

**Atlanta-region Transit Link Authority
Virtual Meeting**

**Board Meeting
Minutes**

February 4, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT

Charlie Sutlive, Chair
Michael Thurmond
Charlotte Nash joined at 8:41 am
Keisha Lance Bottoms
Paul Radford
Steve Dickerson
Earl Ehrhart
Andy Macke
Russell McMurry
Howard Mosby
Todd Ver Steeg
Teddy Russell
Chuck Warbington
Felicia Franklin Warner
Tom Weyandt

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mark Toro

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. Lynnette Renaldo, Board Secretary, did a roll call and a quorum was confirmed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Chair Sutlive called for a motion to approve the minutes for the Board meeting held on December 3, 2020. Mr. Russell made the motion, and Mr. Weyandt seconded. The Board unanimously approved the minutes.

APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA

Chair Sutlive called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Franklin made the motion, and Mr. Weyandt seconded. The agenda was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments received via email as instructed in the meeting notice.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. REGIONAL TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Mr. Macke provided the Board with a report of the Regional Technology Committee meeting held on January 7, 2021.

b. Legislative Committee

On behalf of Committee Chair Charlotte Nash, Mr. Tomlinson provided the Board with a report of the Legislative Committee meeting held on January 7, 2021.

c. Regional Transit Planning Committee

Mr. Sutlive provided the Board with a report of the Regional Transit Planning Committee meeting held on January 7, 2021.

d. XPRESS OPERATIONS

Mr. Mosby provided the Board with a report of the Xpress Operations Committee meeting held on January 7, 2021.

FTA COVID Relief Funding & Impacts to Atlanta Region

Jonathan Ravenelle provided an update on COVID-19 FTA Relief Funding, which included an Overview of the CARES Act FTA Funding, CARES Act Atlanta UZA FTA Funding, and CRRSAA Atlanta UZA FTA Funding. Mr. Ravenelle also provided key takeaways for FTA COVID Relief Funding. Specifically:

- The Atlanta region performs well comparatively in the traditional apportionment methodology that is used for FTA formula fund distribution and CARES Act funding
- ATL will continue working with partners at ARC and the Transit Operators Group to further suballocate any additional relief funding in a fair and equitable manner that follows the regional suballocation policies and mirrors the federal formula
- As congress evaluates options for distributing any additional COVID-19 relief funding, it will be important to consider how methodology impacts funding distribution at the regional level

MARTA Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Program & Affordable Housing Fund Update

Jeff Parker, MARTA CEO, and Jacob Vallo, MARTA Sr. Director TOD & Real Estate, provided an in-depth presentation on TOD Strategic Goals, Economic Benefits, Social Impacts, TOD Projects, and future MARTA-ATL-GDOT Opportunities.

Contract Updates

Merryl Mandus introduced Jennifer Ward, Procurement Manager to present the contracts update. Jennifer Ward then provided updates on the status of the following projects:

- Xpress Transit Systems Operations and Maintenance
- Xpress Operations Enterprise Asset Management
- Atlanta Downtown Improvement District (ADID) – Grady Parking and TDM Plan
- Third-Party Mobile Application Partnership
- Top End Mayors Coalition Study
- Hickory Grove Park and Ride Lot
- Regional Transit Planning Consulting

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Chris Tomlinson provided the Board with an update on the following:

- Title VI Analysis for New Xpress Routes
- Token Transit Pilot
- Regional Fare Policy Project
- Ongoing Regional Meetings

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sutlive called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Mosby made the motion, and Steve Dickerson seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

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Charlie Sutlive, Chair

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DATE MINUTES APPROVED:

March 11, 2021