Atlanta-region Transit Link Authority 245 Peachtree Center Ave., Suite 2300 Atlanta, GA 30303

Regional Transit Planning Committee Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2025

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Brock
Dan Buyers
Ricky Clark
Marlene Fosque
Andy Macke
Howard Mosby
Marci Collier Overstreet
Paul Radford
Teddy Russell
Todd Ver Steeg
Tom Weyandt

Absent

Robb Pitts Michael Thurmond

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Steve Brock called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. A quorum was confirmed for the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Committee Chair Steve Brock called for a motion to approve the minutes from December 5, 2024, meeting. Ms. Marci Collier Overstreet made the motion, and Mr. Teddy Russell seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE AGENDA

Committee Chair Steve Brock called for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Teddy Russell made the motion, and Mr. Dan Buyers seconded the motion. The agenda was unanimously approved.

TRANSIT TRUST FUND PROGRESS REPORT

Ms. Abby Marinelli provided an update on the implementation of projects the Board previously funded with Georgia Transit Trust Fund allocations. Ms. Marinelli reminded the committee of the projects that had received allocations and noted that funding is disbursed through a reimbursement process rather than an up-front, lump-sum payment. She noted that several of the projects which were allotted funds have been completed, and progress is on the way with the projects.

In conclusion, Ms. Marinelli stated that Progress reports from project sponsors will be collected biannually (June and December), with Board updates in February and August. Additional economic analysis of microtransit projects, including total costs and costs per rider, will be included in future progress reports.

AGREEMENT WITH GDOT FOR FY25

Ms. Abby Marinelli informed the committee that the Georgia Transit Trust Fund Trustee sent the ATL a letter directing a portion of the FY25 trust fund disbursements to ATL. Of the approximately \$32 million recognized in the state's FY 25 budget for the Transit Trust Fund (TTF), the Trustee is directing over \$20 million to the ATL to be allocated to specific projects in the Atlanta region. Additionally, in his letter directing the funding to the ATL, the Trustee recommended that the following criteria guide the allocation of this funding to specific projects: cross-jurisdictional job access, economic development for growing business and tourism, local match for federal discretionary grant opportunities, a focus on Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) projects, and ensuring funds are used for new initiatives rather than replacing existing funding. In closing, Ms. Marinelli stated that an action item to authorize the executive director to sign an intergovernmental agreement with the Trustee to receive the FY25 TTF allocation will be presented at the ATL Board meeting for approval.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

APPROVED:

Steve Brock, Chair

ATTEST:

Chris Brunson, Board Secretary

DATE MINUTES APPROVED: