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, May 17, 2018 in Suite 1650, 175 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois pursuant to notice.

Chairman Dillard called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

ROLL CALL

Board members present (14): Coulson, DeWitte. Durante, Frega, Fuentes, Higgins, Lewis, Magalis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, Troiani (phone), Chairman Dillard

Board members absent (2): Anderson, Kotel

Approval of minutes from the meeting held on April 19, 2018

Director Fuentes moved, and Director Frega seconded that the minutes from the meeting held on April 19, 2018 be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

14 Ayes: Coulson, DeWitte, Durante, Frega, Fuentes, Higgins, Lewis, Magalis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager,

Troiani, Chairman Dillard **2 Absent**: Anderson, Kotel

Executive Director's Report

Ms. Leanne Redden reported through the end of April, that the State owes the RTA \$450.6 million of ASA, AFA, and PTF. The State is 11 months behind on ASA; 16 months behind on AFA and the equivalent of 10.2 months behind on PTF. The YTD cost of short-term debt is \$1.6 million.

Ms. Redden then briefed the Board on state legislative matters. The Illinois General Assembly is entering the last few weeks of the spring legislative session. Each of the four caucuses has assigned legislators to participate in budget working groups to discuss a state budget framework for state fiscal year 2019 which begins July 1st. Early reports indicate that both Democrats and Republicans are opposed to raising additional revenue through state taxation prior to the end of the fiscal year. State spending obligations are expected to rise next fiscal year with the state's pension contribution increasing from \$7.8 billion in FY18 to \$8.44 billion in FY19. Consequently, lawmakers are approaching the next budget with an eye toward managing a substantial deficit. Negotiations will continue for the next several weeks prior to the scheduled May 31st legislative adjournment. If there is no budget deal struck by May 31st, the General Assembly will still be able to pass a fiscal year budget up until June 30th. However any budget vote after May 31st will constitutionally require a 3/5ths favorable vote for passage.

Ms. Redden continued the report by updating the Board on federal legislative matters. Specifically, explaining that during the week May 14th she was in Washington, DC for an APTA event with colleagues from CTA, Metra and Pace. During that time, the delegation met with representatives from the Department of Transportation, Office of Management and Budget, staff from Senators Durbin and Duckworth and Representatives Quigley and Lipinski, as well as the Staff Director for the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. General topics of discussion included economic activity generated by investment in transit and the benefit to local and national economies; the Service Boards gave updates on specific individual projects and early discussion on the next re-authorization bill after the FAST Act expires.

On May 8th, the Federal Transportation Agency posted final apportionment information covering the \$13.4 billion in Fiscal Year 2018 funding to support public transportation nationwide. The funding, which represents an increase of 8 percent over 2017 levels, includes formula and competitive funding for FTA grant recipients.

Finally, Ms. Redden briefed the Board on APTA's National Public Transportation Career Day, National Infrastructure Week, Chairman Dillard's interview on WBEZ public radio, Take Our Kids to Work Day and plans surrounding Dump the Pump Day.

Update on the RTA Transit Access Citizen's Advisory Board

RTA Transit Access Citizens Advisory Board (RTACAB) Chairman Greg Polman provided an update to the RTA Board of Directors. The RTACAB held its first and second quarter meetings on January 16th and April 16th, respectively. In addition to standing updates about activities related to Government Affairs and the Mobility Services Department, a number of topics were highlighted at the meeting.

Mr. Polman reported that during the January meeting, Mr. VanDekreke led a new member orientation and by-laws review, which in turn led to a discussion on potential topics the RTACAB may want to address in 2018. All members agreed that they would like to be helpful in the pursuit of a capital bill in 2019.

City of Chicago Commissioner Karen Tamely, with the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities, also a member of the committee gave a presentation on Chicago's taxi and ride share ordinances. In 2015, the City Council passed an ordinance requiring cab fleets with 10 or more medallions to have one wheelchair accessible taxis (WAV) per 10 cars. Since then Chicago has more than tripled the number of WAVs to currently more than 300.

Also during the April meeting, Melinda Metzger and Rosemary Gerty from Pace provided a presentation to the RTACAB on the results of the 2017 FTA Comprehensive ADA Paratransit Services Audit. In the final report the FTA gave Pace ADA Paratransit a very positive review, in fact one of the best paratransit reviews the FTA has conducted. The FTA found the RTA's eligibility process to be comprehensive and thorough.

Mr. Mark Koljack then provided highlights of the Mobility Services Department Year-End 2017 Statistics report, which was provided to members in advance. Mr. Polman then mentioned that the RTACAB would like to see statistics that illustrate the effectiveness of the RTA's Travel Training Program.

Finally, Chairman Dillard asked Mr. VanDekreke to share a Chicago Tribune article with Chairman Polman.

Consent Agenda

Director Pang moved, and Director Ross seconded the adoption of the following ordinances from the Consent Agenda:

These resolutions certifying that the operating financial results of each Service Board
and the region as a whole, through the first quarter of 2018, are substantially in
accordance with the budgets adopted on December 14, 2017. The system-wide
operating deficit of the Service Boards, including Pace ADA Paratransit, was \$401.4
million. This result is \$7.4 million, or 1.8%, favorable to the adopted budget, with
favorable results at each Service Board except CTA. The regional system-generated
revenue recovery ratio, which excludes ADA Paratransit, of 48.0% was 0.1 percentage
points favorable to budget. This ordinance adopts the <i>Invest in Transit: The 2018-2023</i>
Regional Transit Strategic Plan that is the region's case for pursuing stable and
dedicated funding streams that will enable the Transit Agencies to provide vital public
transit into the future.

This ordinance approves and releases the 2019 Budget and Capital Program Call (the "Budget Call"). The Budget Call defines the schedule and information requirements that the Service Boards must follow for the development of the 2019 Budget, which includes the 2019 Operating Budget, 2020-2021 Two-Year Financial Plan, and 2019-2023 Five-Year Capital Program. These requirements focus on ensuring that the RTA has sufficient information to adequately evaluate the Service Boards' budgets, coordinate resource allocation, and ultimately recommend adoption of the consolidated regional budget and capital program as outlined by the RTA Act.

These three ordinances authorize the execution of contracts for the purchase of software licenses and services related to implementing, maintaining and hosting a new integrated Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system for a period of five years. The agreements are: A 62-month contract with Infor Public Sector, Inc. ("Infor") for an amount not to exceed \$5,400,000 to provide ERP subscription licenses, implementation services, software maintenance and hosting services. This contract will include a single option for an additional five year term, financial authority for which will be sought from the Board of Directors at the appropriate time should that be in the RTA's best interest.

A software license and service agreement with Emphasys Software ("Emphasys") for SymPro Treasury Management Software for an amount not to exceed \$356,076 and a term of five years. A software license agreement with MHC Software, LLC ("MHC") for Document Express System for an amount not to exceed \$171,119 and a term of five years. The total combined authorization requested for the three contracts is \$5,927,195.

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

14 Ayes: Coulson, DeWitte, Durante, Frega, Fuentes, Higgins, Lewis, Magalis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager,

Troiani, Chairman Dillard **2 Absent**: Anderson, Kotel

Contracts/Expenditure Items

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

- This ordinance authorizes the purchase of 115 laptops and related accessories for the RTA staff. The laptops are replacing desktops that have reached the end-of-life. The total amount is not-to-exceed \$210,918.00.
- This ordinance authorizing the purchase of excess liability insurance policies by the RTA's Loss Financing Plan/Joint Self-Insurance Fund. RTA's current policies expire on June 15, and renewal policies are required in order to ensure continuous coverage in the event of a claim. The total cost of premiums for coverage from 2018-2019 will not exceed \$5,339,000, plus applicable taxes. As a result, we will see no increase in premiums for the coming year.
- This ordinance authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the Chicago Transit Authority ("CTA") to purchase CTA Open Standards Fare System ("OSFS") Ventra fare media to be used in production of the RTA Reduced Fare and Ride Free programs customer permits.
- This ordinance authorizes a five-year contract with EnergyCAP, Inc. to provide energy management solutions, maintenance and data hosting for the RTA and Service Boards for an amount not to exceed \$274,087.64. The RTA purchased the EnergyCAP software in 2013 and paid for similar services from 2014-2018, during which time the Service Boards made a substantial investment in data entry and staff training to use the system.

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

14 Ayes: Coulson, DeWitte, Durante, Frega, Fuentes, Higgins, Lewis, Magalis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager,

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Other Business

Director Frega shared his experience of being on the Honor Flight for Vets recently.

EXECUTIVE SESSION/ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the public session of the Board, Chairman Dillard asked RTA General Counsel Nadine Lacombe to cite the exceptions for the closed session. Ms. Lacombe cited IOMA Section 2(c)(1), Section 2(c)(5), and Section 2(c)(11), as the exceptions. Director Sager then moved, and Director DeWitte seconded that the meeting move into Executive Session and adjourn from there. The motion carried on the following leave for last unanimous roll call vote.

The public portion of meeting ended at 10:15 p.m.

<u> Audrey Maclennan</u>

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