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## **Fiscal and Management Control Board**

April 11, 2016, 2016 10 Park Plaza, Room 3830 Boston, MA

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Members:Chairman Joseph Aiello, Director Lisa Calise, Director Brian<br/>Lang, Director Steven Poftak, and Director Monica Tibbits-<br/>NuttPresent:Director Steven Poftak, Director Lisa Calise, and Director<br/>Brian Lang

Quorum Present: Yes

Others Present: Secretary Stephanie Pollack, Frank DePaola, Brian Shortsleeve, John Englander, Owen Kane

## **PROCEEDINGS:**

At the call of Chair Aiello, a meeting of the Fiscal and Management

Control Board was called to order at 11:00 a.m at the State Transportation

Building, Room 3830, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, Massachusetts.

Chair Aiello opened up the public comment period.

The first speaker was Louise Baxter who commented on Commuter Rail and the Green Line.

Next, Steve Kaiser commented on the Green Line.

Next, the Chair asked Chief Administrator Brian Shortsleeve to present

agenda item E, a discussion of financial performance and other related matters.

Mr. Shortsleeve informed the Board that the MBTA Retirement Fund should be finishing their audit this week and that Executive Director Mike Mulhern will be attending the FMCB meeting on April 25, 2016 to discuss and answer questions. Mr. Shortsleeve then presented an update on Commuter Rail revenue as set forth in the attached presentation labeled "Operating Budget Stability Commuter Rail Revenue March FY 16 YTD Update".

Next, General Manager Frank DePaola presented agenda item D, an update of operations activities and system performance for the previous week, specifically Commuter Rail on-time performance Mr. DePaola indicated was being maintained at an appropriate level.

Next, Brian Kane presented agenda item F, a review and discussion of upcoming FMCB agenda items, as set forth in the attached document labeled, "Fiscal & Management Control Board Public Meeting Agenda Items."

Next, John Englander began agenda item G, discussion and a possible action with respect to a voluntary mitigation plan. Mr. Englander provided an overview of the equity analysis process and voluntary mitigation process. Charles Planck continued with the presentation attached hereto and labeled "Late Night - Proposed Voluntary Mitigation Options".

The Board asked that Charles Planck come back to the board in a couple of weeks with a schedule for service to begin by Labor Day.

Next, Jerry Polcari presented Agenda Item K, a discussion of the current strategy to improve procurement and materials management, also including the topic of flexible contracting for transportation service, as set forth in the attached presentation labeled "Procurement & Logistics Department:

**Business Transformation.**"

Next, Agenda Item H, Paul Regan, Executive Director of the MBTA Advisory Board offered comments on the MBTA proposed FY17 operating budget.

Next, Michael Abramo presented the FY17 Operating Budget, a discussion and action on the Authority's final itemized budget of operating expenses and debt service costs for the period July 1, 2016 thru June 30, 2017 in the amount and form submitted in accordance with MGL, Ch. 161A, Sec. 20., as set forth in the attached presentation labeled "FY17 Itemized Budget Approval".

On motion duly made and seconded, it was

#### VOTED:

That the Fiscal and Management Control Board approves the Authority's Itemized budget of current operating expenses and debt service costs for a one year period—July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017—in the amount of \$2,021,884,129 in the form submitted at <u>this meeting</u>; and

#### AND FURTHER VOTED:

That the General Manager and Chief Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to submit the itemized budget, in the name and on behalf of the Authority, to the MBTA Advisory Board no later than April 15, 2016 in accordance with Section 20 of Chapter 161A of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Chair Aiello informed the Board that Agenda Item J, State of the Green

Line, would be deferred to a later meeting as a result of a current situation

effecting Green Line service.

On motion duly made and seconded, By roll call:

Director Aiello	yes
Director Calise	yes
Director Lang	yes
Director Poftak	yes

**VOTED:** to enter into Executive Session at 12:40 p.m. to discuss strategy with respect to two separate matters, one involving collective bargaining and non-union personnel and a second matter related to a real estate project in Boston.

# DOCUMENTS RELIED ON IN THE MEETING

Final SORE Vote Update FY17 Itemized Budget Approval - April 11 MBTA Advisory Board FY 17 Report FMBC February 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes Operating Budget Stability Commuter Rail Revenue March FY 16 YTD Update Procurement & Logistics Department: Business Transformation Late Night Proposed Voluntary Mitigation