

**MINUTES**  
**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

**July 11, 2019**

The Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority held a meeting on July 11, 2019 at 1:31 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  
Jim Durrett  
William "Bill" Floyd  
Roderick A. Frierson  
Ryan Carter Glover  
Jerry Griffin  
Freda B. Hardage  
Alicia M. Ivey  
Russell McMurry, P.E.\*  
Rita A. Scott  
W. Thomas Worthy

MARTA officials in attendance were: General Manager/CEO Jeffrey A. Parker; C-Suite Team Members – Chief Administrative Officer Luz Borrero, Chief System Safety, Security & Emergency Management/Police Wanda Dunham, Chief of Bus Operations Collie Greenwood, Chief Financial Officer Gordon L. Hutchinson, Chief Counsel Elizabeth O'Neill, Chief Capital Programs, Planning and Innovation Franklin Rucker; AGMs Heather Alhadeff, Marsha Anderson Bomar, LaShanda Dawkins, Virgil Fludd, James Sibert (Interim), Kirk Talbott, Emil Tzanov and Thomas Young (Interim); Chief Information Security Officer Dean Mallis; Executive Director Paula Nash; Senior Directors Pia Forbes, Erica Pines, Jacob Vallo and George Wright; Directors Rhonda Allen, Robin Boyd, John Cochran, Donna DeJesus, David Emory, Jonathan Hunt, Jacqueline Holland (Acting), Roderick Lyles (Acting), Steven McClure and Adam Shumaker; Manager Jim Robinson; Sr. Executive Administrator Board of Directors Tonya Gantt; Sr. Executive Administrator Ashanti Boothe; Sr. Executive Administrator Kenya Hammond and Sr. Executive Administrator Keri Lee. Others in attendance Tiara Allen, Edward Bishop, Adrien Carter, Abebe Girmay, Courtne Middlebrooks, Terry Ponder and LaTonya Pope.

\* Russell R. McMurry, P.E. is Commissioner of Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and is therefore a non-voting member of the MARTA Board of Directors

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Also in attendance were LaToya Brisbane of Holland & Knight; John Bayalis of ARC; Richard Blackburn of Trapeze & Citizen Atlanta; Shane Blatt of Arcadis; Avis Hatten; Safiya A. Khalid; Edward Leidelmeyer of Fulton County; Marshal Phipps of Beltline Rail Now!; Jim Schmidt of HNTB; Sherry B. Williams of Georgia Stand Up.

### **Public Comment**

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Ms. Sophia Khalid spoke to an ADA accessibility issue. MARTA is not announcing stations Some MARTA employees do not give access to the restroom – I am denied access 93% of the time. There is no video where there needs to be video.

Ms. Avis Hatten. Service is terrible. It takes all day to get to work and it is hurting the working people. A lot of seniors cannot afford Mobility. I would like Board members to ride MARTA for a week to see what we go through. There was 24-hour service for Super Bowl, why can't we have that type of service every day.

Mr. Marshall Phipps. There has been wide support of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) around Atlanta and the current schedule for the Atlanta Streetcar program for the Beltline has been side-stepped. We are not against BRT, but Beltline should take as much priority as BRT.

Ms. Abdul-Salaam asked if Ms. Khalid and Ms. Hatten if they could stay a few minutes after the meeting to further discuss their issues.

### **Minutes of the June 13, 2019 Meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors**

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On motion by Mr. Griffin seconded by Mr. Durrett, the minutes were unanimously approved by a vote of 10 to 0, with 11\* members present.

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

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On behalf of Committee Chair Mr. Ashe, Mr. Floyd reported the Planning & External Relations Committee met on June 28, 2019 and received the following briefing:

- a) Fifteenth Amendment to the Rapid Transit Contract and Assistance Agreement

**Business Management Committee Report**

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Mr. Durrett reported that the Business Management Committee met on June 28, 2019 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Online Benefits Enrollment and Administration Services, RFP P43924
- b. Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Procurement of Group Health, Wellness, Life and Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) Insurance Coverages, RFP P43938
- c. Resolution Authorizing Execution of a 5-Year Lease with TI Riverwood University, LLC for 100 University Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia 30315, RFP P44612
- d. Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Parking Lot Lease Agreement with the Downtown Development Authority of Avondale Estates for Real Property Parcel D1123Y
- e. Resolution Authorizing Execution of Office and Retail Ground Lease Amendments and Easement Modifications for the Sale of the Lindbergh Center Project Phase I
- f. Resolution Authorizing Execution for the Development Agreement for the Disposal of MARTA Parcel D3207, Access Easement Rights Located at 1105 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia
- g. Resolution Authorizing Additional Funds for the Renewal of the Employee Online Performance Management System Software, RFP P44358
- h. Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Airlink Mobility Manager Maintenance and Support, LOA L44248

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mr. Worthy, the resolutions were unanimously approved by a vote of 10 to 0 with 11\* 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) FY2019 April Financials and Key Performance Indicators

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**Adjournment**

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The meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors adjourned at 1:44 p.m.