

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

WORK SESSION

THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2021

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

via WebEx

MEETING SUMMARY

Board Chair Rita Scott called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Board Members Present	Staff Members Present
Roberta Abdul-Salaam	Jeffrey Parker
Robert Ashe III	Collie Greenwood
Stacy Blakley	Rhonda Allen
Jim Durrett	Luz Borrero
William Floyd	Ralph McKinney
Roderick Frierson	Elizabeth O'Neill
Freda Hardage	Manjeet Ranu
Russell McMurry ^{1,2}	Raj Srinath
Al Pond	
Rita Scott, Chair	
Reginald Snyder	
Christopher Tomlinson ¹	
W. Thomas Worthy	

Also in attendance: MARTA Board General Counsel Justice Leah Ward Sears of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP; other MARTA staff members: Heather Alhadeff, Marsha Anderson Bomar, Jay Claiborne, LaShanda Dawkins, Rob Goodwin, Tyrene Huff, Michael Kreher, Patricia Lucek, Dean Mallis, Paula Nash, Santiago Osorio, Kirk Talbott, and George Wright.

Report from the Chair

Approval of May 13, 2021 Work Session Meeting Minutes

Board Chair Rita Scott asked for a motion to approve the minutes. The motion to approve was made by Board Member Robert Ashe and seconded by Vice Chair

¹Russell McMurry is Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and Christopher Tomlinson is Executive Director of the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA). Per the MARTA Act, both are nonvoting members of the Board of Directors.

²Board member Russell McMurry joined the meeting after the vote to approve the minutes.

Roberta Abdul-Salaam. The minutes were approved unanimously by a vote of 11 to 0 with 12 members present.^{1, 2}

Report from the General Manager/CEO

General Manager Jeffrey Parker announced upcoming meetings, including presentations at Clayton County Board of Commissioners and Atlanta City Council meetings.

Secretary of Transportation Overview

GM Parker provide the Board with an overview of the recent visit by U.S. Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg. GM Parker joined Secretary Buttigieg, Senators Raphael Warnock and John Ossoff, and Congresswoman Nikema Williams on a tour of the East Point Station and later at a roundtable discussion at Atlanta Beltline offices.

Expansion Funding – Potential Scenarios

GM Jeffrey Parker provided an update on meetings held between with the jurisdictional Board member groups to discuss future expansion funding and projects that should be prioritized.

Cybersecurity

Chief Information and Security Officer Dean Mallis provided the Board with an update on MARTA's information security initiatives.

Executive Session

Board Member Freda Hardage made a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing litigation. Board Member Ashe seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by a vote of 11 to 0 with 13 members present.¹ The Board entered into executive session at 1:16 p.m.

Other Matters

None.

Adjournment

The Work Session adjourned at 1:28 p.m.