

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
DECEMBER 12, 2007**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Transportation Committee was Convened at 9:35 a.m. on Wednesday, December 12, 2007 in Committee Room #2.

The Following Committee Members were Present

**The Honorable Clair Muller, Chair
The Honorable C. T. Martin
The Honorable Kwanza Hall
The Honorable Mary Norwood, Vice-Chair
The Honorable Felicia Moore**

The Following Committee Member was Absent

The Honorable Lamar Willis

Others in attendance were Beverly A. Scott, General Manager/CEO - MARTA; Juanita J. Abernathy, COA MARTA Board Member; Clara H. Axam, COA MARTA Board Member; Gloria Leonard, COA MARTA Board Member; Michael Walls, COA MARTA Board Member; Ryland McClendon, Wanda Dunham, Frank Buford, David Allen, Elizabeth O'Neil and Joselyn Baker, AGM MARTA; Marvin Tolliver, Government and Community Relations Manager-MARTA; Leeshu Kennedy, Manager of External Affairs-MARTA; Greg Pridgeon, Chief of Staff - Mayor; Ben DeCosta, Aviation General Manager; Girard Geeter, Deputy Chief Procurement Officer-Aviation; Anita Williams, Executive Management Analyst-Aviation; Heather Alhadeff, Department of Planning and Community Development; Lora Billinger, Law Department; Saul Schultz, Law Department; Jennifer Tetrick, Law Department; Nursef Kedir, Public Works; General Public, members of the Press and Council Staff.

The Agenda was Adopted without objection and the Minutes for the Transportation Meeting held on November 28, 2007 were approved without objection.

C. DISCUSSION ITEM

**1. Introduction of MARTA's General Manager and Annual Report -
City of Atlanta Members of MARTA Board of Directors**

The City of Atlanta MARTA Board Members, Clara Axam, Juanita Abernathy, Michael Walls and Gloria Leonard, introduce MARTA's new General Manager/CEO, Beverly A. Scott. Ms. Scott spoke a little about herself and what she would like to see implemented at MARTA. The MARTA Year End Report was presented and it included information on a strategic plan, key 2007 accomplishments, ridership, customer satisfaction, financial highlights, service improvements and future planning underway. Also included in the report was information on the System Re-Engineering & Optimization Study, a C-Tran Bus Service Overview and Service Modifications.

Also Heather Alhadeff, Department of Planning and Community Development, was asked to come forward to give the Committee an update on the Connect Atlanta Plan. She announced the next two meeting dates and she spoke about how well MARTA's System Optimization Plan and the Atlanta Strategic Action Plan (formerly the Comprehensive Development Plan) are working together.

REGULAR REPORT

D. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

07-O-2601 (1) An Ordinance by Councilmember Natalyn Archibong to install All Way Stop Signs at the intersection of Woodbine and Anniston Avenues in the Edgewood Neighborhood of District 5; and for other purposes.

Chairperson Muller made a motion to hold pending analysis and recommendation from the department of Public Works.

HELD (4 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

E. PAPERS HELD IN COMMITTEE

06-O-0489 (1) An Ordinance by Councilmember Joyce M. Sheperd authorizing the Mayor or her designee to study vehicular and pedestrian traffic on Metropolitan Parkway to determine the placement of additional traffic calming signage warning of the School Zone for Capitol View Elementary School; and for

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E. PAPERS HELD IN COMMITTEE (CONT'D)

other purposes. **(Held 2/15/06 at request of the Department of Public Works pending additional study.)**

- 06-R-1572 (2) A Resolution by Councilmember Kwanza Hall requesting that the Mayor or her designee remove those Parking meters on Auburn Avenue from Courtland Street to Jackson Street; and for other purposes. **(Held 7/12/06 for additional discussion and consideration by Committee and presentation on the City Parking Meter Program by Public Works.)**

FILE (4 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

- 06-O-2246 (3) An Ordinance by Councilmember Kwanza Hall authorizing the Mayor or her designee to install Traffic Calming Measures to reduce speed on North Avenue, from Freedom Parkway to Moreland Avenue; and for other purposes. **(Held 10/11/06 at the request of Councilmember Hall so that the Department of Public Works can meet with the neighborhood.)**

FILE (4 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

- 07-R-0619 (4) A Resolution by Councilmember Carla Smith authorizing the Mayor or her designee to issue a Notice to Proceed with Metcalf and Eddy/Cardozo Engineers, a Joint Venture for FC-7619-03E, Annual Contract for Architectural and Engineering Services, for an Asset Management Program Study for the submission of an application for the FHWA Grant, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, in an amount not to exceed \$29,500.00; all contracted work shall charged to and paid from the following Fund, Account and Center Number: 3P02 574001 M22F03349999; and for other purposes. **(Held 3/28/07 at the request of the Department of Public Works.)**

- 07-O-1337 (5) An Ordinance by Councilmember Kwanza Hall authorizing the Mayor or her designee to conduct a study of traffic on the 1500 and 1600 blocks of Peachtree Street to determine the adequacy and safety of the existing turning options for vehicles wishing to enter or exit properties on these blocks; and for other purposes. **(Held 6/27/07 at the request of the Department of Public Works for further study.)**

FILE (4 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

E. PAPERS HELD IN COMMITTEE (CONT'D)

07-O-2418 (6) An Ordinance by Councilmember Kwanza Hall to amend Section 150-113 and to add new Sections 150-120 through 15-128 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Atlanta so as to establish procedures for the permitting and regulations of Valet Parking Services, to authorize the charging of fees in connection with the regulations and permitting of Valet Parking Services, to establish penalties for the violation of the procedures and requirements for Valet Parking Services, and for other purposes. **(Held 11/14/07 for PAB notification and for a Public Hearing 11/28/07; Public Hearing held 12/12/07 continue to hold pending NPU review.)**

Chairperson Muller declared the Public Hearing open at 10:45 am and called on those who signed up to speak. After the speaker, Chairperson Muller, Councilmember Hall and Councilmember Moore made brief comments and requests. Chairperson Muller declared the Public Hearing closed at 10:57 am. And asked that 07-O-2418 continue to be held so that the NPU's could continue their review and so that potentially affected businesses can be notified about this legislation.

07-O-2509 (7) An Ordinance by Councilmember C. T. Martin **as Amended by Transportation Committee** authorizing the Mayor or her designee to make Peyton Road, SW, a Four-Way Stop where it intersects with Kelso Drive, SW; and for other purposes. **(Held 11/28/07 by the Committee pending additional study on traffic calming measures by the Department of Public Works.)**

07-O-2520 (8) An Ordinance Councilmember Jim Maddox authorizing the installation of Left Turn Arrows on the Traffic Signal located at Cascade Road, SW and Boulevard Granada, SW/Beecher Road, SW for traffic traveling East and West on Cascade Road, SW; and for other purposes. **(Held 11/28/07 by the Committee pending additional study of the proposed signal installation by the Department of Public Works.)**

F. ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA

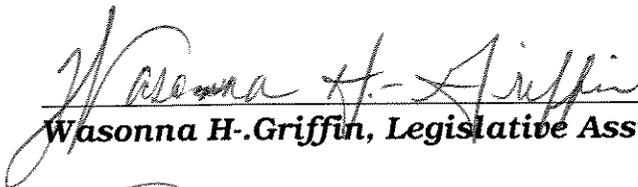
07-R-2593 (1) A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to execute a Renewal Agreement with Hartsfield-Jackson CONRAC Design Consultants (HJCDC), a Joint Venture comprised of R. L. Brown and Associates Inc.; Pierce, Goodwin, Alexander & Linville; and Walter P. Moore and Associates; for FC-7584-03, Consolidated Rental Car Facility (CONRAC) Rental Agency Complex (RAC) Architectural and Engineering Design Services for Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE (4 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

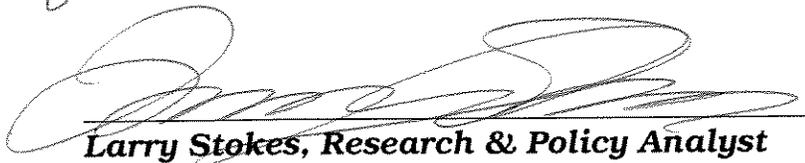
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was Adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Wasonna H. Griffin, Legislative Assistant



Larry Stokes, Research & Policy Analyst



**The Honorable Clair Muller, Chair
Transportation Committee**