



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024**

**ATLANTA, GEORGIA**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Chair Kathryn Powers called the meeting to order at 1:39 P.M.

**Board Members**

**Present:**

Stacy Blakley  
James Durrett  
Roderick Frierson  
Freda Hardage  
Al Pond  
Kathryn Powers  
Rita Scott  
Jennifer Ide  
Sagirah Jones

**Board Members**

**Absent:**

William Floyd  
Russell McMurry  
Thomas Worthy  
Valencia Williamson  
Jacob Tzegaegbe  
Jannine Miller

**Staff Members Present:**

Collie Greenwood  
Melissa Mullinax  
Ralph McKinney  
Rhonda Allen  
Carrie Rocha  
Peter Andrews  
George Wright  
Michael Kreher  
Kevin Hurley

**Also in Attendance:**

Justice Leah Ward Sears, Jonathan Hunt, Paula Nash  
Tyrene Huff, Keri Lee, Kenya Hammond, Phyllis Bryant  
Jacqueline Holland

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

Dr. Alieka Anderson-Henry [in person]  
David Ward [in person]  
Yolanda King-Adams [in person]  
James Atkins [in person]  
Matthew Rao [in person]  
Eric Richardson [in person]  
Sandra Williams [in person]  
Lisa Gloves [in person]

**1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Minutes from August 8, 2024 Board Meeting.**

Approval of the minutes from the August 8, 2024, Board Meeting. On a motion by Board Member Hardage, seconded by Board Member Ide, the motion passed by a vote of 8 to 0 with 8 members present.

**2. AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Chair Roderick Frierson reported that the Committee met on August 15, 2024.

**Committee Chair Report Audit**

No action items.

**3. BUSINESS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Chair James Durrett reported that the Committee met on August 22, 2024.

**Committee Chair Report Business Management**

Due to a lack of quorum, the resolutions will be ratified at a MARTA Board of Directors Special Called meeting on Thursday, September 26, 2024.

**4. PLANNING & CAPITAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Chair Stacey Blakley reported that the Committee met on August 22, 2024, and approved the following resolutions:

**Committee Chair Report Planning & Capital Programs**

Approval of Planning & Capital Programs Committee Resolution 4a. On a motion by Board Member Powers, seconded by Board Member Durrett, the resolution passed by a vote of 7 to 0 with 7 members present.

**5. OPERATIONS & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Chair John Pond reported that the Committee met on August 22, 2024, and approved the following resolutions:

**Committee Chair Report Operations and Safety**

No action items.

**6. OTHER MATTERS**

Chief Legal Counsel Peter Andrews read into the record the following resolutions and settlements emanating from the Executive Session:

**LITIGATION**

Settlement – \$425,000.00 – Tyronn Lee vs. MARTA. On a motion by Board Member Durrett, seconded by Chair Powers, the motion passed with a vote of 7 to 0 with 7 members present.

Motion to approve the MARTA Board accepts Representative Silcox's MARTOC recommendation to utilize the services of KPMG to expand Mauldin & Jenkins audit. On a motion by Chair Powers, seconded by Board Member Durrett, the motion passed with a vote of 7 to 0, with 7 members present.

**REAL ESTATE**

- Resolution Authorizing the Submittal, Negotiation, and Settlement of offers to Acquire Property and Easements in support of the South DeKalb Transit Center, DeKalb County, Georgia. On a motion by Chair Powers, seconded by Board Member Pond, the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0, with 7 members present.
- Resolution Authorizing the Submittal, Negotiation and Settlement of Offers to Acquire Property and Easements in support of MART's Stonecrest Transit Center, Stonecrest Transit Center, Stonecrest, DeKalb County, GA. On a motion by Board Member Scott, seconded by Board Member Durrett, the motion passed by a vote of 7 to 0, with 7 members present.

**7. COMMENTS FROM BOARD**

Sagirah Jones announced that the City of Atlanta Department of City Planning is developing a new comprehensive development plan. They will hold their meeting regarding transportation on December 16, 2024.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board meeting adjourned at 2:19 P.M.

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