

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
BOARD MEETING  
September 10, 2018**

**ROLL CALL:** Roll Call was taken at 5:34 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Hansen, Harris, Miller, Morin, Nottoli, Schenirer, Serna and Chair Kennedy. Absent: Directors Hume and Jennings.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of August 27, 2018
2. Resolution: Approving a Sole Source Procurement and Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Execute a Contract for Purchase of Six EV-Star Electric Buses with GreenPower Motor Company, Inc. (A. Carrasco)
3. Resolution: Approving the First Amendment and Exhibit A-2 to the ADA Paratransit Service Agreement with Paratransit, Inc. (J. Labrado/L. Ham)
4. Resolution: Amending Title II (Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics) of Sacramento Regional Transit District's Administrative Code to Revise Appendix A (O. Sanchez-Ochoa)
5. Resolution: Approving Amendment No. 2 to Credit Agreement with and Amended and Restated Promissory Note to US Bank National Association for an Extension of the \$27 Million Line of Credit Facility to September 28, 2019 (B. Bernegger)
6. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO or his Designee to Sign County of Sacramento Grading Plan Applications for Projects that Have Received any Necessary Environmental Clearance (B. Bernegger)

Item #2: Mark Lonergan informed the Board that the HVIP discount that SacRT applied for is \$10,000 too high per bus. Staff assumed that since SacRT's intent was to operate them in a disadvantaged community that SacRT would be able to take advantage of the slightly higher amount. Staff would like to request that the Board modify the resolution to reflect a purchase price of \$582,000 versus \$522,000 assuming Staff is not successful in negotiations, so that Staff does not have to come back to the Board to award the contract at a different amount.

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Schenirer moved; Director Hansen seconded approval of the consent calendar with the modification to the Resolution on Item 2. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Hume and Jennings.**

### **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

Chair Kennedy welcomed Craig Powell to the meeting.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

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

Speakers:

A. Lee Scott – Mr. Scott indicated that he is a professional driver for Paratransit, Inc. and shop steward for ATU, Local 256. Mr. Scott indicated that Ralph Niz asked Mr. Scott to appear before the Board to inform them that contract negotiations between ATU, Local 256 and Paratransit have begun.

Jeffery Tardaguila – Mr. Tardaguila noted that there is a potential impact to SacRT if Proposition 6 passes in November; noted a number of Staff are no longer working at SacRT; some electronic bulletin boards are not functioning at the light rail stations; he has not heard about SacRT having a dedicated seat on the Streetcar JPA; wants the Mobility Advisory Council more involved (i.e., removal of bus stops J Street, etc).

Chair Kennedy requested a report back at the next meeting about the electronic messaging signs.

Russell Rawlings – Mr. Rawlings invited everyone to participate in the “SacTRU Ride RT Challenge” starting September 16 – 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Arthur Ketterling – Mr. Ketterling arranged a SmaRT ride to attend the SacRT meeting on August 27<sup>th</sup>, and was given a window of 15 – 30 minutes; he called back to confirm and the window increased ½ hour to 1 hour; then 45 minutes more. When he arrived at the SacRT meeting, the meeting had just adjourned. He and others should be notified if their ride is going to be late in the future.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

7. Resolution: Consideration of a Resolution Opposing Proposition 6, Which Would Repeal Senate Bill 1 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (D. Selenis)

Devra Selenis introduced the item asking the Board to take a position on a ballot measure to protect millions of dollars in future transit funding. Ms. Selenis introduced Joshua Shaw, Executive Director of the California Transit Association. Mr. Shaw gave an update of the “No on Prop 6”, and emphasized the urgency of statewide efforts to protect SB1 funding.

Director Harris moved; Director Hansen seconded a motion to approve the Resolution as written.

Director Nottoli objected to several words in the proposed Resolution and requested word changes.

Speakers: Mike Barnbaum                      Helen O’Connell

Director Serna suggested an amendment to the motion to add a new “Whereas” clause to read: “WHEREAS, the passage of Proposition 6 would greatly compromise state of good repair efforts aimed at improving California’s surface transportation network serving many of the state’s transit systems, including the Sacramento Regional Transit District.”

Directors Harris and Hansen had no objection to the amendment to the Resolution proposed by Director Serna.

Director Nottoli suggested a change to the word “robs” to “deprives” in the last Whereas clause on the first page.

Directors Harris and Hansen had no objection to the word change to the Resolution proposed by Director Nottoli.

Director Nottoli also suggested a change to the first Whereas clause on page 2, from “...will make air quality worse and harm the environment...” to “could negatively impact air quality and the environment...”

Directors Harris and Hansen had no objection to the word change to the Resolution proposed by Director Nottoli.

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Harris moved the item with all requested language changes; Director Hansen seconded approval of the same. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Hume and Jennings.**

8. Information: Update Regarding the Potential Use of a Portion of the Proposition 1A High Speed Rail Funding Programmed for the Downtown Riverfront Streetcar Project in Advance of a Small Starts Grant Agreement (M. Lonergan)

Mark Lonergan noted that this item is being presented at the request of the Riverfront Streetcar Joint Powers Authority (JPA). The request is to release \$3.5 million of the \$25 million of the Proposition 1A funds that the SacRT Board committed to the project. In committing the funds, the Board placed several conditions on the use of the money; one of which was that the project receives a Small Starts Grant Agreement (SSGA) from the FTA, which is expected by February or March 2019.

Speakers:    Barbara Stanton                      Craig Powell\*                      Dennis Neufield  
                    Delpine Cathcart                      Steven Bourasa                      Russell Rawlings  
                    Jeffery Tardaguila

Director Hansen requested that staff provide the following information (in consultation with the Streetcar JPA Staff) when staff brings back the item for action:

- 1) Scenario planning (long term strategy) – when the project goes out to bid and comes back, and, if the amount is substantially over the budget; what happens then – does part of the project get removed to meet the budget, or are there other options relating to scale and scope of the project that could help value engineer the project;
- 2) What happens if we do not get the SSGA, and what is the value of any of the work in the event that the federal government denies the ability of the agency to receive a SSGA to deliver the project?
- 3) If the Board decides to apply to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for \$3.5 million, and should the CTC approve the allocation, is there any value to the project from the standpoint of potentially connecting light rail to West Sacramento, to relocating light rail to H Street, or from any other improvements to the Sacramento Valley Station, or from those additional storage tracks that the City may create because of the staff work;
- 4) Bring back, with any funding decision, mitigation recommendations should those bids come in over (keep spending money related to Proposition 1A); and
- 5) When we get a definitive answer on the SSGA (March 2019), does that mean that the money can be staged such that it is not released from SacRT to support activities, so that staff can mitigate any potential loss should the grant agreement not be forthcoming, or engage in other scenario planning.

Director Hansen also requested that Staff come back to the Board in January to assess this information to make a decision about whether to continue the project as well as the other risks in the scenario planning.

Director Nottoli indicated that a reimbursement agreement should come back to the Board, if the Board is going to consider releasing the funds. Director Nottoli is concerned that SacRT does not have a dedicated seat on the Streetcar JPA.

Chair Kennedy indicated that the intent of this information item is to have substantial discussion and to come back on September 24<sup>th</sup>, to bring this item to conclusion. Chair Kennedy noted that parts of the discussion should be to look at how SacRT has more effective representation on the Streetcar JPA beyond just City of Sacramento members.

Director Morin agrees that there needs to be a reimbursement agreement because there is risk going forward with any construction project that is large because of the bidding climate.

Director Schenirer asked whether there has ever been a discussion about a reimbursement agreement. Mark Lonergan indicated that there had not. Mark Lonergan indicated that a reimbursement agreement does not logically make sense upfront because the City of West Sacramento can fund it now, and they are the entity with the most construction money in the budget and on the table. If that is a condition, then Staff will take that back to the JPA for their response. If for some reason Caltrans or the CTC determines at a later date that the money has been spent in an ineligible fashion, at that point, SacRT would be reimbursed which is consistent with the philosophy that SacRT not be harmed in the Streetcar project.

Director Schenirer asked that the Risk Assessment be brought back to the September 24<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, and asked that staff provide him with how much of the \$3.5 million is recycled back into staff costs for SacRT.

Director Hansen suggested that SacRT and JPA staff work with West Sacramento to see if the SacRT Board is not able to provide the additional resources.

**ACTION: None – Oral Presentation by Mark Lonergan.**

### **GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**

9. General Manager’s Report
  - a. Government Affairs Update
  - b. Light Rail Appreciation Initiative
  - c. Internal (Accountability and Compliance) Auditor Work Plan
  - d. SacRT Meeting Calendar

Speakers: Mike Barnbaum Jeffery Tardaguila

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

### **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 7:01 p.m.

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PATRICK KENNEDY, Chair

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HENRY LI, Secretary

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Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary