

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

The Board of Directors of the Regional Transportation Authority met in public session on Thursday, August 22, 2019 in Suite 1650, 175 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois pursuant to notice.

Chairman Dillard called the meeting to order at 9:25 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

ROLL CALL

Board members present (16): Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Frega, Fuentes, Groven, Higgins, Holt, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager (phone) Troiani, Chairman Dillard

Approval of minutes from the meeting held on August 22, 2019

Director Fuentes moved, and Director Melvin seconded that the minutes from the meeting held on August 22, 2019 be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

16 Ayes: Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Frega, Fuentes, Groven, Higgins, Holt, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, Troiani, Chairman Dillard

Public Comment

Garland Armstrong addressed the Board. He complimented Chairman Dillard on his role during the launch of Pace's Pulse service on Milwaukee Ave.

Executive Director's Report

Ms. Leanne Redden began her report by reporting that through the end of July, the State owes the RTA \$230.7 million of ASA, AFA, and PTF. The State is 13 months behind on ASA, 3 months behind on AFA and the equivalent of 3.0 months behind on PTF. The YTD cost of short-term debt is \$3.2 million.

Ms. Redden then gave a Government Affairs update explaining that the RTA's short-term borrowing extension, House Bill 2823, was sent to the Governor in late June after passage in both the House and Senate in May. The Governor has until the end of August to either sign or veto the bill. If no action is taking prior to the end of August, the bill would become law.

**APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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The RTA, along with transportation partners statewide, have also been participating in events across the region thanking state legislators for their work in passing the state's long needed capital funding program. Each of the Service Boards have hosted some of the events for groups of bi-partisan legislators.

There was no federal update as U.S. Congress is currently in recess for the month of August.

Ms. Redden then reported that some of the Service Boards have been busy with grand openings around the region. In fact, the Chairman recently spoke at two events for Pace. One was to celebrate the launch of Pace's Pulse service on Milwaukee Ave. The Chairman also spoke at Pace's Plainfield Park-n-Ride where they unveiled a new bus shelter to protect riders from the weather.

Finally, she reported that on August 7th in partnership with the Chicago Cubs - the RTA, CTA, Metra and Pace celebrated Transit Appreciation Day for the Cubs home game against the Oakland Athletics. Transit fans who purchased our specially priced Transit Appreciation ticket offer received a stylish special edition Cubs transit themed tote bag.

Consent Agenda Items

Director Groven moved, and Director Ross seconded the adoption of the following resolutions and ordinances as submitted on the Consent Agenda:

- 2019-36 This ordinance authorizing the implementation of the Section 5310 – Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities fiscal year 2018-2019 Program of Projects. Funding is proposed for 11 projects: Association for Individual Development – Ride in Kane; City of Naperville – Ride DuPage to Work; DuPage County – Transportation to Work; Kendall County – Kendall Area Transit; Little City Foundation – Transportation Program; McHenry County – McRide; Will County – Will Ride; Ray Graham Association for People with Disabilities – Ensuring Access to the Community; Clearbrook – Community Connections for Adults with Disabilities; CTF Illinois – Transportation Services for People with Disabilities; and, Pace – Regional Call Center
- 2019-36 These resolutions certifying that the operating financial results of each Service Board and the region as a whole, through the second quarter of 2019, are
2019-37 substantially in accordance with budget. The system-wide operating deficit of
2019-38 the Service Boards, including Pace ADA Paratransit, was \$789.8 million. This
2019-39 result is \$19.1 million, or 2.4%, favorable to the adopted budget. The regional
2019-40 system-generated revenue recovery ratio of 49.6%, which excludes ADA
2019-41 Paratransit, was 0.2 percentage points favorable to budget.

2019-42 This ordinance, which approves an amendment to the 2019-2023 Capital Program and incorporates a change in program revenue and expense for CTA. Metra and Pace Capital Programs remain unchanged.

The motion carried on the following leave for last unanimous roll call vote:

16 Ayes: Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Frega, Fuentes, Groven, Higgins, Holt, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, Troiani, Chairman Dillard

Contracts/Expenditure Items

Director Lewis moved, and Director Troiani seconded the adoption of the following ordinances, as well as the approval of Board travel expenditures as submitted:

2019-43 This ordinance authorizes contracts to be initiated for our state legislative consulting team. The contract for the consultants will run from September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020. The consultants and cost remain the same as last year. The total expenditure for all contracts is \$320,000. The consultants that will represent the RTA are Leinenweber, Baroni and Daffada Consulting, LLC, Thomson Weir, LLC, The Roosevelt Group, the Law Offices of Paul L. Williams & Associates, NJ Kimme & Company and the Government Navigation Group.

2019-44 This ordinance authorizes a firm fixed-fee, two-year contract with Resource Systems Group, Inc. (RSG) to develop a *Non-Rider and Lapsed Rider Survey*. This contract will be funded by a federal grant from the Illinois Department of Transportation and the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA). The total contract amount is not-to-exceed \$146,098. The DBE goal for this contract is 10%. RSG has identified a certified DBE to meet the goal.

2019-45 This ordinance authorizes a firm fixed-fee, one-year contract with Resource Systems Group, Inc. (RSG) to develop a *Customer Satisfaction Survey*. This contract will be funded by the RTA. The total contract amount is not to exceed \$405,208. The DBE goal for this contract is 11%. RSG has identified certified DBE vendors to meet its goal.

2019-46 This ordinance authorizes the execution of a contract with RedLegg, an authorized cybersecurity solutions provider, to deliver consulting services to the RTA in support of an enhanced security initiative. The contract would not exceed a total value of \$248,000, including a one-year option to renew

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16 Ayes: Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Frega, Fuentes, Groven, Higgins, Holt, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, Troiani, Chairman Dillard

Chairman Dillard stated that the next meeting of the RTA Board of Directors was scheduled for September 12, 2019.

Other Business

Director Ross commented on the Workplace Violence training the RTA held stating it was very informative and worthwhile for staff and Board members alike.

Director Fuentes commented on the ADA Coordinating Committee being held as a WebEx and that it was well-received, and participation seemed very good.

Director Lewis commented on the Metra service to the western suburbs for major golf tournaments as excellent. Chairman Dillard added that Metra service is also great for tourism.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, Director Andalcio moved, and Director Carey seconded that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried on the following voice vote:

16 Ayes: Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Frega, Fuentes, Groven, Higgins, Holt, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, Troiani, Chairman Dillard

The public portion of the Board meeting concluded at 9:50 a.m.

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