

## MINUTES

### MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

September 1, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority held a meeting on September 1, 2016 at 1:58 p.m. in the Board Room on the 6th Floor of the MARTA Headquarters Building, 2424 Piedmont Road, Atlanta, Georgia.

#### **Board Members Present**

Juanita Jones Abernathy  
Robert L. Ashe III  
Robert F. Dallas  
Frederick L. Daniels, Jr.  
Jim Durrett  
Roderick E. Edmond  
Jerry Griffin  
Freda B. Hardage

MARTA officials in attendance were: General Manager/CEO Keith T. Parker, AICP; C-Suite Team Members – Chief Operating Officer Richard Krisak, Chief of Staff Rukiya S. Thomas; Chief Administrative Officer LaShanda Dawkins (Interim), Chief Financial Officer Gordon Hutchinson, Chief Legal Counsel Elizabeth O'Neill; AGMs Elayne Berry, Rhonda Briggins (Acting), Wanda Dunham, Robin Henry, Ming Hsi and David Springstead; Executive Directors Ferdinand Risco; Sr. Director Joseph Erves, Kevin Hurley, Amanda Rhein and Donald Williams; Directors Lisa DeGrace, Jonathan Hunt and William Taylor; Managers Donna DeJesus and Alisa Jackson; Manager Executive Office Administration Tyrene Huff; Sr. Executive Administrator Kellee McDaniel; Finance Administrative Analyst Tracy Kincaid. Others in attendance Rhonda Allen, Ed Bishop, Richard Boullain, Abebe Girmay, Louis Grisoglio, Andrew McBurney, Toni Thornton and Columbus Ussery.

Also in attendance were Robert S. Highsmith, Jr., Holland & Knight LLP; Jack Buckingham of MATC; Isaiah Dixon; San Gude of Gude Management Group; Avis Hatten; Stan King of S.L. King

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#### **Public Comment**

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Mr. Isaiah Dixon. Asked that MARTA restore the #181 back on Buffington Road. In addition he said the #89 makes him late for work.

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Ms. Avis Hatten. Ms. Hatten said she is disappointed in the MARTA system. Ms. Hatten has to be at work by 8:00 a.m. She boards at 6:30 a.m. and is often late for work. She said the system is not made for working people and asked that MARTA do something about it.

### **Minutes of the August 4, 2016 Meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors**

On motion by Mr. Daniels seconded by Mrs. Abernathy, the minutes were unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present.

### **Planning & External Relations Committee Report**

Mr. Durrett reported that the Planning & External Relations Committee met on August 4, 2016 and received the following briefings:

- a) MARTA Sales Tax Project List
- b) Media Monitoring
- c) Bus Modifications for December 10, 2016 Mark-Up
- d) MARTA Community Outreach

### **Audit Committee Report**

Mrs. Hardage reported that the Audit Committee met on August 24, 2016 and received the following briefings:

- a) Audit Activities
- b) Other Matters
  - Follow Up on NTT Data and APTA Information Technology Reviews
  - Personnel
  - Accomplishments
- c) Outstanding Issues from the May 20, 2016 Audit Committee Meeting

### **Operations & Safety Committee Report**

Dr. Edmond reported that the Operations & Safety Committee met on August 25, 2016 and approved the following resolution:

- a. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Rebuilt Allison 8400 Allison Transmissions, CP B36093

On motion by Dr. Edmond seconded by Mr. Durrett, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

**Business Management Committee Report**

Mr. Daniels reported that the Business Management Committee met on August 25, 2016 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Financial Advisory Services, Request for Proposals P36399
- b. Resolution to Approve Disposal of Parcel D3200 at 15<sup>th</sup> and W. Peachtree Street

On motion by Mr. Daniels seconded by Mr. Durrett, the resolutions were unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present. A copy of the resolutions, **AS APPROVED, ARE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

The Committee received the following briefing:

- a) Proposed Structural Connections Between Private TODs and Transit Stations

**Other Items**

**Additions to the Agenda**

**Resolution Authorizing an Increase in the Contract Value for RFP P21954 Design-Build Services for the Atlanta Streetcar Project**

Dr. Edmond motioned to add this resolution to the Agenda. Mr. Daniels seconded. The Board unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present.

Dr. Edmond asked that the increase in the contract amount be noted in the record:

*URS, Energy and Construction, Inc., MARTA, the City of Atlanta and ADID have agreed (subject to the approval of, among others, the Federal Transit Administration and*

*MARTA's Board of Directors) on a global closeout settlement in the additional amount of \$1,719,642 for a total revised contract value of \$61,630,655.*

On motion by Mr. Daniels seconded by Mr. Dallas, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

**Resolution Authorizing a Service Coordination Agreement Between Cobb County, Georgia and Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (Amendment 1)**

Mr. Durrett motioned to add this resolution to the Agenda. Mr. Daniels seconded. The Board unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present.

On motion by Dr. Edmond seconded by Mr. Durrett, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

**Resolution Authorizing a One-Time Payment of Five-Hundred Dollars to Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) Employees**

Mrs. Hardage motioned to add this resolution to the Agenda. Mrs. Abernathy seconded. The Board unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present.

Mr. Parker stated that the one-time payment would include employees in good standing and active as of January 1, 2016. It will be extended to MV and part-time employees, as well.

On motion by Mrs. Hardage seconded by Mr. Durrett, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

**Arts Center TOD Project**

There was only one bidder for the Arts Center TOD. It's a huge project. Some members think it would be in MARTA's best interest to put out again to give other companies an opportunity to bid the work. Dr. Edmond moved to amend the agenda to add this motion.

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Mr. Dallas seconded. The motion was unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present.

Dr. Edmond motioned for approval to rebid Arts Center TOD. Mr. Dallas seconded. The motion failed by a vote of 3 to 5, with 8 members present.

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**Adjournment**

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The meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors adjourned at 2:14 p.m.