

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

ROLL CALL: Roll Call was taken at 5:34 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Harris, Hume, Jennings, Miller, Nottoli, Schenirer, Serna and Chair Kennedy. Absent: Folsom Director. Director Hansen arrived after the Consent Calendar was approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONSENT CALENDAR

Note: The Clerk called the Consent Calendar noting a couple of corrections:

1. Agenda Item 5 – The parcel number on the Resolution has been corrected to match the issue paper; and
2. Agenda Item 10 – The issue paper makes an incorrect statement about “Very Healthy” is reached when the AQI is above 200” which should read “Very Unhealthy” is reached when the AQI is above 200”.

1. Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of November 12, 2018
2. Resolution: Approving the Third Amendment to the Contract for Purchase of Vehicles through the CalACT/MBTA Joint Procurement with Creative Bus Sales (A. Kennedy/A. Carrasco)
3. Resolution: Approving the 2019 Health and Welfare Renewals, Rescinding Resolution No. 17-12-0170, and Approving Amendment No. 14 to the Agreement with Delta Dental (W. Weekly/B. Bernegger)
4. Resolution: Establishing Regular Meeting Schedule for 2019 (C. Brooks/L. Ham)
5. Resolution: Declaring Property Located at 19th Street and T Street as Surplus to SacRT’s Transit Operations (B. Bernegger)
6. Resolution: Approving a Sole Source Procurement and Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Negotiate and Enter Into a Contract with U.S. Bank National Association for Banking, Depository, Prepaid Card, Credit Card, Investment Services and Line of Credit (P. Selenis/B. Bernegger)
7. Resolution: Approving the Second Amendment to the FY 2019 Capital Budget (D. Goldman/B. Bernegger)

8. Resolution: Conditionally Approving the Terms for Settlement of Labor Contract Negotiations between Sacramento Regional Transit District and American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, District Council 57, Local 146, Supervisor Unit, for a Four Year Term of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022 (S. Booth/M. Lonergan)
9. Eliminating Fees Charged at SacRT Park & Ride Lots and Re-imposing Fees at Cosumnes River College (C. Courtright/B. Bernegger)
 - A. Motion: Waive First Reading of Ordinance No. 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; and
 - B. Resolution: Repealing Resolution No. 15-08-0093 and Resolution No. 16-08-0095 to Eliminate Fees Charged at SacRT Park & Ride Lots and Re-Imposing Fees at Cosumnes River College.
10. Resolution: Authorizing the General Manager/CEO to Declare Free Rides for All Fixed Route, SmART Ride and Paratransit Services During Periods of “Very Unhealthy” or “Hazardous” Air Quality in the Sacramento Region (D. Selenis)

Director Nottoli noted that on the SacRT Board calendar, the November meeting falls on Veteran’s Day, and he wanted to suggest moving the meeting to November 18.

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Budge moved; Director Jennings seconded approval of the consent calendar with the modification to the parcel number in Resolution of Item 5, and the correction to one of the sentences in the issue paper on page 1 to change the word from “Healthy” to “Unhealthy” in Item 10. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Hansen and Folsom Director.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Chair Kennedy noted that David Boggs, prior General Manager to SacRT, was in the audience.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Speakers:

Robert Coplin – Mr. Coplin wants to know how people can ride the bus when most of their money goes to rent; believes that some of the bus routes (Routes 25 and 26) are ridiculous because they end at 7:00 or 8:00 p.m.; considers the Arden/Del Paso Light Rail Station dangerous.

Arthur Ketterling – Mr. Ketterling noted that the announcements are incorrect on train cars 205A and 205B; the bus stop sign on Route 28, a little past Sunrise Mall before Fair Oaks, indicates that Route 28 runs Mon-Sat, but the Route 28 has not run on Saturday since the service was cut back in 2009.

NEW BUSINESS

11. Intent 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)

Director Serna wanted to know if a two year term for Chair and Vice Chair will be a standard expectation.

Director Schenirer noted that a discussion extending the term of the Chair would need to come back for discussion at a future meeting since it is not agendized at this meeting.

Director Harris wanted to know if term limits might interfere with the Chair position of two years.

Chair Kennedy noted that the Chair of the Air Quality District serves a two year term.

Director Hansen noted that being a Chair for two years does validate the idea that it allows a Chair to get deeper into the issues; however, anyone who rotates through the Chair could always decline to do a second year. He believes the term should be set at two years, and acknowledges that fewer Directors will serve as Chair in the tenure that they serve on the SacRT Board. He wants to make sure that the rotation is respected and that this is recognized in a procedure.

Director Budge recognized that the last time the City of Rancho Cordova sat in the Chair position was 2005.

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

12. Resolution: Conditionally Approving a New Vote Allocation for Fiscal Year 2019, Effective as of January 1, 2019 (D. Goldman/B. Bernegger)

Mr. Li indicated that staff would like to analyze the vote allocation formula to try to bring a more fair calculation methodology forward in the future. To do this, the State would have to amend SacRT's Enabling Legislation.

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Miller moved; Director Hansen seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Abstain: Director Budge. Absent: Folsom Director.

13. Whether to Receive and File the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Reports on Compliance and Internal Controls as Required by Uniform Guidance and the Transportation Development Act, the Report to the Board of Directors for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018, and Designate \$5,172,007 to SacRT's Operating Reserve and Place \$4,000,000 into Working Capital for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018 of SacRT's \$9,172,007 Operating Surplus (B. Bernegger)
 - A. Motion: Receive and File the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Reports on Compliance and Internal Controls as Required by Uniform Guidance and the Transportation Development Act, the Report to the Board of Directors for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018; and
 - B. Resolution: Designate \$5,172,007 of the \$9,172,007 Operating Surplus to SacRT's Operating Reserve and \$4,000,000 as Working Capital, for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018.

Brent Bernegger thanked Crowe, SacRT's audit firm. Mr. Bernegger noted that SacRT received a clean audit opinion; no material adjustments; two findings: (1) related to Grants reporting; and (2) subrecipient monitoring; there were no additional reporting items and no disagreements with Management or difficulties with the audit firm. SacRT will end the year with a \$10.5 million dollar reserve. The goal for building up working cash is to eliminate the need for a line of credit.

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

14. Motion: Directing Staff to Release the Draft SacRT Forward Networks to the Public for Review and Comment for a Period of at Least 30 Days (J. Boyle/J. Drake)

James Boyle presented a review of the work that has been on the SacRT Forward project highlighting the main objectives of the project: 1) ridership, 2) frequent service (weekend service, the types of service offered), 3) better reliability, 4) jurisdictional equity, and 5) cost neutral. Staff has been doing public outreach for approximately 8 months. The themes of the comments received include more weekend service, more frequent service, more late night service, more coverage, and 7 day a week routes. The project focuses on the current 41 fixed route buses which include express routes, feeder routes and contracted services.

James Drake reviewed the 4 proposed networks: New Network, More Frequent Network, Cost Plus Network, and Measure A+ Network. Mr. Drake passed out a list of proposed route changes and explained the color coding of the frequency of the routes in the proposed networks.

Director Nottoli indicated that south of Jackson Highway there is a large job center and the Vineyard area which is developing and the proposed network does not cover these areas. Mr. Li indicated that staff has been working with developers in the Jackson Highway area to provide transit elements to their development plans.

Director Budge indicated that the diversity of population in Rancho Cordova defines different types of needs related to transit. She indicated that job centers, such as, but not limited to Siemens, are in need of transit services for their employees.

Director Hansen would like additional data about population and job centers that have overlapping population with service. Additional questions/comments: how do we anticipate growth/commercial construction in areas like Natomas, how does bus rapid transit fit into this plan; need to provide the public with information on why this plan is better when it does not appear to be better; wants better articulation of the ridership increases that SacRT gets for cutting service; he has never seen Route 34 with more than 5 people riding; and that staff better articulate the arguments for why staff made the decisions they made.

Director Serna wanted to know if there are statistics showing which neighborhood associations did not attend outreach meetings. He also inquired as to the jurisdictional split and why only 3 of the 9 show increases for weekdays.

Speakers: Mike Barnbaum Robert Coplin Barbara Stanton
 Zach Miller Tom Pace Jeffery Tardaguila

Director Hume wanted to know if the analysis took into account the demographic of the ridership with respect to downtown employees using the service to get to work on weekdays, but would not necessarily use the service on the weekends. Director Hume would like to the frequency coverage be more aggressive over the coverage commitment.

Mr. Li indicated that staff will extend the public comment period to 45 days to hear more, and make further refinements. Mr. Li noted that run cuts are produced ever three months.

Director Jennings requested that staff come back to the Board after the 45 days with an update and then the Board could decide if there is a need to add additional days to the comment period. Mr. Li indicated that staff will bring back an update at the January 28th meeting, before the 45 days has ended, and the Board can make a decision as to whether or not to extend the comment period. Director Jennings also requested that staff work with his District staff to get a list of community organizations in his District to make sure they have had a chance to comment on this plan.

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Hansen moved; Chair Kennedy seconded approval of the item with a modification to extend the comment period to 45 days. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Folsom Director.

14A. Resolution: Approving the Temporary Appointment of Mark Lonergan to Complete and/or Oversee Critical Projects Following His Retirement on a Limited Basis in Accordance with California Government Code Section 7522.56(f)(1). (V. Weekly/B. Bernegger)

Speaker: Barbara Stanton

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

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

15. General Manager's Report
 - a. Employee Recognition
 - b. SacRT Meeting Calendar

Mr. Li presented one employee service award to Mr. Alan Fong for 40 years of service.

Mr. Li announced the retirement of Mark Lonergan; however, Mr. Lonergan will continue to work for SacRT handling special projects. Mr. Li reminded the Board about the reduction in fares beginning October 2018, and increase in light right service on weekends beginning January 6, 2019.

Mr. Li noted that in the next six months, SacRT staff will negotiate new union contracts. The principles for these negotiations are: fairness, reasonableness and equity. These principles are a great model for future negotiations. On December 7, 2018, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Supervisor Group, and SacRT reached a tentative agreement.

Mr. Li mentioned that earlier today staff was notified that the staff at the California Strategic Growth Council is recommending Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency for funding through the Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) grant program for \$23 million. The Dos Rios Community in the River District conveyed loud and clear the need for a light rail station to connect them to grocery stores, employment and other regional amenities. We are excited to announce that SacRT has been recommended to receive \$17.5 million in funding through the program to construct a station.

Mr. Li thanked all its riders and supporters, especially SacRT's four ambassadors for their support, and wished SacRT's Board Members, the public and the SacRT Staff a Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum Jeffery Tardaguila

REPORTS, IDEAS AND QUESTIONS FROM DIRECTORS, AND COMMUNICATIONS

16. Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority Meeting – November 14, 2018
(Harris/Miller)

Director Miller highlighted that the CCJPA has a 58% fare box recovery ratio, the CCJPA's on time performance is 93%, there are talks about a second Transbay tube crossing, and the CCJPA has launched positive train control.

Director Harris noted that the positive train control is a unique idea which is a significant safety improvement. Director Harris also likes telecommuting for these meetings as it saves a tremendous amount of time in his schedule.

17. San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority – November 16, 2018 (Hume)

Director Hume noted that he drove to Martinez for this meeting; however, plans to telecommute to the next meeting in Fresno.

18. Paratransit, Inc. Board of Directors – November 19, 2018 (Hume)

Director Hume noted that Paratransit is looking to have a separate policy for their CTSA trips which are non-ADA trips, which means trips that Paratransit provides that do not get billed back to SacRT with respect to a cancel/non-show policy.

Speaker: Jeffery Tardaguila

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

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

The Chair announced that Closed Session has been canceled.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

- A. Conference with Labor Negotiator
Pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957.6
District Negotiator: Stephen Booth
- 1) Employee Organization: AFSCME Supervisor Unit

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ADJOURN

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

PATRICK KENNEDY, Chair

A T T E S T:

HENRY LI, Secretary

By: _____
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary