

EXPOSITION METRO LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY

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Wednesday, November 3, 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 Supervisors' Hearing Room 381B

Called to Order at 2:40 p.m.

Directors Present

Yvonne B. Burke, Chair
Jan Perry, Vice Chair
Pam O'Connor
Gary Silbiger

Officers

Richard D. Thorpe, Interim Chief Executive Officer
Juanita Carey, Interim Board Secretary

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Called
3. APPROVED Minutes of Special Board Meetings held October 12, 2005
4. RECEIVED Public Comment
5. CONSENT CALENDER
 - A. APPROVED the addition of Robert Pearman of the firm of Robinson & Pearman, LLP, to the Contract for General Counsel Services with the firm of Nossaman, Guthner, Knox & Elliott, LLP.

The vote was unanimous

6. GENERAL BOARD ACTION ITEMS
 - A. ADOPTED Resolution No. 001, Subcontractor Identification, to allow Design-Build Contractors to enter into subcontract agreements using the competitive procurement process.

The vote was unanimous

7. GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. RECEIVED Monthly Project Status Report

Joel Sandberg, Metro's Deputy Executive Officer, Construction, made a presentation on the Monthly Project Status Report and highlighted several key points.

The Metro Board will decide the proposed alignment on December 15, 2005. The Board was informed that the 45-day circulation period of the final EIS/EIR began on October 14, 2005, and will end on November 28, 2005.

The field reviews with the California Public Utilities Commission at-grade crossings have begun.

Responses to questions from the Design-Build Planholders seeking clarification and understanding of the proposals were issued on October 26, 2005; the first addendum on the RFP will be issued on November 4, 2005.

The community outreach final EIS/EIR open house meetings were publicized through newspapers, advertisements, and mailings.

The Expo Construction website has been established as www.buildexpo.org, which is in addition to the Metro website.

A Small Business Enterprise/Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (SBE/DBE) contracting opportunity outreach will be held on November 17, 2005.

Design-Build proposals are due on December 22, 2005. The FTA Record of Decision on the final EIS/EIR is expected in January 2006, which is a pre-requisite of awarding the Design-Build Contract. Upon obtaining approval from the FTA on the Record of Decision, the staff recommendation will be presented to the Board in February 2006 for contract award.

B. RECEIVED Environmental Final EIS/EIR Report

David Meiger, Metro's Director of Regional Transportation Planning, made a presentation on the Environmental Final EIS/EIR Report, which included recommendations to modify the Locally Preferred Alternative.

8. CEO COMMENTS

Mr. Thorpe welcomed the new General Counsel, Nancy Smith of Nossaman, Guthner, Knox & Elliott, LLP and Robert Pearman of Robinson & Pearman, LLP. He reiterated that staff will be preparing a report for the December 1st Board Meeting on the Environmental Final EIS/EIR Report for approval of the Board, for recommendation to the Metro Board at its December 15th meeting.

Mr. Thorpe stated that the first public meeting in Culver City was very encouraging. There were over 200 people that attended. Most appeared very interested and supportive of the project. They were primarily seeking information about the project, how it would be implemented, and how it would affect them. There are two more meetings scheduled. The second meeting will be held on November 3rd at West Angeles Church at 3045 Crenshaw from 5:00p – 8:00p, and the third meeting will be held on November 9th at Exposition Park California Science Center in the Muses Room, Wallis Annenberg Building from 5:00p – 8:00p.

An SBE/DBE Outreach meeting for Design-Build contractors and small and minority businesses is scheduled for November 17, 2005 at 1:30 p.m. at the Metro Headquarters Building on the Plaza Level.

Mark Perez, Metro's Director of Program Management, informed the Board that resources for mailings of the SBE/DBE Outreach Meeting scheduled for November 17, 2005, were pulled from the Metro DBE vendor list, the LAUSD list of SBEs and DBEs that were contacted individually, and also a list from the Eastside Project. The total of firms receiving the invitations was well over a thousand and included design, professional services, and construction.

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None

10. ADJOURNMENT at 3:50 p.m.

Prepared by: Juanita Carey
Interim Board Secretary

Richard D. Thorpe
Interim Chief Executive Officer