

JOINT MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE
METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM (MTS),
SAN DIEGO TRANSIT CORPORATION (SDTC), AND
SAN DIEGO TROLLEY, INC. (SDTI)
1255 Imperial Avenue, Suite 1000
San Diego, CA 92101

April 7, 2011

MINUTES

A. ROLL CALL

Vice Chairman Roberts called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. A roll call sheet listing Executive Committee member attendance is attached.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Young moved for approval of the minutes of the March 17, 2011, MTS Executive Committee meeting. Mr. Minto seconded the motion, and the vote was 4 to 0 in favor.

C. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. MTS: Design-Build and the South Bay Bus Maintenance Facility

John Haggerty of the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) provided the Committee with an update on the design-build scoping process for the South Bay Maintenance Facility. He explained that SANDAG has been working closely with MTS to develop a consultant task order. He talked about some projects in San Diego that were design-build as well as some proposed MTS design-build projects. He then introduced Tom Rossbach with HNTB who talked about the benefits of design-build.

Mr. Rossbach discussed project delivery-system methods and compared design-build benefits to design-bid-build. He explained that the design-build is more cost efficient and is more time efficient in regards to construction and delivery speed. He then explained the design-build contract elements as well as the design-development documents. He discussed the best-value procurement process and gave an overview of the design-build consultant support for the South Bay Maintenance Facility. Mr. Rossbach talked about the control aspects of the final design and construction management of the project and covered the owner's responsibilities. Mr. Haggerty then covered the next steps of the South Bay Facility Project design-build as it related to SANDAG and MTS.

Committee members commented that they support design-build and best value for the project. There was a brief discussion related to whether or not local businesses could be prioritized for the project criteria.

Action Taken

The Committee received a report, no action was taken.

2. MTS: Trolley Rehabilitation Project Update

Mr. Haggerty provided the Committee with an update on the Blue and Orange Line trolley rehabilitation. He discussed the schedule for station improvements and milestone segments for construction. He then talked about the budget status and budget projections for completion of the improvements. Mr. Haggerty also explained the expenditure plan based on expended funds, compared to the approved budget, and the additional costs for completion. He also explained who the project manager and construction managers are through each process of the rehabilitation. Mr. Haggerty then discussed the project status for the vehicles, design, and construction. He stated that the contact wire construction and fiber-optic construction progress falls within the banana curve, which is a good indicator that both projects will be finished on schedule and most likely ahead of schedule. He then showed the Committee a couple of photographs of contractors performing rehabilitation work at various locations.

Mr. Young wanted to know what upgrades were being done at the Encanto/62nd Street trolley station and asked for a briefing at the station.

Action Taken

The Committee received a report, no action was taken.

3. MTS: Compass Card Implementation

James Dreisbach-Towle of SANDAG gave the Committee a brief report on the Compass Card implementation. He explained that the Compass Card program was initiated as an automated fare collection project, which included MTS and the North County Transit District (NCTD), implemented by SANDAG to allow for a central-operating system. He explained that in May of 2009, "premium" paper monthly pass users were converted to Compass Cards that have radio frequency identification chips (RFID) and are read when a user "taps" on a validating machine located on the trolley platforms and on buses. He explained that code enforcement officers have been equipped with handheld readers allowing them to read cards to ensure that passengers have valid fares.

Mr. Dreisbach-Towle explained that the premium riders were a good pilot group to start with because 95% of premium customers purchased monthly passes. He stated that SANDAG has partnered with Vons to sell Compass Cards as well as seven other retail locations, and a call center, providing customer service, has been set up by calling 511 Monday through Saturday. He mentioned that a web program has also been established wherein customers can download their monthly pass fare to their Compass Card and even have the option to automatically reload their fare monthly. He also briefly explained an employer program that has been implemented and stated that currently 30 medium-to-large employers are enrolled in the program with very positive feedback received from employers.

Sharon Cooney, Chief of Staff, explained that MTS is currently working to convert social service agencies to the Compass Card, which has been challenging as these agencies have very fluid riders that can vary from month-to-month or even from week-to-week. She stated that MTS is also working to convert Senior/Disabled/Medicare riders to the Compass Card, which is also a challenge but should be highly successful and a benefit

to the customer. Ms. Cooney then explained that a pilot to convert day passes from paper to Compass Cards will begin on Monday at the San Ysidro Transit Center, because there has been a problem with fraudulent resale of day passes. She explained that the goal is to incentivize riders not to give their day passes away by charging them \$2 for the initial card. She explained that the Compass Cards will be free of charge for one week, and then the cards will be sold at the ticket vending machines at the San Ysidro location.

Mr. Jablonski commented that the Compass Cards have been successful in part because riders like to have an actual product in their hand. He explained that Compass Card does not have a stored value, and that only 70-75% of riders "tap" their card, which is an issue for fare enforcement and moving to stored value.

Mr. Young commented that the culture of riders has adapted well to the Compass Card and that people seem very comfortable "tapping" their card regardless of their age.

Action Taken

The Committee received a report, no action was taken.

The Executive Committee convened to Closed Session at 10:36 a.m.

4. MTS: CLOSED SESSION - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8;
Property: 1341 Commercial Street and 1501 National Avenue, San Diego, California;
Agency Negotiators: Paul Jablonski, Karen Landers, and Tim Allison;
Negotiating Parties: Merlone Geier Partners;
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

The Executive Committee reconvened to open Session at 11:05 a.m.

Oral Report of Final Actions Taken in Closed Session

Karen Landers, MTS General Counsel, reported the following:

4. The Committee received a report and gave direction to staff.

D. REVIEW OF DRAFT APRIL 14, 2011, JOINT BOARD AGENDA

Recommended Consent Items

6. MTS: SD 100 & S70 Brake Rehabilitation - Contract Award

Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute MTS Doc. No. L1021.0-11 with Knorr Brake Corporation (Knorr) for a two-year base period with 3 one-year options.

7. MTS: Batteries for Automobiles and Buses - Contract Amendment

Action would: (1) ratify Option Year One of MTS Doc. No. B0481.0-07 with Broding's Battery Warehouse to purchase batteries for buses and automobiles; and (2) authorize the CEO to execute MTS Doc. No. B0481.1-07 with Broding's Battery Warehouse for the continued procurement of automobile and bus batteries.

8. MTS: Investment Report - February 2011

Action would receive a report for information.

9. MTS: Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Funds Transfer

Action would authorize the transfer of \$325,000 from the FY 12 apportionment of the MTS Rail Profile Grinding Project (CIP 11206) and \$1,283 from the MTS Miscellaneous Capital Project (CIP 11200) to the SANDAG Station Platform Retrofit Project (1095400), the Mission Valley West LRT Extension Project (1041600), and the Santee LRT Extension Project (1040300).

Recommended Consent Items

There was no additional discussion of the recommended Consent Items.

E. REVIEW OF SANDAG TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

There was no SANDAG Transportation Committee agenda discussion.

F. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER BUSINESS

There were no Committee Member communications.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS


There were no public comments.

H. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. in the Executive Committee Conference Room.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairman Roberts adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m.


Chairman

Attachment: A. Roll Call Sheet

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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM**

ROLL CALL

MEETING OF (DATE) April 7, 2011

CALL TO ORDER (TIME) 9:04 AM

RECESS _____

RECONVENE _____

CLOSED SESSION 10:36 AM

RECONVENE 11:05 AM

ADJOURN 11:07 AM

BOARD MEMBER (Alternate)	PRESENT (TIME ARRIVED)	ABSENT (TIME LEFT)
YOUNG <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Lightner) <input type="checkbox"/>		10:36 AM
MATHIS <input type="checkbox"/>		
OVRUM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Janney) <input type="checkbox"/>		
ROBERTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Cox) <input type="checkbox"/>		
MINTO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Cunningham) <input type="checkbox"/>		
Transportation Committee Rep Slot (Mathis)		

SIGNED BY OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD: Valerie Vizkeletti

CONFIRMED BY OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL: Phil Carroll