
Minutes

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

The Board of Directors of the Regional Transportation Authority met on Thursday, September 12, 2024, pursuant to notice. Chairman Dillard called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m. He then recited the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call – [watch video](#)

Board members present (11): Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Pang, Retondo, Ross, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard

Board members absent (3): Lewis, Melvin, Sager

Approval of minutes from the meetings held on August 15, 2024 – [watch video](#)

No questions or comments from RTA Board members.

Director Ross moved, and Director Carey seconded that the minutes from the public meeting held on August 15, 2024, be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

12 Ayes: Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Melvin, Pang, Retondo, Ross, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Lewis, Sager

Public Comment – [watch video](#)

Austin Busch provided public comment in person.

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

Executive Director Leanne Redden provided a legislative update.

State of CTA briefing– [watch video](#)

Dorval Carter, President of CTA, Tom McKone, Chief Financial Officer, and Bill Mooney, Chief Infrastructure Officer, gave a briefing and updates on CTA.

Directors Coulson, Carey, Gorman, Gathing, Melvin, Ross, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard asked questions or provided comments following the presentation.

Amendment of the 2024-2028 Capital Program and extensions to ICE funded projects – [watch video](#)

Brian Lowenberg, Manager, Capital Programs, and Maulik Vaishnav, Senior Deputy Executive Director, Planning and Capital Programming, presented two ordinances: the first ordinance is an amendment to the 2024-2028 Capital Program and incorporates changes in projects and funding for CTA, Metra, and Pace. The second ordinance approves extensions to the Innovation, Coordination, and Enhancement (ICE) program for Metra.

Director Carey moved, and Director Gorman seconded, adding amended language to the 2024-2028 Capital Program.

Director Carey moved, and Director Groven seconded, that the proposed ordinances be approved as submitted including the amended Capital Program ordinance. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

12 Ayes: Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Melvin, Pang, Retondo, Ross, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Lewis, Sager

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

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

12 Ayes: Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Melvin, Pang, Retondo, Ross, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Lewis, Sager

State of Pace briefing– [watch video](#)

Melinda Metzger, Executive Director of Pace, gave a briefing and updates on Pace.

Directors Carey, Yonan, Melvin, and Chairman Dillard asked questions or provided comments following the presentation.

New Business – [watch video](#)

Chairman Dillard announced the next RTA Board of Directors meeting is Thursday, October 17, at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT – [watch video](#)

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

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12 Ayes: Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Melvin, Pang, Retondo, Ross, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard

The Board meeting ended at 11:52 a.m.

Joey-Lin Silberhorn

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Secretary of the Authority