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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, June 1, 2026, 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 (15): Alvarez (remote), Carey, Coulson, Groven, Jenkins, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Sanoica, Walker, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Gorman

Approval of minutes from the meeting held May 21, 2026 – watch video

There were no questions or comments from RTA Board members.

Director Sanoica moved, and Director Groven seconded that the minutes from the public meeting held on May 21, 2026, be approved as submitted. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

14 Ayes: Alvarez, Carey, Coulson, Groven, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Sanoica, Walker, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Gorman, Jenkins

Public Comment – watch video

The Secretary read a comment from John Paul Jones.

Executive Director's Report – watch video

Executive Director Leanne Redden provided a legislative update.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
July 16, 2026

Ordinances Amending the Regional Transportation Authority's Retailers' Occupation Tax, Service Occupation Tax, and Use Tax – watch video

Executive Director Redden and Allison Noback, General Counsel, presented ordinances that would implement recently enacted legislation, P.A. 104-0457, authorizing the Board to vote on a 0.25 percentage point increase to the RTA sales tax rate throughout the six-county RTA region.

Chairman Dillard provided a comment.

Director Mondero motioned, and Director Sager seconded that three ordinances be voted on as one vote. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

15 Ayes: Alvarez, Carey, Coulson, Groven, Jenkins, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Sanoica, Walker, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Gorman

Director Sanoica motioned, and Director Walker seconded that the three ordinances be approved as submitted.

15 Ayes: Alvarez, Carey, Coulson, Groven, Jenkins, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Sanoica, Walker, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Gorman

Ordinance approving and releasing the RTA 2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) – watch video

John Yu, Controller, and Bill Sarb, Partner, RSM presented an ordinance that approves the 2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

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

15 Ayes: Alvarez, Carey, Coulson, Groven, Jenkins, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Sanoica, Walker, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Gorman

New Business – watch video

Director Kotarac asked that an Ad Hoc Committee be formed to assist with the transition to NITA and for a formal Board assessment. Directors Carey, Sanoica, Executive Director Leanne Redden, and Maulik Vaishnav, Senior Deputy Executive Director, Planning and Capital Programming, asked question or provided comments.

The June 18 Board meeting was officially cancelled.

Chairman Dillard announced the next RTA Board of Directors meeting is Thursday, July 16, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT – watch video

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

The motion carried on the following voice vote:

15 Ayes: Alvarez, Carey, Coulson, Groven, Jenkins, Kotarac, Lewis, Mondero, Retondo, Ross, Ryan, Sager, Sanoica, Walker, and Chairman Dillard

1 Absent: Gorman

The Board meeting ended at 10:02 a.m.

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Secretary of the Authority