



Minutes

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

The Board of Directors of the Regional Transportation Authority met on Thursday, March 21, 2024, pursuant to notice. Chairman Dillard called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. He then recited the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call – [watch video](#)

Board members present (13): Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Lewis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, and Chairman Dillard

Board members absent (1): Holt

Approval of minutes from the meetings held on February 15, 2024 – [watch video](#)

No questions or comments from RTA Board members.

Director Groven moved, and Director Carey seconded that the minutes from the public meeting and executive session held on February 15, 2024, be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

13 Ayes: Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Lewis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Holt

Public Comment – [watch video](#)

Carsten Lohan provided written public comment which was read into the record by the Board Secretary.

Amendment of the 2024-2028 Capital Program, and extensions to ICE funded projects – [watch video](#)

Tara O'Malley, Principal Analyst, Capital Programs presented an ordinance that incorporates changes in 2024-2028 Capital Program projects and funding for CTA.

Directors Groven and Gorman asked questions or provided comments following the presentation.

Director Sager moved, and Director Gorman seconded that the proposed ordinances be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

13 Ayes: Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Lewis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Holt

Contracts/Expenditure Items – [watch video](#)

Director Lewis moved, and Director Pang seconded the adoption of the following ordinances, as well as the approval of Board travel expenditures as submitted:

Ordinance authorizing a contract for transit signage fabrication

Ordinance authorizing a contract for transit access to opportunities platform

Director Coulson asked questions or provided comments.

Approval of travel expenses reimbursement(s)

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

13 Ayes: Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Lewis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Holt

Transit is the Answer update – [watch video](#)

Maulik Vaishnav, Senior Deputy Director, Capital Programming, Planning, and Performance, Hersh Singh, Principal Analyst, Data Services and Analytics, Kyle Whitehead, Principal, Government Affairs, Doug Anderson, Manager, Budget and Business Analysis, Rob Nash, Director, Government Affairs, and Jessica Cabe, Communications Specialist, provided an update on implementation activities, including the Public Transit Safety and Security Summit, follow up on public comment from the February RTA Board meeting on the Chicago Avenue and Halsted bus lanes, and other planning, legislative, communication, and finance updates.

Directors Lewis, Gorman, Ross, Gathing, Sager, Melvin, and Chairman Dillard asked questions or provided comments following the presentation.

New Business – [watch video](#)

Chairman Dillard announced the next RTA Board of Directors meeting is Thursday, April 18, at 9:00 a.m.

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ADJOURNMENT – [watch video](#)

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors Meeting, Director Gorman moved and Director Carey seconded that the meeting adjourn.

The motion carried on the following voice vote:

13 Ayes: Andalcio, Carey, Coulson, Fuentes, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Lewis, Melvin, Pang, Ross, Sager, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Holt

The Board meeting ended at 9:56 a.m.

Joey-Lin Silberhorn

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Secretary of the Authority