

MEETING OF THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
1255 Imperial Avenue, Suite 1000
San Diego, CA 92101

December 6, 2018

MINUTES

A. ROLL CALL

Chair Gomez called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A roll call sheet listing Executive Committee member attendance is attached.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Cole moved for approval of the minutes of the November 1, 2018, MTS Executive Committee meeting. Ms. Rios seconded the motion, and the vote was 4 to 0 in favor with Mr. Arambula and Mr. McWhirter absent.

C. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Quarterly Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project Update (Sharon Humphreys of SANDAG)

Sharon Humphreys, with SANDAG, provided a quarterly Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project update. She reviewed the Mid-Coast organization chart and project alignment. She discussed the details of the construction progress; DBE utilization; budget contingency; and construction schedule. Mr. Jablonski asked when the pre-revenue service testing will begin. Wayne Terry, Chief Operating Officer – Rail, stated that pre-revenue testing is scheduled to begin February 2021. Ms. Humphreys presented pictures of the various construction sites including the LOSSAN San Diego River, Tecolote Station, Clairemont Station, and Balboa Station. Mr. Jablonski commented about potential issues with graffiti at the stations and stated that additional discussions will be required to review the potential station materials. Ms. Humphreys stated that all materials will be brought to the Executive Committee for an opportunity to provide input and suggestions. Mr. Terry commented that his staff has been working with SANDAG regarding the potential graffiti issues on elevators and station surfaces. Ms. Humphrey presented pictures of the LRT bridge and bikeway, LRT flyover, TPSS installation, Gilman/La Jolla underpass, La Jolla Village Square, Pepper Canyon Station, Voigt Station, Executive Drive Station, and UTC Station. She discussed the details of the project property acquisitions and noted that 11 out of 43 properties are still being negotiated in terms of value, however they currently have access to all properties needed for the project. Ms. Humphreys reviewed the safety and security status; update on grade separations; LRV delivery schedule; and public involvement.

Mr. Jablonski commented that the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announced an additional \$80 million in Capital Investment Grant (CIG) funding for the Mid-Coast project.

Mr. Roberts commented on UCSD's request to hang swings from the Pepper Canyon bridge. He stated that there is a potential large liability by filling that request. He asked project staff to reevaluate their request based on this liability. Mr. Roberts also commented on the lighting fixtures on the new Gilman bridge. He stated that it would be

nice to install lighting at stations that is capable of changing colors, if needed. John Dorow, with SANDAG, commented that SANDAG also has many issues with the UCSD swing request. He stated that they will continue discussions with UCSD about the concerns of liability. Mr. Dorow stated that they can include color changing lights at stations.

Action Taken

No action taken. Informational item only.

2. MTS Transit Service Fixed-Route and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Agreement – Contract Amendment (Bill Spraul and Larry Marinesi)

Mr. Jablonski introduced this item and noted that Transdev is the contractor for bus service for rural service, East County and South Bay areas. He stated that the most recent contract approval with Transdev was done before the minimum wage changes in the state and the city took place. Mr. Jablonski stated that staff has been negotiating with Transdev to address the issues related to the impact of the minimum wage changes.

Bill Spraul, Chief Operating Office – Transit Services, continued the presentation and provided a brief overview of the Transdev contract. He noted that the base contract will conclude in June 2021. Mr. Spraul reviewed the minimum wage changes that were approved in 2016 for the City of San Diego and State of California. He reviewed the response to the minimum wage increase in relation to this contract. Mr. Spraul discussed the proposed contract revisions which address the minimum wage impact on the remaining 2.5 years of the base term. The proposed revisions include an \$8.5 million increase in MTS expenses and \$1 million in BRT costs, which would be funded by TransNet. He discussed the minimum wage impact comparisons that have affected MTS thus far including the MTS security contract. Mr. Jablonski commented on the blended rates for the next 2.5 years of the base contract. Mr. Spraul noted that the recommended plan is to take this item to the Board next week for approval of the proposed contract revisions.

Action Taken

Ms. Rios moved to forward a recommendation to the Board of Directors to approve the contract revision. Ms. Cole seconded the motion, and the vote was 4 to 0 in favor with Mr. Arambula and Mr. McWhirter absent.

3. Account Based Fare Collection System – Contract Award (Sharon Cooney and Israel Maldonado)

Sharon Cooney, Chief of Staff, and Israel Maldonado, Fare Systems Administrator, provided a presentation on the account based fare collection system contract award. Ms. Cooney reviewed the need for this project; the early process steps and analysis; the fare system working group; development of specific objectives for a next generation fare system; concept of operations; components of the next generation fare system; procurement process; Request for Proposals (RFP) process; evaluation criteria within the RFP; site visit details; selection of vendor to enter negotiations; advantages of INIT solution seen during site visit; and the capital and 10 year operations and maintenance

costs. Mr. Jablonski commented that this procurement process was one of the most highly involved and integrated processes we have done at MTS. He stated that staff was extremely immersed and did their due diligence in all aspects of this procurement process.

Mr. Roberts inquired how Cubic was evaluated during the procurement process. Ms. Cooney stated that the group evaluated the proposers at many steps throughout the process. She noted that one of the things Cubic was lacking was an actual off-the-shelf type of product. Cubic has been developing a new product for Boston's system, which they said would be used for our system. She stated that there were no visible details of what the actual product would be since it had not been developed yet for Boston. Mr. Jablonski also noted that their costs were substantially higher at \$10 million over the INIT proposal.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mark Cafferty – Mr. Cafferty is the CEO of the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation (EDC). He stated that he would like to share his thoughts on Cubic rather than voice his opposition. Mr. Cafferty commented that Cubic is a local company that employs approximately 1,500 local San Diego residents. He stated that Cubic is one of the most innovative companies and can be seen worldwide. He commented that Cubic is very important to San Diego's economic development and local communities.

Maya Rosas – Ms. Rosas commented on behalf of Circulate San Diego. She stated that they are looking forward to a new and innovative fare collection system. Ms. Rosas stated that they recommend moving this item to the Board meeting in January instead of December so that the new incoming Board Members would have a chance to make this important decision. She also asked for insight on the MTS and North County Transit District integration process during this implementation.

Kalei Levy – Ms. Levy commented on behalf of the Downtown San Diego Partnership. She stated that today's vote could have an opportunity to support a local business. Ms. Levy commented that they would also like to see this item moved to the January Board meeting in order to fully consider the regional impacts and allow the new Board Members to vote on this decision.

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Chair Gomez inquired about the review process related to Conduent. Ms. Cooney stated that Conduent was not able to show an account based system. Conduent was only able to present a card-based system. She commented that the site visit for Conduent demonstrated that they did not have an account based system that was fully developed and in service.

Mr. Roberts asked if moving to a 5g phone system will affect the new fare collection system. Mr. Maldonado stated that this fare system technology will be able to operate at 5g speeds.

Chair Gomez inquired about the timeline of this project. Mr. Maldonado replied that INIT's timeline is to go live and be operational a few months before the opening of the Mid-Coast extension.

Ms. Rios asked if staff had a chance to test the back office account based systems from the proposers. Ms. Cooney replied that they asked all of the proposers to demonstrate their back office account based systems during the procurement process.

Mr. Jablonski noted that the non-awarded proposers were debriefed on the results of the procurement. He also commented that we recognize the importance of Cubic in the San Diego community; however, we are federally prohibited to give local preference to a proposed vendor when using federal funds.

Chair Gomez commented that she appreciates this discussion and the public comments for this item. She stated that this is an exciting project and updating our fare collection system will enhance the public's experience riding the system.

Action Taken

Ms. Cole moved to recommend that the MTS Board of Directors authorize the CEO to execute MTS Doc. No. G2091.0-18, with INIT Innovations in Transportation, Inc., (INIT) to provide an Account Based Fare Collection System, and operations, maintenance and hosting services for ten years. Mr. Roberts seconded the motion, and the vote was 4 to 0 in favor with Mr. Arambula and Mr. McWhirter absent.

4. Zero Emission Bus (ZEB) Branding (Rob Schupp)

Rob Schupp, Director of Marketing and Communications, provided a presentation on ZEB branding. He reviewed the goals of this opportunity; MTS direction; building on MTS branding initiatives; research and other system design examples. He presented pictures of possible MTS ZEB branding renderings and asked for feedback and comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Margo Tanguay – Ms. Tanguay commented that Mr. Roberts has served on the California Air Resources Board for many years and has done a great job.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Mr. Roberts commented that he does not particularly like the proposed designs. He stated that he would like to keep the MTS red coloring, but does not like the large MTS logo. He stated that we do not need to have a completely different color, but maybe consider adding in a blue color, which generally represents clean. Mr. Roberts also said that the MTS logo should be clear and easy to read. He recommended trying some alternative options and bringing it back to the committee.

Ms. Rios commented that she agrees that we should look at different options and possibly revert to the normal branding, but also include additional coloring that Mr. Roberts suggested.

Ms. Cole stated that she would like to comment on the excellent and inclusive branding she has seen throughout the system.

Chair Gomez commented that she would also like to see different options. She recommended maybe including a green color in other options.

Mr. Schupp stated that staff will work on alternatives and bring back the different options for the committee to review.

Action Taken

No action taken. Informational item only.

D. REVIEW OF DRAFT December 13, 2018 BOARD AGENDA

Recommended Consent Items

6. Unallocated Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds for Transit-Related Projects – City of Santee
Action would approve the use of \$76,706 in unallocated TDA funds currently held by the County of San Diego for transit-related capital project for the City of Santee.
7. Unallocated Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds for Transit-Related Projects – City of El Cajon
Action would approve the use of \$92,196 in unallocated TDA funds currently held by the County of San Diego for transit-related expenses for the City of El Cajon.
8. HVAC Maintenance and Repair Services – Contract Award
Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to: (1) Execute MTS Doc. No. PWG256.0-18, with Paradigm Mechanical Corp., for HVAC maintenance and repair services for a three (3) year base period, with two (2) one-year options (total of five years); and (2) Exercise option years at CEO's discretion.
9. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Grant Application
Action would adopt Resolution No. 18-15 certifying that there are no private, nonprofit organizations readily available to provide the same complementary paratransit service in MTS's service area, a prerequisite to receiving FTA Section 5310 funding.
10. Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project – Projected Staffing
Action would approve the addition of 85 positions in preparation for the Mid-Coast Corridor Trolley Project (Mid-Coast Trolley Project).
11. Job Order Contract (JOC) On-Call General Building and Facilities Construction – Contract Amendment
Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute Amendment No. 1 to MTS Doc. No. PWL234.1-17 (SANDAG Doc. No. 5007503) with ABC Construction Company, Inc. (ABC), for an increase to the contract value.

12. Bus Operator Uniforms – Contract Award
Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to: (1) Execute MTS Doc. No. B0692.0-18 with Ace Uniforms and Accessories, Inc. (Ace) for the provision of bus operator uniforms for a three (3) year base period with two (2) one-year optional terms (for a total of 5 years); and (2) Exercise each option year at the CEO's discretion.
13. Nextfare Compass Card System Maintenance Extension
Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute Amendment No.3 to MTS Doc No. G1695.0-14 with Cubic Transportation Systems Inc. for the extension of the current maintenance agreement for an additional three-year period.
14. Master Concessionaire Services – Contract Amendment
Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute Amendment No. 5 to MTS Doc. No. L0901.0-10, with BriceHouse Station, LLC ("BriceHouse"), extending the contract to April 30, 2023.
15. Variable Message Sign (VMS) Display Assembly for South Bay Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Stations – Contract Award
Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute MTS Doc. No. L1468.0-19, with My Electrician Inc., for the supply of the South Bay BRT VMS sign assemblies.
16. Light Rail Vehicles (LRVs) On-Board Video Surveillance System (OBVSS) Preventative Maintenance, Emergency Services, New Installations and Upgrades as Required – Sole Source Contract Award
Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute MTS Doc. No. L1469.0-19, a Sole Source contract, with Seon Design USA (Seon), for the provision of OBVSS preventative maintenance, emergency services, new installations and upgrades as required on LRVs for three (3) years beginning February 1, 2019.
17. Trolley Station Network Communication Equipment Replacement – Contract Award
Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute MTS Doc No. G2226.0-19 with AT&T Corp. to replace the trolley station network communications equipment.
18. Ultrasonic Rail Testing Services – Contract Award
Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute MTS Doc. No. L1473.0-19 with Herzog Services, Inc. (Herzog), for the provision of ultrasonic rail testing services for three years beginning on January 1, 2019, and ending on December 31, 2021, subject to the MTS General Counsel approving a modified indemnification clause.
19. The ARC of San Diego Interior Bus Cleaning – Sole Source Contract Award
Action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to: (1) Execute MTS Doc. No. B0693.0-19 with the ARC of San Diego (ARC) for deep cleaning the interiors of San Diego Transit Corporation (SDTC) buses for a five (5) year base period with two (2) 1-year options for a total of seven (7) years; and (2) Exercise each option year at the CEO's discretion.

COMMENTS

Mr. Jablonski noted that a fare study item would be brought to the Board for discussion next week. He noted that SANDAG has the authority in updating the regional fare ordinance and that

the MTS Board would be asked to forward fare change recommendations to SANDAG. He stated that we have basically stayed with the same initial recommendations except for the Senior Disabled Medicare (SDM) passes. Mr. Jablonski noted that the SDM and Youth passes would be \$23 for monthly fares, which gives only a \$5 increase to the SDM pass and a \$13 reduction to the Youth pass.

E. REVIEW OF SANDAG TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

Ms. Cooney commented that there is no Transportation Committee, but there will be a SANDAG Board meeting tomorrow. She noted that the SANDAG Board will be approving the creation of an Airport Connectivity Steering Committee.

F. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Cole commented that it was a pleasure serving on the Board and thanked the staff for all their hard work.

Mr. Roberts commented that this would be his last meeting. He thanked the staff and the Board and stated that it has been a pleasure serving on this Board for many years.

Chair Gomez thanked Ms. Cole and Mr. Roberts for their service and leadership.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Margot Tanguay – Ms. Tanguay commented about President Bush (41) signing a law in relation to handicapped people. She stated that because of that law, we now have low-floor vehicles for transit and increased handicapped transportation.

H. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. in the Executive Committee Conference Room.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Gomez adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

/s/ Georgette Gómez
Chairperson

Attachment: Roll Call Sheet

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM

ROLL CALL

MEETING OF (DATE) December 6, 2018

CALL TO ORDER (TIME) 9:05 a.m.

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RECONVENE _____

CLOSED SESSION _____

RECONVENE _____

ADJOURN 11:05 a.m.

BOARD MEMBER	(Alternate)	PRESENT (TIME ARRIVED)	ABSENT (TIME LEFT)
ARAMBULA	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Transportation Committee Rep.			
COLE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Gomez)	9:00 a.m.	11:05 a.m.
GOMEZ (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9:00 a.m.	11:05 a.m.
MCWHIRTER	<input type="checkbox"/> (Arambula)		
RIOS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Salas)	9:00 a.m.	11:05 a.m.
ROBERTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Cox)	9:00 a.m.	11:05 a.m.

SIGNED BY THE CLERK OF THE BOARD: Julia Teer

CONFIRMED BY THE GENERAL COUNSEL: Paul Gade