



Special Meeting of the Board of Directors

Thursday, February 11, 2016

9:00 a.m.

Antelope Valley Transit Authority Community Room
42210 6th Street West, Lancaster, California
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OFFICIAL MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Crist called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Director Flanagan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present

Chairman Marvin Crist
Vice Chair Dianne Knippel
Director Steve Hofbauer
Director Fred Thompson
Director Angela Underwood-Jacobs
Director Michelle Flanagan

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Approve the agenda as comprised.

Moved by Director Hofbauer, seconded by Vice Chair Knippel

Vote: Motion carried (6-0-0-0)

Yeas: Chairman Crist, Vice Chair Knippel, Directors Hofbauer, Thompson, Underwood-Jacobs, and Flanagan

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

PUBLIC BUSINESS – AGENDIZED AND NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS:

John Currado – stated that this is a tremendous opportunity for not only the Antelope Valley but also the nation. He added that this is a testament to the Board's outstanding leadership.

NEW BUSINESS (NB):

NB 1 Award Sole Respondent Contract #2016-31 to BYD Motors, Inc., for the 40, 45 and 60 Foot Battery Electric Bus Project.

Executive Director Len Engel presented the staff report. The Board discussed the various grants that staff will use to fund the procurement, the goal of having a 100% electric fleet by 2018, and the support from Assemblyman Tom Lackey and Senator Sharon Runner. Mr. Engel stated that staff is working diligently to secure additional grant funds and detailed the cost savings from the electric buses versus the diesel buses. Maci Neshati, BYD Motors, Inc. Vice President of Sales, spoke about the jobs that are expected to be created in the Antelope Valley and the economic benefit to the community as a result of this contract.

Motion: Authorize the Executive Director to execute a sole respondent Contract #2016-31 for the 40, 45 and 60 Foot Battery Electric Bus Project to BYD Motors, Inc., for a five-year term, and an amount not to exceed \$72,410,000, plus applicable sales tax.

Moved by Director Hofbauer, seconded by Director Thompson

Vote: Motion carried (6-0-0-0)

Yeas: Chairman Crist, Vice Chair Knippel, Directors Hofbauer, Thompson, Underwood-Jacobs, and Flanagan

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (RA):

RA 1 Report by the Executive Director:

Mr. Engel reminded the Board that he will be attending an Air Resources Board meeting in Sacramento on February 23.

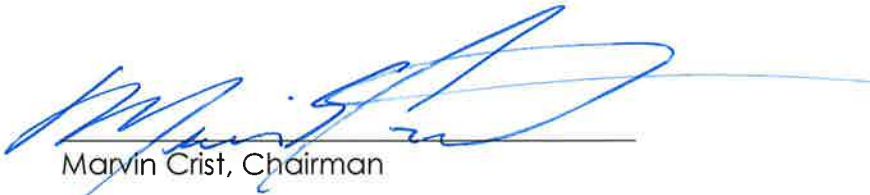
MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – NON-AGENDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ITEMS:

The Board members had no miscellaneous business to present.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Crist adjourned the meeting to the next Regular meeting of the Board of Directors on February 23, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the Antelope Valley Transit Authority Community Room, 42210 6th Street West, Lancaster, California.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 23rd day of FEBRUARY 2016.



Marvin Crist, Chairman

ATTEST:



Karen Darr, Clerk of the Board