

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
MARCH 10, 2010**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Transportation Committee was Convened at 9:37 a.m. on Wednesday, March 10th, in Committee Room #2.

The Following Committee Members were Present

**The Honorable C. T. Martin, Chair
The Honorable Keisha Lance Bottoms, Vice-Chair
The Honorable Carla Smith
The Honorable Felicia A. Moore
The Honorable H. Lamar Willis**

The Following Committee Members were not Present

**The Honorable Natalyn M. Archibong
The Honorable Michael Julian Bond**

Others in attendance were: Dr. Beverly Scott, MARTA General Manager/CEO; Gloria Leonard, COA Board Member- MARTA; Clara Axam, COA Board Member- MARTA; Ryland McClendon, Transit Sys. Dev. & External Affairs Asst. Gen Mgr-MARTA; Leeshu Kennedy, Manager of External Affairs-MARTA; Ben DeCosta, Aviation General Manager; Anita Williams, Executive Management Analyst/Aviation; Katrina Taylor-Parks, Mayor's Office; Nursef Kadir, Public Works; Madelyn Grant, Public Works; Michelle Wynn, Public Works; Michael Fineman, Attorney-Aviation; Saul Schultz, Attorney-Law Department.; Larry Scott, Senior Contract Compliance Specialist; General Public, Members of the Press and Council Staff.

The Agenda was Adopted without objection.

The Minutes for the Transportation Committee Meeting held on February 24, 2010 were approved without objection.

C. DISCUSSION ITEM

1. MARTA Quarterly Update

Dr. Beverly Scott, General Manager/ CEO

Dr. Beverly Scott, General Manager/ CEO, came before the Committee to present MARTA's quarterly update. She began the presentation with an update on current discussions concerning MARTA's FY 2011 Budget Overview. She also spoke on MARTA's 2010 Legislative Agenda and the State Transportation Legislation. Included in the presentation were proposed bus service modifications, major transit expansion projects, MARTA efficiency and effectiveness, Federal FY 2011 appropriations requests and MARTA's investment in public transportation. A copy of the presentation and all of the information referenced above is on file with these minutes.

CONSENT REPORT

D. ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

10-O-0467 (1) An Ordinance by Transportation Committee to amend Chapter 138 (Entitled "Street, Sidewalks and Other Public Places"), Article IV, Division 2, Sections 138-84 and 138-85 so as to amend the procedures to be followed for the installation of Traffic Calming Devices in the Public Right of Way; and for other purposes.

TO BE REFERRED TO TRANSPORTTION COMMITTEE

10-O-0468 (2) An Ordinance by Transportation Committee to amend Chapter 150 (Entitled "Stopping, Standing and Parking"), Division 4 (Entitled "Residential Permit Parking"), so as to amend the procedures to be followed for the establishment of Residential Permit Parking Areas within the City of Atlanta; and for other purposes.

TO BE REFERRED TO TRANSPORTTION COMMITTEE

10-O-0469 (3) An Ordinance by Transportation Committee to anticipate and appropriate Grant Funds in the total amount of \$475,750.00 to be received from the United States Department of Energy via Grant Award No. DE-EE0001168, for the construction phase of the Terminal Core Drawings and Specifications for the International Terminal Building Project; and for other purposes.

TO BE REFERRED TO TRANSPORTTION COMMITTEE

10-O-0470 (4) An Ordinance by Transportation Committee to amend the FY 2010 [Airport Renewal and Extension Fund (5502), the Airport Passenger Facility Charge Fund (5505), the 2006 Airport CONRAC Bond Fund (5518), and the 2004 Airport PFC Bond Fund (5508)] Budgets by transferring to and from appropriations a total amount of \$7,647,881.69 for reimbursement of the Renewal and Extension Fund, and a total amount of \$323,476.00 for reimbursement of the 2004 Airport PFC Bond Fund; and for other purposes.

TO BE REFERRED TO TRANSPORTTION COMMITTEE

REGULAR REPORT

E. RESOLUTIONS

10-R-0471 (1) A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to execute a Local Assistance Road Program Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation for Project Nos. S01263-LAU and S012604-LAU to provide for the Resurfacing of Twenty-Two (22) City Streets; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE (5 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

10-R-0472 (2) A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to issue a Notice to Proceed with Arcadis/Brindley Pieters & Associates, a Joint Venture for FC-4906A, Annual Contract for Architectural and Engineering Services, for additional Design Services for the Upgrade of Advance Traffic Intersection Controllers on behalf of the Department of Public Works, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00; with all contracted work to be charged to and paid from the FDOA Numbers listed; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE (5 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

10-R-0487 (3) A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor or his designee to enter into Amendment Agreement No. 1 with Engineering Design Technologies, Inc., for FC6005007887, Annual Contract for Professional Design Services for various Quality of Life Projects (Project A: West End LCI and Project B: Greenbriar Town Center), to add additional funds on behalf of the Department of Public Works in an amount not to exceed \$202,040.00; all contracted work shall be charged to and paid from various FDOA Numbers; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE (5 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

10-R-0488 (4) A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Master Wireless Agreements for Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport to extend the Airport's Distributed Antenna System used by Wireless Service Providers to the Rental Car Center; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE (5 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

10-R-0489 (5) A Resolution by Transportation Committee increasing the Compensation Limit for Contract No. FC-6006007929-A, Architectural and Engineering Design Services, with Hartsfield Support Services Team, a Joint Venture, in an additional amount of \$750,000.00 to provide Professional,

REGULAR REPORT

E. RESOLUTIONS (CONT'D)

Architectural and Engineering Design Services for the Department of Aviation on a task order basis; all services to be charged to and paid from the PTAE0 and FDOA Numbers listed.

FAVORABLE (5 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

- 10-R-0490 (6) A Resolution by Transportation Committee authorizing the Mayor to execute a Reimbursable Agreement with the Atlanta Airlines Terminal Corporation for the North Hold Baggage System Mega Merge Replacement Project at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, for a cost to the City not to exceed \$1,100,000.00, to be charged to and paid from PTAE0 and FDOA Numbers listed; and for other purposes.

FAVORABLE ON CONDITION (5 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

F. PAPER(S) HELD IN COMMITTEE

- 10-O-0280 (1) A **Substitute** Ordinance by Transportation Committee to amend Division 2A of Article IV of Chapter 150, Traffic and Vehicles, Section 150-120 through 150-131 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Atlanta so as to establish a Permanent Program to permit Valet Parking Services; to modify and extend procedures for the permitting and regulation of the Valet Parking Services Program; and for other purposes. **(Substituted and held 2/24/10 by the Committee for further review and discussion.)**

FAVORABLE ON SUBSTITUTE (5 YEAS) (0 NAYS)

- 10-O-0400 (2) An Ordinance by Councilmembers Keisha Lance Bottoms and C. T. Martin authorizing the Mayor or his designee to make Willis Mill Road, SW, an All-Way Stop where it intersects with Wilson Drive, SW; and for other purposes. **(Held 2/24/10 per the author for additional information from the Department of Public Works.)**

FAVORABLE (4 YEAS) (0 NAYS) (1 ABSTENTION)

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMENTS AND REQUESTED INFORMATION

Announcements:

1. Transportation Committee has scheduled a touring worksession of MARTA facilities on March 17, 2010 at 10:00am, at the Five Points MARTA Station, to get a first hand view of the status of MARTA escalators.

Requests:

1. Chairperson Martin asked Dr. Beverly Scott, MARTA General Manager/CEO, to get with and to respond to Mr. George Pilkington's comments concerning announcements being made on MARTA Trains on a more consistent basis, and to address the problem of riders sitting in seats designated for the disabled and the elderly.
2. Chairperson Martin, on behalf of Councilmember Archibong, read the following questions addressed to Dr. Beverly Scott, and asked her to respond to Councilmember Archibong:
 - (a) Are you aware that there is no bus service at the East Lake MARTA Station?
 - (b) Does MARTA have smaller buses which could service areas with low ridership?
 - (c) Are there any opportunities for MARTA to partner with other transportation providers to serve routes with low ridership?
 - (d) Did MARTA consider that the loss of bus service in areas with low ridership and where there is a high unemployment rate would mean that mobility for job seekers would be eliminated or reduced?
3. Chairperson Martin asked Nursef Kedir with Public Works to provide a list of the streets to be paved, by district, to each Councilmember and to let them know the status of each project. (10-R-0471)
4. Councilmember Willis asked Ben DeCosta, Aviation General Manager, to provide him with information on Atlanta Airlines Terminal Corporation (AATC) and their participation requirements on projects at H-JAIA. (10-R-0490)
5. Councilmember Moore requested info from Nursef Kedir.
6. Chairperson Martin asked Nursef Kedir to physically observe and provide a report on the pedestrian parking and street crossing activity in the area of the Amtrak Station at Piedmont and Deering.
7. Chairperson Martin asked Nursef Kedir to get with Brother Anthony Muhammad, a constituent, to physically observe and provide a report on the existing traffic calming measures in place on Tell Road.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMENTS AND REQUESTED INFORMATION (CONT'D)

Requests:

8. Chairperson Martin asked Ben DeCosta, to get with and to respond to comments made by Ms. Carolyn Casterlow, President/CEO of Metro Tour Shuttle, Inc., concerning her request for a permit to operate a shuttle service at H-JAIA that was denied.
9. Chairperson Martin asked Madelyn Grant in Public Work to get with Mr. Bill Powell, a constituent, to discuss the existing traffic calming measures in place on Ormewood Avenue.

PENDING REQUESTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

January 27, 2010

Requests:

1. Councilwoman Lance-Bottoms asked Acting Commissioner of Public Works, Sandra Jennings, to check on the status of the road repairs requested at Campbellton Road and Hwy 166.
2. Chairperson Martin asked all departments to provide progress reports on all projects in progress and projects planned for this year so that a monitoring system can be created to track the projects and to keep up with the money involved.

January 13, 2010

PENDING REQUESTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS (CONT'D)

January 13, 2010

Comments:

1. Chairperson Martin asked the Councilmembers to review the oversight responsibilities of the Transportation Committee
2. Chairperson Martin asked the Councilmembers to follow-up with Public Works/Nursef Kedir concerning the Status of paving projects in their districts.
3. Chairperson Martin asked Councilmembers to review the H-JAIA General Revenue Refunding Bond Series and to keep in mind, the rebid is coming up soon.
4. Chairperson Martin asked Councilmembers to review the Dept. of Procurement Monthly Contract Report.

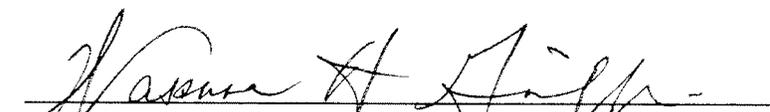
Requests:

1. Chairperson Martin asked Public Works/Nursef Kedir to provide an update to each Councilmember on traffic signal installation requests/projects in their districts.
2. Councilmember Lance-Bottoms asked Public Works/Nursef Kedir to submit a report to her on the Barge Road/Crosswalk/Traffic Signal request by 1/15/2010.
3. Chairperson Martin asked Aviation/Mario Diaz to provide a report on the new retail area operating at H-JAIA.
4. Councilmember Lance-Bottoms asked Public Works/Interim Commissioner Sandra Jennings to provide her a status report on the Gilford Forest paving project.
5. Councilmember Lance-Bottoms asked Public Works/Interim Commissioner Sandra Jennings to provide her a status report on Pot Hole repair requests.
6. Councilmember Moore asked Public Works/Int. Comm. Sandra Jennings to provide her with a status report on the new Parking Management Program since it began.

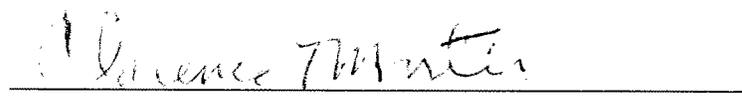
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting was Adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:


Wasonna H.-Griffin, Legislative Assistant


Larry Stokes,
Research & Policy Analyst


The Honorable C. T. Martin, Chair
Transportation Committee