

**MINUTES
DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT
SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS'
November 20, 2020**

Due to the COVID-19 virus, DART Board meeting rooms were closed to the public. All meetings took place by videoconference and are available at <https://www.dart.org/about/board/boardvideo.asp>.

The Dallas Area Rapid Transit **Special Board of Directors'** meeting came to order on Friday, November 20, 2020, at 2:00 p.m., at DART Headquarters, 1401 Pacific Avenue, Dallas, Texas, with Chair Wageman presiding.

City of Dallas

Ray Jackson – **Assistant Secretary**
Patrick J. Kennedy
Jon-Bertrell Killen
Michele Wong Krause – **Vice-Chair**
Amanda Moreno-Lake
Rodney Schlosser
Dominique P. Torres

City of Garland

Jonathan R. Kelly– **Secretary**

City of Irving

Rick Stopfer

City of Plano

Paul N. Wageman – **Chair**

City of Cockrell Hill and Dallas

Eliseo Ruiz, III

Cities of Carrollton and Irving

Doug Hrbacek

Cities of Farmers Branch and Plano

Robert C. Dye

Cities of Garland, Rowlett, and Glenn Heights

Mark C. Enoch

Cities of Richardson and University Park; Towns of Addison and Highland Park

Gary A. Slagel

Ms. Amanda Moreno-Lake was absent.

General Items:

1. Roll Call

Chair Wageman took Roll Call, confirming a quorum was present.

2. Public Comments

Public comments for the Board of Directors' meeting were accepted via email at the following address: boardmeetingpubliccomments@dart.org until 1:30 p.m. on Friday, November 20, 2020. All comments received were read into the public record during the Board meeting by Chair Wageman.

Chair Wageman stated there were no Public Comments to read into the record.

3. Appointment of Interim President/Executive Director

Mr. Thomas briefed the Committee.

Ms. Wong Krause moved for approval of Resolution 200126 stating:

Section 1: David Leininger is appointed to serve as Interim President/Executive Director effective February 1, 2021, to serve until such time as a permanent President/Executive Director is appointed.

Section 2: The Board Chair is authorized to finalize and execute an employment agreement with the Interim President/Executive Director with a bi-weekly salary of approximately \$12,461.54 with retirement, insurance and other benefits.

Section 3: The Interim President/Executive Director shall administer the daily operations of DART and have authority to contract up to the limits authorized by DART's enabling legislation of \$250,000 for personal service contracts and off-the-shelf items and \$100,000 for all other procurements without DART Board approval until such time as a permanent President/Executive Director is appointed.

Mr. Kennedy seconded.

Mr. Killen joined the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

Mr. Killen inquired if there would be new goals for the interim director or would they be using Mr. Thomas' goals. Chair Wageman noted this was a good point and stated the Committee would follow up on that topic in December.

Mr. Stopfer joined the meeting at 2:09 p.m.

After further discussion, Chair Wageman took a Roll Call vote and the item was approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Positions for Temporary Employment

Mr. Kelly joined the meeting at 2:17 p.m.

Mr. Thomas provided a preamble of this item to the Committee.

Mr. Enoch joined the meeting at 2:18 p.m.

Chair Wageman stated was now 2:20 p.m. on Friday, November 20, 2020 and the Dallas Area Rapid Transit Special Board of Directors meeting is going into closed session under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074, which allows

deliberation of a personnel matter, to discuss Agenda Item 4, Approval of Positions for Temporary Employment.

The Committee reconvened into Open Session at 3:15 p.m.

Mr. Hrbacek moved for approval of Resolution 200127 stating the President/Executive Director or his designee, is authorized to implement temporary employment assignments for key positions identified in Exhibit 1 to this Resolution to support DART's continued operations and capital projects and to cover vacancies critical to the mission of the agency that resulted from the VRIP.

Mr. Stopfer seconded.

Chair Wageman took a Roll Call vote and the item was approved unanimously.

Other Items:

5. Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.



Josefina Chavira, CAP
Board Committee Secretary

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+ Same Night Item

* Briefing Item