

Atlanta-region Transit Link Authority

Board Meeting Minutes

August 4, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT

Felicia Franklin, Vice Chair
Andy Macke
Earl Ehrhart
Russell McMurry
Howard Mosby
Charlotte Nash
Marci Collier Overstreet
Robb Pitts
Michael Thurmond
Todd Ver Steeg
Chuck Warbington
Tom Weyandt

MEMBERS ABSENT

Charlie Sutlive
Paul Radford
Teddy Russell
Mark Toro

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:34 a.m. and a quorum was confirmed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Vice Chair Franklin called for a motion to approve the minutes for the Board meeting held on June 2, 2022. Ms. Nash made the motion to approve the minutes, and Mr. Mosby seconded. The Board unanimously approved the minutes.

APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA

Vice Chair Franklin called for a motion to approve today's agenda. Mr. Mosby made the motion to approve the agenda, Ms. Overstreet seconded. The agenda was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

PRIORITY INVESTMENT LIST UPDATE

Aileen Daney gave an update on the priority investment list. The priority list provides state legislators with a simplified list of federal, state, regional and local project priorities. These project priorities reflect a geographic balance across the region and a variety of project types, to support the strategic use of state resources. The list includes regionally and state significant projects the ATL is statutorily required to annually submit to the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget and General Assembly for potential inclusion in the state bond package. The list also includes projects recommended to receive the newly created rideshare fees which provide a dedicated opportunity to fund transit. New Projects on the priority investment list include the Regional Fleet Upgrades and Replacements, South Cobb Transfer Center, Corporate Crescent – Phase 1, Lawrenceville Transit Center, Canine Facility, SMART Restrooms and Summerhill BRT. The next steps will be to finalize the priority list packet, take board action and submit the priority investment list to the Office of Planning and Budget and General Assembly.

Vice Chair Franklin requested a specially called Transit Planning Meeting to further discuss the priority investment list.

ARA SPECIAL REPORT - SUSTAINABILITY AND INNOVATION

December Weir gave a special report on sustainability and innovation. The transportation sector generates the largest share of pollutants within the US economy. In response, the federal government has developed emission reduction targets. By 2022, Georgia is to reduce volatile organic compounds and nitrogen oxide by 1471 kilograms. Transit can help reduce transportation emissions by offering sustainable methods of mobility. In 2021, Xpress was awarded a \$5.47 million Federal Lo-No Emissions Grant to support a \$15 million project. This project will replace 10 of the oldest coach buses in its fleet with cutting-edge electric coach models, as well as install charging infrastructure. The project aids the state in efficiently improving fleet emissions.

SUBRECIPIENT SHARED SERVICES PROGRAM UPDATE REPORT

Jon Ravenelle gave an update on the Subrecipient Shared Services Program. ATL as an existing Direct Recipient is already staffed to manage FTA funding and compliance for large and complex transit operations. ATL will leverage these existing resources as it further implements a Subrecipient Shared Services Program.

ADID/CAP GRADY HOSPITAL TDM STRATEGIES

Stacy Grolimund gave a presentation on Grady Hospital Parking and Mobility Strategy. The program goals are to reduce parking and traffic demand through strategic commute programs, policies and pricing, minimize additional construction of parking, maintain parking and transportation as a self-supported system and prioritize user satisfaction and program longevity.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Heather Aquino discussed the following items:

- Triennial Review
- Xpress Customer Satisfaction Survey
- Fast Forward
- TAM Plan Update
- Year End Update
- Progress Update on Branding Compliance

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

APPROVED:



Felicia Franklin, Vice Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Merryl Mandus, Chief Legal Officer

ATTEST:



Monica Rossell, Board Liaison

DATE MINUTES APPROVED:

9/1/22