summary of the Lifetime Pass, and noted that any time there is a request for a fare change or concession; there is a process which must be reviewed which includes looking at regulations and policies. 1) The California Public Utilities Code has a section which governs discounts and states that any discount that is provided to seniors must be equally applied to disable customers; 2) Having a Super Senior or Lifetime Pass does not have an impact on the Federal Transit Administration rules (half-fare rules); 3) Title VI analysis may show that many seniors (75+) who are riding the system would not qualify under the category of low income; 4) the Transportation Development Act dictates the farebox recovery, and offering any fare discounts gets SacRT further away from meeting the farebox recovery rate; 5) SacRT's fiscal sustainability and farebox policies and what impact it would have on these policies; 6) the fiscal impact; and 7) possible ridership gains.

Speakers:	Russell Rawlings	Helen O'Connell	Robert Coplin
	Jeffery Tardaguila	Steven Bourasa	

Director Hansen requested that if and when we go back to find additional funding for SacRT at the ballot, it should include this type of pass in the language of the ballot measure, to make sure that we have the funding to serve the requested group. This would be a policy decision of the SacRT Board, Sacramento Transportation Association or some other entity that puts the measure on the ballot.

**ACTION: Continue to research the subject.**

**REPORTS, IDEAS AND QUESTIONS FROM DIRECTORS, AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Director Hansen noted that Caltrans is working on the Business 80 "bottleneck" noting that buses will get caught in the congestion. Director Hansen would like the Board to consider supporting Caltrans' effort, and be provided with any information related to any delays that SacRT experiences on routes that use that portion of the Business 80 junction.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION** – The Board recessed to Closed Session at 7:29

p.m.

**CLOSED SESSION**

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel  
Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9  
Existing Litigation
- 1) Sonja Wall v. Sacramento Regional Transit District  
Sacramento Superior Court Action No. 34-2016-00188735

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

There was no closed session report.

**ADJOURN**

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

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ANDREW J. MORIN, Chair

A T T E S T:

HENRY LI, Secretary

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