Agenda Item #1

SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS BOARD MEETING July 23, 2018

<u>ROLL CALL</u>: Roll Call was taken at 5:31 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Hansen, Harris, Hume, Jennings, Morin, Nottoli, Schenirer, Slowey and Serna. Absent: Chair Kennedy.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Speakers:

Sara Michael – Ms. Michael suggested that operators wear a shoulder patch with their operator number so that patrons can identify the operator. She was told that the Union will not allow this identifier. Ms. Michael indicated that bullying by employees has spiked, and that occasionally operators make comments to her about the size of her mobility device.

Helen O'Connell – Ms. O'Connell indicated that her mother (82) was refused a life time pass, yet other people have acquired them in the last 3 months.

Madeline Coran – Ms. Coran indicated that on June 22 she had an emotional breakdown, she felt threatened by a female light rail operator who she felt was aggressive. She believes the abuse continues to occur because employees are protected under the law. She believes because she is underserved by Sacramento Human Services, she has many emotional and physical problems.

Mike Barnbaum^{*} – Mr. Barnbaum provided an update on the Solano Express service. Sacramento now has Flixbus, which is similar to Megabus, operating charter service.

Jeffery Tardaguila – Mr. Tardaguila noted that the Route 30 bus stop at 21st & J blocks the new bike path as well as other bus stops on the Route 30. Mr. Tardaguila wishes to meet with Mr. Walker about Route Optimization and increased ridership/content.

Brenda Anderson – Ms. Anderson told the Board that this would be her last meeting as she is moving to Charlotte, North Carolina. She hopes the Board will continue to question staff on their recommendations, and continue to move forward.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of June 11, 2018
- 2. Resolution: Authorizing the General Manager/CEO to Execute Agreements with the California Department of Transportation for Sacramento Regional Transit District's High Capacity Bus Corridor Study for the Capital Region (J. Boyle/L. Ham)
- 3. Resolution: Approving a Sole Source Procurement and Awarding a Contract with Motorola, Inc. for the Purchase and Installation of Mobile Radio Equipment (R. Thorn/M. Lonergan)
- 4. Resolution: Conditionally Awarding the Contract for Project Controls Services for the Streetcar Project to Jacobs Project Management Company (E. Scofield/N. Nance)
- 5. Resolution: Approving the Second Amendment to the Contract with Brower Mechanical for On-Call HVAC Repair and Replacement Services (N. Nance)
- 6. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Release a Request for Proposals, and to Negotiate, Award and Execute a Contract for the Purchase and Installation of a Flatbed, Boom Crane and Related Equipment, with the Bidder Providing the Best Value to SacRT (M. Lonergan)
- 7. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Release a Request for Proposals and Award a Contract for the Use of a Microtransit Scheduling Application (M. Lonergan)
- 8. Resolution: Approving the Project List for Funding Under the Roadway Repair and Accountability Act State of Good Repair Funds for Fiscal Year 2019 (D. Goldman/B. Bernegger)
- 9. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Release an Invitation to Bid and Award a Contract for Environmental Remediation Work at 2220 Cemo Circle to the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder (E. Komar/B. Bernegger)
- 10. Resolution: Repealing Resolution No. 18-04-0026 and Restating Approval of an Easement Agreement (Street Improvements) between the Sacramento-Placerville Transportation Corridor Joint Powers Authority, the Sacramento Regional Transit District and the City of Rancho Cordova (E. Komar/B. Bernegger)

Speaker: Item #2 – Mike Barnbaum Speaker: Item #7 – Jeffery Tardaguila

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

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- 11. General Manager's Report
 - a. Watt/I-80 Elevator Update
 - b. Update on the SacRT Campus Master Plan
 - c. June Financial Update
 - d. SacRT Meeting Calendar

Mr. Li recognized Ms. Brenda Anderson for her dedication to SacRT.

Mr. Li updated the Board on the following:

Evening Service to Folsom - SacRT began operating evening house service on light rail to the Folsom Stations on June 17 which increases transit options to that community.

Electrify America - announced that they will be investing in SacRT as part of their \$44 million investment to make Sacramento a Green City. Electrify America will be purchasing 12 electric buses that will operate from the UC Davis main campus to the UC Davis Medical Center in Sacramento. The express route will operate at 15 minute headways which will include stops in West Sacramento and downtown Sacramento. Electrify America will also fund zero-emission shuttles that will operate as a part of SacRT's SmaRT Ride service. These battery operated buses will serve the Franklin SmaRT Ride service, which launches on July 30. With the assistance of Directors Serna, Hansen, Schenirer (and others), Congresswoman Matsui, and the Sacramento Area Council of Governments, SacRT has been working diligently to purchase other 10 zero emission big buses to implement express service from downtown Sacramento to the airport.

Technology Updates: SacRT recently completed installation of Light Rail Vehicle mobile routes which are a key communication device that enables live video streaming of onboard cameras and GPS location of the vehicles; SacRT has completed the installation of public address systems at all light rail stations.

Wide Open Walls - SacRT will be a participant in Sacramento's Wide Open Walls festival, otherwise known as Sacramento's week long mural festival. The event runs from August 9th through the 19th. The front of SacRT's customer service center will undergo a transformation from a stale concrete wall to color depiction of birds.

Brent Bernegger provided the Board with the preliminary year end FY 18 financial numbers based on a soft close.

Speaker: Jeffery Tardaguila

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

12. Resolution: Approving the Renaming of the Glenn Light Rail Station to the Glenn/Robert Holderness Light Rail Station (A. Morin)

Speakers: Joe Gagliardi Robert Holderness

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Morin moved; Director Budge seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Chair Kennedy.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING

NEW BUSINESS

- 13. Downtown Riverfront Street Governance Documents (M. Lonergan)
 - A. Resolution: Adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Downtown Riverfront Street Project; and
 - B. Resolution: Approving the Downtown Riverfront Streetcar Governance Documents, Consisting of the Subrecipient and Interagency Agreement; Design Procurement and Construction Agreement, and Operations and Maintenance Agreement (M. Lonergan)
- Speaker: Steven Bourasa*

Board members had a number of concerns after Mark Lonergan introduced the item.

Director Nottoli – 1) that SacRT, as the grant recipient, would have to cash flow the operation of the project (where is the protection for SacRT?); 2) would SacRT have to flow the money if there were not sufficient funds from the partners?; 3) what would the maximum exposure to SacRT at any given year, which could be cumulative?; 4) why doesn't SacRT have a seat on the JPA? Director Nottoli would like Directors Hansen and Harris to continue to encourage the JPA to add a seat to the JPA for SacRT.

Melissa Noble explained that the issue surrounds timing because under the subrecipient agreement SacRT has no responsibility to fund the operation of the project. The expectation is that the Joint Powers Authority (JPA) will pay even if there is a funding shortfall, to make up the difference. At the same time, we have a commitment to the Federal Transit Administration and to the State to provide expected revenue service at the expected headways on the service. This is a partnership arrangement and Mr. Lonergan

expects that the JPA will comply with its responsibilities under the subrecipient agreement. Mark Lonergan indicated that the greatest risk is within the first 5 years as the Small Starts Grant Agreement requires SacRT to maintain that level of service. After that time, the JPA can modify that level of service. As a condition of the grant agreement, SacRT would have to continue a higher level of service for a time than there may be funding to support. SacRT has a dispute resolution process in the agreements; however, if they cannot be resolved then legal remedies are an option. The JPA recognizes that SacRT is going out on a limb in being the grant recipients (for federal and state funding), but the risks are more pronounced for the federal side noting that the agreements have been written to protect SacRT. Mark Lonergan indicated that the worst case scenario would be that the JPA stop funding any aspect of the operations for a time, and that would be projected at \$5.9 million a year. Director Hansen tried to get SacRT represented on the JPA; however, there was not a successful vote, as it is a balance between the Cities (Sacramento and West Sacramento). Director Hansen noted that the JPA sees Directors Harris and Hansen, who serve on the JPA, as representative of SacRT, even though they sit in a dual capacity to the City.

Director Budge asked staff to address the discrepancy of the HDR study funding projections and the funding projections addressed in the staff report.

Mark Lonergan noted that SacRT's estimate was confirmed by HDR and HDR supported it estimate. The estimate is over a year old now and has aged. The elements that make up the funding sources provided to FTA are fairly firm. The Cities estimates are good numbers; the estimate for advertising and fare revenue has some degree of question; and there are other competitive sources (CMAQ, etc.). The funding plan is a responsibility of the Cities.

Director Hume hopes that someday SacRT does not regret not investing \$200+ million into emerging technology with respect to people movement. There is an economic driver component to the Streetcar project. Director Hume indicated that SacRT should be "divorced" from the financial responsibility of the project. Director Hume noted that during the construction and operational phases, there is a possibility of risk which, in public perception, is going to be awful if SacRT has to cut/suspend service, or go into debt in order to "bankroll" this project before going into litigation. He is also concerned about bank rolling the project, and that SacRT is accountable to FTA without the oversight locally. As a SacRT Board member, he cannot support the governance structure as it is today, but will support the Mitigated Negative Declaration. He would like to see both City of Sacramento members be SacRT Board members.

Director Schenirer noted that the Cities are making a significant investment, neither City wants to see the project fail, and the City of Sacramento considers this as a vital piece of the renaissance of downtown connecting both cities across the river, and complementary to that, are the electric buses going to Davis and the UC Davis Medical Center.

Mr. Li noted that the business community owners are stepping up and expressed that they can boost the advertising revenue for the project. Mr. Li has continually asked why SacRT July 23, 2018 Action Summary Page 5 of 7

cannot have more seats on the JPA Board, and the one answer that he needed to recognize was because of the utility franchise rights. If SacRT is a major partner in the JPA Board, then the utility companies will not waive the franchise rights which will cost more than \$12 million. Once the SSGA is signed, he will pursue trying to get (permanently) the two City of Sacramento representatives to always be SacRT Board members, name the fifth member as a SacRT Board member, or annex West Sacramento to SacRT so the project will become a SacRT project. If the JPA complies with the FTA grant agreement, there should not be a problem. SacRT needs to step up to be a great grant recipient to ensure our subrecipient (the Cities) will comply. Mr. Li reminded the Board members that SacRT needs their support.

Director Schenirer will be happy to support SacRT in trying to get more representation on the JPA. Director Schenirer was surprised to hear that FTA was concerned that the governance agreement was not already signed, and noted that the business partners went to Washington D.C. to meet with FTA and received great reviews back from FTA.

Director Harris noted that this project does have risks. A lot of work has gone into the project over the last 2 decades and we are close to the award of the small starts grant. To achieve the small start award, FTA needs to see the governance structure is in place. He also has pushed for another seat on the JPA, and will continue to do so.

Director Hansen noted that everyone on the Board has the right intention to protect SacRT, but it also reflects a changing world. SacRT's oversight is imbedded in this; SacRT will have to approve contracts and gets to review expenditures. Down the road, we have the potential to annex West Sacramento into SacRT. He supports the documents.

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Harris moved; Director Budge seconded approval of the item A as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Abstain: Director Slowey; Absent: Chair Kennedy; and

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Harris moved; Director Budge seconded approval of the item B as written. Motion was carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Directors Budge, Harris, Jennings, Morin, Nottoli, Schenirer, Serna and Vice Chair Hansen; Noes: Director Hume; Abstain: Director Slowey; Absent: Chair Kennedy.

REPORTS, IDEAS AND QUESTIONS FROM DIRECTORS, AND COMMUNICATIONS

14. Paratransit, Inc. Board of Directors – June 18, 2018 (Hume)

No additional comments were provided.

15. Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority Meeting – June 20, 2018 (Miller)

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

No additional comments were provided.

<u>CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE</u> <u>AGENDA (If Necessary)</u>

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 7:09 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

- A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957
 - 1) Title: General Manager/CEO

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

There was no Closed Session Report

ADJOURN

*Handout

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

PATRICK KENNEDY, Chair

ATTEST:

HENRY LI, Secretary

By:_

Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary

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