

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

#### WORK SESSION

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2021

#### MARTA HEADQUARTERS

## **MEETING SUMMARY**

Board Chair Rita Scott called the meeting to order at 12:01 P.M.

<b>Board Members Present</b>	Staff Members Present
Robert Ashe, III <sup>2</sup>	Jeffrey Parker
Stacy Blakley	Collie Greenwood
Jim Durrett	Rhonda Allen
William Floyd	Melissa Mullinax
Roderick Frierson	Elizabeth O'Neill
Freda Hardage	Manjeet Ranu
Russell McMurry <sup>1</sup>	Raj Srinath
Kathryn Powers	
Rita Scott, Chair	
Christopher Tomlinson <sup>1</sup>	
W. Thomas Worthy	

Other MARTA staff members in attendance: Michael Kreher, Kirk Talbott, Jacqueline Holland, Donna DeJesus, Paula Nash, Jonathan Hunt, Keri Lee and Tyrene Huff.

# Report from the Chair

# Approval of July 15, 2021 Work Session Meeting Minutes

Board Chair Rita Scott asked for a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was made by Board Member Freda Hardage and seconded by Board Member Jim Durrett. The minutes were approved unanimously by a vote of 8 to 0 with 10 members present.<sup>1,2</sup>

Chair Scott shared that Georgia is one of eight states that will receive funds based upon the National Transportation and Infrastructure bill.

## Report from the General Manager/CEO

GM Parker announced George Wright had been selected to participate in the 2022

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Russell 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 non-voting members of the Board of Directors.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Robert Ashe, III joined the meeting after the vote to approve the work session minutes.

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# **COVID Vaccination Update**

AGM Rob Goodwin provided an overview of the MARTA Employee Vaccination Rates.

# Competitive Federal Funds Briefing

Chief Capital Programs, Expansion & Innovation, Manjeet Ranu provided an overview of the Federal Transit Administration's Capital Investment Grant Program.

# Comments by the General Manager/CEO

GM Parker announced various upcoming meetings and events.

## **Executive Session**

Board Member Robert Ashe, III made a motion to enter an executive session to discuss litigation and real estate matters. Board Member Freda Hardage seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by a vote of 9-0 with 10 members present. The Board entered the executive session at 1:16 p.m. and returned at 1:34 p.m.

## **Other Matters**

None

# <u>Adjournment</u>

The Work Session adjourned at 1:36 p.m.