



**CAPITAL METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORKSESSION
2910 East Fifth Street Austin, TX 78702**

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Friday, May 25, 2018
11:00 AM

11:18 AM Session Called to Order
03:00 PM Session Adjourned

I. Public Comment:

David King, citizen, remains concerned about some of the changes that took place with Cap Remap. He urges the board and agency to continue to monitor the changes and make adjustments as necessary, especially in areas where they may be affecting low-income populations and communities of color. Transit dependent customers should be the priority. These people need to get the service they need.

Mona Mehdy, citizen, urged the board to think about people whose service is being cut or diminished -- those people will face stress economically and with their well-being. This stress will have effects. Please try to minimize this harm. Change the plan to make it more cost-neutral with cutting service to other folks.

Zenobia Joseph, citizen, gave comments related to the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Changes at the North Lamar Transit Center are a major service change. Those changes were never brought before the board for approval and are not in the Title VI service equity analysis. Board member Kitchen is quoted as saying that she wanted the changes brought before they board and they never were. Recognize that in some areas of the city, the southwest in particular, service standards are not being met, while in other areas service is being cut -- which is a violation. Please comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Board member Garza commented that these comments are not falling on deaf ears. She is supportive of what we can do to continue to monitor and make adjustments. Her main concern is minority and low income populations. Board member Travillion stated that he is working with President Clarke to find a way to make more direct comparisons when routes are being changed, which will help explain and analyze the change. President Clarke added that a memo is being prepared for the board covering the specifics of the Cap Remap outreach, and that while we will monitor and make adjustments there are many low income and minority customers that are going to see big benefits of the new routes and frequencies. Board member Renteria made additional comments on housing density and gentrification.

II. Executive Session of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code:

Section 551.072 for real property issues - Real Estate - Downtown Rail Property.
Section 551.071 for legal advice- Labor Structure and pending litigation.

Went into executive session at 2:17 PM
Returned from session at 3:00 PM

III. Presentations:

1. 60 Day Status Report

President and CEO Clarke presented an overview of his first 60 days with the agency and in Austin.

The discussion included a review of feedback from President Clarke's customer and stakeholder "listening tour". He also reviewed what he sees as the Agency's strengths and opportunities and led a discussion of board involvement and policy issues. He went through the agenda and outcomes from a recent senior staff retreat. The board then moved into a discussion of priorities and strategic planning, including funding and sequencing for Project Connect, leveraging board relationships, and internal/external focus. Finally, President Clarke asked the board a series of questions of the board as a way of soliciting ideas on their ideas of a future vision for the Agency. Chair Cooper then asked for thoughts and ideas from each of the board members and further discussion was held on ideas put forth around the table.

IV. Items for Future Discussion:

V. Adjournment

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