

## **MINUTES**

### **MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

**February 2, 2017**

The Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority held a meeting on February 2, 2017 at 1:57 p.m. in the Board Room on the 6th Floor of the MARTA Headquarters Building, 2424 Piedmont Road, Atlanta, Georgia.

#### **Board Members Present**

Roberta Abdul-Salaam  
Juanita Jones Abernathy  
Robert L. Ashe III  
Robert F. Dallas  
Frederick L. Daniels, Jr.  
Jim Durrett  
William "Bill" Floyd  
Jerry Griffin  
Freda B. Hardage  
Alicia M. Ivey  
Al Pond  
Thomas W. Worthy

MARTA officials in attendance were: General Manager/CEO Rukiya S. Thomas (Acting); C-Suite Team Members – Chief Operating Officer Joseph Erves (Acting), Chief Financial Officer Gordon L. Hutchinson, Chief Counsel Elizabeth O'Neill; AGMs Elayne Berry, Wanda Dunham, Robin Henry, Ming Hsi, Benjamin Limmer and David Springstead; Executive Director Ferdinand Risco; Sr. Director Amanda Rhein; Directors Jonathan Hunt, Richard Slaton and William Taylor; Manager Executive Office Administration Tyrene Huff; Sr. Executive Administrator Kellee McDaniel; Finance Administrative Analyst Tracy Kincaid. Others in attendance Donna DeJesus, Louis Grisoglio, Courtne Middlebrooks, Debra Oliver, Terry Ponder, LaTonya Pope, Leslie Walter, Rhonda White and Denise Whitfield.

Also in attendance were Robert S. Highsmith, Jr., Holland & Knight LLP; Jack Buckingham of MATC; Amanda Chatman; Gordon Draves; Paul Jones; Michael Larusso; Jim Schmidt of HNTB.

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### **Public Comment**

Mr. Gordon Draves made comments regarding MARTA's 'Plan-a-Trip', noting that he could never find what he was looking for. He asked why is the site so inaccurate. He asked MARTA to fix the site. He thanked MARTA for Bus 193.

Mr. Paul Jones said he hopes General Manager/CEO Keith Parker will decide to stay a few more years because he is doing a great job. He encouraged MARTA to look at the existing State law regarding SPLOST, and the wording that says SPLOST can be used for mass transit facilities. He said if the wording was expanded to say buses and other things, then MARTA and the local governments like DeKalb would have another option to help fund MARTA. Through the efforts of legislators like Jan Jones or Brandon Beach the local option sales tax could possibly be amended to cover transit as well.

### **Minutes of the January 11, 2017 Meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors**

On motion by Mr. Daniels seconded by Ms. Abdul-Salaam, the minutes were unanimously approved by a vote of 12 to 0, with 12 members present.

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

Mr. Griffin reported that the Planning & External Relations Committee met on January 11, 2017 and received the following briefings:

- a) Update on Regional Transit Committee 2014-2016 Work Program
- b) Regional Fare Product Focus Group

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

Mr. Durrett reported that the Operations & Safety Committee met on January 26, 2017 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution to Accept the Contract for Project B24310, Laredo Bus Facility Security Access Control Upgrades
- b. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of HVAC Services for the MARTA Headquarters Complex, IFB B37902

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- c. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for Rebuild of Aspen Bridge Inspection Vehicle, RFP P38364
- d. Resolution Authorizing Award of Two Contracts for the Procurement of Impedance Bonds – Phase II, RFP P38254
- e. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Janitorial Services for MARTA Headquarters Complex, IFB B38289
- f. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Motorola Portable Radios, RFP P38573
- g. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Non-Revenue Vehicles, RFP P38634 and P39201
- h. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Non-Revenue Vehicles, RFP P38657

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mr. Griffin, the resolutions were unanimously approved by a vote of 12 to 0, with 12 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) GDOT/SSO Safety Overview & CAP Status Update

**Business Management Committee Report**

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- a. Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for Occupational Medical Services, RFP P38752
- b. Resolution Authorizing the Third Amendment to Easement Agreement Between AmericaSmart Real Estate, LLC and MARTA at Peachtree Center Station, Parcel D3072
- c. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract Utilizing the State of Georgia Contracts for the Renewal of Authority-Wide Microsoft Software Licensing, P39125

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- d. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Public Address System Upgrade, Request for Proposals P37171
- e. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Rail Station Electronic Signage Upgrade, Request for Proposals P37176
- f. Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Beverage and Snack Vending Contract Proposal, B37878

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**Additions to the Agenda**

**Resolution Granting a Waiver of the MARTA Code of Ethics to Permit MARTA to Contract With Clever Devices Prior to One Year of Robert Hudson Terminating His Employment With MARTA**

On motion by Mr. Pond seconded by Mr. Daniels, the Resolution was added to the Agenda by a unanimous vote of 12 to 0, with 12 members present.

**Resolution Cancelling the Award of Request for Proposals P31778-A for the Joint Development of Parcel D3116 at the Brookhaven/Oglethorpe University Station**

On motion by Mr. Pond seconded by Mr. Daniels, the Resolution was added to the Agenda by a unanimous vote of 12 to 0, with 12 members present.

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On motion by Mr. Daniels seconded by Ms. Abdul-Salaam, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 12 to 0, with 12 members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

**Resolution Cancelling the Award of Request for Proposals P31778-A for the Joint Development of Parcel D3116 at the Brookhaven/Oglethorpe University Station**

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mr. Worthy, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 12 to 0, with 12 members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

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**Adjournment**

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

Respectfully submitted,



Rebbie Ellisor-Taylor  
Assistant Secretary to the Board