

**Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority Board Meeting
 Construction Authority Offices, Conference Room
 Arcadia City Council Chambers
 240 West Huntington Drive
 Arcadia, California 91007
 January 26, 2011
 7:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Hanks called the meeting to order at approximately 7:05 PM.

2. Roll Call:

Member	Appointing Entity	Present	Absent
<i>Voting Members</i>			
Doug Tessitor, <i>Chair</i>	City of Pasadena	X	
Sam Pedroza, <i>1st Vice Chair</i>	SGVCOG	X	
Ed Reyes, <i>2nd Vice Chair</i>	City of Los Angeles	X	
Keith Hanks	City of South Pasadena	X	
John Fasana	LACMTA		X
<i>Non-Voting Members</i>			
Lara Larramendi	Governor of California	X	
Bill Bogaard	City of Pasadena	X	
Daniel Evans	City of South Pasadena		X
<i>Alternate Members</i>			
Michael Cacciotti	City of South Pasadena	—	—
Gerry Miller	City of Los Angeles	—	—
Mary Ann Lutz	SGVCOG	—	—

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Lara Larramendi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Public Comments on Items On/Off Agenda

Chairman Tessitor requested any public comments on or off the Agenda.

None.

5. CEO's Monthly Report

Mr. Balian presented the report. Mr. Balian reviewed various items, including the Fund Agreement Amendment currently being discussed with Metro, the completion of the SEIR for Phase 2A, update on the BNSF Agreement and various other items. Mr. Balian reviewed the timeline and major milestones of the Pasadena to Azusa Design-Build Alignment Procurement Process and also updated the Board on the status of

grade crossing applications with the CPUC. Mr. Balian also updated the Board on the Azusa to Montclair Phase 2B CEQA/NEPA environmental process.

Board Member Reyes congratulated staff on the continued momentum of the project. Board Member Reyes also requested that staff work with community stakeholders with regard to outreach on various project impacts. Mr. Balian indicated that community outreach has and will continue to be a priority for staff and the contractors.

6. Consent Calendar:

- a. Approval of Minutes of Special Board Meeting held December 15, 2010**
- b. Approval of Minutes of Special Board Meeting held January 18, 2011**
- c. Financial Quarterly Update**
- d. Approval of Letter Agreement with the City of Arcadia for Santa Anita Bridge**
- e. Authorize CEO to issue Request for Proposals (RFP) for Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Audit Services**

Chairman Tessitor requested a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. General Counsel Estrada indicated that item 6.b. Approval of Minutes of Special Board Meeting held January 18, 2011 still need further review before approval. Board Member Pedroza made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar except Item 6.b.. Board Member Reyes seconded the motion which was then approved unanimously.

7. General Board Items:

- a. Receive and File Report on Project Update: IFS Contract Update**

Mr. Balian introduced Mr. Burner who provided the report. Mr. Burner indicated that the IFS contract under Skanska USA was awarded in June 2010 for \$18.5 million and was expected to be completed in July 2012. Mr. Burner indicated that the IFS structure would provide and overpass over the east bound I-210 freeway. Mr. Burner reviewed the various milestones associated with the project including approvals from Caltrans. Mr. Burner indicated that Skanska is working to advance the design towards the 65% design submittal for March 2011. Mr. Burner indicated that staff and Skanska USA are reviewing and approving administrative submittals in advance of detailed design reviews and construction which include project management, quality and safety plans, the baseline schedules, payment milestones and the Public and Business Impacts Mitigation Plan.

Board Member Hanks requested that local college students be invited to view the engineering milestones of the project.

Item received and filed.

b. Authorize CEO to Execute Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers for use of Section 214 Funding

Mr. Balian introduced Mr. Burner who provided the report. Mr. Burner indicated that staff and counsel have drafted a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the United States Army Corps of Engineers for use of Section 214 funding. Mr. Burner indicated that the MOA would address portions of the alignment that traverse rivers and channels under the jurisdiction of the Corps of Engineers; specifically, the Santa Anita Wash, Sawpit Wash, Bradbury Channel and the San Gabriel River just upstream of the Santa Fe Recreational/Flood Control facility. Mr. Burner indicated that these existing single track freight bridges will be replaced by dual track light rail bridges and these modifications are considered requests to modify, alter or occupy completed federal flood risk management facilities and require Section 408 permits, which are evaluated by Army Corps of Engineers.

Mr. Balian thank Board Member Reyes for his assistance in working with the Army Corps of Engineers.

Chairman Tessitor requested a motion to approve Authorization for the CEO to Execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers for use of Section 214 Funding. Board Member Tessitor made a motion to approve the item for up to \$50,000. Board Member Reyes seconded the motion which was then approved unanimously.

c. Monthly Project Status Report

Mr. Balian introduced Mr. Burner to provide the report. Mr. Burner reviewed various on-going or completed matters, including the certification of the SEIR in January, coordination meetings with IFS Design-Builder; submittals of all remaining grade crossing applications to project stakeholders; finalization of all noise and vibration mitigation measures; and the release of Addendums 2 and 3 of the Phase 2A design build RFP. Mr. Burner indicated that in the next several months work will be on going to obtain CPUC approval of grade crossings; continued management of the IFS contract, including evaluation of design and construction submittals; execution of cooperative agreements with Caltrans, SCRRA, and utilities; finalization of an agreement between Metro and BNSF; continuation to identify project risk items and mitigation strategies and finalize various property acquisitions.

Item received and filed.

8. General Counsel Report

None.

9. Board Member Comments

Board Member Pedroza thanked staff for the extraordinary effort and great turn-out at the recent scoping meetings.

10. Closed Session

(1) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORG.C. 54956.8

(a) Property: 5773-006-015

Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: Miriam C. Spaulding Properties
Under Negotiation: Price and terms

(b) Property: APN: 5773-006-054

Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: Recreational Equipment, Inc.
Under Negotiation: Price and terms

(c) Property: APN: 5776-035-902

Agency Negotiator: Habib F. Balian and Regina Danner, Esq.
Negotiating Parties: County of Los Angeles
Under Negotiation: Price and terms

(2) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR.....G.C. 54957.6

Authority Negotiator: Douglas Tessitor
Unrepresented Employee: Chief Executive Officer

No reportable action.

11. Adjournment

The Board meeting was adjourned into Closed Session at approximately 7:35 PM.