RESOLUTION NO. 85-18

A RESOLUTION

ADOPTING A FARE POLICY; ESTABLISHING A REVISED FARE STRUCTURE FOR LOCAL, EXPRESS AND COMMUTER BUS SERVICE; ESTABLISHING FARE DISCOUNTS; AND ESTABLISHING RATES AND CHARGES FOR PARATRANSIT AND CHARTER SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Rapid Transit Authorities Act, Article 1118x, Texas Revised Civil Statutes, under which METRO is organized and operates, directs that the Authority shall establish and maintain rates, fares and charges for use of the transit system facilities which are reasonable, nondiscriminatory and sufficient, with other revenue, to pay all expenses necessary to the operation and maintenance of the properties and facilities of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, METRO is presently providing a rapidly expanding level of comfortable, reliable, and safe bus and paratransit service at one of the lowest fares of any urban transit system in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the METRO transit system is expanding to an integrated network of local, express and commuter services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors is of the opinion that attainment of a reasonable revenue/operating expense ratio is necessary to provide adequate resources to develop, improve and maintain a comprehensive mass transportation system; and

WHEREAS, the Board has heard and considered the testimony presented at the public hearings noticed and held to consider a revised fare policy and fare structure; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors is of the opinion that a revised fare structure designed to accommodate METRO's expanding
service network and to achieve a greater revenue/operating expense ratio while continuing to offer inexpensive, reliable and comfortable service is desirable;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board hereby adopts a policy that the fare structure and fare rates will be reviewed annually and that fares will be increased as necessary to account for the effects of inflation on operating costs and to maintain or improve the revenue/operating expense ratio.

Section 2. The Board of Directors hereby finds and declares that a change in the fare structure and an increase in the local, express and commuter bus service fares charged are warranted by the operating expenses experienced, the quality of service provided and the requirement for preserving a greater portion of sales tax revenues for transit system development, expansion and improvement.

Section 3. The Board hereby adopts a fare structure consisting of (1) a single local bus service fare, (2) an express bus service fare applicable to service operating non-stop via transitways, freeways or major arterial streets for six miles or more of the route length with entry to the non-stop portion outside the Interstate Highway 610 Loop, and (3) distance-based commuter bus service fares with five fare increments as defined in Exhibit 1 attached hereto and incorporated herein. Discounts for elderly, handicapped, children and student patrons shall be offered as set out in Exhibit 1. Discounts for multiple ride passes and group pass
purchases shall be offered as set out in Exhibit 1. Paratransit service (also known as METROLift) fares shall be a flat rate as set out in Exhibit 2. Charter rates shall be on an hourly basis and must recover the direct operating costs incurred. The foregoing notwithstanding, the General Manager is authorized to establish promotional fares at such levels as he may determine appropriate (including free fares) for periods not to exceed one hundred eighty (180) days at a time. Fares calculated pursuant to this fare structure shall be rounded down to the nearest five cents (5¢) increment.

Section 4. Effective on and after March 31, 1985, the fares, rates and charges for METRO transit services shall be as set out in Exhibit 2 attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Section 5. The General Manager is authorized to take all actions reasonable and necessary to implement the revised fare structure and rates established herein.

Section 6. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

ATTEST: 
Rose M. Gonzales
Assistant Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE: 
Alan F. Kiepper
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM: 
Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.
APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.
John J. King
Chairman of the Board
A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH AIA ENGINEERS AND CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A BUS WASHER BUILDING AT THE NORTHWEST BUS OPERATING FACILITY.

WHEREAS, METRO desires to install a METRO-designed bus washer at the Northwest Bus Operating Facility; and

WHEREAS, the bus washer building and equipment installation will be a separate contract from the prime contract for facility construction; and

WHEREAS, an invitation for bids was issued for construction of the bus washer building; and

WHEREAS, the firm of AIA Engineers and Contractors, Inc. submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute a contract with AIA Engineers and Contractors, Inc. for construction of a bus washer building at the Northwest Bus Operating Facility at a total cost not to exceed $207,000.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.

APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

John J. King
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Rose M. Gonzales
Assistant Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Alan F. Kiepert
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel
A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH VIDEO PRODUCTS, INC. FOR INSTALLATION OF UPGRADED SECURITY SYSTEMS AT THE POLK, SHARPSTOWN AND KASHMERE BUS OPERATING FACILITIES.

WHEREAS, METRO has identified the need for an increased level of surveillance at its bus operating facilities to deter vandalism, theft and unauthorized access; and

WHEREAS, an invitation for bid was issued for the installation of electronic surveillance equipment at the Polk, Sharpstown and Kashmere Bus Operating Facilities; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Video Products, Inc. submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid for the installation of this equipment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Video Products, Inc. for the provision and installation of security system equipment at the Polk, Sharpstown and Kashmere Bus Operating Facilities at a cost not to exceed $128,272.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.
APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:
Rose M. Gonzales
Assistant Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Ayon P. Kiepper
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel
A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH RINALDI DESIGNS, INC. FOR GRAPHIC DESIGN ANALYSES.

WHEREAS, Rinaldi Designs, Inc. has developed the METRO graphic and signage program under previous contract; and

WHEREAS, additional applications of the graphics program require the services of Rinaldi Designs, Inc. in order to be consistent with the graphics work done to date;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Rinaldi Designs, Inc. for graphic design analysis at a cost not to exceed $30,500.

Section 2. This resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.

APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

ATTEST:

Rogelio M. Gonzales
Assistant Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Alan F. Kramer
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel

John J. King
Chairman of the Board
A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH TEXAS BUS LINES FOR COMMUTER EXPRESS BUS SERVICE TO AND FROM THE SETON LAKE PARK & RIDE FACILITY, METRO ROUTE NUMBER 212.

WHEREAS, bids were invited to provide commuter bus service to and from the Seton Lake Park & Ride lot for a one-year period commencing on April 1, 1985; and

WHEREAS, Texas Bus Lines submitted the only bid for this service; and

WHEREAS, an analysis of the bid price submitted by Texas Bus Lines has determined it to be fair and reasonable;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Texas Bus Lines for the provision of commuter bus services to and from the Seton Lake Park & Ride lot (Metro Route 212) at a rate of $65.55 per revenue hour.

Section 2. This resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.

APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

ATTEST:

Rose M. Gonzales  
Assistant Secretary

John J. King  
Chairman of the Board
RESOLUTION NO. 85-22

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

[Signature]

Dan F. Kiepper
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]

Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel
A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF RADIO COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT WITH MOTOROLA COMMUNICATION AND ELECTRONICS, INC.

WHEREAS, METRO has a requirement for additional radio communication equipment to accommodate the expanding fleet; and

WHEREAS, METRO solicited technical proposals to competitively procure this communication equipment and received only one (1) technically responsive proposal; and

WHEREAS, a price analysis has been conducted to ascertain the fairness and reasonableness of the prices offered by the technically responsive proposer, Motorola Communications and Electronics, Inc. which concluded that the prices offered were fair and reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the Board concurs in the General Manager's recommendation to procure the radio communication equipment on a negotiated basis from a single, responsive supplier;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Motorola Communications and Electronics, Inc. for the purchase of radio communications equipment at a total cost not to exceed $887,334.47.
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Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.
APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

ATTEST:

Rose M. Gonzales
Assistant Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Alan F. Kieper
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel

John J. King
Chairman of the Board
RESOLUTION NO. 85-24

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A REVISED KATY FREEWAY AUTHORIZED VEHICLE LANE OPERATING PLAN.

WHEREAS, the Board approved of an operating plan for the Katy Freeway Authorized Vehicle Lane with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation on August 30, 1984; and

WHEREAS, the State and METRO have determined it desirable to permit carpools to operate on the Katy Authorized Vehicle Lane on an experimental basis; and

WHEREAS, the addition of carpools to the Katy Freeway Authorized Vehicle Lane requires an amendment to the existing operating plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation amending the Katy Freeway Authorized Vehicle Lane operating plan to provide for the use of the facility by carpools as attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Assistant Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

[Signature]
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
Legal Counsel

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.

APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

John J. King
Chairman of the Board
A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE FOR AUTHORIZED VEHICLE LANE CARPOOL ANALYSIS.

WHEREAS, METRO and the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation have agreed to permit carpool operations on the Katy Freeway Authorized Vehicle Lane on an experimental basis; and

WHEREAS, it is important to quantitatively assess the impact of carpools on the operations of the Katy Freeway Authorized Vehicle Lane in order to determine the desirability of future access to Authorized Vehicle Lanes of carpools; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Transportation Institute of Texas A & M University has the requisite analytic capability to perform the carpool analysis at substantially reduced cost to METRO and the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager has submitted written justification supporting the negotiation of a contract with the Texas Transportation Institute for Authorized Vehicle Lane carpool analysis on a non-competitive basis;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute on behalf of METRO an agreement with the Texas Transportation Institute of Texas A & M University for an analysis of the impact of carpool use on Authorized Vehicle Lanes. METRO's participation in this contract is not to exceed $61,500 with a comparable amount to be provided by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.
Section 2. This resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

ATTEST:

Rose M. Gonzales
Assistant Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Alan P. Klepper
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.
APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

John J. King
Chairman of the Board
RESOLUTION No. 85-26

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH GLOBE TICKET COMPANY FOR TRANSFER SLIPS.

WHEREAS, METRO issued an invitation for bids to provide a thirty-three (33) month's supply of bus transfer slips; and

WHEREAS, Globe Ticket Company submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid in response to the invitation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Globe Ticket Company for thirty-three (33) months' supply of bus transfer tickets at a total cost not to exceed $309,121.50.

Section 2. This resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.
APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

ATTEST:

Rose M. Gonzales
Assistant Secretary

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Alan F. Kiepper
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel
A RESOLUTION

APPOINTING A TRUSTEE TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE UNION PENSION PLAN.

WHEREAS, the Union Pension Plan is administered by a Board of Trustees consisting of two (2) persons appointed by the Union and two (2) persons appointed by METRO's Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, due to recent personnel changes, only one (1) person currently serves on the Board of Trustees who was appointed by METRO's Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to fill the existing vacancy on the Board of Trustees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. Howard Lewis be appointed to serve as a Trustee to the Board of the Union Pension Plan.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.

APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

ATTEST:

John J. King
Chairman of the Board

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Alan F. Kiepner
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel
A RESOLUTION
APPOINTING A MEMBER TO METRO'S NON-UNION PENSION PLAN.

WHEREAS, the Non-Union Pension Plan is administered by a committee of three (3) members; and

WHEREAS, due to recent personnel changes, the present committee consists of only two (2) members; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to fill the vacancy on the Pension Committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. Mr. Marvin H. McMurrey be appointed to fill the existing vacancy on METRO's Non-Union Pension Plan Committee.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.
APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

ATTEST:

Rose M. Gonzales
Assistant Secretary

John J. King
Chairman of the Board

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

Alan F. Kiepper
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel
RESOLUTION NO. 85-29

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH DUN & BRADSTREET FOR FINANCIAL INFORMATION SERVICES.

WHEREAS, METRO has previously used the Dun & Bradstreet Credit Guide to evaluate the financial responsibility of potential contractors; and

WHEREAS, the Dun & Bradstreet Credit Guide provides a thorough analysis of a company's activities including capital and credit rating, payments, finance, public filings, banking, history and operations; and

WHEREAS, no other publication offers such detailed analyses of the activities of a particular company; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager has submitted a written justification for the sole-source procurement of financial information services from Dun & Bradstreet;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Dun & Bradstreet for a subscription to the Dun & Bradstreet Credit Guide at a total cost not to exceed $16,335.00.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

ATTEST:

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.
APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

John J. King
Chairman of the Board
APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

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Alan F. Kieffer
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel
A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN ESCROW AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PHASE 2 OF THE KATY FREEWAY TRANSITWAY.

WHEREAS, in April, 1983, the METRO Board of Directors adopted a Resolution of Intent (83-34) to participate with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation for development of an Authorized Vehicle Lane along the Katy Freeway; and

WHEREAS, Phase 1 of the Katy Freeway Transitway opened in October, 1984; and

WHEREAS, execution of an escrow agreement with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation is needed to provide funding for Phase 2 Construction of the Katy Freeway Transitway;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute an escrow agreement with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation for construction of Phase 2 of the Katy Freeway Transitway in the amount of $8.1 million.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.

APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

ATTEST:

Rose M. Gonzales
Assistant Secretary

John J. King
Chairman of the Board
APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

[Signature]
Alan F. Kiepper
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel
A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH THE OWNERS OF THE WHEELER AND DIETZ TRACTS FOR PURCHASE OF A SITE FOR THE SOUTHEAST TRANSIT CENTER.

WHEREAS, METRO has identified two (2) adjacent tracts of land for construction of the Southeast Transit Center; and

WHEREAS, just compensation has been established for both tracts; and

WHEREAS, the owners of the tracts have agreed to sell the property at fair market values;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute a purchase agreement with B. E. Dietz, Tr. for the acquisition of a 4.0-acre tract of land, for the Southeast Transit Center, at a cost not to exceed $261,360.

Section 2. The General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute a purchase agreement with Bert Wheeler's Beverage Stores, Inc. for the acquisition of a 2.98-acre tract of land, for the Southeast Transit Center, at a cost not to exceed $194,700.

Section 3. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

ATTEST:  

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.  
APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

Assistant Secretary  

Chairman of the Board
RESOLUTION NO. 85-31 (Page 3)

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:

[Signature]
Alan F. Kiepper
General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel
A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH 290 DEVELOPMENT VENTURE FOR PURCHASE OF A SITE FOR THE NORTHWEST STATION PARK & RIDE LOT ACCESS RAMP.

WHEREAS, an additional tract of land is needed for construction of an access ramp for the Northwest Station Park & Ride Lot; and

WHEREAS, a 1.84-acre tract has been identified as an appropriate site for the access ramp; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the tract has agreed to sell the property at fair market value;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute a purchase agreement with 290 Development Venture for the acquisition of a 1.84-acre tract of land for the Northwest Station Park & Ride Lot access ramp, at a cost not to exceed $525,000.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of February, 1985.
APPROVED this 28th day of February, 1985.

John J. King
Chairman of the Board

Dennis C. Gardner
Legal Counsel