

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

**February 21, 2011**

The Board of Directors Operations Committee met on February 21, 2011 at 10:02 a.m. in the Board Room on the 6<sup>th</sup> Floor of the MARTA Headquarters Building, 2424 Piedmont Road, Atlanta, Georgia.

**Board Members Present**

Robert L. Ashe, III  
Harold Buckley, Sr.  
Wendy Butler  
Frederick L. Daniels, Jr.  
Jim Durrett  
Roderick E. Edmond  
Noni Ellison-Southall  
Barbara Babbit Kaufman, Chair  
Jannine Miller  
Adam Orkin

MARTA officials in attendance were: General Manager/CEO Beverly A. Scott; Deputy General Manager/COO Dwight A. Ferrell; Chief Business Support Services Theodore Basta, Jr.; AGMs Davis Allen, Deborah Dawson, Ben Graham, Georgetta Gregory, Mary Ann Jackson, Jonnie Keith, Cheryl King, Rich Krisak, Ryland McClendon, Elizabeth O'Neill and Gary Pritchett; Sr. Director Johnny Dunning, Jr.; Directors Anton Bryant, Reginald Diamond, Garry Free, Lyle Harris, Jennifer Jinadu-Wright; Managers Marsha Brooks, Michael Cooper, Paul Grether, Tony Griffin, Cara Hodgson, Ronald Martin, Roosevelt Stripling and Marvin Toliver; Executive Manager to the Board Rebbie Ellisor-Taylor; Sr. Executive Administrator Tyra J. Wiltz; Executive Administrator Renee Willis; Office Administrator II Tracie Roberson. Others in attendance, Frederick Askew, Barbara Leavitt, Haniyah Miller and Srinath Remala.

Also in attendance Charles Pursley, Jr. of Pursley, Lowery and Meeks; Matt Pollack of MATC; David Bennett of City of Atlanta; Greg Heller and Mike Plant of Atlanta Braves.

**Approval of January 24, 2011 Operations Committee Meeting Minutes**

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mr. Daniels, the minutes were unanimously approved by a vote of 7 to 0, with 7 members present.

**Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for the Procurement of 2011 Ford Crown Victoria Vehicles for Police Services, Contract Proposal Number B22318**

Mr. Bryant presented this resolution for Board of Directors' approval authorizing the General Manager/CEO or her designee to enter into a contract with a State of Georgia contract vendor. The contract vendor, Akin Ford Corp. dba Akins Ford-Dodge-Chrysler-Jeep (reference State of Georgia Contract #SWC90796) will provide the Authority with seven (7) new Ford Crown Victoria vehicles for the Department of Police Services.

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mr. Daniels, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present.

**Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Sole Source Contract with Alstom Signaling, Inc. for the Procurement of Audio Frequency Track Circuit Modules, Request for Price Proposal Number P20169**

Mr. Free presented this resolution for Board of Directors' approval authorizing the General Manager/CEO or her delegate to enter into a contract with Alstom Signaling, Inc. for the procurement of audio frequency track circuit modules.

On motion by Mr. Buckley seconded by Mr. Durrett, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 9 members present.

**DEO Report - Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Sole Source Contract with Alstom Signaling, Inc. for the Procurement of Audio Frequency Track Circuit Modules, Request for Price Proposal Number P20169**

Mr. Diamond presented a DEO Report on the Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Sole Source Contract with Alstom Signaling, Inc. for the Procurement of Audio Frequency Track Circuit Modules, Request for Price Proposal Number P20169.

### **Briefing – Atlanta Streetcar**

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Ms. King provided the Committee an update on the Atlanta Streetcar Project.

At the July 23, 2009 Operations Committee meeting the Committee was briefed on the project and was asked to forward for further Board action a resolution authorizing the General Manager/CO to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Atlanta to prepare an application for a TIGER I (Transportation Investments Generating Economic Recovery) grant to construct the project. The Board approved a subsequent resolution at the August 3, 2009 meeting. At the November 8, 2010 Work Session the Board received an update on the award of the TIGER II grant for the project. The City of Atlanta (COA) is the grant applicant and owner of the assets and the Atlanta Downtown Improvement District (ADIA) is a financial partner. MARTA is not a direct financial contributor to the project but serves as a managing partner for implementation and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Grantee for the project. As Grantee, MARTA will administer the Federal relationship, act as the recipient of funds and certify and assure to FTA that all Federal obligations are met. The local match required for the project will be obligated by COA and ADID to MARTA through the terms and conditions specified in the IGA.

#### *Anticipated MARTA Board Actions to Implement the Atlanta Streetcar Project*

- The primary governance structure for the streetcar will be established through an IGA between COA and MARTA. This item is anticipated for the March 7<sup>th</sup> 2011 Board Meeting
- The procurement of the infrastructure for the streetcar, including the light maintenance facility, tracks, stops and the power system will be for a design-build contractor. This will occur through a two-step Request for Qualifications/Request for Proposals (RFQ/RFP) process. The RFQ is anticipated for the March 7<sup>th</sup> 2011 Board Meeting. The RFP is anticipated for the May 2011 Business Management Committee meeting and for full MARTA Board consideration at the June 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- MARTA will sign a non-binding Letter of Intent (LOI) with a vehicle supplier prior to February 28<sup>th</sup> on behalf of COA for vehicle acquisition. The procurement of the streetcar rail vehicles is anticipated at the March Operations Committee meeting and the April 11<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

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- The authorization to apply for a FTA Grant for the Federal share of the streetcar funding is anticipated at the April Business Management Committee meeting and for full MARTA Board consideration at the May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- The request to award a Design-Build contract is anticipated for the October 17<sup>th</sup> Operations Committee meeting with Board consideration of award at the November Board meeting, or sooner.
- MARTA will procure trackway components as an option on the upcoming TRIII procurement contract – this will include running rail and turnouts needed. It is anticipated that this will go to the Operations Committee for consideration on March 21<sup>st</sup> and the full Board for consideration on April 11, 2011.
- MARTA may be requested to procure financing for the streetcar construction project. It is anticipated that this will be folded into the Design-Build contract process. Additionally, vehicle procurement financing may be requested – this would be through a separate procurement, to be determined.

### **Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Qualifications for the Atlanta Streetcar Project Design-Build Contract**

Ms. King presented this resolution for Board of Directors' approval authorizing the General Manager/CEO or her delegate to solicit qualifications for the procurement of the Atlanta Streetcar Design-Build Project.

The purpose of the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is to qualify firms or teams and determine their eligibility to receive the subsequent Request for Proposals (RFP). The Atlanta Streetcar Project is a joint undertaking between and among the City of Atlanta, the Atlanta Downtown Improvement District and MARTA.

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mr. Buckley, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 10\* members present.

*\*One Board Member is a non-voting member*

**Operations Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)**

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Presentation of the Operations Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) was deferred.

**Other Matters**

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No other matters came before the Committee.

**Adjournment**

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The meeting of the Operations Committee adjourned at 10:36 a.m.