

Wednesday, May 19, 2004 2:00 P.M.

Agenda

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Executive Management and Audit Committee Meeting

One Gateway Plaza
3rd Floor Boardroom

Call to Order

Directors

Zev Yaroslavsky, Chair
Frank Roberts, Vice Chair
Yvonne Burke
John Fasana
James Hahn
Ron Wong, non-voting member

Officers

Roger Snoble, Chief Executive Officer
Michele Jackson, Board Secretary
Karen Gorman, Ethics Officer
William Waters, Inspector General
County Counsel, General Counsel



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12. RECEIVE report of the Chief Executive Officer.

13. RECEIVE AND FILE report on **Audit Activities** from the Office of Inspector General.

14. RECEIVE oral status report on **Universal Fare System Implementation and update on MTA Tariff**.

(Also on Operations Committee Agenda)

15. RECEIVE AND FILE **report on recent fare-related issues**.

16. RECEIVE AND FILE the ordinance regulating the **MTA's contractor pre-qualification program** at the May Board meeting and adopt it at the next meeting.

17. RECEIVE AND FILE report on staff recommendation to the PTSC Board of Directors to award contract for **Employee Health and Welfare Benefits Consulting Services to Mercer Human Resources Consulting**.

18. RECEIVE **oral update on Federal Affairs**.

19. ADOPT the following **positions on Federal Legislation:**

- A. S.2276 (Boxer) – A bill to allow the Secretary of Homeland Security to make grants to Amtrak, other rail carriers, and providers of mass transportation for improvements to the security of our Nation’s rail and mass transportation system. **SUPPORT**
- B. S.2273 (McCain) – A bill to provide \$1.2 billion in funding to meet immediate security needs for intercity and freight rail transportation providers. **WORK WITH AUTHOR**
- C. S.2289 (Sessions) – A bill to ensure that railroad carriers and mass transportation providers receive the same protection under federal criminal law. **SUPPORT**

20. ADOPT the following **positions on State Legislation:**

- A. AB 2456 (Spitzer) – Would establish a base amount of funding through the STIP for planning, programming, and monitoring activities and would authorize the allocation of the base amounts even in years when no new STIP funds are made available. **SUPPORT**
- B. SB 138 (Knight) – Would allow Caltrans to enter into agreements with private entities to construct a toll road in the SR 138 corridor running through the Antelope and Apple Valleys. **SUPPORT**
- C. SCA 20 (Torlakson) – Would increase the vote threshold to suspend Proposition 42 and require that suspended funds be repaid under specified conditions. **SUPPORT**

21. CONSIDER:

- A. receiving and filing the report on costs associated with the Sector Governance Councils; and
- B. modifying the **Service Sector Governance Council Bylaws and Policy** to help streamline costs as follows:
 - 1. Bylaw Article II, Membership, Paragraph E Code of Conduct – add language to clarify that Sector Governance Council Members have no individual authority over MTA Operations and must act only through the Governance Council of which they are a member.
 - 2. Bylaw Article II, Membership, Paragraph I Removal/Replacement – add language to allow the MTA Board to remove or replace a Service Sector Council member by a majority vote. This will become effective immediately.
 - 3. Bylaw Article V, Meetings, Paragraph B, Regular Meetings – add language to reflect that Sector Governance Councils shall meet four times a year inclusive of public hearings, except for emergency situations in which a meeting is necessitated. This will become effective May 31, 2004.
 - 4. Bylaw Article VI, Amendments – clarify language that allows the MTA Board to amend the bylaws by simple majority vote. This will become effective immediately.
 - 5. Policy Section 2, Travel – replace existing language and add an annual cap of \$3,500 per year per Sector on travel allowance provisions for Council members. The policy will include language requiring Service Sector Council members to adhere to the provisions of MTA Travel Policy, FIN#14.

22. VILLARAIGOSA MOTION that Metro administration and staff report to the Board of Directors in one month regarding policies, strategies and implementation recommendations for enabling **wider participation and management of local, emerging and DBE investment banking and financial firms** in Metro's financing activities.

(Also on Finance Committee Agenda)

23. CLOSED SESSION: - Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – G.C. 54956.9 (a):

Benitez v. MTA BC 295729

Consideration of items not on the posted agenda, including: items to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff; items to be placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee or Board; and/or items requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS OF PUBLIC INTEREST WITHIN COMMITTEE'S SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION

ADJOURNMENT