



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEETING SUMMARY

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair W. Thomas Worthy called the meeting to order at 1:36 P.M.

Board Members

Present:

Jim Durrett
William Floyd
Roderick Frierson
Freda Hardage
Russell McMurry
Al Pond
Rita Scott
Thomas Worthy
Valencia Williamson
Jennifer Ide
Jacob Tzegaegbe

Board Members

Absent:

Stacy Blakley
Kathryn Powers
Rod Mullice
Jannine Miller

Staff Members Present:

Collie Greenwood
Melissa Mullinax
Ralph McKinney
Raj Srinath
Luz Borrero
Rhonda Allen
Peter Andrews
George Wright
Carrie Rocha

Also in Attendance: Justice Leah Ward Sears
Kirk Talbott
George Wright
Jonathan Hunt
Colleen Kiernan
Paula Nash
Donna DeJesus
Jacqueline Holland

PUBLIC COMMENTS (SUBMITTALS VIA TELEPHONE, U.S. MAIL AND IN PERSON)

Ed Williams [via email]
Nathan Clubb [via email]
Hans Klein [via email]
Matt Eckmann [via email]
Commissioner Jeff Rader [in person]
Jacquelyn Word [via email and in person]
Jefeme Sharpe [in person]
Matthew RAO [in person]
Hans Klein [in person]
Jill Johnson [in person]

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Approval of the March 9, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes.

Approval of the March 9, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes. On a motion by Board Member Durrett, seconded by Board Member Williamson, the motion passed by a vote of 10 to 0 with 1 member abstaining and 11 members present.

2. BUSINESS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair Jim Durrett reported that the Committee met on March 30, 2023, and approved the following resolutions:

Committee Chair Report Business Management

Approval of the Business Management Committee Resolutions 2a, 2b, 2c & 2d. On a motion by Board Member Durrett, seconded by Board Member Tzegaegbe, the resolutions passed by a vote of 10 to 0 with 1 member abstaining and 11 members present.

3. PLANNING & CAPITAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee member Jacob Tzegaegbe reported that the Committee met on March 30, 2023, and approved the following resolutions:

Committee Chair Report Planning & Capital Programs

Board Member Durrett requested we separate the vote for 3e – Resolution to Approve the Locally Preferred Alternative for the Atlanta Streetcar East Extension Project, LPA. On a motion by Board Member Durrett, seconded by Board Member Pond to amend the Board agenda, the motion passed by a vote of 10 to 0, with 1 member abstaining and 11 members present.

Approval of the Planning & Capital Programs Committee Resolutions 3a, 3b, 3c, 3d, 3f and 3g. On a motion by Board Member Hardage, seconded by Board Member Ide, the resolutions passed by a vote of 10 to 0 with 1 member abstaining and 11 members present.

Approval of Board Agenda item 3e - Resolution to Approve the Locally Preferred Alternative for the Atlanta Streetcar East Extension Project, LPA. On a motion by Board Member Tzegaegbe, seconded by Board Member Ide, the resolution passed by a vote of 8 to 0, with 3 members abstaining and 11 members present.

4. OPERATIONS & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair Al Pond reported that the Committee met on March 30, 2023, and approved the following resolutions:

Committee Chair Report Operations & Safety

Approval of the Operations & Safety Committee Resolutions 4a, 4b, 4c, 4d, 4e & 4f. On a motion by Board Member Ide, seconded by Board Member Williamson, the resolutions passed by a vote of 10 to 0 with 1 member abstaining and 11 members present.

5. EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair Rita Scott reported that the Committee met on March 30, 2023.

Committee Chair Report External Relations

No action items

6. AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair Roderick Frierson reported that the Committee met on March 23, 2023.

Committee Chair Report Audit

No action items

7. OTHER MATTERS

Chief Legal Counsel Peter Andrews read into the record the following three items emanating from Executive Session:

1. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of the Fourth Round of Acquisition Offers and Settlements for Right of Way and Easements in support of the Summerhill Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project, City of Atlanta, Fulton County, GA. On a motion by Board Member Hardage, seconded by Board Member Durrett, the motion passed by a vote of 10 to 0 with 1 member abstaining and 11 members present.
2. Approval of a settlement - \$450,000 – Tina Macey v. MARTA. On a motion by Board Member Durrett, seconded by Board Member Pond, the motion passed by a vote of 10 to 0 with 1 member abstaining and 11 members present.
3. Approval of a settlement - \$600,000 – Gerald Shealey v. MARTA. On a motion by Board Member Durrett, seconded by Board Member Hardage, the motion passed by a vote of 10 to 0 with 1 member abstaining and 11 members present.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

None

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting adjourned at 2:33 P.M.