

## **ATL Board Elects Vice Chair, Approves Title VI Plan and Governing Principles at March Board Meeting**

*Governing Principles serve as framework to prioritize projects within the ATL's Regional Transit Plan*

ATLANTA – At its Board Meeting today, the Atlanta-Region Transit Link Authority (ATL) Board of Directors moved forward with the election of its Vice Chair, adoption of planning governing principles, amendments to the bylaws and Title VI plan approval.

The Board elected Clayton County Commissioner and District 10 Representative, Felicia Franklin Warner as Vice Chair. “The board is pleased to have Commissioner Franklin-Warner as our vice chair and we look forward to her leadership contributions as we continue to build a strong and effective board,” said Charlie Sutlive, ATL board chair.

The adopted Regional Transit Plan Governing Principles will provide a high-level guide for the performance framework to be used in the evaluation and prioritization of projects within the ATL's Regional Transit Plan. These principles ensure that the Plan is reflective of the following six key factors: 1) Economic Development and Land Use, 2) Environmental Sustainability, 3) Equity, 4) Innovation, 5) Mobility and Access, and 6) Return on Investment.

The Board amended its Bylaws to require 10 affirmative votes in order to adopt the ATL's Regional Transit Plan.

“Today's Board meeting, with the adoption of the regional transit plan governing principles, provided a framework for us to work to prioritize much needed transit projects and improvements throughout the metropolitan Atlanta region”, noted Chris Tomlinson, ATL Interim Executive Director. “Every step that we take as an agency brings us closer to our collective goal of a more seamless and connected transit network that will serve citizens and visitors throughout the region.

The next meeting of the Atlanta-Region Transit Link Authority (ATL) Board of Directors is scheduled for Thursday, May 23, 2019.

### **About the Atlanta-Region Transit Link Authority**

*The ATL was established by HB 930 to provide coordinated transit planning and funding for the metro Atlanta region. The ATL is responsible for developing a Regional Transit Plan, as well as identifying and prioritizing the projects and initiatives required to develop region-wide transit. The ATL is also charged with creating a unified regional transit system brand. The population of metro Atlanta is growing rapidly — projected to add an additional 2.5 million residents by 2040. The ATL is a critical step towards more efficient and effective transit and mobility in the region. For more information on The ATL, visit <https://atltransit.ga.gov/> and follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).*