



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FOOTHILL TRANSIT EXECUTIVE BOARD
FOOTHILL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
2ND FLOOR BOARD ROOM
100 SOUTH VINCENT AVENUE
WEST COVINA, CALIFORNIA 91790**

Friday, June 29, 2012

8:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER

1. Call to order. (12-2932)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Wallach at 8:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. Pledge of Allegiance. (12-2933)

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Member Carol Herrera.

ROLL CALL

3. Roll call. (12-2934)

**Roll call was taken by Mr. Garen Khachian, Staff, Board of Supervisors
Executive Office, Commission Services Division.**

Present: Chair Pat Wallach, Treasurer Paula Lantz, Member Carol
Herrera, Member Margaret McAustin and Member Peggy A.
Delach

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

4. Approval of the minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 25, 2012. (12-2935)

**On motion of Treasurer Paula Lantz, seconded by Member Margaret
McAustin with Member Peggy Delach abstaining, this item was approved.**

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II. PRESENTATIONS

5. Presentations:

5.1 Contractors' Employee Presentation. (12-2936)

Jim Marshall, General Manager, First Transit, introduced and recognized the following Pomona Location First Transit Operator of the Month:

- **Jose Toro, Operator of the Month (March 2012)**

5.2 New & Promoted Staff (12-3022)

Doran Barnes, Executive Director, Foothill Transit, recognized the following newly hired and promoted staff:

- **Vincent Perez, Customer Service Representative (May 2011 - Puente Hills Transit Store)**
- **Viviana Romo, Safety & Security Manager (May 2012)**
- **Felicia Friesema, Director of Marketing & Communication**

5.3 Presentation to Valerie Flores & Wayne Fritz (12-3023)

Doran Barnes, Executive Director, Foothill Transit, recognized Valerie Flores, former General Manager, Arcadia Operations & Maintenance Facility and Wayne Fritz, former Regional Vice President of Operations, MV Transportation for their services while in contract with MV Transportation.

5.4 Presentation to Past Board Chair Carol Herrera (12-3024)

Doran Barnes, Executive Director, Foothill Transit, presented Carol Herrera, former Chair of the Executive Board, with a crystal bus memento. Mr. Barnes and the Executive Board thanked Ms. Herrera for providing valuable time, expertise, and leadership to the Foothill Transit Board.

After discussion, by common consent and there being no objection, this item was received and filed.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

6. Public Comment. (12-2937)

The following members of the public addressed the Foothill Transit Executive Board: Jorge Rosales, Merrie Suydam and Jeri Vogel.

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

7. MAY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INVESTMENT SUMMARY

Recommendation: Receive and file the Financial Statements and Investment Summary for Fiscal Year 2012. (12-2942)

On motion of Treasurer Paula Lantz, seconded by Member Carol Herrera, unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

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8. MAY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS REPORT

Recommended Action: Receive and file the May 2012 Performance Indicators Report. (12-2943)

On motion of Treasurer Paula Lantz, seconded by Member Carol Herrera, unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

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9. REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - STATE ADVOCACY SERVICES

Recommended Action: Authorize the Executive Director to issue Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 13-002 to obtain state advocacy services for Foothill Transit. (12-2996)

On motion of Treasurer Paula Lantz, seconded by Member Carol Herrera, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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10. CONTRACT AWARD - NON-REVENUE SUPPORT VEHICLES

Recommended Action: Authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement in the amount of \$507,279 with Wondries Toyota of Alhambra for the purchase of 17 non-revenue gasoline hybrid Toyota sedans. (12-2997)

On motion of Treasurer Paula Lantz, seconded by Member Carol Herrera, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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11. APTA SECRETARY TREASURER ENDORSEMENT

Recommended Action: Endorse Foothill Transit Executive Director Doran Barnes for the voluntary elected position of Secretary/Treasurer of the American Public Transportation Association (APTA). (12-2998)

On motion of Treasurer Paula Lantz, seconded by Member Carol Herrera, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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V. DISCUSSION ITEMS (REGULAR AGENDA)

12. ECOLINER PROGRAM UPDATE

Recommended Action: Receive and file the Ecoliner Program Update. (12-2999)

George Karbowski, Director of Maintenance & Vehicle Technology, presented this item.

Operating Profile Overview

- **Shadow service commenced September 2010**
- **Buses upgraded one at a time beginning in Fall 2011**
- **Dedicated run began in October 2011 (160 mile/day, 1 bus)**
- **Two dedicated runs began in April 2012 (300 mile/day, 2 buses)**
- **55,000 in-service miles accumulated**

Emissions Benefits

- **371,000 LBS CO2 Saved using Ecoliners instead of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)**

Advances in Electrical Vehicle Technology

- **Battery prices down 30% over 2009**
- **Charger prices dropping**
- **Charger size getting smaller**
- **Electrical Vehicle prices falling as demand and production increases**
- **Major players entering the business (GE, Siemens, Eaton)**
- **Southern California Edison increases understanding of grid impacts**

Public Utilities Commission (PUC) Nearing Rate Decision

- **PUC target resolution date: July 7, 2012**
- **Proposed Short Term Solution: 3 year per kWh rate “cap”**
- **Long Term Solution: PUC would develop broad rate case on Electrical Vehicle Charging**

After discussion, on motion of Treasurer Paula Lantz, seconded by Member Peggy Delach, unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

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13. COLLEGE PASS PROGRAM UPDATE

Recommended Action: Receive and file the Foothill Transit College Pass Program Update. (12-3000)

Felicia Friesema, Director of Marketing & Communication, presented this item. and reported the following:

Rio Honda College

- **Go RIO Program**
- **Started in 2007**
- **Funded by student fees**
- **Offered to full-time students**
- **Significant growth since inception**

2012 Analysis

- **Current subsidy is \$5,000 per semester**
- **Average fare per boarding is \$0.35**
- **Average fare per boarding system-wide is \$1.25**

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Renegotiation

- **Graduated increase in subsidy**

- \$17,500 for 2012-2013 academic year

Pasadena City College

- iTAP Program
- Started in 2010
- Significantly discounted semester pass
- Offered to full-time students

2012 Analysis

- Current subsidy is \$30,000 per semester
- Average fare per boarding is \$1.18
- Average fare per boarding system-wide is \$1.25

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Renegotiation

- Extension of MOU term to one year
- Compensation currently in line with system-wide statistics

Regional College Outreach

- Mount San Antonio College (July meeting with college officials)
- Claremont University Consortium
- Cal Poly Pomona
- Citrus College

After discussion, on motion of Member Peggy Delach, seconded by Member Carol Herrera, unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

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14. 2012 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

Recommended Action: Receive and file the June 2012 Legislative Summary. There are no recommended positions on bills this month. (12-3001)

David Reyno, Director of Government Relations, presented this item and reported on the following:

1) *Public Transit Agency Tax Exemptions*

- In 2008, Foothill Transit sponsored, and Assemblyman Ed Hernandez authored, AB 2009 to exempt public transit agencies from "Utility User Tax" on natural gas used to power their buses. This bill passed unanimously in 2008.

- **SB 1257, (Hernandez) - Utility user tax: exemption: public transit vehicles, has unanimously passed in the Senate and is currently in the State Assembly where it has been referred to two committees, the Revenue and Taxation Committee and Local Government Committee. On May 2, Vice Chair Doug Tessitor and Treasurer Paula Lantz testified before the Senate Governance & Finance Committee on behalf of Foothill Transit for this bill.**

2) *Public Transit Bus Axle Weight*

- **This State law created in 1976 limits the overall weight of a bus on one axle to 24,500 lbs. The majority of public transit buses on the road today exceed this limitation. Advances in bus technology have contributed to the weight increase.**
- **Assemblyman Mike Eng, authored AB 1706. The bill is sponsored by the California Transit Association and will put a moratorium on the weight limit of public transit buses until January, 2015 to allow time for the transit industry, including the bus manufacturers, to work with all interested parties including the California League of Cities to come up with a reasonable solution. AB 1706 passed in the Assembly and now awaits committee assignment in the State Senate.**

3) *Six-year surface transportation authorization bill*

- **The authorization bill, SAFETEA-LU (The Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users) a tentative agreement on this bill has been reached to keep programs at current funding levels through September, 2014.**

After discussion, on motion of Member Margaret McAustin, seconded by Member Carol Herrera, unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

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15. CONGESTION REDUCTION DEMONSTRATION (EXPRESSLANES) PROJECT

Recommended Action: Receive and file an update on the U.S. Department of Transportation's (USDOT) Los Angeles County Congestion Reduction Demonstration (ExpressLanes) Project. (12-3002)

LaShawn, Gillespie, Director of Planning presented this item and introduced Stephanie Wiggins, Metro Executive Officer.

Stephanie Wiggins, reported on the current status of the project and the project schedule.

Program Overview

Goal: Move More People, Not More Vehicles

- **1st HOT Lanes in LA County**
- **\$290 Million Program Budget (\$210 M UPA/CRD Grant)**
- **\$142 M Transit**
- **\$129 M Toll/Roadway**
- **\$ 19 M ExpressPark**

More Choices for Solo Drivers

- **The FORMULA: More People in the ExpressLanes = Fewer People in the Regular Lanes = Better Traffic Flow for Everyone**
- **Solo Drivers w/FasTrak can pay a toll to use the ExpressLanes**
- **Introduces Congestion Pricing to Manage Traffic Demand**

Toll Rates

- **Minimum Toll per Mile: \$0.25**
- **Maximum Toll per Mile: \$1.40**

**Toll Rates will vary within the range based on traffic levels in the ExpressLanes to ensure average speeds of 45 mph
If a SigAlert occurs, the customer account will automatically be credited.**

Marketing & Outreach

- **Media Relations**

- **Marketing**
- **Dynamic Message Signs**
- **Print**
- **Radio**
- **Billboard**
- **Online banner ads**

Outreach

- **I-110 & I-10 Commuters**
- **Elected Officials/City Councils**
- **Business Community**

Tips

- **Standard FasTrak can be used to only pay a Toll. FasTrak w/switch is required to travel toll-free in LA County.**
- **AAA Members receive 20% discount when FasTrak account is opened online**
- **Equity Plan for qualified Low Income Commuters**
- **\$3 Monthly Account Maintenance Fee is Suspended only until I-110 ExpressLanes open this Fall**

After discussion, on motion of Member Carol Herrera, seconded by Treasurer Paula Lantz, unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

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16. CONTRACT AWARD - CONSTRUCTION OF INDUSTRY PARK & RIDE

Recommended Action: Authorize the Executive Director to enter into Agreement No. 02-018 with Klorman Construction in the amount of Nine Million Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Two Dollars (\$9,530,932) for construction of a multi-level 620 space parking structure in Industry Metrolink Station (Industry Park & Ride project) subject to receiving Department of Finance approval of the Industry Oversight Board Notice of Action to quit claim deed the Industry Metrolink property to the City of Industry for public purpose only. (12-3003)

Roland Cordero, Director of Facilities, presented this item and reported the following.

- **May 16, 2012 – Invitation for Bids (IFB) 12-018 issued**

- **May 23, 2012 – Job-walk and pre-bid conference**
- **Bids from Klorman, Bomel, ARB Construction**

The project budget was set at \$12M and the lowest bid came in at \$9.5 M saving the agency \$2.5 M.

Bids were competitively priced

- **Klorman was lowest responsive and responsible bidder**
- **Klorman has built several large capacity parking structures ranging from 820 parking stalls to 1,234 parking stalls for such clients as Sony Pictures, Higgins Development, MetLife, Archstone Builders, and Opus Development.**
- **On June 18, the Industry Oversight Board adopted a resolution to quitclaim deed the Industry Metrolink property to the city.**

After discussion, on motion of Member Carol Herrera, seconded by Member Margaret McAustin, unanimously carried this item was approved.

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17. CONTRACT AWARD - FACILITY SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT

Recommended Action: Authorize the Executive Director to negotiate final contract terms and conditions and award a contract in the amount of \$1,284,020.47 to G4S Technology Limited Partnership for the installation of information technology-based security equipment and communication systems at the West Covina, Arcadia, Pomona facilities and at the Kellogg Hill Communications Center, to include hardware and software, cameras, access control systems, microwave/wireless data transmission system, head end support servers, training, operations and maintenance manuals, and all required fees, permits, and licenses. (12-3004)

Jamie Becerra, Director of Safety & Security, presented this item.

After discussion, on motion of Chair Patricia Wallach, seconded by Member Carol Herrera, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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18. CONTRACT TRANSITION - FOOTHILL TRANSIT ARCADIA OPERATIONS

Recommended Action: Receive and file a status update on contract transition activities at Foothill Transit's operations and maintenance facility in Arcadia. (12-3005)

Kevin McDonald, Deputy Executive Director, presented this item and introduced Mr. Eric Estell, First Transit, West Region Vice President.

Mr. Estell, reported that as of June 28, 2012 First Transit has completed the hiring and on-boarding process of 363 coach operators, dispatchers, and administrative personnel to be employed as indicated in their best Final Offer submitted during the proposal evaluation process. Mr. Estell added that he looks forward to expanding the working relationship with Foothill Transit.

After discussion, on motion of Treasurer Paula Lantz, seconded by Member Margaret McAustin, unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

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19. FISCAL YEAR 2012 MANAGEMENT CONTRACT INCENTIVE PAYMENT

Recommended Action: Consider authorizing an incentive payment in an appropriate amount to Veolia Transportation for their efforts on behalf of Foothill Transit during Fiscal Year 2012. (12-3006)

Darold Pieper, General Counsel presented this item and reported that Veolia Transportation has accomplished seven out of the nine performance indicators.

After discussion, on motion of Member Carol Herrera, seconded by Chair Patricia Wallach, unanimously carried, the Board authorized the full amount of incentive payment to Veolia Transportation for their efforts on behalf of Foothill Transit for the Fiscal Year 2012.

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VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENT

20. Comment by Mr. Doran Barnes, Executive Director, Foothill Transit Executive Board. (12-2938)

Mr. Barnes, reported the following:

- **Felicia Friesema, was promoted to the Director of Marketing and Communication, and is the first female Director of Marketing.**

Mr. Barnes thanked Linda Apodaca and Hendy Satyaputra for the slide show presentations prepared for viewing at the beginning of every Foothill Transit meeting.

- **The Transit Board Members Seminars & Board Support Employee Development Workshop is scheduled for July 21-24, 2012 at the Sheraton Atlanta, Georgia. Vice Chair Doug Tessitor and Member Carol Herrera will be attending the Seminar.**
- **The next regular meeting of Foothill Executive Board scheduled for July 29, 2012 has been cancelled.**

After discussion, by common consent and there being no objection, this item was received and filed.

VII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

21. Comments by Members of the Foothill Transit Executive Board. (12-2940)

Member Margaret McAustin, noted that this year marks the 40th anniversary of Title IX, which contributed to enabling women to join the work force and move up. All members expressed their appreciation of all the hard work done by women before them.

RECESS

The Foothill Transit Executive Board recessed to Closed Session at 9:25 a.m. following Agenda Item No. 21. The Foothill Transit Executive Board meeting was reconvened and called to order by Chair Wallach, at 9:57 a.m.

The following members were present: Chair Wallach, Treasurer Lantz, Members Delach, Herrera and McAustin (12-3125)

VIII. NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION

22. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (EB) (Government Code § 54956.8)

Property Address/Location: Diamond Bar Park-N-Ride Lot 100-101 N. Diamond Bar Blvd., Diamond Bar. Agency Negotiator(s): Doran J. Barnes, Roland Cordero, Edward J. Gill, Darold D. Pieper, Kevin McDonald
Negotiating Parties: Michael Miles, District 7 Director - Caltrans
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms (12-3014)

Darold Pieper, General Counsel, reported that the Executive Board, during closed session took the following action:

On motion of Member Carol Herrera, seconded by Treasurer Paula Lantz, authorize the Executive Director to execute an amendment to contract 11-039 dated 2-24-2011 with Rincon Consultants, Inc. to complete the documentation required under NEPA and CEQA for the proposed park and ride facility in the City of Diamond Bar in the amount of Eighty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Nine Dollars (\$88,899).

On motion of Member Carol Herrera, seconded by Treasurer Paula Lantz, authorize the Executive Director to execute an amendment to contract 11-038 dated 2-24-2011 with Walker Parking Consultants for the provision of Architectural and Engineering and Design Services related to the development of the design of a Park and Ride Facility in the City of Diamond Bar in the amount of One Hundred Forty Two Thousand Dollars (\$142,000).

23. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Government Code § 54956.8)

Property Address/Location: 600 S. Brea Canyon Rd. City of Industry APN: 908
Agency Negotiator(s): Doran J. Barnes, Roland Cordero, Edward J. Gill, Darold D. Pieper, Kevin McDonald
Negotiating Parties: John D. Ballas, Director of Public Works, City of Industry
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms (12-3015)

Darold Pieper, General Counsel, reported that no reportable action was taken.

**24. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
(Government Code § 54956.8)**

Property Address/Location: Northerly 126 ± feet x 383 ± feet of APN: 8608-027-900

Agency Negotiator(s): Doran J. Barnes, Roland Cordero, Edward J. Gill, Darold D. Pieper, Kevin McDonald

Negotiating Parties: James Makshanoff, Azusa City Manager & Tito Haes, Public Works Director

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms (12-3016)

Darold Pieper, General Counsel, reported that no reportable action was taken.

**25. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
(Government Code § 54956.8)**

Property Address/Location: APN: 8474007035

Agency Negotiator(s): Doran J. Barnes, Roland Cordero, Edward J. Gill, Darold D. Pieper, Kevin McDonald

Negotiating Parties: Andrew Pasmant, West Covina City Manager (12-3017)

Darold Pieper, General Counsel, reported that no reportable action was taken.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

**26. Adjournment of the June 29, 2012, Foothill Transit Executive Board Meeting.
(12-2941)**

There being no further business, the Foothill Transit Executive Board meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.