



**MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS**  
**LOS ANGELES COUNTY**  
**METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**MTA Headquarters**  
**3rd Floor - Board Room**  
**One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles**

**March 23, 2000**

**Called to order at 10:15 a.m.**

**Directors Present:**

Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, Chair  
 James Cragin, First Vice Chair  
 Richard Riordan, Second Vice Chair  
 Michael Antonovich  
 Hal Bernson  
 Jaime de la Vega  
 John Fasana  
 Don Knabe  
 Jose Legaspi  
 Gloria Molina  
 Jenny Oropeza  
 Frank Roberts  
 Zev Yaroslavsky  
 Robert Sassaman, Ex Officio

Chief Executive Officer - Julian Burke  
 Board Secretary - Michele Jackson  
 Inspector General - Arthur Sinai  
 General Counsel - County Counsel

**NOTE:** Members voting are reflected on the attached "RECAP OF PROCEEDINGS" matrix

1. **APPROVED CONSENT CALENDAR** Items 2, 17\*\*, 18\*\*, 19, 29\*\*, 30\*\*, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 47, 48, 50, 51B through J, 60, 61 & 62

\*\* - Requires 2/3 vote of the Board

**NOTED COMMITTEE AUTHORITY ITEMS:** 21, 25 through 28, 31 through

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2. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR **Minutes** of Regular Board Meeting of February 24, 2000.
3. Chief Executive Officer's Report - NONE
4. Chair's Report - NONE
5. CARRIED OVER TO APRIL BOARD MEETING recognition of Ricardo Perez by Transit Group Commander Garrett Zimmon.
6. RECEIVED AND FILED report on **Proposition A and Proposition C audit from inception to 1998** from Russ Lesser, Chairman of Independent Advisory and Oversight Committee.
7. APPROVED ON ROLL CALL BY A 2/3 VOTE:
  - A. Adoption of the following motion: The Board finds by a two-thirds vote that there is only single source of procurement for the **photo enforcement cameras** and that the purchase is the sole purpose of duplicating the cameras already in use. The Board hereby authorizes the purchase of the cameras pursuant to PUC Section 130237; and
  - B. award of a firm fixed price contract to Lockheed Martin IMS of Teaneck, New Jersey, for purchase of six cameras for use on the Metro Blue (B) Line, Photo Enforcement System, at a total contract value of \$284,046, including sales tax.
8. CARRIED OVER TO APRIL BOARD MEETING Antonovich Motion - that this Board direct the CEO to formally rename the Pasadena Blue (B) Line to the Pasadena Rose Line.
9. APPROVED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE:
  - A. the **findings of the November 13, 1999 Public Hearing for FY 2000 Service Changes**, consisting of: 1) Bus/Rail Interface Plan for MOS-3 Metro Red (A) Line to North Hollywood; 2) Other service changes; and 3) Metro Rapid Bus Demonstration Project;
  - B. adoption of the Final Revisions for the FY 2000 service changes;
  - C. adoption of revised pages to the Official Route Descriptions;
  - D. a free fare on the Metro Red (A) Line for the opening weekend of MOS-3 Metro Red (A) Line Extension to North Hollywood;
  - E. modifying original recommendations for Lines 154 and 418 as follows:
    - implement minor reroute on Line 154 to serve Northridge Metrolink Station; and
    - retain Line 418 express service; operate reverse commute service on regular route; and
  - F. an initial one-week free fare on the Ventura and Wilshire-Whittier Metro Rapid Bus Lines.
11. ADOPTED MTA **Rights-of-Way Preservation Guidelines** for use by MTA as guidance in the review and approval of requests for interim uses of MTA rights-of-way and other vacant properties.

12. APPROVED SUBSTITUTE MOTION by de la Vega, **AS AMENDED** by Yaroslavsky, that the Board direct the CEO to proceed with work on Draft Environmental Impact Statements/Reports for the following alternative in the **Mid City/Westside corridor** and consult with the Federal Transportation Authority on any issues related to this alternative. Mid-City/Westside: Bus Rapid Transit along the Exposition Right-Of-Way from Figueroa to Venice/Robertson with a westerly extension along Venice Boulevard to Sepulveda, northerly along Sepulveda reconnecting to the Exposition Right-Of-Way to downtown Santa Monica. There should be further consideration of minimal operable segments to Crenshaw, La Cienega and Venice/Robertson.

**ALSO APPROVED AMENDMENTS** by Fasana to include consideration of light rail and by Knabe to look into studying a tunnel section from Figueroa to just west of Vermont.

13. APPROVED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE, Burke Substitute Motion, **AS AMENDED** by Yaroslavsky:

Directed staff to seek BRT demonstration funding from FTA for:

- A. Corridors as defined in the February Board action where BRT is recommended as a technology;
- B. Other high ridership, network enhancing BRT corridors as included in the Phase I and Phase II of the Rapid Bus Program. Emphasize regionally significant BRT corridors that create work of feeder lines to Metro Rail and MTA major regional bus lines; and
- C. Staff to return with analysis on the availability of funds for BRT based on discussions with FTA and a staff analysis on the availability of projects deemed eligible and ready to utilize BRT funding.

**Contingent upon the eligibility of all 3 corridors for the funds.**

17. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR BY A 2/3 VOTE:

- A. Adoption of the following motion: The Board finds by a two-thirds vote that the ATMS consists of highly specialized telecommunications and other related electronic equipment, such that the procurement qualifies under Public Utilities Code Section 130238 for procurement by competitive negotiation. As part of the procurement, the Board hereby authorizes a System Integrator consultant procurement, which will deliver and install **ATMS equipment**, to be conducted pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130238; and
- B. the process for technical evaluation of proposals, identification of qualified sources, and selection for contract award. These procedures are consistent with and based upon MTA's existing Procurement Policies and Procedures.

18. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR BY A 2/3 VOTE:

- A. Adoption of the following motion: The Board finds by a two-thirds vote that there is only a single source of procurement for the replacement portable field (hand-held) radios, and the purchase is for the sole purpose of replacing the worn out radios already in use. The Board hereby authorizes the purchase of the radios pursuant to Public Utilities Code

Section 130237; and

- B. award of a firm fixed-price contract to E. F. Johnson Radio Systems, Mesa, Arizona, for the purchase of **177 radios and related support equipment** for use on the Metro Green (D) Line (D Line) Operations communications system at a cost of \$203,946, including shipping and sales tax.
19. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR exercising an option with Trillium, USA, Inc., Salt Lake City, Utah, to design, build and maintain a **CNG fueling station at Division 1** in an amount not to exceed \$12,178,440, inclusive of a 10% contingency and a term not to exceed ten years, for a revised total contract value not to exceed \$34,983,440.
21. APPROVED UNDER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AUTHORITY:
- A. execution of a Change Order to Contract OP33400700 with Fujitec America Inc. to provide **elevator/escalator maintenance** for up to an additional six (6) month period in an amount not to exceed \$494,280 for a revised contract amount of \$2,982,015 and
  - B. execution of a Change Order to Contract OP33400701 with Millar Elevator Company to provide **elevator service** for up to an additional six (6) month period in an amount not to exceed \$269,926 for a total revised contract amount not to exceed \$1,223,633.
22. APPROVED the following recommendation, **AS CLARIFIED**, that the **AQMD** modify their proposed rules to address the concerns of transit operators in Los Angeles County:
- A. identify and secure adequate funding for transit agency compliance with the proposed clean air fleet rules;
  - B. adopt a more flexible approach to reducing emissions, allow transit bus agencies to determine the most cost effective method of meeting emissions reduction targets, and allow development of multiple emission reduction technologies;
  - C. phase-in transit bus requirements over multiple years to allow agencies to plan, design, budget, and procure the vehicles and infrastructure required to support the objectives of the new rules;
  - D. **clarify the definition of “paratransit” in the rule, including general public dial-a-ride service and vehicle size, and clarify the exemption for “paratransit” under the rule;** and
  - E. delay its proposed April Board hearing on **Rule 1192** until transit agencies have resolved outstanding issues and concerns with the AQMD.
23. APPROVED FASANA MOTION:
- C. Directing staff to work closely with state and local air quality regulatory agencies to explore possible federal or state assistance in mitigating any additional financial burden on Los Angeles County bus

transit providers triggered by **bus fuel technology mandates**; and

D. Directing staff to explore and develop the specifications of driver-side bus doors, and articulated and bi-articulated buses, to enhance vehicle flexibility and speed passenger loading and unloading (e.g. for possible use on the Bus Rapid Transit Projects-BRT) and return to the Board within 90 days for possible inclusion in all future bus procurements.

25. APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) to Contract B645, Transit Automatic Controls and SCADA (TRACS) with Syseca, Inc. to provide **funding for pending changes** that are within Board delegated authority in the amount of \$420,000, to be funded by a transfer from project contingency, increasing the current Segment 3 AFE amount from \$1,115,057 to \$1,535,057.

26. APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY:

A. execution of Change Order No. 9 to Contract C0390, Ancillary Construction and Maintenance, with Steiny and Company, Inc., in the amount of \$3,900,000, to **replenish contractual provisional amounts for unanticipated work** on the Metro Red (A) Line, North Hollywood Extension, Segment 3, increasing the total contract value from \$13,594,021 to \$17,494,021; and

B. an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) to provide funding for pending task orders that are within Board delegated authority in the amount of \$3,900,000, increasing the current Segment 3 AFE from \$16,043,094 to \$19,943,094.

27. APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY:

A. execution of Change Order No. 191 to Contract B241, with Tutor-Saliba-Perini, JV, to compensate the contractor for costs of **repairing water leaks** at the Vermont/Beverly Station over and above those costs which were reasonably expected under the contract, in the amount of \$327,075, increasing the total contract value from \$49,597,226 to \$49,924,301; and

B. an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) in the amount of \$327,075.

28. APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY execution of Change Order No. 212.00 to Contract B261 with Tutor-Saliba-Perini, JV, to compensate the contractor for costs of **repairing water leaks** at the Vermont/Sunset Station over and above those costs which were reasonably expected under the contract, in the amount of \$223,585, to be funded by a transfer from Project Contingency, thereby increasing the total contract value from \$52,386,922 to \$52,610,507.

29. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR BY A 2/3 VOTE:

A. Adoption of the following motion: The Board finds that awarding a design/build contract pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130242(a) will achieve private sector efficiencies in the integration of the design and construction of the **fire alarm system**

**upgrade at Division 11; and**

- B. authorizing the CEO to solicit design/build Contract OP8310-5328, Fire Alarm System Upgrade at Division 11, pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130242(a).

## 30. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR BY A 2/3 VOTE:

- A. Adoption of the following motion: The Board finds by a two-thirds vote that awarding a design/build contract pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130242(a) will achieve private sector efficiencies in the integration of the design and construction of the **Room Enclosure at Unit Shop 2, Regional Rebuild Center; and**

- B. authorizing the CEO to solicit design/build Contract C0641, Room Enclosure at Unit Shop 2, pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 130242(a).

## 31. APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY:

- A. extending Contract No. SP055, **Geotechnical and Tunneling Consulting Services**, with Dr. Z. D. Eisenstein, for one additional year commencing May 1, 2000 through April 30, 2001, to provide geotechnical and tunneling consulting services for Systemwide Projects in an amount not to exceed \$134,076, increasing the Total Contract Value from \$658,740 to \$792,816; and

- B. extending Contract No. SP056, Geotechnical and Tunneling Consulting Services, with Dr. G. R. Martin, for one additional year commencing May 1, 2000 through April 30, 2001, to provide geotechnical and tunneling consulting services for Systemwide Projects in an amount not to exceed \$36,000, increasing the Total Contract Value from \$186,000 to \$222,000.

## 32. APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY:

- A. Amendment No. 1 to Letter Contract No. MC056 with PinnacleOne to provide **Segment 2 and Segment 3 Claims Support** in an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000, increasing the total contract value from \$550,000 to \$1,950,000; and

- B. an increase in the Authorization for Expenditure (AFE) to provide funding in the amount of \$1,350,000, increasing the current AFE from \$600,000 to \$1,950,000.

33. APPROVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE AUTHORITY Change Order No. 32 to Contract Work Order No. 3 for Contract E0070 with Engineering Management Consultant (EMC) for Consultant Change Notice (CCN) No. 86.02 incorporating a reduction in scope for the uncompleted design and design support tasks associated with the **Automated Sprinkler System installation** in the underground station public areas in an amount (\$370,076) which will decrease the total CWO value from \$96,716,131 to \$96,346,055.37. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR negotiation and award of **All Risk Property insurance policy and Boiler & Machine insurance policy** for all MTA real property, other than construction sites, for a cost not to exceed \$3.4 million for a 12 month period effective May 10, 2000 to May 10, 2001.

38. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR award of a two year, unit price contract to 308 Systems, Hermosa Beach, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder under Bid No. PS-5420-0618 for **photo identification card production services** for an amount not to exceed \$298,462, subject to resolution of protest process.
39. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR change order with Images in Foil, Inc. to provide **Fare Media Pass and Stamp Production Services** for a period of six (6) months from May 1, 2000 through October 31, 2000 in an amount not to exceed \$330,000 for a total revised contract amount of \$2,605,002.
40. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR a five year **lease agreement** with Greyhound Lines, Inc., effective July 1, 2000 for the continued operation of the Greyhound Terminal/Ticket Office located at the El Monte Bus Station, at a base monthly rental of \$3,500.
41. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR ratification of the contract with Capstar Partners LLP/McCalley Consulting (Capstar) for professional services in connection with the MTA's **defeased leasing program** with fees not to exceed 60 basis points (six tenths of one percent) of the fair market value of the assets being leased.
42. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:
  - A. negotiation and execution of a lease to service contract defeased lease transaction for the **74 Breda Red (A) Line vehicles** with CIBC World Markets (CIBC) as the equity investor and other documents; the lease to service contract is anticipated to generate a gross benefit of not less than 9% of the approximately \$146 million appraised value of the vehicles (estimated to be \$13 million);
  - B. payment of fees and transaction expenses not to exceed 0.75% of the appraised value of the vehicles estimated to be between \$1 million and \$1.2 million; and
  - C. resolution authorizing the lease to service contract defeased lease transaction for the 74 Breda Red (A) Line vehicles.
47. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:
  - A. Supporting the **Southern California Intercity Rail Group (SCIRG)** vision statement and goals; and
  - B. Amending the MTA Legislative Program to work cooperatively with Southern California Intercity Rail Group (SCIRG), the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA), and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) to secure funding for transportation projects in Los Angeles County.
48. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:
  - A. adoption of the recommended MTA **Telecommunications and Related Facility Assets Management Program and Third Party Use Guidelines**; and
  - B. incorporating the Board adopted Fiber Optic policies into MTA Telecommunications and Related Facility Assets Management Program and Third Party Use

Guidelines, and revise the same to include all telecommunications and related facility assets for commercial use.

49. ADOPTED the draft policy governing both **revenue-generating advertising and transit-related advertising** placed by MTA on the Metro System, **AMENDED** by Riordan, to include that the MTA shall not place or allow any exterior advertising on its rail vehicles, BRT vehicles, rapid bus vehicles, and other new types of transit service.
50. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR:
- A. working to amend state law to authorize the MTA to provide “charter-type” service for the 2000 Democratic National Convention and to request a waiver from the FTA on similar prohibitions at the federal level; and
  - B. supporting **transportation needs for the Democratic National Convention** (DNC) and directing the CEO, or his representatives, to negotiate with LA Convention 2000, the City of Los Angeles, and the Los Angeles Convention & Visitor’s Bureau to:
    1. Assist with the Democratic National Convention transportation plan by providing a number of “charter-type” buses, operators, and other ancillary staff, from August 12-17, 2000, such that regular MTA service or compliance with the Consent Decree will not be impacted;
    2. Determine what other types of services MTA may provide for the Democratic National Convention; and
    3. Ensure that any support provided for the Democratic National Convention is cost-neutral for the MTA and does not interfere with service to the public.
51. APPROVED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE ITEM A, **AS AMENDED** by de la Vega.  
APPROVED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS B THROUGH J positions on **State Legislation**:
- A. AB 2643 (Calderon) - This measure is being sponsored by municipal operators in Los Angeles County and addresses funding allocations by the MTA. ~~OPPOSE~~ **NEUTRAL, WORK WITH AUTHOR.**
  - B. AB 2816 (Kuehl) - Would authorize the MTA to conduct a study of the 101 Freeway in a specified portion of the San Fernando Valley. **SUPPORT.**
  - C. AB 2742 (Baugh and Strickland) - This bill would shift the sales taxes on gasoline sales to county transportation commissions (CTC) and regional/transportation planning agencies (RTPA) based on population. The bill would also allocate \$156 million annually from the General Fund for transportation purposes to CTCs and RTPAs in fiscal years 2001 to 2005. **WORK WITH AUTHOR.**
  - D. SB 1426 (Rainey) - This bill would shift sales tax funds from the Public Transportation Account to cities and counties for street and road repair. **WORK WITH AUTHOR.**
  - E. AB 1951 (Longville) - This measure is sponsored by the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink) and is proposing an increase in funding for Metrolink services. **SUPPORT.**



- F. SB 1427 (Rainey) - This bill would reinstate a tax credit for employers who provide transit passes for their employees. **SUPPORT.**
- G. AB 2373 (Longville) - AB 2373 would redistribute the locally generated Call Box funding on a statewide basis. The Call Box program is funded by a \$1 surcharge on vehicle registration in counties which voted for the increase. This bill would redistribute those funds based on highway miles and population. **OPPOSE.**
- H. AB 2607 (Knox) - This measure appears to be a “spot” bill and currently makes non-substantive changes in the code sections addressing MTA board member compensation. **NEUTRAL.**
- I. AB 2835 (Hertzberg) - This measure is apparently a “spot” bill and would make non-substantive changes to the Congestion Management Program statutes. **NEUTRAL.**
- J. AB 1428 (Karnette) - Repeals the sunset provision on Freeway Service Patrol programs and makes other improvements. **SUPPORT.**
52. **APPROVED, AS AMENDED** by Bernson, that all future changes will be brought to the Board:
- A. revisions to the **MTA Procurement Policies and Procedures Manual** to reflect increases in the small purchase thresholds to \$40,000 for purchases of supplies, equipment and materials and increase the micro purchase threshold to \$2,500 in accordance with approved Senate Bill 532;
- B. a change to the MTA Procurement Policies and Procedures Manual to amend the circumstances under which two step sealed bidding may be used;
- C. a change to the MTA Procurement Policies and Procedures Manual to revise the section on protests; and
- D. implementation of public notification on all formal bid results.
53. **ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION TO INSTRUCT LABOR NEGOTIATOR** concerning Oropeza motion that the MTA shall not approve the creation of any **transportation zone** unless the Joint Powers Authority (JPA) governing the zone assumes the collective bargaining agreements, rights, and obligations that currently exist between the MTA and the labor organizations representing employees who will be affected or displaced by the creation of the zone. The JPA operating the zone will be obligated to employ those employees of the MTA who are currently performing functions for the MTA who will be displaced when the JPA governing the zone begins to provide transportation services previously provided by the MTA.
54. CLOSED SESSION
- A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - G.C. 54956.9 (a):
1. Velarde v. MTA - Case No. BC 185481
- APPROVED SETTLEMENT OF \$1.5 MILLION**

2. Brown v. MTA - Case No. VC 027613

APPROVED SETTLEMENT OF \$115,000

3. Lee v. MTA - Case No. KC 026562

APPROVED SETTLEMENT OF \$110,000

4. Song v. MTA - Case No. BC 184845

APPROVED SETTLEMENT OF \$275,000

5. Orta & Pollon v. MTA - Case No. EC 022220

APPROVED SETTLEMENT OF \$950,000

6. Garber v. MTA - Case No. BC 198076

APPROVED SETTLEMENT OF \$112,000

7. Essex v. MTA - Case No. VNO22507

APPROVED STRUCTURED SETTLEMENT OF APPROXIMATELY \$450,000

- B. Conference with Real Property Negotiators concerning Price and/or Terms of Payment:

Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA)

Parcels: 5544 021 900, 5544 021 901, 5544 021 903 and 5544 021 904

5454, 5436 & 5430 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles and 1674 N. Western Ave., Los Angeles, respectively

INSTRUCTED PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS FOR A MAXIMUM OF 30 ADDITIONAL DAYS

- C. Personnel Matters - G.C. 54957

1. Public Employee Appointment - Ethics Officer

NO REPORT

- D. Conference with Labor Negotiator - G.C. 54956.8

Negotiator: Tom Webb

Employee Organization: AFSCME, UTU, ATU, TCU

INSTRUCTED LABOR NEGOTIATOR

59. APPROVED entering into a six (6) month **Exclusive Negotiation Agreement** (ENA) with Mar

- Ventures, Inc. for the development of approximately 7.6 acres of MTA owned properties located at the Chatsworth Metrolink Station **AMENDED** by Bernson to include that the Board direct that the ownership records relating to this property, reflect this joint ownership. Further, that the "City of Los Angeles," be listed on all deeds and documents relating to this property and/or ENA, and, further that the MTA and City immediately begin to negotiate the terms and conditions on this property as well as the existing development.
60. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR execution of a Firm Fixed Price Contract PS-4340-0565 with Booz Allen & Hamilton, Inc. to complete the **Santa Monica Freeway Smart Corridor Evaluation Study** in the amount of \$331,148.
  61. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR negotiation and execution of Contract PS-4340-0603 with Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas, Inc., Los Angeles, for **HOV Performance Evaluation and Monitoring** for an amount not to exceed \$2,611,998, inclusive of two options. The first option (approximately \$38,400) authorizes the consultant to conduct additional vehicle occupancy counts and the second option (approximately \$120,598) authorizes the consultant to conduct up to six additional HOV Connector Analyses.
  62. APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR approval of the MTA **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Complementary Paratransit Plan Update 2000**.
  63. APPROVED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE Burke/de la Vega Motion, **AS AMENDED**, that the MTA Board:
    - A. Adopt findings that the proposed **Encore Hall project** is consistent with the joint development guidelines and goals of the MTA;
    - B. Direct the CEO to enter into an **non-exclusive right to negotiate** for **four (4)** months with the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences and their designated development team for the purchase and/or long-term ground lease of two MTA owned parcels adjacent to the Red (A) Line North Hollywood station; and
    - C. Direct the CEO to negotiate a final agreement and report back to the Board no later than May 31, 2000.
  64. APPROVED directing the CEO to analyze an on-going MTA funding plan within the context of **continued operation of successful Smart Shuttle services** and return to the Board for approval of the funding plan no later than the May, 2000 committee/Board cycle.
  65. APPROVED Yaroslavsky Motion, **AS AMENDED**, directing the CEO to:
    - A. enter into a **non-exclusive right to negotiate** for **two (2)** months with the Children's Museum and their designated development team for a long-term lease of MTA property at the North Hollywood station. Because there are several parcels surrounding the North Hollywood station that may be suitable for such a development, the CEO should explore all possible parcel options with the Children's Museum; and
    - B. report back to the Board on the status of these negotiations no later than **April 30, 2000**.
  66. APPROVED, **AS AMENDED** by Yaroslavsky, **authorization to continue work for 30 days** on

Contract No. C0326, **Universal City Station Freeway Overcrossing and Site Restoration**, with Brutoco Engineering and Construction, Inc., (BEC), to support the Segment 3, North Hollywood Extension, Revenue Operations Date (ROD), **in an amount not-to-exceed one-third of \$1,400,000 and come back to the Construction Committee in April, 2000.**

67. APPROVED AS CORRECTED:

A. submitting the following **federal appropriations** requests to our congressional delegatio

1. **\$50 million in Section 5309 Fixed Guideway-Discretionary Funding to be used toward the construction of the Metro Rail North Hollywood Extension** This segment of Metro Rail is scheduled to open on June 24, 2000. The funding request is consistent with the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT's) FY 2001 budget submittal to Congress and the terms of the Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA);
2. **\$50 million in Section 5309 Bus and Bus Related Facilities Program-Discretionary Funding** This funding will assist the MTA in complying with the Bus Consent Decree and implementing the MTA's Accelerated Bus Procurement Plan. This request is also consistent with the DOT's budget submittal to Congress. The funding will assist the MTA in accelerating the purchase of vehicles currently scheduled for procurement in 2003 and 2004;
3. **\$15 million for the Eastside and Mid-City Transit Corridors in Section 5309 Fixed Guideway-Discretionary Funding** This funding will be used for preliminary engineering, design and environmental work needed for fixed guideway projects in these corridors in the context of the recently approved MIS alternatives for the existing FFGA;
4. **\$5 million for the San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor in Section 5309 Fixed Guideway-Discretionary Funding** This funding is for preliminary engineering and environmental work for the Fixed Guideway project in the recently approved MIS;
5. **\$6 million in Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Funding** This funding will be dedicated to the completion of the Regional ITS Communication Network in Los Angeles County and other ITS-related projects, including, but not limited to, railroad crossing safety projects and ITS elements of the MTA's Metro Rapid Bus Program;
6. **\$5 million in Reverse Commute/Jobs Access Funding** This funding will assist the Los Angeles region in continuing work on the proposed Countywide Welfare-to-Work Unanticipated Transportation Needs Service (UTRANS) and to provide funding for additional anticipated service needs. MTA is working closely with Los Angeles County in addressing transit needs in this area; and
7. **\$1.15 million in Transportation and Community and System Preservation Program Funds** This funding will be used for a LANI project at the Wilshire/Vermont Transit Plaza and for a pedestrian-related project in Boyle Heights.

68. APPROVED Burke Motion - that the Board support:

- A. the issuance of a Request for Information (RFI) to be issued by the Fuel Cell Buyers Consortium to identify the interested manufacturers for the BRT vehicle based on the **ATTB technology**, and
- B. the submittal of a request to Congress to provide \$4 million for preliminary engineering work in Section 5309 Bus Discretionary funding category.

The meeting adjourned 2:45 p.m.

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