



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

WORK SESSION

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

via WebEx

MEETING SUMMARY

Board Chair Rita Scott called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Board Members Present	Staff Members Present
Roberta Abdul-Salaam	Jeffrey Parker
Stacy Blakley	Collie Greenwood
Jim Durrett	Rhonda Allen
William Floyd	Luz Borrero
Roderick Frierson	Melissa Mullinax
Freda Hardage	Elizabeth O'Neill
Russell McMurry ¹	Larry Prescott
Al Pond	Raj Srinath
Rita Scott, Chair	
Reginald Snyder	
Christopher Tomlinson ¹	
W. Thomas Worthy ²	

Also, in attendance: MARTA Board General Counsel Justice Leah Ward Sears of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP; other MARTA staff members: Heather Alhadeff, Marsha Anderson Bomar, LaShanda Dawkins, Tyrene Huff, Michael Kreher, Patricia Lucek, Gena Major, Dean Mallis, Paula Nash, Santiago Osorio, Kirk Talbott, and George Wright.

Report from the Chair

Approval of the February 11, 2021 Work Session Meeting Minutes

Chair Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes. The motion to approve was made by Board Member Freda Hardage and seconded by Board Member Rod Frierson. The minutes were approved unanimously by a vote of 9 to 0 with 11 members present.^{1,2}

¹Russell McMurry is Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and Christopher Tomlinson is Executive Director of the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA). Per the MARTA Act, both are non-voting members of the Board of Directors.

²Board member W. Thomas Worthy joined the meeting after the vote to approve the minutes.

Report from the General Manager/CEO

2021 Legislative Session

General Manager Jeffrey Parker provided an update on the recently concluded Georgia General Assembly session and legislation impacting MARTA.

Bus Service Restoration Plan

General Manager Parker updated the Board on broad communications outreach efforts notifying the public about the resumption of bus services on April 24.

Budget FY22 Briefing Plan and Process

Chief Financial Officer Raj Srinath provided an update on the proposed FY23 budget, including the key assumptions used to build the budget and remaining milestone dates before final adoption.

Board Meetings Virtual to In-Person Transition

Chief of Staff Melissa Mullinax provided a briefing on the Open Meetings Act as it applies to the resumption of in-person Board meetings.

Other Matters

None.

Adjournment

The Work Session adjourned at 12:51 p.m.