



Joint Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for:

January 28, 2021

Regular Meeting Minutes

The Joint Board of Directors of the Denton County Transportation Authority convened the Joint Meeting of the Board of Directors with Cesar Molina, Vice Chair presiding on January 28, 2021 remotely using Zoom Meeting.

Attendance

Voting Members

Chris Watts, Chair, Denton
Cesar Molina, Vice Chair, Denton County
Sam Burke, Secretary, Denton County
Dianne Costa, Highland Village
TJ Gilmore, Lewisville

Non-Voting Members

Tom Winterburn, Corinth
Dennie Franklin, Frisco
Connie White, Small Cities
Mark Miller, Flower Mound
Joe Perez, The Colony

NTMC Board

Dean Ueckert, Chair
Richard Hayes, Vice Chair
Don Combs, Member
Sara Hensley, Member
Raymond Suarez, Member

Legal Counsel

Joe Gorfida, NJDHS

DCTA Executive Staff

Raymond Suarez, CEO
Kristina Holcomb, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Marisa Perry, Chief Financial Officer/Vice
President of Finance
Nicole Recker, Vice President of Mobility Services
and Administration

DCTA Staff Attendees

Lindsey Baker, Director of Government Affairs
Rose Jerome, Project Controls Coordinator
Athena Forrester, Assistant Vice President of
Regulatory Compliance/DBE Liaison
Amber Karkauskas, Controller
Whitney Trayler, Grants Manager
Sarah Hultquist, Mobility Service Coordinator
Rusty Comer, Manager of Bus Administration
Tim Palermo, Planning & Data Analytics Manager
Adam Wells, Desktop & Application Support
Specialist

Scheduled Guest Speakers

Chris Newport, Accenture
Rick Dennis, HillCo
Wayne Gensler, Trinity Metro
Kelli Shields, Trinity Metro
Jennifer Ripka, Weaver
Kristin Derryberry, Weaver

Public Attendees

Mayor Charlotte Wilcox, Highland Village Alternate
Kristin Green, Lewisville Alternate
RJ Garza, NTMC General Manager
Claire Powell, City of Lewisville
Paul Stevens, Highland Village
Brandi Bird, Bird Advocacy & Consulting
Justin Grass, DRC
Albert Dirla
Trey Pope
George Cisneros
Rachel Jenkins
Amy Moore
Paula Richardson
Dell Warnsley

CALL TO ORDER – *Chair Watts asked Vice Chair Molina to call meeting to order and announced the presence of quorum at 9:04 am.*

CALL TO ORDER NTMC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (NTMC BOARD CHAIR)

INVOCATION & MOMENT OF SILENCE IN MEMORY OF BRANDY PEDRON

PUBLIC COMMENT – *No public comments were made or submitted*

JOINT MEETING REGULAR AGENDA

1. Presentation of the FY2020 Preliminary Audit Report

- *Board Member Costa asked how long Weaver had been DCTA's auditors; Jennifer Ripka said this was the final year on the second contract term between DCTA and Weaver; Marisa Perry, CFO, mentioned that DCTA had an active RFP on the streets for audit services and staff would bringing a request for approval to the Board at the next meeting.*

2. DCTA Status Update on Bus Operations and Maintenance Partnership Exploration

- *Nicole Recker, VP Mobility Services & Administration provided a status update on exploration of a partnership with Trinity Metro for bus operations and maintenance. In an effort to provide more efficient bus operations and management services, and gain access to established technology platforms and practices, DCTA and Trinity Metro are exploring joint bus operations and maintenance through a local government corporation. DCTA and Trinity Metro perform materially identical functions and services, in the same region, and are pursuant to similar statutory authority and restrictions. Both agencies desire to operate state-of-the-art transportation systems and to provide their patrons the highest achievable level of service. Those and other shared characteristics make DCTA and Trinity Metro ideal candidates for mutually advantageous collaboration and cooperation.*

3. Trinity Metro Status Update on Bus Operations and Maintenance Partnership Exploration

- *Wayne Gensler, Trinity Metro presented on behalf of CEO Bob Baulsir.*

4. DCTA Service Plan Update & MaaS Proposal Presentation

Nicole Recker, VP Mobility Services & Administration, provided an updated on the service plan and MaaS proposal. Staff will be requesting that the DCTA board consider awarding MaaS Task Order #2 to River North Transit (Via). River North Transit (via) estimates an annual cost of \$3,600,000 for the initial year of service and \$4,680,000 for the second year of service. Portions of the proposed service have the potential to be federally reimbursed. The extent of federal reimbursement is dependent on the service solutions established with River North Transit (Via).

5. Discuss Potential DCTA Bus Operations Impacts to NTMC and Provide Direction to NTMC Board

- *Discussion led by Chair Watts and Raymond Suarez.*



6. **NTMC 2021 Board Meeting Calendar & Future Agenda Items**

- *Kristina Holcomb presented the proposed NTMC calendar of meetings for 2021. The proposed calendar was provided in the meeting packet.*

JOINT MEETING INFORMATIONAL REPORTS – *No questions asked on Info Reports.*

1. **DCTA Priority Actions Progress Report** *Priority Actions Flowchart and memo were provided in meeting packet.*
2. **NTMC GM Report** *January GM Report was provided in meeting packet.*
3. **NTMC Financial Statements for FY2021 Year to Date November 2020 and December 2020** *Financial Statements provided in meeting packet.*
4. **NTMC CBA Negotiation Progress Report** *As NTMC approaches the expiration of the CBA, they are required to provide notice of their request to bargain at least sixty (60) days prior to March 31, 2021. NTMC received official notice from ATU 1338 to bargain on January 4, 2021 and NTMC confirmed receipt of request – which meets the requirements set forth in the CBA.*

ADJOURN NTMC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AND CONTINUATION OF DCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING at 11:21 a.m.

The minutes of the January 28, 2021 NTMC Board of Directors Meeting were passed and approved by a vote on this 24th day of March 2021.

Dean Ueckert

Dean Ueckert, Chair

ATTEST

Acting NTMC Secretary