

MINUTES
DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS'
September 11, 2018

The Dallas Area Rapid Transit **Board of Directors'** meeting convened on Tuesday, September 11, 2018, at 6:35 p.m., at DART Headquarters, 1401 Pacific Avenue, Dallas, Texas, with Chair Bauman presiding.

City of Dallas

Sue S. Bauman – **Chair**
Ray Jackson
Patrick J. Kennedy
Jon-Bertrell Killen
Michele Wong Krause– **Secretary**
Amanda Moreno
Dominique P. Torres

City of Garland

Jonathan R. Kelly – **Assistant Secretary**

City of Irving

Rick Stopfer

City of Plano

Paul N. Wageman – **Vice-Chair**

City of Cockrell Hill and Dallas

Catherine S. Cuellar

Cities of Carrollton and Irving

Tim Hayden

Cities of Farmers Branch and Plano

Lissa Smith

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

Mr. Ray Jackson and Mr. Mark Enoch were absent.

General Items:

1. **Approval of Minutes:** August 28, 2018

Mr. Slagel moved to approve the August 28, 2018, Board of Directors' meeting Minutes, and be entered into record, as written.

Mr. Kelly seconded and the item was approved unanimously.

2. **This item will be discussed in Committee-of-the-Whole only.**

3. **Presentation of Proclamations to DART Bus Operator of the Year, Rail Operator of the Year, Station Concierge of the Year and Supervisor of the Year**

Ms. Carol Wise, Executive Vice President/Chief Operating Officer, along with Chair Bauman and Mr. Gary Thomas, President/Executive Director, presented proclamations to the DART Bus Operator of the Year, Rail Operator of the Year, Station Concierge of the Year and Supervisor of the Year.

4. **Public Comments**

Chair Bauman reviewed the rules that govern the Public Comments portion of the meeting, including the Code of Conduct for Citizens, News Media, and Visitors at DART Board Meetings (on file with the Office of Board Support).

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Coach Norris Johnson; Dallas, TX:

Mr. Johnson commended the award winners and also noted other positive aspects of DART.

Ms. YeAna Loovey; Dallas, TX:

Ms. Loovey voiced issues with Route 547; she stated the operator did not want to allow her to ride the bus. She then noted a few other issues she has encountered with the bus operators.

Chair Bauman referred Ms. Loovey to Mr. Herold Humphrey, Interim Vice President of Bus Operations.

Mr. William Sanders; Dallas, TX:

Mr. Sanders spoke in reference to employee issues.

Ms. Wong Krause stepped out of the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Mr. Taylor Crisler; DeSoto, TX:

Mr. Crisler opposed the fare increase and spoke in reference to the point-based system that was discussed in the Operations, Safety and Security Committee earlier in the day.

Ms. Wong Krause reentered the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Mr. Keith Todd; Dallas, TX:

Mr. Todd voiced his concern regarding the Fare Enforcement Officers and the DART Police Officers safety.

Mr. Bryan Blanks; DART Employee:

Mr. Banks commended Mr. Cornell Wright, Bus Operator, on 40 years of service and recommended honoring him prior to his retirement on his excellent service. He then spoke about a survey requested by a Board Member from employees regarding the employee insurance. He inquired what had occurred with that request.

Mr. Thomas stated staff would discuss the issue with his supervisor.

Mr. Ken Duble; Dallas, TX:

Mr. Duble opposed the fare increase and stated he was in favor of the point-base system.

Ms. Torres left the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Mr. DeBoss Christian; DART Employee:

Mr. Christian voiced concern regarding employee issues.

Mr. Gary Stuard; Dallas, TX:

Mr. Stuart voiced his opposition to the fare increase. He then voiced a few recommendations to occur prior to increasing the fare again. Mr. Stuard opined the fare increase needed to be tied to the increase of riders.

Ms. Olinka Green; City, ST:

Ms. Green opposed fare increase and requested additional amenities at bus stops prior to increasing fare again.

Consent Items:

Mr. Slagel moved to approve Agenda Items 5 through 7.

Public Affairs & Communications:

5. Approval of a Master Lease Agreement for the Provision, Installation, and Support of Intelligent Digital Kiosks at or Near Rail Stations and Transit Centers

Moved for approval of Resolution 180086, stating the President/Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized execute a ten-year and six-month master lease agreement for access to up to 500 locations at or near DART rail stations and transit centers for use by the lessee, Smart City Media, LLC, for the provision, installation, and support of intelligent digital kiosks.

Budget and Finance:

6. Approval of Second Amendment to the Tenth Supplemental Debt Resolution to Decrease DART's Commercial Paper Self-Liquidity Program from \$200 Million to \$125 Million and Approval of Certain Other Documents to Effect this Change

Moved for approval of Resolution 180087, stating the President/Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to execute:

Section 1: An amendment to the Tenth Supplemental Debt Resolution, in substantially the form shown in Exhibit 1 to the Resolution, to decrease DART's Commercial Paper Self-Liquidity Program from \$200 million to \$125 million

Section 2: All agreements and documents to effect this change.

7. Approval of DART Board Policy II.04, Investment Policy, and Approval of DART's FY 2019 Investment Strategy

Moved for approval of Resolution 180088, stating:

Section 1: Section 1: In accordance with the Texas Public Funds Investment Act, DART Board Policy II.04, Investment Policy, has been reviewed and is approved as shown in Exhibit 1 to this Resolution.

Section 2: Section 2: The FY 2019 Investment Strategy as shown in Exhibit 2 to this Resolution is adopted and shall become effective on October 1, 2018.

Section 3: Section 3: The Investment Policy and FY 2019 Investment Strategy are adopted by the DART Board of Directors.

Mr. Kelly seconded and the items were approved unanimously.

Individual Items:

8. **Approval to Execute an Amendment of the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Glenn Heights for Additional Eligible Transit Related Improvement Program (TRIP) Reimbursements for FY 2018 through FY 2021**

Ms. Cuellar moved for approval of Resolution 180089, stating the President/Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to execute an amendment of the Transit Related Improvement Program (TRIP) Interlocal Agreement (ILA), substantially in the form as shown in Exhibit 1 to the Resolution, between DART and the City of Glenn Heights to include an expanded list of eligible projects for the period FY 2018 through FY 2021.

Mr. Slagel seconded and the item was approved by a majority vote with Mr. Wageman and Mr. Hayden opposing.

9. **This item will be discussed at Committee-of-the-Whole Only.**

10. **Appointment of Interim General Counsel**

This item was moved for approval of Resolution 180090, stating:

Section 1: Gene Gamez is appointed to serve as Interim General Counsel effective September 11, 2018, and until such time as a permanent General Counsel is appointed.

Section 2: Gene Gamez shall be compensated an additional 10% per bi-weekly pay period during the time that he serves as Interim General Counsel.

Section 3: Gene Gamez shall have authority to contract up to \$50,000 per matter for legal services without DART Board approval until such time as a permanent General Counsel is appointed.

Ms. Moreno seconded and the item was approved unanimously.

11. **This item will be discussed at Committee-of-the-Whole Only.**

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Other Items:

14. **Public Comments**

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Ms. Alexandra Telecky; McKinney, TX:

Ms. Telecky voiced concern with the name designated for the low-income riders program and requested clarification. She then voiced concern regarding the ability of this program to meet the needs of many individuals due to the structure of this program.

Mr. Michael Gonzales; Dallas, TX:

Mr. Gonzales voiced concern with the low-income riders program.

Mr. Jamie Gray; Dallas, TX:

Mr. Grey spoke in regards to affordability and the fare increase. He requested a study on affordability and a study on how the fare increase impacts persons who have been recipients of charities. Mr. Gray continued to discuss urban planning and walkability near transit locations.

Mr. Charles May; Dallas, TX:

Mr. May voiced concern at feeling unsafe at the Forest Jupiter Transit station, near midnight on Monday, September 10, 2018. He stated he did not see any police and called the Police Dispatch to request an officer present while he waited 20 minutes for his train departure.

Chair Bauman referred Mr. May to Lieutenant Jim Foster, DART Police.

Mr. Kenneth Day; DART Employee:

Mr. Day spoke in reference to the employee insurance. He then reference the briefing, in the Administrative Committee, held earlier in the day, in regards to Fact Finding and Trial Board Process. Mr. Day stated the Board had their resources in Ms. Nancy Johnson, Director of Board Support and Ms. Marty Durston, Administrative Law and Trial Board Representative.

Mr. Albert Dirla; DART Employee:

Mr. Dirla voiced the need for additional Personal Time Off (PTO) for the DART operators. He stated this was an issue amongst the operators and needed to be addressed.

15. **This item will be discussed in Committee-of-the-Whole only.**

16. **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



Josefina Chavira, CAP
Board Committee Secretary

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+ Same Night Item

* Briefing Item