## MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM (MTS) AND FINANCE WORKSHOP

## 1255 Imperial Avenue, Suite 1000 San Diego, CA 92101

March 21, 2013

### MINUTES

### **FINANCE WORKSHOP**

### 1. <u>Roll Call</u>

Chairman Mathis called the Finance Workshop to order at 9:02 a.m. A roll call sheet listing Board member attendance is attached.

### Finance Workshop

Mike Thompson, Budget Manager provided an operating and capital budget backgrowund. He discussed the Federal revenue, State funding, sales tax revenues, state transit assistance, service levels, SDTC pension rates and SDTC pension bonds.

# 2. a. Fiscal Year 2014 Capital Improvement Program

Mr. Thompson discussed the development of the fiscal year 2014 ("FY14") Capital Improvement Program ("CIP"), capital funding levels proposed for FY14, FY14 capital project highlights, the capital improvement program for fiscal years 2014-2018 and FY14 CIP recommendations.

Mr. Ramirez questioned social equity principles and the CIP. Ms. Cooney responded that SANDAG asked MTS to look at the CIP to be certain that no area carries a disproportionate share of the burdens or benefits of capital investment.

Mr. Mathis advised the recommendations had been vetted by the MTS Budget Committee.

### Action Taken

Mr. Ewin moved to: (1) approve the fiscal year 2014 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) with the estimated federal and nonfederal funding levels. As the federal appropriation figures are finalized and/or other project funding sources become available, allow the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to identify and adjust projects for the adjusted funding levels; (2) forward a recommendation to the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) Board of Directors to approve the submittal of Federal Section 5307, 5337, and 5339 applications for the MTS fiscal year 2014 CIP; (3) approve the transfer of \$1,300,139 from previous CIP projects to the fiscal year 2014 CIP; and (4) forward a recommendation to the SANDAG Board of Directors to approve Amendment No. 12-03 of the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) in accordance with the fiscal year 2014 CIP recommendations. Mr. McClellan seconded the motion, and the vote was 12 to 0 in favor (with Messrs. Alvarez, Roberts and Ms. Emerald absent).

## b. Fiscal Year 2013 Midyear Operating Budget Adjustment

Mr. Thompson provided a fiscal year 2013 ("FY13") midyear revenue assumptions summary and discussed trolley ridership.

Ms. Cooney advised with regard to trolley ridership there is a problem with the current estimation program being inaccurate.

Mr. Thompson provided a FY13 midyear revenue summary, expenses assumptions summary including personnel expenses, expenses assumptions executive summary, revenue less expenses, final year end budget comparison for fiscal year 2012 contingency reserve, and FY13 midyear options for \$4.5M.

Ms. Cooney advised these recommendations had been vetted by MTS's Budget Committee.

Mr. Gloria questioned with regard to the contingency reserve policy and asked if there was an update on the policy. Karen Landers, General Counsel advised that with regard to Board Policy 36 MTS's current reserves far exceed the policy's mandated 4% reserve. She stated the policy will be updated and subsequently brought to the Board for approval. Mr. Thompson advised the policy was formerly written when MTS was MDTB and was written for a planning agency and not an operating agency such as MTS.

Mr. Gloria questioned with regard to the current health of MTS's reserves. Mr. Jablonski answered that MTS has a \$750K contingency reserve (in the CIP) for emergency costs that aren't anticipated.

Mr. Ewin questioned with regard to the electric component of the energy cost and with renewable energy sources being much more expensive than those used currently to power the grids and asked what this potential impact would be on future costs and commented that MTS needs to start looking ahead. Mr. Thompson advised MTS pays the commodity cost directly from the State and SDGE-specific increases won't have any impact on MTS. Mr. Jablonski advised MTS takes advantage of the IRS CNG credit and the agreement with BP to take advantage of green energy credits through our CNG credits which will hopefully generate approximately \$1M which would offset those energy costs.

Mr. Cunningham questioned with regard to the new SD100 LRV replacement capital reserve account and asked what the expectations are with regard to this account. Mr. Jablonski advised MTS would put an amount away every year into this account and the objective is that when MTS's SD100 fleet reaches 30 years old MTS would replace half of the fleet using the funds from this account and use other measures to come up with capital to replace the other half. He stated that the CIP will look at what needs to be done with regard to the reserve fleet replacement program and vehicle procurement would be spread out. He advised there was discussion at the Budget Development Committee to implement a secondary reserve for this and make sure it's very transparent and would include a general operating reserve and will have a subset to talk about capital reserve for rail cars.

## Action Taken

Mr. Gloria moved to approve Resolution No. 13-6 amending the fiscal year 2013 operating budget for MTS, San Diego Transit Corporation (SDTC), San Diego Trolley, Inc. (SDTI), MTS Contract Services, Chula Vista Transit, and the Coronado Ferry including using excess revenues over expenses of \$4.5 million to initiate a capital reserve for SD 100 light rail vehicle replacement.. Mr. Cunningham seconded the motion, and the vote was 12 to 0 in favor (with Messrs. Alvarez, Roberts and Ms. Emerald absent).

# c. <u>Preliminary Projections for Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget</u>

Mr. Thompson presented a FY2O14 projection including key assumptions, a FY14 preliminary projection, FY14 open items, FY14 budget timeline, and a FY14 preliminary projection staff recommendation.

Mr. Gloria questioned if MTS currently considers STA nonrecurring revenue and at what point does MTS decide to put that back in the recurring column. Mr. Jablonski advised it is a policy issue and about a third of that money is categorized as recurrent which is a moderate risk. He stated that previously all of the STA money was put in the budget and when the state cut that out it had a significant impact on MTS's operating budget.

Ms. Cooney advised the Planning Department believes MTS is currently at stable levels. Mr. Jablonski advised MTS has the capability to respond to hot spots to send additional transportation and not every single service adjustment will come to the Board if MTS can perform these adjustments within the budget.

Mr. Gloria discussed the letter to the School District regarding free bus passes and asked if the cost was factored into the budget. Ms. Cooney advised that it was not. Based on a recent discussion with the School District a proposal is forthcoming and will be brought to the Board for review.

Mr. Gloria commented with regard to pension contributions and the plan to bring management in line with other bargaining units when it comes to their pension costs.

Mr. Ramirez asked if there was a social equity component or analysis with regard to the operating budget and Ms. Cooney responded there is not. Ms. Cooney stated that the component required on service changes is based on Title VI and when MTS performs major or significant service changes MTS is required to do a Title VI analysis at that time. MTS has a Title VI program that gets approved by the Federal Government and last year MTS had a Title VI audit which is required every three years and MTS was found to have zero deficiencies in its Title VI program. Mr. Jablonski advised MTS tries to operate a market based system and at MTS the areas with the most transit dependent are where there is the most transit service.

# Action Taken

Mr. Minto moved to receive a report regarding the preliminary projection for the fiscal year 2014 operating budget. Mr. Cunningham seconded the motion, and the vote was 11 to 0 in favor (with Messrs. Alvarez, Roberts, Gloria and Ms. Emerald absent).

3. <u>Public Comments</u>

There were no public comments.

4. a. <u>Next Meeting Date</u>

The next MTS Finance Workshop is April 18, 2013, at 9:00 a.m.

b. <u>Adjournment</u>

Chairman Mathis adjourned the Finance Workshop at 9:57 a.m.

### BOARD MEETING

1. Roll Call

Chairman Mathis called the Board meeting to order at 9:58 a.m. A roll call sheet listing Board member attendance is attached.

2. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>

Mr. Ovrom moved to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2013, MTS Board of Directors meeting. Ms. Rios seconded the motion, and the vote was 11 to 0 in favor with Messrs. Alvarez, Roberts, Gloria and Ms. Emerald absent (with Mr. Jones abstaining).

3. <u>Public Comments</u>

John L. Wood – Mr. Wood advised he did not receive answers to his questions at the previous Board meeting. He stated the announcements on the inbound train from Lemon Grove wasn't as frequent as it is supposed to be and he would like to know why and he would also like to know how often MTS does track maintenance. He would like to know what is going on with the Massachusetts parking lot and the exit onto Massachusetts is blocked off and he would like to know why.

Richard Gomez – Mr. Gomez advised he is President of the Border Transportation Council which is an organization of interstate passenger carriers founded in 1993 and incorporated in 2003 as a 501(c)(3). San Ysidro is the busiest pedestrian port of entry in the world and has been plagued by wildcatters who illegally solicit northbound pedestrians and tourists to utilize unlicensed passenger operators as a means of transportation. They are in violation of San Diego Municipal Codes but are negatively impacting the economy and placing citizens at risk. The Board of Transportation Council has been successful in mitigating numerous issues relating to passenger transportation. In 2010 the San Ysidro Chamber of Commerce designated the Border Transportation Council as their formal Transportation Committee. He would like to discuss concerns regarding recent Board action to approve the SYPS Management Agreement and how it financially impacts the carriers who are struggling during these tough economic times and the safety issue. He discussed the safety issues.

Mr. Jablonski responded that the contract MTS approved does in some cases require additional rate increases for some operators and there is enhanced security specifically to deal with wildcatting and he has spoken to Greyhound/SYPS and has asked them to look at the design they preliminarily talked about with regard to the inner city service and he suggests that Mr. Gomez continue his dialogue with the Management at Greyhound/SYPS.

Leslie Henshaw – Ms. Henshaw asked what the legal speed of a trolley should be in order to pull into the station safely. She advised she had an accident on MTS's trolley that prior Monday. She stated it is something that needs to be addressed because people do get hurt.

## CONSENT ITEMS

# 6. <u>California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) California Transit Security Grant</u> <u>Program (CTSGP) Funding - Fiscal Year 2012-2013</u>

Action would approve Resolution No. 13-5 authorizing the use of and application for California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGP) funding for capital projects that provide increased protection against security and safety threats and/or increases the capacity of transit operators to prepare for and provide disaster-response transportation systems.

# 7. <u>California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Program of Projects for Federal Transit</u> Administration (FTA) Section 5311(f) Funding - Fiscal Year 2013

Action would approve Resolution No. 13-4 authorizing the use of and application for FTA Section 5311(f) funds for operating assistance in nonurbanized areas.

## 8. <u>Buffer/Coupler Overhaul Services - Contract Award</u>

Action would authorize the CEO to execute MTS Doc. No. L1100.0 with Complete Coach Works to overhaul up to 104 buffer/couplers—including the replacement of certain subcomponents as needed—and up to 6 refurbished buffer/couplers to use as spares.

### 9. Bus Bench Advertising - Exercise Contract Option Years 4 and 5

Action would authorize the CEO to execute MTS Doc. No. B0201.2-99 to exercise option years 4 and 5 with Coast United Advertising for bus bench advertising revenues from February 2, 2013, through February 1, 2015.

# 10. <u>Amendment to Chief Executive Officer Employment Agreement</u>

Action would approve MTS Doc. No. G0912.6-04 (the Executive Employment Agreement between MTS and Paul C. Jablonski) to allow Mr. Jablonski to accrue up to 80 hours of compensatory time in 2013 (retroactive to January 1, 2013).

11. <u>Audit Reports - Trolley and Bus Storerooms</u>

Action would receive internal audit reports on Trolley and Bus Storeroom operations

# 12. <u>Hewlett-Packard Storage Solution for MTS in Support of Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)</u> <u>Project</u>

Action would authorize the CEO to execute MTS Doc. No. G1521.0-13 with Nth Generation Computing, Inc. to purchase two Hewlett-Packard 3PAR 7400 (4) Node Arrays, associated software, 24/7 support for five years, and the professional services required to install, configure, and test the equipment.

13. Increased Authorization for Legal Services - Trovillion, Inveiss & Demakis, APC

Action would authorize the CEO to execute MTS Doc. No. G1433.2-12 with Trovillion, Inveiss & Demakis, APC to pay current and future legal expenses throughout the remainder of fiscal year 2013. This will include ratification of prior contracts/amendments entered into under the CEO's authority.

# 14. Property Insurance Renewal

Action would authorize the CEO to renew the property insurance coverage for the Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), San Diego Transit Corporation (SDTC), and San Diego Trolley, Inc. (SDTI) with the California State Association of Counties - Excess Insurance Authority (CSAC-EIA) Property Insurance Program, effective March 31, 2013, through March 31, 2014, with various coverage deductibles of \$25,000 (real estate and personal contents property), \$100,000 (bus fleet), \$250,000 (light rail fleet), and \$1,500,000 (roads, bridges, and tunnels).

# 15. <u>Authorize Execution and Amendment of Site Lease in Connection with Issuance and Sale of Lease Revenue Bonds and Lease Revenue Refunding Bonds and Other Documents by the Public Facilities Financing Authority of the City of San Diego</u>

Action would adopt Resolution No. 13-8 authorizing the CEO to execute a Site Lease, and any other necessary documents, with the City of San Diego (City) as part of the City's refunding of the lease revenue bonds used to finance the 1993 construction of the light rail extension to the Old Town Transit Center.

# Action on Consent Item 6-15

Mr. Gloria moved to approve Consent Items 6-15. Ms. Bragg seconded the motion, and the vote was 12 to 0 in favor (with Messrs. Cunningham, Roberts and Ms. Emerald absent)

# NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS (TAKEN OUT OF ORDER):

25. <u>Public Hearing to Adopt a Resolution of Necessity for Full Acquisition of Assessor's Parcel No.</u> 549-181-05, 6645 Imperial Avenue, San Diego, California Owned by Thomas and Tiffany Mannion (Karen Landers and Tim Allison)

Ms. Landers advised it was a hearing to adopt a resolution of necessity to acquire a piece of property and she introduced outside legal counsel Bruce Beach. Mr. Beach discussed the four findings required by the Board in order to adopt the resolution of necessity including the public interest and necessity which require the project, the project is planned and located in a manner compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury, the property is needed for the project and an offer of just compensation has been made to the owner of the property. Mr. Beech discussed each of the four requirements in further detail.

Mr. Gloria asked if there was no other suitable site that could be found. Mr. Beach advised there are few pieces of property that are vacant that would serve MTS's purposes that meet the electrical requirements of the new rail vehicles.

Mr. Gloria questioned with regard to public good. Mr. Beach advised this particular substation will serve the improvements to the trolley service and will keep the new vehicles running which will serve the community much better than the older vehicles.

Mr. Gloria asked what else would be located on the parcel. Tim Allison advised at this time there wouldn't be anything other than the grading required to build the substation.

Mr. Minto commented that he has participated in public takings in the past and property owners have always been well compensated.

Mr. Minto moved to (1) receive public testimony; (2) adopt Resolution No. 13-7 by a two-thirds vote approving the full acquisition of Assessor's Parcel No. (APN) 549-181-05; and find that the public interest and necessity require the project; the project is still planned or located in a manner that will be the most compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury; the acquisition of the property is necessary for the project; and an offer of just compensation has been made to the property owner; and (3) authorize staff to proceed with condemnation proceedings to acquire the subject parcel. Mr. Gloria seconded the motion, and the vote was 12 to 0 in favor (with Messrs. Cunningham, Roberts and Ms. Emerald absent).

# CONSENT ITEMS CONT.

# 16. <u>Taxicab Administration Contract Extension</u>

Ms. Cooney advised of the contract renewal and advised the Mayor asked for a one year transition period to assist in the transfer of the contract to the City of San Diego and discussed a contract extension. Ms. Cooney advised the proposed one year extension is an amendment to the existing Memorandum of Understanding and MTS's current roles and responsibilities remain the same and any policy changes would wait until it officially transferred over to the City of San Diego. She stated that Mayor's staff planned to create a forum for the public to bring up issues regarding Taxicab.

Mr. Gloria asked if MTS received a request for the one year extension in writing from the Mayor's office. Ms. Cooney advised they did not but MTS has spoken to the Mayor's staff. Mr. Jablonski advised he spoke with the Mayor's Chief of Staff, Mr. Hall, and he advised that the transition could take up to a year but hopefully the transition will not require the full year allowed by the contract extension.

Mr. Gloria asked who specifically from the Mayor's office was working on the transition. Ms. Cooney advised she was working directly with Karen Dennison who was the lead on the project and a group led by Nelson Hernandez.

Mr. Gloria asked if MTS was comfortable with the one year extension. Mr. Jablonski responded that he supports the City and MTS will help in any way it can with the transition.

Mr. Gloria asked if the City understood MTS wished to maintain its current responsibilities and Mr. Jablonski advised he did convey this to the City's Chief of Staff, Mr. Hall.

Ms. Zapf asked if the Board was comfortable voting on the extension when it was not provided in writing.

Mr. Mathis advised a year is given to make it a smooth transition. Mr. Jablonski advised it was his understanding the City would possibly hire a Consultant to help with the transition and this process alone could take several months. Mr. Gloria said he remains concerned that the San Diego City Council has not been consulted whether or not this is a transition they want as there was a reason why Taxi was transferred to MTS in the past, but he was supportive of the request for a one year extension.

Ms. Zapf advised she also supports the transition, but there are a lot of implications to the City

as well as budget impacts. Mr. Jablonski advised it is an agreement that requires a signature on both sides and if there are any issues it will come back to the Board for review. Mr. Mathis further explained there may be negotiations.

Mr. Ewin questioned if by approving this matter (1) is MTS still the point of contact with regard to Taxicab matters during the transition periods and will MTS advise other agencies who are also part of Taxicab, (2) will that require MTS to keep their committee as San Diego nears completion and (3) can it be assumed this initial extension becomes effective when both sides have signed and ratified the agreement. Mr. Jablonski answered yes to all three questions. MTS is trying to create a transition plan to include the other cities and the City of San Diego has no desire to have the other cities as part of its Taxicab program. MTS will continue to perform under the contract with the other cities. Mr. Ewin asked if there's anything else Mr. Jablonski feels the Board should know with regard to the transition. Mr. Jablonski responded that one of the most valuable components to the Taxi operation is MTS Taxi staff as they understand all of the processes and are very experienced and it is his hope those people could be retained by the City of San Diego as it would be in their best interest.

Mr. Minto asked how it would affect Santee and the taxi contract with Santee. Mr. Mathis advised these issues must be resolved with the City at San Diego first. Mr. Jablonski advised it would be easiest for all of these contracts to be extended a year. Mr. Jablonski advised MTS would like to create a residual staff and that might be enough to generate revenue as MTS is obligated to break even pursuant to legislation and MTS is looking at this possibility now and will bring to the Board at a later date.

Mr. Ewin asked staff to notify the City Managers of the other cities MTS regulates.

Mr. Ovrom asked if the phrase "through the end of June 2013" should be changed "up to June 2013".

Public Comments:

Mikhail Hussein – Mr. Hussein, President of United Taxi Workers of San Diego stated there is tension between leased drivers and permit holders and said he supports the amendment and the contract extension. He supports MTS supporting the smaller cities other than San Diego with regard to Taxicab Administration.

Margo Tanquay – Ms. Tanquay provided a historical background with regard to regulation of the Taxicab industry with regard to unrest, bribes and scandal. Ms. Tanquay advised when the City managed Taxicab the conditions of the vehicles were poor. Ms. Tanquay disagrees with the yearly contract extension/transfer to the City. She advised the other smaller cities don't have the infrastructure to run their own Taxicab administration and they need assistance. She stated there needs to be a serious dialogue regarding the outstanding issues.

Michel Anderson – Mr. Anderson of West Coast Cab advised he was speaking on behalf of many drivers and advised they support the one year extension. He stated there is apprehension regarding the uncertainty of the future and look forward to dialogue with the City and the Mayor's office.

### Action on Consent Item 16

Ms. Zapf moved to approve the draft "Eighth Amendment to Agreement for Administration of Taxicab and Other For-Hire Vehicle Regulations between San Diego Metropolitan Transit

System and City of San Diego" with minor and non-material modifications and authorize the CEO to negotiate the final contract. Mr. Gloria seconded the motion, and the vote was 12 to 0 in favor (with Messrs. Cunningham, Roberts and Ms. Emerald absent).

## CLOSED SESSION

24. None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

30. None.

### **REPORT ITEMS**

### 45. <u>Security Report</u>

Mr. Jablonski commented that Chief Burke has worked on the report in response to concerns regarding training and preparedness for emergency issues that was aired in a media report. The following report is in response to the Board's request with regard to how MTS conducts security. He introduced Bill Burke, Director of Security and Chief of Police.

Mr.Burke provided a presentation on safety, training and preparedness. He discussed rail incidents against persons and property and rail incidents of assault against Universal Protection Service ("UPS") Officers and victims. He provided a rail incidents comparison per 100,000 passengers from 2007-2011 (2012 pending). He discussed the training of general security officers including requirements, screening and the additional requirements and screening for armed officers. He discussed the firearms training course requirement in order to obtain a firearms qualification card, the training program for UPS security officers, operational training for MTS CCI and UPS security officers, training in action for MTS CCI and UPS security officers and anti-terrorist training for MTS CCI and UPS security officers. Mr. Burke advised of preventative measures MTS takes to prevent terrorist acts, drills and exercises and MTS's response to power outages.

Board members asked questions and discussion ensued.

### Action Taken

Mr. Minto moved to receive a report for information. Ms. Rios seconded the motion, and the vote was 8 to 0 in favor (with Messrs. Cunningham, Roberts, Ovrom, Gloria, McClellan and Meses Emerald and Zapf absent).

### 46. Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project Updates

Denis Desmond, Senior Transportation Planner provided an update on the Rapid bus projects SANDAG is developing under Transnet. He discussed the routes, the Superloop, Mid-City Rapid, I-15 BRT including Sabre Springs/Penasquitos, South Bay BRT, Broadway stations and the downtown Westside layover facility.

Ms. Cooney responded that MTS will be the operator of these transit projects once they open. Therefore, MTS has been working very closely with SANDAG staff on the planning and design to make sure they are maintainable and they operate as well as possible. SANDAG is the lead agency. In addition, MTS will have to come back to the Board at some point in 2014 to make a

service change. MTS procures the buses for these services and these buses will begin to arrive at MTS this spring. MTS will maintain them.

Mr. Ramirez commented that in Chula Vista the BRT line is very controversial and there is one segment where citizens are told the bridge for the bus line is 15 feet from some resident's windows. He said he has spoke with SANDAG about possibly buying residents out but the Board should pay attention to these issues.

Mr. Mathis advised SANDAG has an outreach program with regard to these issues.

## Action Taken

Mr. Ewin moved to receive a report for information. Ms. Rios seconded the motion, and the vote was 8 to 0 in favor (with Messrs. Cunningham, Roberts, Ovrom, Gloria, McClellan and Meses Emerald and Zapf absent).

### 47. <u>Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Branding (Rob Schupp)</u>

Rob Schupp, Director of Marketing provided a BRT Branding update. He discussed SANDAG Policy 18, the collaborative process with consultant Miriello Grafico and naming conventions. He presented slides of the MTS brand, the Superloop and Trolley. He provided background on the creative process and discussed the Rapid stations and pylons.

### Action Taken

Mr. Ewin moved to receive a report on Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) branding for buses procured for Interstate 15 (I-15), Mid-City, and South Bay BRT services. Mr. Minto seconded the motion, and the vote was 8 to 0 in favor (with Messrs. Cunningham, Roberts, Ovrom, Gloria, McClellan and Meses Emerald and Zapf absent).

48. <u>Compass Card</u>

There was no report given and the item was deferred to the next Board meeting.

60. <u>Chairman's Report</u>

There was no Chairman's Report.

# 61. Audit Oversight Committee (AOC) Chairman's Report

Mr. Ewin advised the first AOC meeting has not been set yet and under AB1234 Mr. Ewin is travelling on public funds to Santa Barbara in the near future to attend a LOSSAN meeting.

# 62. <u>Chief Executive Officer's Report</u>

Mr. Jablonski advised he had three recent trips to Sacramento, CA. The first was for a CTA Executive Committee meeting, to lead a class called "Transit 101" for legislators and staff to discuss transit issues in the state and the final trip was to discuss the bus weight issues with the legislature and the administration staff. He also had the opportunity to meet with the Governor's staff to discuss PEPRA and the 13(c) issue. He travelled to Washington, D.C. to attend the APTA Legislative meeting and took that opportunity to meet with congressional staff.

## 63. Board Member Communications

Ms. Bragg announced the ASAC meeting would be held at 1:30 p.m. and there would be a shuttle available for pickup at MTS.

Mr. Ramirez advised it was a pleasure to attend his first MTS Board meeting as an alternate and he thinks MTS has a very able-bodied staff.

Mr. Alvarez commented some of the items could be discussed quicker if they could be provided with the PowerPoints prior to the meeting.

## 64. Additional Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

There were no additional public comments.

65. Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is April 18, 2013 (Finance Workshop starts at 9:00 a.m.).

66. Adjournment

Chairman Mathis adjourned the meeting at 12:26 p.m.

Chairperson

San Diego Metropolitan Transit System

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Attachments: 1. Roll Call Sheet 2. Letter to Bernie Rhinerson, Chief of Staff, San Diego Unified School District

### METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM BOARD OF DIRECTORS ROLL CALL

MEETING OF (DATE):		March 21, 2013		CALL TO ORDER (TIME): <u>9:02 a.m.</u>	
RECESS:		10:18 a.m.		RECONVENE:	10:22 a.m.
CLOSED SESSION:		N/A		RECONVENE:	
PUBLIC HEARING:		10:07 a.m.		RECONVENE:	10:17 a.m.
ORDINANCES ADOPTED: <u>N/A</u>				ADJOURN:	12:26 p.m.
BOARD MEMBER	2	(Alternate)		PRESENT (TIME ARRIVED)	ABSENT (TIME LEFT)
ALVAREZ		(Faulconer)		10:15 a.m.	12:26 p.m.
BRAGG	X	(Bilbray)		9:00 a.m.	12:26 p.m.
CUNNINGHAM	×	(Mullin)		9:00 a.m.	10:10 a.m.
EMERALD		(Faulconer)			
EWIN	X	(Arapostathis	s) 🗆	9:00 a.m.	12:26 p.m.
GASTIL		(Jones)	X	9:00 a.m.	12:26 p.m.
GLORIA	X	(Faulconer)		9:03 a.m.	11:01 a.m.
MATHIS				9:00 a.m.	12:26 p.m.
MCCLELLAN		(Ambrose)		9:00 a.m.	11:45 a.m.
MINTO	X	(McNelis)		9:00 a.m.	12:26 p.m.
OVROM	Ø	(Denny)		9:00 a.m.	11:45 a.m.
RIOS	Ø	(Sotelo-Solis)		9:00 a.m.	12:26 p.m.
ROBERTS		(Cox)			
SALAS		(Ramirez)		9:00 a.m.	12:26 p.m.
ZAPF		(Faulconer)		9:06 a.m.	12:03 p.m.
SIGNED BY THE CLERK OF THE BOARD:					

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February 19, 2013

Mr. Bernie Rhinerson Chief of Staff San Diego Unified School District 4100 Normal Street, Room 2219 San Diego, CA 92103

Dear Bernie:

I am writing to express the Metropolitan Transit System's (MTS) continued interest in working with the San Diego Unified School District in crafting a solution for students unable to access school due to lack of transit passes.

When we met on December 5 we discussed what the District's goals for a transit pass program were, and MTS agreed to look at some demographic and transit information pertaining to the targeted schools. We scheduled a second meeting for January 10. While you cancelled this meeting due to a conflict, we continue to stand ready to reschedule.

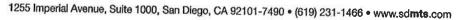
We look forward to meeting with you and the working group when you are available, and in the meantime please do not hesitate to contact me at 619.557.4513 if you would like to discuss the matter prior to that date.

Sincerely,

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Sharon Cooney CHIEF OF STAFF

Cc Mr. Paul Jablonski Mr. Richard Barrera



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Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is a California public agency comprised of San Diego Transit Corp., San Diego Trolley, Inc., San Diego and Arizona Eastern Rallway Company (nonprofit public benefit corporations), and San Diego Vintage Trolley, Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, in cooperation with Chula Vista Transit. MTS is the taxicab administrator for seven cities. MTS member agencies include the cities of Chula Vista, Coronado, El Cajon, Imperial Beach, La Mesa, Lernon Grove, National City, Poway, San Diego, Santee, and the County of San Diego.