

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

The Board of Directors of the Regional Transportation Authority met in public session on **Wednesday, December 17, 2014** in Suite 1650, 175 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois pursuant to notice.

Chairman Dillard called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and Director. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Chairman Dillard explained that the RTA would begin audio streaming of its Committee and Board meetings. This will allow live access to the meetings, along with viewing of the agendas from any electronic device. Eventually, presentations will also be viewable.

Chairman Dillard shared the news of the passing of Judy Baar Topinka the previous week. She served on the RTA board from 2007-2011 with distinction, as well as serving the state of Illinois for decades. He explained that the memorial service for Judy Baar Topinka was being held later this morning and several Board members and staff who knew and worked with her for many years are planning to attend. This was the reason for the streamlined meeting.

ROLL CALL

Board members present (15): Anderson (phone), Buchanan (phone), Coulson, DeWitte, Durante (phone), Frega (phone), Fuentes, Hobson, Lewis, Magalis, Pang, Ross, Totten, Troiani and Chairman Dillard

Board members absent (1): Melvin

Approval of minutes from the meetings held on November 19, 2014

Director Ross moved, and Director DeWitte seconded that the minutes from the meetings held on November 19, 2014 be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

15 Ayes: Anderson, Buchanan, Coulson, DeWitte, Durante, Frega, Fuentes, Hobson, Lewis, Magalis, Pang, Ross, Totten, Troiani, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Melvin

**APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JANUARY 22, 2015**

Contracts and Procurements

Director Totten moved, and Director Troiani seconded that the three ordinances listed below be adopted as submitted.

1. Ordinance authorizing a five-year contract for interagency signage fabrication, maintenance and storage
2. Ordinance authorizing Task Order contracts for Community Planning Program Studies
3. Ordinance authorizing a contract for the enhancement, support and maintenance of the integrated financial system

The motion carried on the following leave for last unanimous roll call vote:

15 Ayes: Anderson, Buchanan, Coulson, DeWitte, Durante, Frega, Fuentes, Hobson, Lewis, Magalis, Pang, Ross, Totten, Troiani, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Melvin

Consent Agenda

Director Coulson moved, and Director Troiani seconded that the ordinance from the Consent Agenda listed below on the Consent Agenda be adopted as submitted. There were no items pulled for separate vote.

- 2014-66 This ordinance authorizes reprogramming of Innovation, Coordination, and Enhancement (ICE) funds for Metra's Mobile Application project. The budget for this project is \$1,495,920.
- 2014-67 This ordinance amends the 2014 budget to reflect capital program changes relative to both funding and expenditures. The ordinance also approves budget revisions for Metra and Pace capital projects.
- 2014-68 This ordinance to adopt the 2015 Operating Budgets, 2016-2017 Financial Plans, and 2015-2019 Capital Programs of the Service Boards and the Authority, including the RTA Agency. This recommendation is made following a review of the proposed 2015 Business Plans with the Service Boards at a Special Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Board held on December 3rd at which the Service Boards presented their budgets and capital programs and provided responses to questions from the RTA Board. The budgets, financial plans, and capital programs defined by the ordinance are in balance, are compliant with the funding amounts and recovery ratios adopted by the Board in September, and meet the required recovery ratio for the region.

- 2014-69 This ordinance amending the Plan to reflect the intent of the legislature as reflected in Public Act 098-0108.
- 2014-70 This ordinance authorizes the execution of a five-year contract with Design Group Signage Corporation to maintain the RTA's interagency signage program for an amount not-to-exceed \$200,000.
- 2014-71 This ordinance authorizes the execution of five (5) task order contracts for terms of 36 months with the firms Teska and Associates, The Lakota Group, Solomon Cordwell Buenz, T.Y. Lin International, and Farr Associates to complete up to seven (7) Community Planning studies. The total budget for the studies under this task order will not exceed \$845,000. The studies are funded through a combination of federal UWP funds, local match from the communities, and RTA funds. The total amount of RTA funds for these studies will not exceed \$280,000.
- 2014-72 This ordinance authorizes a contract with Crestwood Associates LLC ("Crestwood") to provide technical support and enhancement services for the RTA's Microsoft Dynamics Great Plains (GP) system. Dynamics GP is the RTA's integrated financial system supporting the RTA's grants management, procurement, human resources, budgeting, and internal accounting functions. The contract will be for an amount not to exceed \$1.5 million and for a contract term of three (3) years from the date the contract is executed, with two additional one-year options to renew. The \$1.5 million cost will cover the initial term and option years.

The motion carried on the following leave for last unanimous roll call vote:

15 Ayes: Anderson, Buchanan, Coulson, DeWitte, Durante, Frega, Fuentes, Hobson, Lewis, Magalis, Pang, Ross, Totten, Troiani, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Melvin

Prior to adjournment, Chairman Dillard acknowledged the Board Secretary for 20 years of service in her capacity as such. He expressed gratitude on behalf of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting of the Board, Director Lewis moved and Director Fuentes seconded that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried on the following voice vote.

15 Ayes: Anderson, Buchanan, Coulson, DeWitte, Durante, Frega, Fuentes, Hobson, Lewis, Magalis, Pang, Ross, Totten, Troiani, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Melvin

The meeting ended at 8:15 a.m.

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Secretary of the Authority