Atlanta-region Transit Link Authority
(Virtual Meeting)

Regional Transit Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes

July 2, 2020

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT
Charlie Sutlive, Chair
Steve Dickerson
Earl Ehrhart
Andy Macke
Howard Mosby
Charlotte Nash
Paul Radford
Teddy Russell
Mark Toro
Todd Ver Steeg
Chuck Warbington
Felicia Franklin Warner
Tom Weyandt

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT
Russell McMurry
Keisha Lance Bottoms
Michael Thurmond

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. Jamie Harris, Board Secretary, then did the roll call. A quorum was confirmed for the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR MAY 7, 2020

The Committee Chair, Charlie Sutlive, called for a motion to approve the minutes for the May 7, 2020 committee meeting. Mr. Weyandt made the motion, and Mr. Macke seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Sutlive called for a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Warner made the motion, and Ms. Nash seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.
2020 LEGISLATIVE SESSION REVIEW

Scott Haggard, Government and External Affairs Director, provided a general review of the 2020 General Assembly legislative session, including:

- HB105 – Which creates the first dedicated state funding source for transit in Georgia
- HB511 – Which clarifies the ATL Board member election process and requires all public transit operators within the 13-county jurisdiction to include the ATL Branding/Logo on their transit assets by January 1, 2023. Previously this requirement only applied to MARTA.

GWINNETT COUNTY TRANSIT REFERENDUM LIST PRESENTATION

Aileen Daney, Senior Planner, and Jon Ravenelle, Transit Funding Director, provided an analysis of Gwinnett County’s proposed transit referendum list. In addition to the timeline for the overall process as set forth in HB930, the presentation set forth 5 critical review criteria that formed the focus of the staff’s analysis:

- Robust Public Engagement;
- Context-specific Service overview of the Projects;
- Regional Connectivity;
- Fiscal Soundness; and
- Alignment with the ATL’s Governing Principles.

The Staff’s analysis concluded that Gwinnett’s proposed referendum list satisfies all 5 criterion and the projects, if implemented, would have a substantial beneficial impact to Gwinnett County and to the Region as a whole. Further, the financial analysis shows that Gwinnett has taken a conservative approach in their forecast of both project costs as well as their planned federal funding assumptions in terms of the amount sought in comparison to historic levels of funding awarded to comparative projects around the country.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.