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Board Agenda

Board of Directors

Thursday, March 18, 2021

Meeting available on [RTA website](#).

9:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of Minutes

3.a. [From the Board meeting held on February 18, 2021](#)

4. Public Comment

4.a. The RTA encourages public participation in its electronic meetings by inviting interested parties to provide comment to the following email address: communications@rtachicago.org. Public comments for the next meeting must be received no later than noon, Wednesday, March 17th. If there is concern that your comment is too long, or staff have questions, you will be contacted. Otherwise, comments relative to RTA business will be read into the record during the meeting.

5. Executive Director's Report

6. Discussion and Action Items

6.a. [Ordinance authorizing amendment of the 2020 Service Board and Agency operating funding amounts](#)

Description:

The proposed ordinance amending the 2020 RTA Operating Funding Amounts for the Service Boards and Agency, including an increase for 2020 ADA Paratransit funding. RTA 2020 funding for CTA, Metra, Pace Suburban Service and the RTA Agency has increased due to better than expected sales tax results. Additional funding is required to close the final 2020 ADA Paratransit operating deficit, which will exceed Pace's amended budget by up to \$16.0 million due to higher than expected ridership and COVID-19 precautions. Since the 2020 budget year is complete, revised operating budgets will not be required.

6.b. [Report on monthly financial results - January 2021](#)

Description: This information item will provide in dashboard format the financial results (ridership, operating revenues, public funding, expenses, and recovery ratios) for the budget year through January 2021.

7. Step 2 of RTA COVID-19 Recovery Strategy

7.a. Summary of public comments on Sustaining Critical Transit in 2021 and proposed allocation recommendation for the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA)

7.b. [Ordinance authorizing the execution of Emergency COVID-19 Federal Funding Allocation Agreements, allocation of Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 \(CRRSAA\) funding, and amendment of the 2021 Service Board and Agency Operating Funding Amounts](#)

Description: The proposed ordinance authorizes the execution of federal formula funding allocations based on the Letter of Understanding (LOU) agreements between NE-IL and NW-IN. The proposed ordinance also allocates federal CRRSAA funding to the Service Boards, and increases the 2021 RTA Operating Funding Amounts for the Service Boards and RTA Agency reflecting better than expected 2020 sales tax results. In response, the Service Boards and RTA Agency will be required to submit revised 2021 operating budgets to the RTA within 45 days.

8. Action Items

8.a. [Ordinances authorizing the execution of 2021 Federal Funding Allocation Agreements between NE-IL and NW-IN and SE-WI, amending the 2021-2025 Capital Program and amending and extending ICE Funded Projects](#)

Description: This item contains three ordinances. The first authorizes the execution of federal formula funding allocations based on the Letter of Understanding (LOU) agreements between NE-IL and NW-IN and between NE-IL and SE-WI. The agreements reflect the share of the region's full FFY 2021 funding allocations for the following federal transit formula programs: Federal §5307 Urbanized Area including §5340 Growing and High Density State formula programs, §5337 State of Good Repair, §5339 Bus and Bus Facilities, and §5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities. The second approves an amendment to the 2021-2025 Capital Program and incorporates changes in program revenue and expenses for the Service Boards. The third approves time extensions of the Service Board's Innovation, Coordination, and Enhancement (ICE) funded projects.

8.b. [Ordinance authorizing the updated Human Services Transportation Plan \(HSTP\)](#)**Description:**

The proposed ordinance updates the Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP), that includes recommendations to improve transportation options for individuals with disabilities, seniors and people with low incomes and allows the RTA to continue administering approximately \$6 million annually in federal Section 5310 funding. Staff will present the process for developing the plan and its recommendations.

8.c. [Ordinance authorizing a contract for operations of the RTA ADA Paratransit Certification & Travel Training Programs](#)**Description:**

The proposed ordinance authorizes the execution of a sixty-five (65) month contract, with an additional five (5) one-year options for continuance, with Transdev Services, Inc., dba Transdev Mobility Solutions (Transdev) for an amount not to exceed \$48,706,600 for the operation of the RTA ADA Paratransit Certification and Travel Training Programs.

8.d. [Ordinance authorizing a contract amendment with Granicus, LLC for Board meeting services](#)**Description:**

The proposed ordinance authorizes the execution of a contract amendment with Granicus, LLC to continue providing the RTA with a platform for the management and online delivery of Board meeting documents and audio/video streams. The proposed contract amendment will be for an additional amount of \$22,000.00 and a 12-month time extension.

8.e. [Ordinance authorizing a settlement for unbilled Transit Benefit refunds](#)**Description:**

The RTA currently contracts with Edenred Commuter Benefit Solutions (Edenred) to operate the RTA's Transit Benefit Fare Program (TBFP) including administrative, customer, technical and business support services. The proposed ordinance authorizes the Executive Director to enter into a settlement Agreement with Edenred.

8.f. [Approval of Travel Expense Reimbursement\(s\)](#)**9. New Business****ADJOURNMENT**