



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

BOARD MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021

MINUTES

Board Chair Rita Scott called the meeting to order at 1:53 P.M.

Board Members Present	Staff Members Present
Roberta Abdul-Salaam	Jeffrey Parker
Jim Durrett	Collie Greenwood
William Floyd	Rhonda Allen
Roderick Frierson	Melissa Mullinax
Freda Hardage	Elizabeth O'Neill
Al Pond	Manjeet Ranu
Rita Scott, Chair	Raj Srinath
Reginald Snyder	Ralph McKinney
Thomas Worthy	Peter Andrews

Also in attendance: MARTA Board General Counsel Justice Leah Ward Sears of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP; other MARTA staff members: Kevin Hurley, Kirk Talbott, Paula Nash, Jacqueline Holland, Duane Pritchett, Keri Lee, Stephany Fisher, Carrie Rocha, Jonathan Hunt, Jennifer Jinadu-Wright, Donna DeJesus, Keri Lee, Kenya Hammond and Tyrene Huff.

Board Chair Rita Scott as if there were changes to the agenda. Chief Legal Counsel Elizabeth O'Neill added a settlement to the agenda - Gary Christian v. MARTA.

Public Comment

Ed Williams [via email]

1. Approval of October 14, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Board Chair Rita Scott asked for a motion to approve the minutes. A motion to approve was made by Board Member Durrett and seconded by Board Member Hardage. The minutes were approved unanimously by a vote of 9 to 0 with 9 members present.

2. Planning and Capital Programs Committee Report

Committee Chair Al Pond reported that the Committee met on Thursday, October 28, 2021 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution Authorizing the Disposal of Permanent Easements to the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for Traffic Signal Upgrades at Linkwood Road @ M.L.K. Jr. Drive; Whitehall Street @ Ralph David Abernathy Boulevard SW; and I20 EB Ramp @ McDaniel Street, Fulton County, Atlanta GA

- b. Resolution to Authorize the Disposal of a Permanent Easement to Atlanta Gas Light for the Installation of a Shut-Off Valve in Lot 5 of the Chamblee Station
- c. Resolution Authorizing Contract Award for the Procurement of a Letter of Agreement for the Kensington Station Master Planning Services, LOA L49711
- d. Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Construction Management at Risk (CMAR) with Pre-Construction Services for Five Points Station Transformation Project RFP P46354
- e. Resolution Authorizing the Approval of the Proposed Service Modifications for December 2021

Committee Chair Pond requested approval of the resolutions, which were seconded by Board Member Durrett. The resolutions were approved unanimously by a vote of 9 to 0 with 9 members present.

Committee Chair Pond reported that the Committee received the following briefings:

- f. Proposed December 2021 Service Modifications
- g. Public Hearing Results for the Proposed Service Modifications for December 2021

3. **Operations & Safety Committee Report**

Committee Chair W. Thomas Worthy reported that the Committee met on Thursday, October 28, 2021 and approved the following resolution:

- a. Resolution Authorizing the Final Payment for Bus Tire and Lease Services, IFB B36296

Committee Chair Worthy requested approval of the resolution, seconded by Board Member Hardage. The resolution was approved unanimously by a vote of 9 to 0 with 9 members present.

Committee Chair Worthy reported that the Committee received the following briefings:

- b. Vehicle Technical Consulting Services
- c. Sustainability Highlights: Looking Back to Move Forward

4. **Business Management Committee Report**

Committee Chair Roderick Frierson reported that the Committee met on Thursday, October 28, 2021 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Single Source Contract for Eight (8) Parking Deck Callbox Upgrade and Cabling Services, RFP P49632

- c. Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Revenue Shares of Renewable Natural Gas Services, IFB B47835

Committee Chair Frierson requested the removal of resolution 4b from the vote due to the need for further discussion. He requested approval of resolutions 4a and 4c, seconded by Board Member Durrett. The resolutions were approved unanimously by a vote of 9 – 0 with 9 members present.

Committee Chair Frierson requested approval of resolution 4b, seconded by Board Member Durrett. He read the resolution into the record.

- b. Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Transit and Digital Advertising Services, RFP P48265

Board Chair Scott called for the discussion for resolution 4b. Board member Worthy asked to address some of the issues heard during public comment. Board Member Worthy requested Jonathan Hunt walk the Board through some of the concerns that were raised about the perceived misrepresentation in the Business Management Committee as well as the agency that is receiving the award is promising less revenue to the authority than the agency that did not receive the award.

The resolution passed with a vote of 8 – 0, 1 no vote, with 9 members present.

6. **Other Matters**

Board Chair Rita Scott asked for a motion to approve the settlement - Gary Christian v. MARTA. A motion to approve was made by Board Member Hardage and seconded by Board Member Pond. The settlement was approved unanimously by a vote of 9 to 0 with 9 members present.

7. **Comments from the Board**

None

8. **Adjournment**

The Board meeting adjourned at 2:31 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Tyrene L. Huff
Assistant Secretary to the Board

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