



**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 Thursday, April 21, 2022, pursuant to notice. Chairman Dillard called the meeting to order at 9:07 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, Kotel, Lewis, Melvin, Ross, Sager, Chairman Dillard

Board members absent (1): Pang

Approval of minutes from the meeting held on March 17, 2022 – [watch video](#)

No questions or comments from RTA Board members.

Director Ross moved, and Director Andalcio seconded that the minutes from the public meeting held on March 17, 2022, 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, Lewis, Melvin, Ross, Sager, Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Pang

Public Comment – [watch video](#)

There were no public comments submitted for this meeting.

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

Executive Director Leanne Redden acknowledged Melinda Metzger's appointment as the new Executive Director of Pace, the passing of former RTA Chairman Jim Reilly, and provided updates on legislative matters.

Resolution honoring Jim Reilly – [watch video](#)

Mr. Jeremy LaMarche, Director, Intergovernmental Policy and Board Secretary presented a resolution to honor former RTA Chairman Jim Reilly upon his passing for his contributions to the agency, the City of Chicago, and the state of Illinois.

The motion carried on the following voice vote:

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

1 Absent: Pang

Presentations on bus electrification efforts by CTA and Pace – [watch video](#)

Mr. Michael Connelly, Chief Planning Officer at CTA, and Ms. Melinda Metzger, Executive Director at Pace, presented on their respective agencies' plans and schedules for electrification of their bus fleets.

Directors Sager, Canty, Gorman, Kotel, Lewis, Coulson, Andalcio, Carey, Ross, Groven, Gathing, asked questions or provided comments following the presentations.

Strategic Plan Update – [watch video](#)

Ms. Jessica Hector-Hsu, Director, Planning and Market Development, reported on the stakeholder working groups and next steps for the next Regional Transit Strategic Plan and 10-Year Financial Plan.

Report on monthly financial results – February 2022 – [watch video](#)

Ms. Bea Reyna-Hickey, Chief Financial Officer, and Senior Deputy Executive Director, Finance, Innovation, and Technology, presented the monthly financial results for February 2022.

Ordinances authorizing the amendment of the 2022, 2023, and 2024 Service Board Operating Funding Amounts – [watch video](#)

Mr. Douglas Anderson, Manager, Budget and Business Analysis, presented an ordinance that increased the 2022-2024 RTA operating funding amounts for the Service Boards by recognizing better than expected 2021 sales tax results and lowered the required recovery ratios.

Director Kotel moved, and Director Melvin seconded that the proposed ordinances 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, Lewis, Melvin, Ross, Sager, Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Pang

Ordinance authorizing a contract for managed security services – [watch video](#)

Mr. Gerry Tumbali, Interim Chief Information Officer, was available for questions for the ordinance that authorized a contract with RedLegg Security Services to provide managed security services in support of the RTA’s cyber and information security program.

Director Groven moved, and Director Andalcio seconded that the proposed ordinance 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, Lewis, Melvin, Ross, Sager, Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Pang

Approval of travel expenses reimbursement(s) – [watch video](#)

Director Kotel moved, and Director Holt seconded that the proposed ordinance 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, Lewis, Melvin, Ross, Sager, Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Pang

New Business – [watch video](#)

Chairman Dillard announced the next RTA Board of Directors meeting is Thursday, May 19, 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 Groven moved and Director Holt seconded that the meeting adjourn.

The motion carried on the following voice vote:

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

1 Absent: Pang

The Board meeting ended at 10:56 a.m.

Jeremy R. LaMarche

Board Meeting
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Secretary of the Authority