

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OPERATIONS & SAFETY COMMITTEE
METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

August 28, 2014

The Board of Directors Operations & Safety Committee met on August 28, 2014 at 10:09 a.m. in the Board Room on the 6th Floor of the MARTA Headquarters Building, 2424 Piedmont Road, Atlanta, Georgia.

Board Members Present

Harold Buckley, Sr.
Frederick L. Daniels, Jr., *Chair*
Freda Hardage

MARTA officials in attendance were: General Manager/CEO Keith T. Parker, AICP; Chief Operating Officer Richard A. Krisak; Chief Administrative Officer Edward L. Johnson; Chief Financial Officer Gordon L. Hutchinson; Chief of Staff Rukiya S. Eaddy; Chief Counsel Elizabeth O'Neill; AGMs LaShanda Dawkins (Interim), Wanda Dunham, Ming Hsi, Reginald Mason, Ryland McClendon; Executive Director Ferdinand Risco; Sr. Directors Cynthia Moss Beasley, Joseph Erves, Bernard Guida, Kevin Hurley and David Springstead; Directors Garry Free, Rod Hembree, Johnathon Hunt and Pat Minnucci; Managers Greg Anderson, Alisa Jackson, James Sibert and Uladia Taylor; Executive Manager to the Board Rebbie Ellisor-Taylor; Sr. Executive Administrator Brenda L. Williams; Finance Administrative Analyst Tracy Kincaid. Others in attendance Diane Akinsipe, Davis Allen, Ricky Chambers, Nicholas Gowens, Srinath Remala and Abhay Joshi.

Also in attendance Jim Schmid of HNTB; Pamela Alexander of LTK Engineering; Helen McSwain of MATC; Sid Sparks of VAI.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of the June 26, 2014 Operations & Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
- b. Resolution to Accept the Contract for Project B21389, Hamilton Groundwater Remediation System
- c. Resolution to Accept the Contract for Project B22614, Chassis Dynamometer Upgrades

On motion by Mr. Buckley seconded by Mrs. Hardage, the Consent Agenda was unanimously approved by a vote of 3 to 0, with 3 members present.

Individual Agenda

Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Avondale Yard Gap Breaker (EEX) Equipment Replacement, CP B28941

Mr. Free presented this resolution for Board of Directors' approval authorizing the General Manager/CEO or his delegate to award a contract to Cleveland Electric Company for the procurement of Avondale Yard Gap Breaker (EEX) Equipment Replacement.

On motion by Mr. Buckley seconded by Mrs. Hardage, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 3 to 0, with 3 members present.

Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for Audio Visual Information System Upgrade (AVIS), RFP P24348

Mr. Springstead presented this resolution for Board of Directors' approval authorizing the General Manager/CEO or his delegate to award a contract to Cleveland Electric Company for the procurement of Audio Visual Information System Upgrade (AVIS).

Mrs. Hardage asked when the Authority will find out about the Buy American grant.

Mr. Springstead said sometime in September.

Mr. Buckley asked about the disparity in the engineers estimate and the actual bid amounts.

Mr. Springstead said initially the vendors did not understand the contract. Once they understood it they went back to the drawing board and the numbers went up.

Mr. Parker said as the Committee votes on this, staff wishes to reserve the opportunity to come back to the Board with an update.

Mr. Daniels asked how will this be prioritized.

Mr. Springstead said there are several variables.

Mr. Daniels said MARTA must ensure the thread is consistent with the Train Control System; and that there is a plan B so that the Authority can continue to communicate with customers.

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Mr. Krisak said the system has a preplanned fallback.

On motion by Mr. Buckley seconded by Mrs. Hardage, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 3 to 0, with 3 members present.

Briefing – Upcoming Procurement for Vehicle Consulting Services

Mr. Erves briefed the Committee on an upcoming procurement for vehicle consulting services.

- The current Rail Vehicle Consultant contract with LTK Engineering Services, Inc. expires March 31, 2015
- The purpose of the new Vehicle Consulting Services contract is to provide continued on-call technical and engineering support
- The new Vehicle Consultant's role will be to assist MARTA with vehicle fleet enhancements and sustainability efforts for existing and new rolling stock
- The Consultant will provide services in the following areas:
 - Procurement of new vehicles and rehabilitation of existing fleet
 - Vehicle system and component modifications
 - Inspection services
 - Standardization and integration of systems on existing fleets and new vehicles
 - Assistance to re-engineer and optimize maintenance and operations of vehicle shops
 - Continued implementation of Life Cycle Asset Reliability Enhancement (LCARE) Program
 - Comprehensive update of Rail and Bus Operations Capital Improvement Programs
 - Support MARTA in Regional Transit Initiatives, including interoperability and connectivity with light rail, streetcar and commuter rail projects
 - Development of new Rail Fleet Management Plan, Facilities Management Plan and Bus Fleet Management Plan
 - Workforce development and training, including curriculum development, manuals and training delivery

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- Configuration management and material support
- Assessment of facilities to include maintenance and transportation depots and bus passenger hubs
- Vehicle technical reviews based on current manufacturer industry standards
- Fleet procurement request for proposal plans
- A Selection Committee comprised of technically qualified individuals with expertise in specific disciplines has been established for the Vehicle Consultant solicitation

Mr. Daniels asked how long are the contracts.

Mr. Erves said typically five (5) years.

Mr. Daniels asked who does the accountability falls on.

Mr. Erves said essentially the accountability rises to his position as Sr. Director of Operations.

Other Matters

Mr. Parker introduced MARTA's new AGM of Safety & Quality Assurance, Mr. Mason.

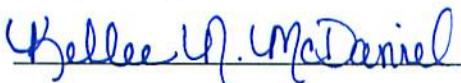
Mr. Daniels welcomed Mr. Mason. He added that Safety is a top priority of the MARTA Board as well as the FTA.

Mr. Krisak announced that Mr. Free recently celebrated 35 years at MARTA.

Adjournment

The meeting of the Operations & Safety Committee adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kellee N. McDaniel
Sr. Executive Administrator to the Board