

MINUTES OF DIRECTORS MEETING

LANE COUNTY MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT

FEBRUARY 8, 1972

The Board of Directors of Lane County Mass Transit District met at the City Hall in Eugene, Oregon at 7:30 P.M. on February 8, 1972 pursuant to adjournment from its meeting of January 26, 1972.

Present were:

Craig Robinson, President, presiding
Fred Brunner
Daniel M. Herbert
Phyllis Loobey
Glenn E. Randall
Fred Dyer, General Manager
Richard Bryson, Counsel

Absent:

Al Brandt, Vice President
Leonard Wildish

MINUTES:

On motion of Mr. Randall, seconded by Mr. Brunner, the Board voted unanimously to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting of January 26, 1972 and to approve the same as written.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

Mrs. Loobey inquired whether any publicity is planned concerning the reduction in bus fares. Mr. Dyer replied that with the approval of the District's Public Relations Consultant, he was attempting to publicize it through news releases rather than incur the expense of paid advertisements.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Chairman of the committee invited nominations from the Board as there are some vacancies on the committee. A member of the public, Jim Martin, volunteered for the membership on that committee.

PLANNING:

Oliver Snoden, the transit planner for LCOG, who is expected to be the planner for Lane Transit District, presented a map of proposed routes showing the results of a computer print-out from the 1970 census giving the areas where the captive riders (the elderly, young, poor and handicapped) are located, and also showing the locations of the places where they want to go, such as schools, hospitals, Doctors' offices and shopping centers. He intends

to add employment services to the map. Mr. Dyer told the Board that he hopes eventually to be able to serve the public with bus routes going within one-eighth of a mile of 80% of the population in the service area and one-fourth of a mile of 90% of the population.

Mr. Herbert raised the question as to who would be setting the planning objectives for the District. Mr. Robinson answered that the Board would be setting the planning objectives, but would be seeking recommendations from Mr. Snowden.

Mr. Dyer reported that he and Mr. Snowden have attended a meeting with representatives of Eugene Renewal Agency to exchange planning ideas. Mr. Herbert expressed his conviction that the Transit District should take full advantage of whatever opportunities remain to make the best use of the streets around the perimeter of the downtown core area. Mr. Dyer noted that the street grid system is wrong for bus travel, but had already been determined before the District could do anything about it, and as the buses all have right-hand exits we are obliged to let passengers out on the right side of the buses. Mr. Herbert and Mr. Robinson asked that the Manager report at the next meeting or bring someone from ERA to report on plans for the core area perimeter streets so the Board can determine whether to make any recommendations or requests to improve the plan for purposes of mass transit.

OPERATIONS:

Mr. Dyer reported to the Board that he and the chief mechanic went to Portland and examined the used buses which Tri-Met is no longer using and which are available on a rental basis. He said that insurance, if available, would probably cost about \$2,000 per vehicle per year; that operating costs would probably run about \$6,072 per vehicle per year, including rental, tire contract costs, and other costs; that labor for drivers and mechanics would probably run \$12,360 per bus per year and that the total estimated cost to the district for the twenty additional used Tri-Met buses would be \$368,640 per year.

Paul Headley, speaking for the Union Representative, Mel Schoppert, who was unable to attend, told the Board that the bus drivers are favorably impressed with the used Tri-Met buses, and believe that those buses would be an advantage.

Mr. Dyer said that the District's chief mechanic examined the used Tri-Met buses and found that they were not much better than the buses we already have. In response to an inquiry from the audience as to the cost of operating the used Tri-Met buses compared with our existing buses, Mr. Dyer said that he didn't know, but probably cost of operation would probably be about the same, however he does not know what the insurance cost would be.

On motion of Mr. Robinson, seconded by Mr. Herbert, the Board voted that it would not negotiate for acquisition of the used Tri-Met

buses at this time. Those in favor: Robinson, Brunner, Herbert and Loobey. Those opposed: Randall.

AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 1:

Mr. Robinson asked the Board to give further consideration to Amended Ordinance No. 1 being an Ordinance Providing Rules for Meetings of Lane County Mass Transit District. On motion duly seconded, the Board voted unanimously to read the Ordinance by title only, and Mr. Bryson then read the Ordinance by title. A copy of the Ordinance was available for each person who desired a copy. After brief discussion, and on motion of Mr. Brunner seconded by Mr. Herbert, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Amended Ordinance No. 1 as read.

REGISTERED AGENT:

On advice of Counsel, Mr. Robinson told the Board the law requires the District to designate a Registered Office and a Registered Agent at that office and file said designation with the Secretary of State's office of the State of Oregon. On motion of Mrs. Loobey, seconded by Mr. Randall the Board voted unanimously to designate the District office at 532 Oak Street, Eugene, Oregon as its Registered Office and the General Manager, Mr. Fred Dyer, as the Registered Agent.

FINANCE:

Mr. Dyer presented the financial statements and bills for the month of January, 1972. On motion of Mr. Brunner, seconded by Mrs. Loobey, the Board voted unanimously to approve payment of the bills for the month of January in the total sum of \$39,927.12 as submitted by Mr. Dyer.

ADJOURNMENT:

After some audience discussion the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

Secretary