



CAPITAL METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING
2910 East Fifth Street Austin, TX 78702

~ MINUTES ~

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Thursday, September 14, 2017
12:30 PM

12:56 PM Meeting Called To Order
01:46 PM Meeting Adjourned

I. Public Comment:

David King, citizen, thanked Ms. Watson for her service. He also thanked the Board for their service and stated he would like the new CEO to possess the following key characteristics: integrity, transparency, and accountability. Additional remarks included: someone who is familiar with Austin and aware of the economic segregation; someone that will listen and be sensitive to the community and will work with the Board to find solutions to the areas that we serve and consequently develop strategies and policies based on public feedback.

Keith Lofton, citizen, thanked Ms. Watson for her service and added that he would like the new CEO to be someone that also understands the disability community. He said he is transit dependent and would like to see more bus routes added and more friendly bus drivers.

Frank Atkins, citizen, communicated that when Ms. Watson was hired she inherited an agency that was in total chaos and the public trust in the agency was almost nonexistent. He thanked Ms. Watson for turning things around and stated he would like the new CEO to take transparency to another level. He feels everything is always blamed on the passenger and he would like to see a culture of people helping people to solve the transportation problems we have in the community. Additional remarks included: add other municipalities to the system. Round Rock service is great, but it needs to improve - it needs to operate later in the day and operate on weekends. Lastly, it was suggested that perhaps we could televise our Board meetings on public access for those unable to attend our noon Board meetings

David Wittie, Adapt Texas, is very proud of Capital Metro's wheelchair lift equipped vehicle fleet. He commented that he would like the new CEO to establish a culture of bus drivers who understand the disability community that rides fixed bus routes. He thanked Ms. Watson for her years of service and applauded her contribution in almost having 100% ADA compliance bus stops.

Zenobia Joseph, citizen, had comments regarding a KAZI public announcement as it relates to Connections 2025. She feels the public announcement is misleading and wants it removed. She suggested that the new CEO work in tandem with Travis County Commissioners Court as it pertains to the American with Disabilities Act. She opposes a \$55 million project that is under construction because people who rely on transit cannot live in that affordable housing complex because the bus stop is not near enough.

Ms. Witten, citizen, thanked all the bus drivers and urged the Board not to cancel bus route 2. Board member Silas asked Roberto Gonzales, Planning Department, to speak with Ms. Witten about this route.

II. Presentations:

1. President/CEO Search Process

Donna Simmons, Vice President, Administration, introduced Gregg Moser from Krauthamer and Associates who is assisting Capital Metro in the President/CEO search process. Ms. Simmons communicated that this special Board meeting was scheduled to provide an opportunity for the Board and the public to provide feedback about the draft job profile. She announced Gregg would be leading the discussion on the draft profile that has been provided to the Board, as well as the proposed selection process.

Gregg briefly discussed the categories in the draft job profile. Discussion ensued regarding comments he heard from community members, staff members, and the board regarding desired Attributes and Characteristics of the new CEO.

Gregg added that it was unanimously stated from everybody that President Watson has done an unbelievable job getting Capital Metro where it is today and now is an opportunity to take it to the next level. Lastly, Gregg mentioned he will add today's public comments to the draft job profile.

Next, Board members offered comments and remarks regarding the draft job profile.

In closing, Gregg walked the Board through the timeline and stated he will be presenting a revised job profile for the Board's at the September 29 Board meeting. We will also accept public feedback at that time.

Chair Cooper asked to see the revised job profile and a redline version prior to the September 29 Board meeting.

III. Items for Future Discussion:

IV. Adjournment

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