

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

The Board of Directors of the Regional Transportation Authority met in virtual session on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, pursuant to notice. Chairman Dillard called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. He then recited the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call – watch [video](#)

Board members present (15): Andalcio, Canty, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Holt, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, Kotel, Chairman Dillard

Board members absent (1): Lewis

Approval of minutes from the meetings held on August 19, 2021 – watch [video](#)

No questions or comments from RTA Board members.

Director Holt moved, and Director Andalcio seconded that the minutes from the public meeting held on August 19, 2021, be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

15 Ayes: Andalcio, Canty, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Holt, Kotel, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, Chairman Dillard

1 absent: Lewis

Public Comment – watch [video](#)

There were no public comments submitted for this meeting.

Executive Director’s Report – watch [video](#)

Next Regional Transit Strategic Plan – watch [video](#)

Speakers: Commissioner Debra Shore from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District and Tanya Adams, Vice President of Inclusion and Diversity and Community Relations and Equity Manager at WSP USA.

Directors Ross and Gorman asked questions and provided comments following the presentation.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Report on monthly financial results – July 2021 – watch [video](#)

Mr. Doug Anderson, Manager, Budget and Business Analysis presented the monthly financial results for the budget year through July 2021.

Director Melvin and Chairman Dillard provided comments and asked questions following the presentation. Director Sager respectfully asked to be dismissed from the meeting and requested for the record to show he is in favor of all items on the remainder of the agenda. Chairman Dillard approved his request and stated the minutes of the meeting will reflect his intent.

Ordinance authorizing Long-Term Borrowing (2021A Refunding) – watch [video](#)

Mr. William Lachman the RTA's Treasurer, Budget and Financial Analysis Manager, presented an ordinance authorizing the RTA Board to issue the 2021A Series bonds through a competitive sale that will refund bonds outstanding from the 2014A series. Kate DeProsperis and Matthew Miller, RTA's Financial Advisor and Bond Attorney provided responses to questions by the RTA Board.

Directors Holt, Gorman, Melvin and Coulson asked questions and provided comments following the presentation.

Director Holt moved, and Director Melvin seconded that the proposed ordinance be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

14 Ayes: Andalcio, Canty, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Holt, Kotel, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Lewis, Sager*

**Director Sager intended to vote aye*

Ordinance authorizing the amendment of the 2021-2025 Capital Program and amending ICE funded projects – watch [video](#)

Ms. Tara O'Malley the RTA's Principal Analyst of Capital Programs, presented an ordinance to approve time extensions for implementation of Innovation, Coordination, and Enhancement (ICE) funded projects.

No questions or comments were asked following the presentation.

Director Ross moved, and Director Andalcio seconded that the proposed ordinance be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

14 Ayes: Andalcio, Canty, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Holt, Kotel, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Lewis, Sager*

**Director Sager intended to vote aye*

Ordinance establishing estimates of funding amounts available to the Service Boards for the 2022-2024 Operating Budgets, the required Recovery Ratios for 2022, and the preliminary 2022-2026 Capital Program funding amounts – watch [video](#)

Ms. Bea Reyna-Hickey and Ms. Jill Leary, presented an ordinance establishing estimates of funding amounts available to the Service Boards for the 2022-2024 Operating Budgets, the required Recovery Ratios for 2022, and the preliminary 2022-2026 Capital Program funding amounts.

Directors Coulson, Pang, Carey and Chairman Dillard asked questions and provided comments following the presentation.

Director Groven moved, and Director Pang seconded that the proposed ordinance be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

14 Ayes: Andalcio, Canty, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Holt, Kotel, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Lewis, Sager*

**Director Sager intended to vote aye*

Ordinance authorizing a contract for an audio-visual equipment update of the RTA Board Room and Board Conference Room – watch [video](#)

Mr. Michael VanDekreke, RTA's Director of Mobility Services presented an ordinance authorizing the Executive Director to execute a contract to purchase, install, configure, and warranty new audio-visual equipment for the RTA board room and board conference room.

No questions or comments were asked following the presentation.

Director Carey moved, and Director Canty seconded that the proposed ordinance be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

14 Ayes: Andalcio, Canty, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Holt, Kotel, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Lewis, Sager*

**Director Sager intended to vote aye*

Ordinance authorizing the settlement of eminent domain litigation and purchase of real property on behalf of Pace Suburban Bus – watch [video](#)

Ms. Nadine Lacombe, RTA’s General Counsel presented an ordinance authorizing the RTA to (1) settle the eminent domain litigation docketed as RTA v. Dean Johnson, et al., Kane County Case Number 19 ED 000004 and (2) acquire and transfer to Pace Suburban Bus (Pace) the related parcel of real property at a cost not to exceed \$975,000. The purchase price, costs and expenses shall be fully reimbursed by Pace.

No questions or comments were asked following the presentation.

Director Gathing moved, and Director Gorman seconded that the proposed ordinance be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

14 Ayes: Andalcio, Canty, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Holt, Kotel, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Lewis, Sager*

**Director Sager intended to vote aye*

Approval of Travel Expense Reimbursement – watch [video](#)

Director Melvin moved, and Director Andalcio seconded that the expense reports be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

14 Ayes: Andalcio, Canty, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Holt, Kotel, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Lewis, Sager*

**Director Sager intended to vote aye*

New Business – watch [video](#)

Chairman Dillard announced the next RTA Board of Directors meeting is Thursday, October 21 at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT – watch [video](#)

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

14 Ayes: Andalcio, Canty, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Holt, Kotel, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Lewis, Sager*

**Director Sager intended to vote aye*

The Board meeting ended at 10:45 a.m.

Jeremy R. LaMarche
Secretary of the Authority