

**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, September 12, 2019 in Suite 1650, 175 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois pursuant to notice.

Chairman Dillard called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

**ROLL CALL**

**Board members present (14):** Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Frega, Fuentes, Groven, Higgins, Holt, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Sager, Troiani, Chairman Dillard

**Board members absent (2):** Pang, Ross

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

Director Carey moved, and Director Andalcio 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:

**14 Ayes:** Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Frega, Fuentes, Groven, Higgins, Holt, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Sager, Troiani, Chairman Dillard

**2 Absent:** Pang, Ross

**Public Comment**

Anthony Rabino from Pace asked if the Capital split will ever shift in proportions to allow a greater amount to Pace and less to the other Service Boards. Ms. Jill Leary responded that she would explain this to him after the meeting.

**Executive Director's Report**

Ms. Leanne Redden Executive Director reported to the Board that through the end of August, the State owes the RTA \$227.2 million of ASA, AFA, and PTF. The State is 14 months behind on ASA, 14 months behind on AFA and the equivalent of 2.4 months behind on PTF. The YTD cost of short-term debt is \$3.7 million.

On September 17<sup>th</sup>, the RTA will announce the availability of technical assistance and funding for transportation planning, land use planning and plan implementation projects throughout the region as part of our Community Planning program. The Call is launched jointly with CMAP and their LTA program. Applications will be evaluated on each project's alignment with Invest in Transit and ON TO 2050. Potential applicants are encouraged to participate in an information webinar on September 19 to learn more about potential projects, the application process and to participate in a Q & A session.

**APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
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Ms. Redden then honored the legacy of Marca Bristo, who recently passed away. She was a pioneer in the fight against discrimination, advocating for people with disabilities, particularly in the area of transportation.

Finally, she also announced that newest Board Member, Director David Andalcio, will be the next featured author on the RTA Blog: Ride On. The blog will focus on Hispanic Heritage Month, which begins on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Consent Agenda Items**

Director Sager moved, and Director Melvin seconded the adoption of the following ordinances as submitted on the Consent Agenda:

- 2019-47        This ordinance approves an amendment to the 2019-2023 Capital Program and incorporates changes in program revenue and expenses for CTA, Metra, and Pace.
- 2019-48        This ordinance approves time extensions for implementation of CTA, Metra and Pace’s Innovation, Coordination, and Enhancement (ICE) funded projects.
- 2019-49        This ordinance sets the 2020-2022 operations funding amounts and the required 2020 system-generated revenue recovery ratios for the three Service Boards. The operating funding amounts establish the funding levels that each Service Board can expect to receive from the RTA. Section 4.11(b)(1) of the RTA Act provides that the Service Board budgets and two-year financial plans shall not project or assume receipt of revenues from the RTA in amounts greater than those outlined in these estimates. This ordinance also provides each Service Board with preliminary estimates of funds available for the development of the 2020-2024 Capital Program. These preliminary capital estimates include federal formula funds, other federal funds, State bond proceeds, other State funds, RTA bond proceeds, RTA ICE funding, and Service Board funding.

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

**14 Ayes:** Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Frega, Fuentes, Groven, Higgins, Holt, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Sager, Troiani, Chairman Dillard

**2 Absent:** Pang, Ross

### **Contracts/Expenditure Items**

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

- 2019-50 This ordinance authorizes five-year contracts with six firms to potentially serve as financial advisors to the RTA. The combined value of all six contracts will not exceed \$750,000.
- 2019-51 This ordinance authorizes a two-year contract with a one-year option to renew with Circuit Media to provide visual communications services including, but not limited to, graphic design and copywriting services; creative production and art direction; video and photography production; and social media, website and webpage development. The total value of the contract, including the option year, would not exceed \$180,000. Circuit Media is a certified disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE), and has indicated that it is also a certified small, minority and woman owned (S/ M/WBE) firm.
- 2019-52 This ordinance authorizing a contract amendment with ADP for a cost of \$47,000 for two years starting November 2019 to November 2021. The proposed ordinance authorizes the execution of a contract with ADP, an authorized payroll processing service provider, to provide payroll and payroll related services.

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

**14 Ayes:** Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Frega, Fuentes, Groven, Higgins, Holt, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Sager, Troiani, Chairman Dillard

**2 Absent:** Pang, Ross

Chairman Dillard stated that the next meeting of the RTA Board of Directors was scheduled for October 17, 2019.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

**14 Ayes:** Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Frega, Fuentes, Groven, Higgins, Holt, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Sager, Troiani, Chairman Dillard

**2 Absent:** Pang, Ross

The public portion of the Board meeting concluded at 10:20 a.m.

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AUDREY MACLENNAN  
Secretary of the Authority