



EXPOSITION METRO LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY

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Thursday, August 4, 2005 2:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority

Regular Board Meeting Board of Directors

Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street, Third Floor
Board of Supervisor' Hearing Room 381B

Called to Order at 2:45 p.m.

Directors present

Zev Yaroslavsky
Yvonne Burke
Gary Silbiger
Martha Welborne
Jan Perry

Officers

Richard D. Thorpe
Chief Capital Management Officer
Juanita Carey, Executive Secretary

1. Metro Chief Capital Management Officer Richard Thorpe called the meeting to order.
2. Roll called

Director Silbiger requested clarification of the July 14, 2005 Motion on the Meeting Dates and Locations, specifically, if the Motion stated that special meetings would be in the community or that some of the regular meetings would be in the community when needed.

Richard Thorpe commented that it was his understanding that the Board approved the Hall of Administration as the regular meeting location and any meetings held outside of this location would be noticed as a special meeting.

Director Yaroslavsky confirmed that the Motion approved was that the meetings would be held at the Hall of Administration and depending upon the circumstances, a meeting could be held at another location, but need to be noticed as a special meeting.

3. APPROVED Minutes of Regular Board Meeting held July 14, 2005
4. RECEIVED public comment – NONE
5. CONSENT CALENDAR – NO ITEMS
6. GENERAL BOARD ACTION ITEMS

- a. RECEIVED Election of Officers

APPROVED Motion by SILBIGER, seconded by Director Perry to elect Director Burke as Chairperson of the Board. Director Silbiger commented that Supervisor Burke has been a leader in transportation and in our region and could not think of anyone else who would do a better job in leading us forward on the Exposition Light Rail Line. VOTE CARRIED.

APPROVED Motion by Chairperson BURKE, seconded by Director Yaroslavsky that Director Perry be appointed as Vice-Chair. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- b. CARRIED OVER TO NEXT MONTH – Proposed Administrative Code

APPROVED Motion by YAROSLAVSKY, seconded by Director Perry that the reference in Item 6.a under Discussion, the provision that states, "The term of elected officers shall expire 12 months after this election," be

stricken and replaced with, "the term of elected officers shall expire 24 months after election."

Director Yaroslavsky proposed that the reference in Item 6.b, the Proposed Administrative Code, be modified to read that, the Chair and Vice-Chair have a two-year term limit starting July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007, with the understanding after the first two years the term limits can be modified at any time. He also stated that if there are any other amendments that need to be addressed, those issues could be brought back to the next board meeting. MOTION CARRIED, SO ORDERED.

c. RECEIVED Proposed Staffing Plan

Richard Thorpe recommended that the Board, through the Proposed Staffing Plan, allow him to solicit outside legal counsel and come back next month with a Request For Proposal (RFP) for legal services.

YAROSLAVSKY APPROVED recommendation, seconded by Vice-Chair Perry. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

YAROSLAVSKY Moved that the Board appoint Richard Thorpe as the Interim Chief Executive Officer of the Exposition Light Rail Construction Authority. Seconded by Chairperson Burke. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

Chairperson BURKE Moved, and seconded by Director Yaroslavsky that Richard Thorpe has the authority to appoint an Interim Clerk for Secretary of the Board and start a search for a Chief Operating Officer and Chief Project Officer, coming back to the Board with his final selections. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7. a. RECEIVED Environmental FEIS/FEIR Status Report

SILBIGER Moved that the public comment period be extended to 60 days instead of a 30-day period option for the Final EIR.

YAROSLAVSKY Moved that it be a 45-day period, as a compromise.

APPROVED Motion by Director Silbiger, seconded by Vice-Chair Perry that the period for public comments for the Final EIR be modified to a 45-day period. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

Richard Thorpe commented that the Final Environmental Impact Statement was sent to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for approval to release for public circulation. He stated that a meeting with

FTA has been scheduled later in the month and approval is likely by the end of the month.

Richard Thorpe stated that staff is recommending some design options that are different from the locally preferred alternatives that were adopted as part of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

Richard Thorpe made a presentation to the board and went through various slides of the proposed Design Options included in the FEIS/EIR.

8. RECEIVED Board Member Comments

Director Silbiger had concern about the timing Board Members were receiving the board reports. He felt that the board reports needed to be received at least a week prior to the regular meeting.

Vice-Chair Perry suggested that a draft of the agenda be posted online on a PDF file, with notification being sent to board members and alternates at least a week prior to the board meeting.

Richard Thorpe commented that placing the draft agenda online to the board members and alternates was a good idea and would provide the Board early notification of the proposed agenda items. He informed the Board that modifications to the agenda might be necessary after the draft agenda is posted online, but would likely be minimal.

Chairperson Burke asked if the Board had the ability to post items on the agenda 2 to 3 days prior to the board meeting, if it were necessary.

Richard Thorpe commented that it was possible.

9. Adjournment at approximately 4:09 p.m.

Prepared by: Juanita Carey
Interim Clerk of the Board

Richard D. Thorpe
Interim Chief Executive Officer
Exposition Metro Line Construction Authority