



**Minutes- Board of Directors**

**February 22, 2013**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District was convened on the above date at the Watsonville City Council Chambers, 275 Main Street, Watsonville, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dodge called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The following Directors were present:

- Director Margarita Alejo
- Director Hilary Bryant
- Director Dene Bustichi
- Director Daniel Dodge
- Director Zach Friend
- Director Ron Graves
- Director Michelle Hinkle
- Director Deborah Lane
- Director John Leopold
- Director Bruce McPherson
- Director Lynn Robinson
- Ex-Officio Director Donna Blitzer

STAFF PRESENT

Anthony Tapiz, Administrative Services Coordinator  
Leslie R. White, General Manager  
Leslyn K. Syren, District Counsel

METRO EMPLOYEES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO VOLUNTARILY INDICATED THEY WERE PRESENT

Angela Aitken, SC METRO  
Robert Cotter, SC METRO  
Tove Beatty, SC METRO  
Debbie Kinslow, SC METRO

Erron Alvey, SC METRO  
April Warnock, Paracruz  
Carolyn Derwing, SEA

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 3-1. Liseth Guizar announced that she will be available for Spanish language interpretation during the meeting.
- 3-2. Chair Dodge announced that today's meeting is being broadcast by Community Television of Santa Cruz County.
- 3-3. Chair Dodge thanked TAQUERIA LIDIA for the refreshments today, and said that TAQUERIA LIDIA is located in the Watsonville Transit Center, where they serve a variety of authentic Mexican Oaxacan dishes. Chair Dodge thanked 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Café as well.

4. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 4-1. MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF VERONICA ELSEA AND DEFICIENCIES FOR THE SIGHT-IMPAIRED ON METRO'S WEBSITE AND SMART CARD PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE.  
D. Norman Hagen, Chair, Metro Advisory Committee, Santa Cruz, California

5. LABOR ORGANIZATION COMMUNICATIONS

None.

6. ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION TO SUPPORT EXISTING AGENDA ITEMS

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 7-1. NOTIFICATION OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION: RICARDO YEPEZ V. SANTA CRUZ METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT (BEFORE THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD)
- 7-2. CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO SIGN A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH THE LAW OFFICES OF MARIE F. SANG FOR LEGAL SERVICES IN THE AREA OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION EXTENDING THE CONTRACT FOR TWO MONTHS
- 7-3. CONSIDERATION OF AWARD OF CONTRACT WITH SJB GLOBALNET, INC. FOR VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL (VOIP) SYSTEM SUPPORT SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$125,000
- 7-4. ACCEPT AND FILE VOTING RESULTS FROM APPOINTEES TO THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS
- 7-5. ACCESSIBLE SERVICES REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2012
- 7-6. SANTA CRUZ METRO SYSTEM RIDERSHIP REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2012

**ACTION: MOTION: DIRECTOR BRYANT SECOND: DIRECTOR GRAVES**

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH DIRECTORS ALEJO, BUSTICHI, FRIEND, LEOPOLD AND MCPHERSON BEING ABSENT.**

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

8. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTING DIRECTORS TO THE SANTA CRUZ CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION

Leslie R. White, Chief Executive Officer, SCCIC

**ACTION: MOTION: DIRECTOR BRYANT SECOND: DIRECTOR GRAVES**

**APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS BRYANT, GRAVES, HINKLE, LANE AND ROBINSON TO THE SANTA CRUZ CIVIC IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION.**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH DIRECTORS ALEJO, BUSTICHI, FRIEND, LEOPOLD AND MCPHERSON BEING ABSENT.**

9. PRESENTATION OF EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES

Samuel Garcia was unable to attend.

10. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE SERVICES OF BRENT FOUSE AS A TRANSIT SUPERVISOR FOR THE SANTA CRUZ METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT

**ACTION DEFERRED.**

11. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE SERVICES OF JOSE POLANCO AS A BUS OPERATOR FOR THE SANTA CRUZ METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT

**ACTION: MOTION: DIRECTOR ROBINSON SECOND: DIRECTOR HINKLE**

**APPROVE RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE SERVICES OF JOSE POLANCO AS A BUS OPERATOR FOR THE SANTA CRUZ METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT.**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH DIRECTORS ALEJO, BUSTICHI, FRIEND, LEOPOLD AND MCPHERSON BEING ABSENT.**

12. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE SERVICES OF KENNETH TICHENOR AS A BUS OPERATOR FOR THE SANTA CRUZ METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT

**ACTION DEFERRED.**

13. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF ROSEANN MARQUEZ TO THE METRO ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A TERM ENDING FEBRUARY 21, 2015

**ACTION: MOTION: DIRECTOR GRAVES SECOND: DIRECTOR ROBINSON**

**APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF ROSEANN MARQUEZ TO THE METRO ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A TERM ENDING FEBRUARY 21, 2015.**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH DIRECTORS ALEJO, BUSTICHI, FRIEND, LEOPOLD AND MCPHERSON BEING ABSENT.**

14. CONSIDERATION OF CONTINUING SPONSORSHIP OF LEADERSHIP SANTA CRUZ COUNTY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE EDUCATION ON TRANSPORTATION ISSUES, SERVICES, AND FACILITIES AND TO PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR METRO STAFF TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM

Les White presented the staff report. There was a discussion about Leadership Santa Cruz.

**ACTION: MOTION: DIRECTOR GRAVES SECOND: DIRECTOR HINKLE**

**APPROVE CONTINUED SPONSORSHIP OF LEADERSHIP SANTA CRUZ COUNTY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE EDUCATION ON TRANSPORTATION ISSUES, SERVICES, AND FACILITIES AND TO PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR METRO STAFF TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH DIRECTORS ALEJO, BUSTICHI, FRIEND, LEOPOLD AND MCPHERSON BEING ABSENT.**

15. CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO ISSUE AN RFP FOR A CONSULTANT TO PRODUCE A SHORT-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN (2014-2018)

Leslie R. White presented the staff report. There was a discussion about the previous Short Range Transit Plan.

**ACTION: MOTION: DIRECTOR GRAVES SECOND: DIRECTOR ROBINSON**

**AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO ISSUE AN RFP FOR A CONSULTANT TO PRODUCE A SHORT-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN (2014-2018).**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH DIRECTORS ALEJO, BUSTICHI, FRIEND, LEOPOLD AND MCPHERSON BEING ABSENT.**

16. ORAL REPORT REGARDING REQUEST FROM PROJECT 418 FOR DANCING BUS OPERATORS

Chair Daniel Dodge introduced the staff from Project 418. Project 418 staff presented their request. There was a discussion about the project and what was being asked of METRO.

**ACTION: MOTION: DIRECTOR GRAVES SECOND: DIRECTOR BRYANT**

**AGREE IN CONCEPT TO PROJECT 418 PROPOSAL AND DIRECT STAFF TO RETURN WITH UPDATES AS THEY ARISE.**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH DIRECTORS ALEJO, BUSTICHI, FRIEND, LEOPOLD AND MCPHERSON BEING ABSENT.**

17. ORAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held Friday, March 8, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. at the Santa Cruz METRO Offices, 110 Vernon Street, Santa Cruz, California.

18. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Dodge adjourned at 10:04 am to the next Board of Directors meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



ANTHONY TAPIZ  
Administrative Services Coordinator