



**WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

**Thursday, June 4, 2015**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

A Work Session of the MARTA Board of Directors was held on Thursday, June 4, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. in the MARTA Board Lounge, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, MARTA Headquarters Building, 2424 Piedmont Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30324

**Board Members Present**

Roberta Abdul-Salaam  
Robert L. Ashe III  
Harold Buckley, Sr.  
Robert F. Dallas  
Frederick L. Daniels, Jr.  
Jim Durrett  
Roderick E. Edmond  
Jerry Griffin  
Freda Hardage  
Christopher Tomlinson

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**Approval of the Minutes of the May 28, 2015 Work Session of the MARTA Board of Directors**

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On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Dr. Edmond, the Minutes were approved by a vote of 8 to 0, with 8 members present.

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**Upcoming Meetings of the Board:**

Friday, June 26, 2015

- Operations & Safety Committee – 10:00 a.m.
- Business Management Committee

Wednesday, July 8, 2015

- Planning & External Relations Committee – 10:30 a.m.
- Board – 1:30 p.m.

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Thursday, March 5, 2015

- 10:30 a.m. Planning and External Relations Committee
- 12:00 Work Session
- 1:30 Board Meeting

**MARTA Debt Program Action Plan**

Recent Debt Transactions and Status

- Refunding Savings – since 2012, three Bond Refundings and two Mode Conversions have saved the Authority over \$15M

Near-Term Initiatives include:

- Clayton County Sales Tax Receipts Pledge – Amend Third Bond Trust Indenture
- Permission to solicit proposals for Financial Advisory Services – Contract expires June 2016
- Fall 2015 Debt Issue - \$120 to \$130M

Board of Directors Actions

- Approve resolution to amend the Third Bond Trust Indenture and Bond Validation to include Clayton County
- Approve permission to solicit resolution to conduct Financial Advisory Services RFP

**Wellness Facility**

In keeping in line with MARTA's wellness initiative and to maintain and attract great employees, the Authority is proposing an expansion of it Wellness Center.

Phase I:

- HQ Wellness Center will be renovated into a modern facility as a pilot
- HQ Wellness Center will be brought up to ADA compliance standards
- Satellite facilities will receive some new equipment to replace the expired equipment
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Phase II:

- Professional Services to perform an assessment of MARTA's (7) wellness center satellite locations and issue recommendations to move forward

### **Clayton County High Capacity Fixed Guideway**

Board members received a briefing on a high capacity fixed guideway. The briefing included discussion of:

- Clayton County's Rapid Transit Contract and Assistance Agreement
- Commuter Rail Assessment
  - Norfolk Southern
  - R.L. Banks
  - Hatch Mott McDonald
- Clayton County High Capacity Transit Study
- Clayton County High Capacity Advisory Group

### **Elevator and Escalator Rehabilitation Program & Maintenance Contract**

There are currently 149 escalators and 113 elevators throughout the MARTA system. The briefing covered the following areas:

- Summary/History
- RFP vs IFB
- RFP Scope (ten year contract)
- Bidder Climate
- Recommendation
  - Extend Maintenance Agreement
  - Move forward with BAFO and negotiate ... BAFO to being in June 2015
  - Present recommendation to Operations & Safety Committee and Board ... October 2015
  - Award ... November 2015

### **Mobile Ticketing System**

A mobile fare payment system would provide convenience self-service for riders. They would be able to purchase and validate tickets using smart devices (phones and tablets). The service can be integrated with MARTA's popular "on the Go", "See & Say", alerts, etc. as a single source for various transactions. This initiative would continue to keep MARTA in the forefront of the industry

#### **Project Timeline**

- Pilot kickoff – July 2015
- System design and configuration – Aug/Sept 2015
- Pilot with employees – Oct/Nov 2015
- Pilot with MARTA riders – Nov 2015 to Jan 2016

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- Full contract award – Feb 2015
- Full implementation – Mar 2016 to Nov 2016

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On motion by Mr. Tomlinson seconded by Mr. Durrett the Board unanimously agreed to go into Executive Session at 1:27 p.m. to discuss a real estate matter.

On motion by Mr. Griffin seconded by Mr. Daniels, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn the Executive Session at 1:43 p.m.

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**Adjournment**

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The Work Session of the MARTA Board of Directors adjourned at 1:43 p.m.