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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, April 17, 2025, pursuant to notice. Chairman Dillard called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. He then recited the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call – [watch video](#)

Board members present (13): Carey, Gorman, Groven, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Pang, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard

3 Absent: Coulson, Gathing, and Jenkins

Approval of minutes from the meetings held on March 27, 2025 – [watch video](#)

No questions or comments from RTA Board members.

Director Ross moved, and Director Lewis seconded that the minutes from the public meeting held on March 27, 2025, be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

13 Ayes: Carey, Gorman, Groven, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Pang, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard

3 Absent: Coulson, Gathing, and Jenkins

Public Comment – [watch video](#)

There were no public comments.

Executive Director's Report – [watch video](#)

Executive Director Leanne Redden provided a brief Federal legislative update.

Director Lewis asked questions or provided comments following the report.

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

Kyle Whitehead, Principal, Government Affairs, Tina Fassett Smith, Director, Communications, Peter Kersten, Manager, Strategy and Policy, Rob Nash, Director, Government Affairs, and Sarah Rubino, Principal Analyst, Budget and Treasury, provided a recap of the Transforming Transit summit, updates on the campaign ads, the quarterly panel survey, a legislative update, and an update on monthly financials.

Directors Gorman, Jenkins, Ross, Lewis, Mondero, Groven, Sager, Kotarac, Carey, Mondero, Ryan, and Chairman Dillard asked questions or provided comments following the presentation.

2024 Pace ADA Paratransit funding – [watch video](#)

Doug Anderson, Manager, Budget and Business Analysis, and Michael VanDekreke presented on the current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Paratransit funding shortfall, and next steps on a solution for the 2024 funding requirement and potential adjustments to the programs with the goal of serving eligible riders with mobility needs and lowering future budget impacts/

Directors Ross, Mondero, Carey, Kotarac, and Sager asked questions or provided comments following the presentation.

Ordinance authorizing Long-Term Borrowing – [watch video](#)

Kevin Bueso, Chief Financial Officer, presented on the proposed ordinance that authorizes the RTA to issue its General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025A through a competitive sale, as permitted by Section 4.04 of the RTA Act.

Directors Groven, Sager, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Carey, and Yonan asked questions or provided comments following the presentation.

Director Carey moved, and Director Yonan seconded that the proposed ordinance be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

15 Ayes: Carey, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Jenkins, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Pang, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Coulson

Approval of travel expense reimbursement – [watch video](#)

Director Retondo moved, and Director Groven seconded that the proposed ordinance be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

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14 Ayes: Carey, Gathing, Groven, Jenkins, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Pang, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard

2 Absent: Coulson, Gorman

New Business – [watch video](#)

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Chairman Dillard announced the next RTA Board of Directors meeting is Thursday, May 15, at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT – [watch video](#)

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

The motion carried on the following voice vote:

15 Ayes: Carey, Gathing, Gorman, Groven, Jenkins, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Pang, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Yonan, and Chairman Dillard

The Board meeting ended at 11:21 a.m.

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Secretary of the Authority