



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Jennifer Ide called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

Board Members

Present:

James Durrett
Roderick Frierson
Al Pond
Kathryn Powers
Rita Scott
Thomas Worthy
Jennifer Ide
Jacob Tzegaegbe
Sagirah Jones
Elizabeth Bolton-Harris

Board Members

Absent:

Freda Hardage
Russell McMurry
Valencia Williamson
Jannine Miller
Shayna Pollock

Staff Members Present:

Collie Greenwood
Steven Parker
Paul Lopes
LaShanda Dawkins
Ralph McKinney
Rhonda Allen
Carrie Rocha
George Wright
Kevin Hurley

Michael Kreher
Jonathan Hunt

Also in Attendance: Justice Leah Ward Sears, Paula Nash, Jacqueline Holland, Tyrene Huff, Kenya Hammond

PUBLIC COMMENTS (SUBMITTALS VIA TELEPHONE, U.S. MAIL AND IN PERSON)

Eric Strickland [via email]

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes from April 10, 2025, Board of Directors Meeting

Approval of the Minutes from the April 10, 2025, Board of Directors Meeting. On a motion by Board Member Tzegaegbe, seconded by Board Member Durrett, the motion passed by a vote of 10 to 0, with 10 members present.

2. BUSINESS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair Al Pond reported that the Committee met on April 24, 2025, and approved the following resolution:

Committee Chair Report Business Management

Approval of Business Management Committee Resolution 2a. On a motion by Board Member Durrett, seconded by Board Member Worthy, the resolution passed by a vote of 10 to 0 with 10 members present.

3. PLANNING & CAPITAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair Jacob Tzegaegbe reported that the Committee met on April 24, 2025, and approved the following resolutions:

Committee Chair Report Planning & Capital Programs

Approval of Planning & Capital Programs Committee Resolution 3a. On a motion by Board Member Durrett, seconded by Board Member Pond, the resolution passed by a vote of 10 to 0, with 10 members present.

4. OPERATIONS & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Chair W. Thomas Worthy reported that the Committee met on April 24, 2025, and approved the following resolution:

Committee Chair Report Operations and Safety

Approval of the Operations and Safety Committee Resolutions 4a, 4b, 4c,4d and 4e. On a motion by Board Member Pond, seconded by Board Member Tzegaegbe, the resolution passed by a vote of 10 to 0, with 10 members present.

5. OTHER MATTERS

LITIGATION

- Augustina Emordi v. MARTA and Shannon Nowden in the amount of \$450,000. On a motion by Board member Durrett, seconded by Board member Powers, the motion passed by a vote of 10 to 0, with 10 members present.

RESOLUTION

- Resolution to Change the Name of the Georgia World Congress Center/CNN Center Rail Station to the Sports, Entertainment and Convention District Rail Station. On a motion by Board Member Worthy, seconded by Chair Ide, the motion passed by a vote of 9 to 0, with 1 abstention and 10 members present.

Letter informing the Board of MARTA's intent to utilize a GSA Contract to purchase real estate software - Resolution Authorizing The Award Of Real Estate Lease and Parcel Management Software RFPP P50712 [The resolution will be presented at the May Committee meeting.] [Informational only]

6. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

None

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting adjourned at 1:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Tyrene L. Huff
Assistant Secretary to the Board

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/live/yjgXeqrppG0?si=BjToWVe1-R8gSM0n>

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS FOR THE
PROCUREMENT OF MARTA'S TIME AND ATTENDANCE SOFTWARE AS A SERVICE
(SaaS) INFORMATION SYSTEM,**

RFP P50702

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized by Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act to procure property or services without competitive bidding if it is impracticable to prepare adequate specifications and an adequate description on the basis of which to solicit competitive bids; and


WHEREAS, the General Manager/CEO has certified, in accordance with Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act, that the procurement of MARTA's Time and Attendance software as a service (SaaS) Information System is impracticable through the solicitation of competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, award of a Contract for the procurement of MARTA's Time and Attendance Information System, after the solicitation of proposals and selection of a preferred proponent pursuant to Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act, is subject to approval by the Board of Directors.

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO, or his designee be, and hereby is, authorized to solicit proposals for the procurement of MARTA's Time and Attendance Information System by means other than competitive bidding, in accordance

with Section 14(m) of the MARTA Act, through the use of Request for Proposals

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**Chief Counsel, Metropolitan Atlanta
Rapid Transit Authority**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION IN CONTRACTUAL
AUTHORIZATION FOR SUMMERHILL BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT)
CONSTRUCTION, IFB B50070**

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2023 the General Manager entered into a Contract with Archer Western Construction, for Summerhill Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Construction, Invitation for Bids B50070; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2025 the 10% Contract Contingency of \$5,995,040.10 was requested and utilized; and

WHEREAS, MARTA staff has determined that it is in the best interest of the Authority to increase the contract value to provide for known changes and additions to the contract; and

WHEREAS, all contractual changes and additions for this modification will follow the Authority's procurement policies and guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Internal Audit will be requested to perform and cost/price analysis to determine fair and reasonable pricing; and

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO or his delegate be, and hereby is, authorized to increase the authorization for Contract No. B50070 Summerhill Bus Rapid

Transit (BRT) Construction from \$65,945,441.10 to \$96,245,441.10.

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Jonathan J. Hunt

**Chief Counsel, Metropolitan Atlanta
Rapid Transit Authority**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION IN CONTRACTUAL AUTHORIZATION OF A
SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT FOR BODY WORN CAMERAS, VIDEO STORAGE, AND
ACCESSORIES, CONTRACT NUMBER RFPP P47663**

WHEREAS, the Authority's Department of Police has identified the need for a Single Source contract for Body Worn Cameras, Video Storage, and Accessories, Request for Price Proposal Number P47663; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority received the proposal from the Single Source Proprietor; and

WHEREAS, modification #1 increased the contract amount from \$3,322,344.50 to \$3,357,744.50; and

WHEREAS, modification #2 increased the contract amount from \$3,357,744.50 to 3,986,936.00; and

WHEREAS, modification #3 replaced equipment at no additional cost to the Authority; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to procure body worn cameras, video storage, and accessories for MARTA's Department of Police; and

WHEREAS, all contractual changes and additions for this modification will follow the Authority's procurement policies and guidelines; and

WHEREAS, an audit from the Department of Internal Audit is not required as the rates remain unchanged; and

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO or his delegate be, and hereby is, authorized to increase the authorization for Contract No. P47663 Body Worn Cameras, Video Storage and Accessories from \$3,986,936.00 to \$6,032,840.50.

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**Chief Legal Counsel, Metropolitan Atlanta
Rapid Transit Authority**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF
INSTALLATION OF 2024 FORD POLICE EXPLORER EQUIPMENT UP FITTING, IFB
B50638**

WHEREAS, the Authority's Office of Police and Emergency Management has identified the need for the Procurement of Installation of 2024 Ford Police Explorer Equipment Up Fitting, Invitation for Bids Number B50638; and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2025, the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority duly sent Notice of the Invitation for Bids to potential Bidders; and

WHEREAS, notice of the said Invitation for Bids was advertised in the local newspaper of the largest circulation in the Atlanta metropolitan area, once in each of the two weeks prior to opening bids; and

WHEREAS, all Bidders were given an opportunity to protest the bid instructions, specifications, and/or procedures; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2025 at 2:00 p.m., local time, three (3) bids were publicly opened and read aloud; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid submitted by West Chatham Warning Devices, Inc., is responsive and responsible and the bidder is capable of performing the Contract.

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO or his delegate be, and hereby is, authorized to execute a Contract on substantially the same terms and conditions as contained in the Invitation for Bids Number B50638, Procurement of Installation of 2024 Ford Police Explorer Equipment Up Fitting between the Authority and West Chatham Warning Devices, Inc., in the amount of \$670,397.70.

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**Chief Counsel, Metropolitan Atlanta
Rapid Transit Authority**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REJECTION OF BIDS RECEIVED FOR THE PROCUREMENT AND DISPOSAL OF BUS BATTERIES SERVICES, IFB B50594

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2024, the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority duly sent to potential bidders its Invitation for Bids for the Procurement and Disposal of Bus Batteries Services; and

WHEREAS, notice of the Invitation for Bids was advertised in the local newspaper of the largest circulation in the Atlanta metropolitan area once a week in the two weeks prior to the opening bids; and

WHEREAS, a protest was received; and

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. local time, three (3) bids were publicly opened and read aloud; and

WHEREAS, staff has determined that it is not in the Authority's best interest to award the Contract at this time.

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO or his delegate reject all bids received for Invitation for Bids Number B50594, Procurement and Disposal of Bus Batteries Services; in accordance with the provisions of Section 14(j) of the MARTA Act of 1965, as amended.

Approved as to Legal Form:

Signed by:
Jonathan Hunt
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**Chief Legal Counsel, Metropolitan Atlanta
Rapid Transit Authority**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
ENGINEERING, COMPLIANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY CONSULTING SERVICES,
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AE50490**

WHEREAS, the Authority's Office of Safety and Quality Assurance has identified the need for the Procurement of Environmental Engineering, Compliance and Sustainability Consulting Services, Request for Statements of Qualifications Number AE50490; and

WHEREAS, On November 5, 2024 the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority duly sent to potential proponents notice of its Request for Statements of Qualifications for the Procurement of Environmental Engineering, Compliance and Sustainability Consulting Services, AE50490; and

WHEREAS, all Proponents were given the opportunity to protest the proposal instructions, specifications, and/or procedures; and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2024 at 2:00 p.m., local time, eight (8) proposals were received; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's staff determined that WSP USA, Inc. and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. submitted the most advantageous offer and other factors considered and is technically and financially capable of providing the services.

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/Chief Executive Officer or his delegate be, and hereby is, authorized to execute a Contract on substantially the same terms and conditions as contained in the Request for Statements of Qualifications Number AE50490, for the procurement of Environmental Engineering, Compliance and Sustainability Consulting Services between the Authority and WSP USA, Inc and Stantec Consulting Services in the amount of \$15,468,000.00.

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**Chief Counsel, Metropolitan Atlanta
Rapid Transit Authority**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MODIFICATION OF SUPPLEMENTAL MOBILITY
OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, RFP P43706**

WHEREAS, the Authority's Office of Mobility Services has identified the need to increase the contract value, due to an increase in service, of the Modify the Supplemental Mobility Operations and Maintenance Services Contract Request For Proposals Number P43706; and

WHEREAS, the contract was assigned to A-National Limousine Services on January 26, 2023; and

WHEREAS, MARTA staff has determined that it is in the best interest of the Authority to increase the contract value to provide for known changes and additions to the contract; and

WHEREAS, an audit from the Department of Internal Audit is not required as the rates remain unchanged; and

RESOLVED THEREFORE, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO or his delegate be, and hereby is, authorized to increase the authorization for Contract No. P43706 Supplemental Mobility Operations and Maintenance Services from \$53,863,822.81 to of \$56,665,485.38.

Approved as to Legal Form:

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**Chief Counsel, Metropolitan Atlanta
Rapid Transit Authority**

RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE GEORGIA WORLD CONGRESS CENTER/CNN CENTER RAIL STATION TO THE SPORTS, ENTERTAINMENT AND CONVENTION DISTRICT RAIL STATION

WHEREAS, the Georgia World Congress Center/CNN Rail Station is located in an area that has developed and changed significantly over the years;

WHEREAS, MARTA's Georgia World Congress Center/CNN Rail Station (the "Station") was opened on December 22, 1979 with the name Omni Station due to the Station's proximity to Omni Coliseum;

WHEREAS, in 1992 the Georgia World Congress Authority opened the Georgia Dome to serve as the home of the Atlanta Falcons and host numerous large-scale events including, without limitation, the 1996 Olympic Games;

WHEREAS, as a result of these and other changes in the area, in 1992, MARTA changed the name of the Station to Omni/Dome/World Congress Center (a.k.a. – Omni/Dome/GWCC);

WHEREAS, in 1997, the Omni Coliseum was demolished to allow for the construction of Philips Arena, which changed its name to State Farm Arena in 2018;

WHEREAS, the streets and infrastructure in and around the subject area have changed over time;

WHEREAS, at present, CNN Center is being redeveloped by a private developer and rebranded, as such there will no longer be a reference to CNN that will cause significant confusion for MARTA's patrons;

WHEREAS, MARTA's policy for the naming of stations states that patrons are best served when the names of the rail stations clearly indicate their locations by reference to well-known, nearby geographical landmarks and streets;

WHEREAS, due to the outstanding efforts of many elected and non-elected leaders, this area has become a hub for national and international events, tourism and patronage. Additionally, due to the sophisticated nature of naming rights agreements, sports and entertainment ownership changes and development landmarks in this area change their name with some regularity. Even the names of streets within the area have changed periodically. As such, past approaches of attaching the Station's name to nearby major landmarks do not serve this Station nor MARTA's patrons well;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of MARTA, MARTA's patrons, the greater Atlanta metropolitan area and the State of Georgia to change the name of the Station to something that will identify the area clearly, whether or not nearby geographical landmarks and streets have their names changed;

WHEREAS, it has been proposed accordingly that the name of the Georgia World Congress Center/CNN Rail Station be changed to the Sports Entertainment and Convention District Rail Station (a.k.a. SEC District Station); and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta Sports Council, the Metro Atlanta Chamber, AMB Sports and Entertainment, the Atlanta Falcons, Atlanta United FC, the Atlanta Hawks, State Farm Arena, the Georgia World Congress Center Authority and other key stakeholders in the community around the Station support changing the name of the Station to the Sports Entertainment and Convention District Rail Station (a.k.a. SEC District Station).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority that the General Manager/CEO or his delegate be, and hereby is authorized and directed to change of the name of Georgia World Congress Center/CNN Rail Station to Sports, Entertainment and Convention District Rail Station, including, without limitation, all appurtenant construction, signage and technological changes needed to effectuate the same on or before January 1, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the General Manager/CEO or his delegate be, and hereby is authorized and directed to amend or modify capital budgets or programs to advance this station renaming project, and further, that he will direct MARTA staff to provide the Board of Directors with regular updates on the status of this station renaming project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the General Manager/CEO or his delegate is directed to take the necessary steps to use the necessary procurement tools and methods to procure the necessary contract to design, manufacture and install the signage no later than January 1, 2026.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:



**Chief Legal Counsel,
Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority**

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 8, 2025

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Department of Capital Programs Expansion and Innovation

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF REAL ESTATE LEASE AND
PARCEL MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE RFPP P50712
UTILIZING THE GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (GSA) CONTRACT**

MARTA's Department of Capital Programs Expansion and Innovation has identified a need for a real estate lease and parcel management software and is informing the Board of Directors of its intent to utilize the General Services Administration (GSA) Contract.

This contract is a new contract. The Contract is a for three (3) years. This procurement is being funded with Local Capital funds. The Authority is utilizing the General Services Administration (GSA) Contract.

The purchase of the management software is in response to audits both internal and external for full compliance with U.S. DOT Uniform Act. The software will provide a holistic, industry-standard software solution in order to professionally manage and track MARTA's real property assets, facilitate portfolio valuation, lease management and budget reporting in accordance with the U.S. Department of Transportation Uniform Act and regulations under 49 CFR Part 24 and the FTA Circular.