

# OFFICE OF THE ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

## ARC QUARTERLY SUMMARY

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### 1. Monthly Meeting, October 24, 2018

#### Superbowl LIII 2019 Preparation

- Dan Corso informed that there will be 15 Super Bowl related events leading up to the much-anticipated game, most of which will be near the stadium. The event will affect the city's usual traffic; however, closures and traffic detour routes will be made available. MARTA will provide 24-hour service around the Super Bowl. December through January will see the training of 10,000 volunteers from Metro Atlanta who have been selected to help host the event.
- Statistics have shown that human trafficking activities increase during large sports events. Picking up where Mr. Corso left off, Deborah Richardson, the Executive Director of The International Human Trafficking Institute (IHTI), spoke about human trafficking prevention around the Super Bowl and beyond. IHTI is working with a wide range of partners and will assist the Atlanta Super Bowl Host Committee with training the 10,000 Super Bowl volunteers on how to identify trafficking.

#### ConnectATL: A Summit on the Future of Mobility and Communities

The event was held on September 7, 2018 at the GA Tech Hotel & Conference Center. Registration numbers increased by 167 to 432 people this year, including 50 additional local government and nonprofit registrants. The conference included discussions and live demonstrations of technology aimed at improving the efficiency of transit in Atlanta. Some of the topics discussed included: Building Today while Designing for Tomorrow, Managing the Curb Cyber Security, and Actionable Plans for Emerging Technologies. The event showcased the need for transit to be an equal partnership between the private and public sector.

## **2. Monthly Meeting, December 5, 2018**

**2019 Legislative Session Preview provided by John Bayalis, manager of intergovernmental affairs:**

- **Transportation** issues include rural transit recommendations, the Go! Transit Capital Program, possible updates to HB 930, which created the ATL, and motor-fuel tax exemption.
- **Aging services** issues include funding for home and community-based services, and funding for the Aging & Disability Resource Connection.
- **Workforce development** issues include legislation to enable workforce board meetings to be held by teleconference.

\*Other issues include possible legislation regarding workforce housing tax credit, potential state takeover of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, the “5G/Small Cell” debate, and rural broadband.

## **3. Monthly Meeting, January 29, 2019**

- **Board Approves Concept 3 Regional Transit Vision**

The ARC Board adopted an update to Concept 3, the region’s long-range transit vision for what transit expansion might look like if cost were no object. Concept 3 was developed in collaboration with the ARC, local governments and transportation agencies. It includes 50 potential projects and will serve to inform future regional planning and investments, including a 13-county regional transit plan to be developed later this year by the ATL Authority,

- **Two ARC Members Sworn In, One Citizen Member Elected**

The two newly-elected county commission chairs are Harry Johnston, chairman of the Cherokee County Commission, and Randy Ognio, chairman of the Fayette County Commission. The new citizen member, who will be sworn in at the next meeting, is Bucky Johnson, former mayor of Norcross. He will represent Citizen District 10, which includes portions of DeKalb and Gwinnett counties.

- **Board Votes to Authorize Fiscal Year Funding Request for Area Agency on Aging**

Becky Kurtz, Manager of Aging and Independence Services, updated the board on the Area Agency on Aging’s (AAA) performance metrics for the current four-year plan laid out by the Georgia Division of Aging Services.

- **The ARC recognized the following seven communities for their commitment to sustainability:** Cherokee County, Fulton County, Gwinnett County, City of Alpharetta, City of Chamblee, City of Decatur and the City of Sandy Springs.