## SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS BOARD MEETING January 14, 2019

**ROLL CALL**: Roll Call was taken at 5:31 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Hansen, Harris, Howell, Hume, Miller, Nottoli, Schenirer, Serna and Chair Kennedy. Absent: Directors Budge and Jennings.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1. Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of December 10, 2018
- 2. Resolution: Repealing Resolution No. 18-12-0117, and Approving a Revised 2019 Board Meeting Calendar (C. Brooks/L. Ham)
- 3. Resolution: Approving the Agreement for Operation of Winter Sanctuary Shuttle Service with Sacramento Steps Forward (D. Cook)
- 4. Ordinance: Adopt Ordinance 19-01-01, Amending Ordinance No. 09-01-01, An Ordinance Approving Regulations for Charging Fees at RT Park and Ride Lots and Establishing Enforcement Procedures for Parking Violations at RT Facilities, to Eliminate Parking Fees at Watt/I-80, Watt West and Roseville Road (B. Bernegger)
- 5. Resolution: Repealing Resolution No. 18-10-0108 and Ratifying the General Manager/CEO's Execution of the Fourth Amendment to the Student Transit Pass Agreement 2015 with Los Rios Community College District to Remove the Minimum Unit Requirement for Spring 2019, Conditionally Remove the Minimum Unit Requirement for Future Semesters, Extend the Contract Expiration Date to December 31, 2023, and Allow Students Taking Less Than One Unit to Receive the Semester Pass at No Cost (B. Bernegger)
- 6. Resolution: Awarding a Contract for On-Call Real Estate Services to Paragon Partners, Ltd. (B. Bernegger)
- 7. Resolution: Approving the Modification of Sections 7.01 (B), 7.03 and 17.03 (A) of the Personnel Rules and Procedures to Provide that Individuals Hired, Appointed, Promoted or Transferred into a Position at the Director or an Equivalent Management Level Will Be Classified As At Will Employees Serving at the Pleasure of the General Manager/CEO or Designee (S. Booth)

Speaker: Item #5 – Jeffery Tardaguila

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

## INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

#### <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

## PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

## Speakers:

Mike Barnbaum – Mr. Barnbaum welcomed the two new Folsom Board members to the SacRT Board. Mr. Barnbaum mentioned that the Board will make appointments to various Board and committees at its next meeting on January 28<sup>th</sup>, and provided information on two of those Boards: the Capital Corridor Joint Powers Authority and the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority.

David Schwegel\* - Mr. Schwegel came to promote the Pacific High Speed Rail vision. Mr. Schwegel suggested that staff look at King County Executive Dow Constantine's presentation for ideas on light rail funding. Mr. Schwegel wants SacRT to work with Siemens and get the funding for new light rail rolling stock.

Arthur Ketterling – Mr. Ketterling indicated that his questions had already been answered.

Jeffery Tardaguila – Mr. Tardaguila noted that the current Next Stop News is the best he has seen yet; complimented the Planning Department on SacRT Forward outreach; noted a couple of "bus shuttle" issues; would like to see bus shuttle maps; stated that SacRT is not collecting fares when SacRT provides a shuttle; asked the Board to read their Mobility Advisory news; noted that the mobile app (SacRT Alert) still needs to be improved.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

8. Motion: Extending the Term of the Current Chair (Patrick Kennedy) and Vice Chair (Steve Hansen) for One More Year as Chair and Vice Chair for the SacRT Board of Directors for 2019 (C. Brooks/L. Ham)

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Harris moved; Director Howell seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Budge and Jennings.

9. Resolution: Approving the Second Amendment to the Employment Agreement with SacRT's General Manager/CEO, Henry Li (C. Brooks/L. Ham)

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

10. Resolution: Waiving Competitive Bidding Process and Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Execute a Contract for Structural and Roof Repairs at 1225 R Street (Requires 4/5<sup>th</sup> Vote Approval) (N. Nance)

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

11. Resolution: Approving the Transit Portion of the Nexus Study for the 2018 Update of the Sacramento County Transportation Development Fee Program (SCTDF) and Approving the Memorandum of Understanding By and Between the County of Sacramento and the Sacramento Regional Transit District Relating to Distribution of Transit Impact Fees (J. Boyle/L. Ham)

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

James Boyle, Director of Planning acknowledged the Sacramento County staff in attendance and introduced John Long from DKS Associates who provided an overview of the Sacramento County Transportation Development Fee Program.

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Hansen moved; Director Howell seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Budge and Jennings.

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

- 12. General Manager's Report
  - a. State Legislative Update Mark Watts, Smith, Watts & Hartmann
  - b. Federal Legislative Update Jeff Boothe & Julie Minerva, Carpi & Clay, Inc.
  - c. SacRT Meeting Calendar

Speakers: Mike Barnbaum Jeffery Tardaguila

Mr. Li welcomed Mayor Kerri Howell to the SacRT Board of Directors as well as Councilmember Mike Kozlowski as an alternate for Mayor Howell.

Mr. Li indicated that SacRT received three bid proposals for the Streetcar Project on January 11<sup>th</sup>. All three proposals were \$75 – \$98 million more than the budget. Staff will

evaluate the bids to determine why the bids were over the estimate. Staff will wait for direction from the Joint Powers Authority and the two cities to determine next steps.

The cities of Citrus Heights and Folsom have now annexed to Sacramento Regional Transit. A new maintenance facility will be set up at the Hazel light rail station for the Folsom service as well as providing support for Rancho Cordova service.

Contract talks with Elk Grove are continuing for SacRT to operate the e-tran bus service beginning July 1, 2019. This agreement would be the building blocks for an annexation agreement with the Elk Grove. Annexation would provide more and a better mobility solution to Elk Grove citizens, including seamless regional paratransit services. SacRT is developing an agreement with Paratransit Inc. to provide this service. Paratransit riders would be able to travel seamlessly throughout the region.

Operating Engineers Local 3 has decided to withdraw their petition for recognition and representation of a new bargaining unit primarily consisting of management staff.

In December 2018, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals issued a motion to dismiss the case regarding the PEPRA lawsuit appeal. SacRT is now able to pursue the release of federal grants that were withheld due to the case uncertainty over the last five years, and pay back the loan from the State of California.

SacRT hosted over six holiday town hall meetings in various locations. During the meetings, employees enjoyed hot meals and were provided with updates on SacRT's initiatives for 2019.

Mark Watts from Smith, Watts & Hartman provided an update on State legislative issues. Governor Newsom was sworn in on January 7, has provided his budget made some appointments and provided his priorities. Governor Newsom and the Department of Finance do continue to fully implement SB1 with another \$4.8 billion allocation. Working with SacRT staff, Mr. Watts has developed a legislative proposal to reduce the vote requirement for detachment, is working on a proposal to provide commuter benefits, and is working on legislation for bus on shoulder.

Julie Minerva of Carpi & Clay and Jeff Boothe of InfraStrategies provided a federal outlook for the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress and SacRT's priorities relative to projects and policies. SacRT's congressional delegation is very well positioned from the House and Senate perspective. Jeff Boothe noted that Fiscal Year (FY) 17 monies have been allocated but not obligated. Mr. Boothe indicated that he expects to see the Department of Transportation Secretary and Acting Administrator from the Federal Transit Administration asking questions about how the program is managed. This administration has united republicans and democrats with great support for the program. Ms. Minerva noted that Congress needs to get started on the FY 20 appropriations process; with an expectation of a 5% reduction across the budget, expects that the FY 20 appropriations could see a return to earmarks and noted that there should be a lot of hearings on the infrastructure package.

Mr. Li noted that staff has added seven more SacRT Forward outreach events and will continue to look for additional public outreach areas.

Mr. Li notified the Board that he just signed an agreement with Electrify America for twelve electric big buses, and those buses are expected to be delivered by year end. Six small electric buses are expected to be delivered to the SacRT facility in February, and an additional 10 small electric buses following those throughout this year.

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

Chair Kennedy noted that appointments to Board committees will be made at the January 28<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, and asked members to let the Clerk know if they wished to discontinue their service on any of those committees.

Director Howell thanked everyone for the warm welcome and is looking forward to working with the Board. Additionally, Director Howell mentioned that she already serves on the Sacramento-Placerville Transportation Corridor JPA representing the City of Folsom, and has served for 20 years.

# 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 6:47 p.m.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

A. Conference with Labor Negotiator
Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957.6
District Negotiator: Stephen Booth

1) Employee Organization: ATU

#### **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	e meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.
	PATRICK KENNEDY, Chair
ATTEST:	
HENRY LI, Secretary	
By: Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary	