



**Fiscal and Management Control Board
Transportation Board Room**

10 Park Plaza

July 31, 2017

2:00 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Chairman Joseph Aiello, Director Lisa Calise (departed at 4:00 p.m.), Director Brian Lang, Director Brian, Shortsleeve and Director Monica Tibbits-Nutt

Quorum Present: Yes

Others Present: Secretary Pollack, John Englander, Owen Kane, Steven Poftak, Jeffrey Gonneville, Beth Larkin, Ben Schutzman, David Block-Schachter, William Wolfgang, Jerry Polcari, Dan Lee, John Dalton and Laurel Paget-Seekins

PROCEEDINGS:

At the call of Chairman Aiello, a meeting of the Fiscal and Management Control Board was called to order 2:27 p.m. at the State Transportation Building, Transportation Board Room, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, Massachusetts.

Chair Aiello opened up the public comment session.

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the Wi-Fi monopolies:

Senator Bruce Tarr; Rockport Selectman Denise Donnelly; Medford Mayor Stephanie Burke; Joe Thibodeau, on behalf of Senator L'Italian; Representative Brad Hill; Manchester Selectman Arthur Steinert; Rowley Selectman Robert Snow;

Andover Deputy Town Manager John Mangiaratti; Andover Town Counsel Tom Urbelis; Isabel Vargas on behalf of Rep. Moran's office; Hannah Buntich on behalf of Senator Walter Timilty and Representative William Galvin; Gerde Krause-Garcia, Manchester; Brian Herlihy, Andover; John McTighe, Ipswich; Mary Kay Poe, Andover; Carey Poe, Andover; Ron Skates, Manchester; Manchester Town Administrator Greg Federspiel; Brenda Furlong, Manchester; Nicholas White, Manchester; Vincent Bradley, Andover; Anil Navkal, Andover; David Claremont, Andover; Lawrence Roberts, Acton; Georgeann Keer, Andover; Don Robb, Andover Historical Society; Acton Selectman Janet Adachi; Marcia Rasmusson, Concord; CeCe Doucette, Ashland and Linda Sanders from Rockport.

The following individuals commented on the RIDE Call Center update: Carolyn Villers, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Senior Action Council and Marilyn McNabb from Boston.

The following individuals commented on the AFC 2.0 update: Carl Seglem, Dan Zollman and Louise Baxter, TRU.

Steven Kaiser commented on the overhaul of 155 New Flyer Busses.

Chair Aiello suspended public comment due to time constraints and moved to Agenda Item E, the update of the Wi-Fi monopoles.

Chair Aiello called upon Interim General Manager Steven Poftak to begin the discussion. Mr. Poftak updated the Board on the findings from the 30 day-review period and its evaluation of the Commuter Rail Wi-Fi contract with BAI Communications, as set forth in the attached presentation labeled, "MBTA Wi-Fi

Project Update, July 31, 2017.” General Counsel John Englander contributed to the dialogue. Discussion ensued and it was decided there would be further review of the issue and another update at the next FMCB meeting on August 14, 2017.

Next, Chair Aiello called upon Director of Transportation Innovation Ben Schutzman to present Agenda Item C, the RIDE Call Center. Mr. Schutzman said the Ride Access Center (TRAC) consolidates reservations, scheduling and dispatching functions of the three regional RIDE providers. He said the presentation today would update TRAC performance customer concerns, transition challenges related to the new Access Center and staff efforts to improve service, as set forth in the attached presentation labeled “The RIDE” Access Center (TRAC) Update, July 31, 2017”. Discussion ensued.

Next the Chair called upon John Dalton to present Agenda Item D, the Green Line Extension (GLX) update. Mr. Dalton updated the Board on the GLX Extension Project, the GLX early work summary and early work packages, as set forth in the attached presentation labeled “Green Line Extension Project, July 31, 2017”. Discussion ensued.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED:

The Fiscal and Management Control Board hereby approves and authorizes the General Manager or the Green Line Extension Program Manager, to execute in the name and on behalf of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (“MBTA”), project initiation agreements and ancillary documents, with Keolis Commuter Services, LLC, for certain track, signal and related work for Swifts Interlocking and for

other locations in support of the Green Line Extension Project, in a total amount not to exceed \$17,000,000.00.

Next, Chair Aiello called upon Chief Technology Officer David Block-Schachter to present Agenda Item F, the AFC 2.0 Update. Mr. Block-Schachter provided the Board with a project update on procurement and the build out of the Project Management Office, as set forth in the attached document labeled, "AFC 2.0 Project Update, July 31, 2017." Discussion ensued.

Next, Chair Aiello called upon Chief Procurement Officer Jerry Polcari and Director of Vehicle Engineering William Wolfgang to present Agenda Item G, the Overhaul of 155 New Flyer Busses. Mr. Polcari updated the Board on the MBTA bus fleet planning strategy, the RFP process, and the recommendation to award a contract to Midwest Bus Corporation, as set forth in the attached presentation labeled "Bus Overhaul Program, July 31, 2017." Discussion ensued.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED:

That the Interim General Manager be, and hereby is, authorized to execute in the name and on behalf of the Authority, and in a form approved by the General Counsel, a certain contract with Midwest Bus Corporation, for the Mid-Life Overhaul of 155 D40LF Emission Controlled Diesel bus fleet, for an amount not to exceed \$40,074,090.00

The Chair called upon Assistant General Manager for Capital Delivery Beth Larkin to present Agenda Item H, a discussion of the LTK Contract for Positive Train Control. Ms. Larkin provided an overview of the status of Positive Train

Control, the regulatory schedule and background for executing a contract with LTK Engineering Services as set forth in the attached presentation labeled “Commuter Rail Positive Train Control, July 31, 2017”. Discussion ensued.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED:

That the Interim General Manager be, and hereby is, authorized to execute in the name and on behalf of the Authority, and in a form approved by the General Counsel, MBTA Contract No. X60PS02: Positive Train Control Technical Support Services with LTK Engineering Services, for an amount not to exceed \$6,954,338.00.

Lastly, Chair Aiello called upon Director of Strategic Initiatives Laurel Paget-Seekins to present Agenda Item I, the Weekend Commuter Rail Bus Diversion Policy. Ms. Paget-Seekins was following-up on feedback she received from the previous FMCB meeting earlier in the day, and presented a proposed policy as set forth in the attached presentation labeled, “Weekend Bus Diversion Policy Part 2, July 31, 2017.” Discussion ensued.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was;

VOTED:

That the Fiscal and Management Control Board hereby adopts the Weekend Commuter Rail Bus Diversion Policy as presented to the FMCB during the July 31, 2017 meeting and authorizes the Interim General Manager or his designee, to take all necessary steps to implement said Policy, in the name and on behalf of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was by roll call;

Chair Aiello	Yes
Director Shortsleeve	Yes
Director Lang	Yes
Director Tibbits-Nutt	Yes

VOTED:

To enter into Executive Session at 4:55 p.m. for a discussion of strategy related to real estate, collective bargaining and non-union personnel and litigation.

Documents relied upon for this meeting

MBTA Wi-Fi Project Update, July 31, 2017

The RIDE” Access Center (TRAC) Update, July 31, 2017

Green Line Extension Project, July 31, 2017 AFC 2.0 Project Update, July 31, 2017

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Bus Overhaul Program, July 31, 2017

Commuter Rail Positive Train Control, July 31, 2017

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