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Construction Authority

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MINUTES

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Regular Board Meeting Board of Directors

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

Called to Order at 2:50 p.m.

Directors Present:

Yvonne B. Burke, Chair
Jan Perry, Vice Chair
Pam O'Connor
Bernard Parks
Gary Silbiger
Martha Welborne
Zev Yaroslavsky
Roger Snoble, Ex Officio Member

Officers:

Richard D. Thorpe, Interim Chief Executive Officer
Nancy Smith, General Counsel
Robert Pearman, Deputy General Counsel
Juanita Carey, Interim Board Secretary

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Called
3. APPROVED Minutes of Meeting held November 3, 2005
4. RECEIVED Public Comment (On/Off Agenda)
5. CONSENT CALENDAR
 - A. APPROVED staff recommendation to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute a Contract for Procurement Support Services with TEC Management Consultants, Inc.

The vote was unanimous.
 - B. DEFERRED Proposed Administrative Code Amendment to the January Board Meeting.

The vote was unanimous.
6. GENERAL BOARD ACTION ITEM(S)
 - A. APPROVED recommendation that the LACMTA Board of Directors approve the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Report (Final EIS/EIR) for the Exposition Light Rail Project, **with a Motion by Director Silbiger to add the following Culver City Amendments into the Recommendation.**
 1. Exclude the at-grade station at Venice/Robertson and at-grade crossings of Washington/National Boulevards from further consideration.
 2. Continue to consider the Aerial Station at Venice/Robertson and the grade separation of Washington/National Boulevards and expressly certify the Final EIS/EIR to include this Aerial Station option.
 3. Continue to work with Culver City staff towards implementation of the Aerial Station when funding becomes available.

The vote was unanimous.
7. GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION ITEM(S)
 - A. RECEIVED Monthly Project Status Report

APPROVED Mr. Thorpe's recommendation to allow the Authority to submit a written Quarterly Project Status Report, as required by the federal government, and to provide a monthly oral report on the update of the status of the project.

The vote was unanimous.

8. CEO COMMENTS

At its August Board Meeting, the Board authorized the Chief Executive Officer to hire staff for the positions of the Chief Operating Officer and the Chief Project Officer.

Mr. Thorpe welcomed Samantha Bricker, Chief Operations Officer for the Construction Authority, as the first employee. He further commented that he is currently interviewing for the Chief Project Officer position.

Mr. Thorpe informed the Board that he would be submitting recommendations for the FY06 Budget and a Staffing Plan at the January Board Meeting, so that the Authority can start hiring additional staff.

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Director Parks requested that Mr. Thorpe provide the Board Members job qualifications and specs on key level positions that are being solicited.

Madam Chair directed Mr. Thorpe to provide resumes to the Board of the individual that is selected for key level positions, and to allow the Board Members three or four days to respond.

10. CLOSED SESSION

Nancy Smith, General Counsel read into record - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: (1 case)

The Board convened to closed session at approximately 4:35 p.m.

No decision was reached.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The Board reconvened at 4:50 p.m. and adjourned.

Prepared by:
Juanita Carey, Interim Board Secretary