

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING FOR THE
METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM (MTS),
SAN DIEGO TRANSIT CORPORATION (SDTC),
AND SAN DIEGO TROLLEY, INC. (SDTI)**

March 6, 2008

**MTS
1255 Imperial Avenue, Suite 1000, San Diego**

MINUTES

A. ROLL CALL

Chairman Mathis called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A roll call sheet listing Executive Committee member attendance is attached.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Ewin moved approval of the minutes of the February 14, 2008, Executive Committee meeting. Mr. Rindone seconded the motion, and the vote was 6 to 0 in favor.

C. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. MTS: San Diego International Airport Master Plan (STRP 840.9.1)

Mr. Mark Thomsen, MTS Senior Transportation Planner, provided the Committee with an overview of the San Diego International Airport Master Plan. He stated that the Airport Transit Plan proposes increasing daily ridership from 600 to 2,400 passengers to and from the airport. He reported that the plan has some elements that are of concern to MTS including a plan to use the Old Town Transit Center as a shuttle origination/destination for airport patrons. He stated that the parking lot at this location has a 99 percent occupancy rate on a daily basis. He pointed out that since the airport begins operations earlier than other business, airport patrons would be displacing current users. He stated that parking would have to be mitigated satisfactorily before this element of the plan could proceed and that the Airport included this requirement in the Airport Transit Plan. He also briefly reviewed the Memorandum of Agreement between the Airport, the City of San Diego, and SANDAG, and the next steps, one of which is a joint San Diego County Regional Airport Authority and MTS Board meeting on March 27, 2008.

Mr. Rindone did not feel that the plan gives adequate consideration to transit elements. He stated that prior proposals that he has heard do not give transit riders direct access to the airport. He expressed his hope that the SANDAG Board would represent MTS interests and ensure that transit is an integral part of the airport plan. He felt that the ten gates that the airport wants to add to the north end of Terminal 2 would restrict transit options. Mr. Thomsen pointed out that the plan that was most recently presented does provide transit patrons with direct access to the airport actually drops riders by the Sky Caps. Mr. Rindone stated that future presentations should include a diagram that would show how transit patrons would

have direct access to the airport and what plans there are, if any, for light-rail access.

In response to a question from Mr. Ewin, Mr. Monroe stated that the Chair of the SANDAG Board of Directors feels that SANDAG's role is simply to review the environmental impacts. He stated that the SANDAG Chair also appears to think that MTS should not be involved. Mr. Monroe felt that SANDAG, as the region's transportation planning agency, should be involved and steps should be taken to reach agreement on this. Mr. Mathis stated that MTS and SANDAG staff members are working directly with the airport at the planning level on these plans.

Ms. Atkins stated that SANDAG is involved. She also stated that Mayor Sanders has put on the record his comments regarding the Environmental Impact Report and about traffic circulation and in support of transit improvement options. She stated that maybe SANDAG's role needs to be clarified. Mr. Cox stated that the mayor favors the proposal made by Steve Peace because it is more transit oriented. He pointed out that the planned parking structure restricts what the airport can do on the north end of Terminal 2. Mr. Rindone stated that the plan's proposal to expand the north end of Terminal 2 places limitations on transit options, and SANDAG should be addressing this issue.

Mr. Jablonski, MTS CEO, felt that SANDAG is very involved and pointed out that they are a party to the Memorandum of Agreement, which includes transit elements. Ms. Cooney, MTS Director of Government Affairs and Community Relations, stated that SANDAG planning staff members have been actively involved and are coordinating with MTS staff. Mr. Ewin pointed out that the plan's goal for increasing transit usage will not be realized unless transit enhancements are part of the plan.

Mr. Monroe stated that the new airport board appears to be distancing itself from the previous Board and that they are focused on the proposed additional ten gates. He stated that it is important to make sure that the new plan is not solely focused on that objective. He felt that the Board should discuss the Peace proposal.

The Committee briefly discussed the land swap the airport would like to make with the Marine Corp Recruiting Depot (MCRD).

Mr. Jablonski offered to have three different presentations made to the Board as follows: 1) Jointly with the airport board on March 27 to discuss the transit portion of the Master Plan; (2) the Peace proposal – their plan and their comments on the Master Plan; and (3) SANDAG to present their role and plans are.

Mr. Emery suggested that the Committee focus on the transit elements of the plan. He felt that Committee discussions regarding the land swap and the part of the plan not related to transit was out of the Committee's purview. He suggested that the three presentations focus only on the transit portion of the plans. Mr. Monroe pointed out that the decision made regarding the land swap may impact the transit options. Mr. Rindone felt it was appropriate for the Committee members to express their opinions on nontransit elements of the plan because decisions on those elements could impact transit options. Chairman Mathis agreed with Mr. Emery stating that issues regarding the north taxiway are important to the airport, but that

MTS's focus has to remain on the transit interface with the airport. He also stated his concern that the airport might view MTS's involvement in other aspects of the plan as interference in their business.

Mr. Jablonski stated that many existing transit services place transit patrons close to the airport and half of the solution is therefore already in place. He stated that efforts need to focus on completing that solution and making it viable and attractive to transit/airport patrons.

Action Taken

Mr. Rindone moved to direct staff to schedule three presentations as follows: 1) Jointly with the airport board on March 27 to discuss the transit portion of the Master Plan; (2) the Peace proposal – their plan and their comments on the Master Plan; and (3) SANDAG to present their role and what their plans are. Mr. Monroe seconded the motion, and the vote was 7 to 0 in favor.

Public Comment

Clive Richard: Mr. Richard stated the he hoped that MTS would become more involved in discussion of the transit options of the airport plan.

Margo Tanguay: Ms. Tanguay made a comment about the land swap and stated that there are no connections from Kettner Boulevard to the airport.

D. REVIEW OF DRAFT MARCH 13, 2008, BOARD AGENDA

Recommended Consent Items

6. SDTI: Radio Communication System Support Services—Contract Amendment (OPS 970.6)

Recommend that the Board of Directors authorize the CEO to exercise the first of two single-year contract extensions with Bearcom Wireless Worldwide, Inc. (Doc. No. C.O.019.1-05 – Attachment A of the agenda item) to continue to provide San Diego Trolley, Inc. with radio communication system support services.

7. MTS: Capital Improvement Program-Funded Revenue Budget Transfers
(CIPs 11181, 11196, 11238, 11239, 11417)

Recommend that the Board of Directors authorize the CEO to (1) transfer federal funds in Grant No. 5307 CA-90-Y474 of \$1,192,080 and nonfederal Transportation Development Act (TDA) of \$298,020 from Capital Improvement Program (CIP) 11181 (40-Foot Bus Replacement) totaling \$1,490,100 into the fiscal year (FY) 2008 CIP 11239 (MCS Purchase CNG Buses); (2) transfer federal funds in Grant No. 5307 CA-90-Y474 of \$40,000 and nonfederal TDA funds of \$10,000 from CIP 11196 (MCS Purchase 40-Foot CNG Buses South Central) totaling \$50,000 into FY 2008 CIP 11239; (3) transfer federal funds in Grant No. 5307 CA-90-Y561 of \$6,928,000 and nonfederal TDA funds of \$1,732,000 from CIP 11238 (SDTC 26 40-Foot Low-Profile Buses) totaling \$8,660,000 into FY 2008 CIP 11239; (4) transfer federal funds in Grant No. 5307 CA-90-Y313 of \$12,000, Grant No. 5307 CA-90-Y474 funds of \$217,680, Grant No. 5307 CA-90-Y474 nonfederal TDA

funds of \$57,420, and nonfederal STA funds of \$2,127,882 from CIP 11417 (MCS Purchase 9 Midsize CNG Buses) totaling \$2,414,982 into FY 2008 CIP 11239; and (5) fund the entire five-year bus contract (MTS Doc. No. G1101.0-07) with New Flyer America, Inc. with the CIP amounts transferred (per Attachment A of the agenda item).

8. MTS: South Bay Maintenance Facility Expansion Project Environmental Declaration Addendum (CIP 10485)

Recommend that the Board of Directors (1) declare that the San Diego Association of Governments is now the lead agency for the project pursuant to Senate Bill 1703 and receive the Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration Second Addendum (Attachment A of the agenda item); (2) approve the revised South Bay Maintenance Facility Expansion Project (SBMF); and (3) transfer funding from the East County Bus Maintenance Facility CNG Project to the SBF Expansion Project.

9. MTS: Establishment of Additional Local Agency Investment Fund Account (FIN 340)

Recommend that the Board of Directors approve Resolution No. 08-4 (Attachment A of the agenda item) to establish an investment account in the name of San Diego Transit Corporation within the Local Agency Investment Fund administered by the State Treasurer.

10. MTS: Amendments to Assignment of Contract for San Diego Association of Governments' On-Call General Transportation Planning Services (Transportation Management and Design, Inc. (SRTP 805)

Recommend that the Board of Directors authorize the CEO to ratify Amendment No. 1 (Attachment A of the agenda item) and execute Amendment No. 2 (Attachment B of the agenda item) to MTS Doc. No. G1107.0-07 with Transportation Management and Design, Inc. (TMD) as part of the San Diego Association of Governments On-Call General Transportation Planning Services Agreement, which was established as a jobs order contract with MTS. Amendment no. 2 would allow MTS to proceed with the AVL Data Validation and ATP Staff Coaching Project and the Trolley Rehabilitation Phasing Study.

11. MTS: Printing of MTS Timetables – Contract Award (MKPC 640)

Recommend that the Board of Directors authorize the CEO to execute MTS Doc. No. G1144.0-08 (insubstantially the same format as Attachment A of the agenda item) with AAA Printing Company to print MTS timetables for a five-year period.

Recommended Consent Items

Consent Agency No. 9: Mr. Cox suggested that staff look into the CalTrust fund for pooled investments. He stated that this fund is outperforming LAIF.

Recommended Board Discussion Items

Mr. Monroe stated that he would like to see an agenda item on SDTC's pull-notice program and the recent media attention surrounding this matter. He briefly discussed how important this issue is and the fact that this message did not get made during the interview. Mr. Jablonski reported that this point was made but was edited out before the interview was aired. Mr. Jablonski reported that he has asked Ms. Tiffany Lorenzen, MTS General Counsel to investigate the pull-notice program and MTS's Internal Auditor to review the process for renewing operator drivers' licenses to make sure the process is as thorough as possible. Mr. Jablonski stated that Ms. Lorenzen will also determine if this subject can be discussed in open session or needs to be discussed in closed session because of potential legal issues. Ms. Lorenzen stated that this matter could not be placed on the March 13, 2008, agenda because the agenda item could not be prepared in time for the mail out of the agenda packet.

E. REVIEW OF SANDAG TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

Ms. Cooney reported that the only matter on the SANDAG Transportation agenda that pertains to MTS relates to a Transportation Development Act matter that is administrative in nature.

F. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER BUSINESS

Finance Workshops: Mr. Rindone thanked staff for informing Board members about the recent changes in Finance Workshop dates. Mr. Mathis pointed out that the Finance Workshop on March 13, 2008, will start at 9:00 a.m., while the workshops on April 24 and May 22 will start at 8:00 a.m.

APTA Legislative Conference: Ms. Cooney stated that she would be attending the APTA Legislative Conference in Washington, D. C. with Mr. Jablonski, Mr. Mathis, Mr. Monroe, and Mr. Rindone on Monday and Tuesday. She stated that MTS will attempt to get support for three priority projects as follows: 1) East County Bus Maintenance Facility; (2) Blue Line station and transit center improvements; and (3) bus replacements. She reported on efforts to date to get the support of individual legislators. She stated that the San Ysidro Border Reconfiguration project will also be discussed. Ms. Cooney accepted Ms. Atkins offer of a letter of support. She added that MTS already has a letter of support from Mr. Cox for Blue Line improvements.

In response to a question from Mr. Monroe, it was explained that there are no federal programs for operations and maintenance. Mr. Jablonski reported that he is part of the reauthorization process at APTA for SAFETEA-LU and that there is a maintenance element to that funding that can be used to maintain items purchased using federal funds. He stated that APTA's focus will be on getting rail modernization funding of which MTS gets less than most systems.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no Public Comments.

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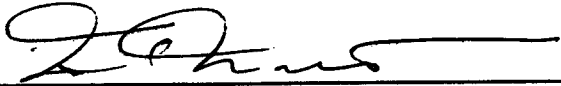
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H. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 20, 2008, in the Executive Conference Room.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Mathis adjourned the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mathis", is written over a horizontal line.

Chairman

Attachment: A. Roll Call Sheet

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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM**

ROLL CALL

MEETING OF (DATE) 3/6/08

CALL TO ORDER (TIME) 9:00 a.m.

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RECONVENE _____

CLOSED SESSION _____

RECONVENE _____

ADJOURN 10:05 a.m.

BOARD MEMBER (Alternate)	PRESENT (TIME ARRIVED)	ABSENT (TIME LEFT)
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EMERY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Cafagna) <input type="checkbox"/>		
EWIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Clabby) <input type="checkbox"/>		
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MONROE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (McLean) <input type="checkbox"/>		
RINDONE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (McCann) <input type="checkbox"/>		
ROBERTS <input type="checkbox"/> (Cox) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9:03 a.m. during AI C1	

SIGNED BY OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

Gail Williams

CONFIRMED BY OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL:

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