



**REGIONAL
TRANSIT AUTHORITY**
OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN

Proposed Meeting Summary

Board of Directors

Thursday, July 18, 2024

1:00 PM

1. Call to order at 1:05 PM

- 2. Roll Call:** Jeannette Bradshaw; Helaine Zack; Alma Smith; Ned Staebler; Jon Moore; Don Morandini; Dave Massaron; Dr. Erica Robertson; June Lee . A quorum was present.

RTA Representatives Present:

Ben Stupka; Khalil Davis; Melanie Piana; Kameron Bloye; Isaac Constans; Kristin Caffray; Julia Roberts; Shauna Morris; Corri Wofford (virtual).

Other Meeting Participants:

Morrow and Associates – RTA Consultant

WSP – RTA Consultant

Lisa Nuszowski – M1 Rail

Michelle Hodges, Rehmann – RTA Consultant

Michael Staley - DDOT

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Alma Smith and supported by Don Morandini. The July 18, 2024, Agenda was approved.

4. Public Comment

- Robert Pawlowski provided comment regarding advocacy of the QLine transfer agreement and increased state and federal funding.

5. Executive Directors Report

Mr. Stupka presented the Executive Directors Report to the Board providing a summary in relation to:

- \$55 Million FTA grants to DDOT and AAATA
- Government updates – LBO funding
- Forthcoming plans and projects
 - \$2 million Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation planning grant that looks to bridge the

gap for neighborhoods that may not have transit options for healthy food sources

- Mobility Wallet RFP vendors are being reviewed
- The On-Call Planning team is working on FTA compliance and grants strategy matrix
- Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan (CHSTP) to be possibly launched at the end of July
- D2A2 Rider Survey is in final stages – overwhelming positive responses
- D2A2 and DAX Ridership trends
- Thriving Communities work has started. Will meet with partnering agencies to help better advance corridor projects
- General Survey consultant was selected for public survey to gain insight as it relates to public transit in the region
- SMARTer mobility scenarios were shared for public engagement. RTA is participating on the steering committee for study.
- RTA Public Engagement and QLine picnic
- RTA Communications
 - Influencers posting on DAX experience
 - Casual Conversations with Mario Morrow interview
- Administrative updates
 - Procurement and Contract Manager will start August 5, 2024
 - Audit Call for Proposals was released
 - Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Access (DEIA) workshop was completed
 - RTA Rebranding process is being completed.
 - Website update contract to kick-off in August 2024
 - SEMCOG Federal Recertification process to start; Opportunity for public comment is available
- Upcoming Board Items

6. Presentations

- a. Jeff Aranoff, Miller Canfield, presented an overview on the QLine Transfer Agreement.
- b. MDOT State Safety Office presented a State Safety Oversight Program Overview. The full presentation is [here](#).
- c. Ben Stupka provided an overview on the FY2025-26 Budget.

7. Consent Agenda

- a. [Approval of the June 20, 2024 Meeting Summary \(Amended\)](#)

- b. [Approval of the Media Relation Services Notice of Award Memo](#)
Moved by Ned Staebler and supported by Don Morandini,
the Consent Agenda was approved, as amended.

8. Regular Agenda

- a. [Approval of Financial Reports for June 2024](#)
Moved by Alma Smith and supported by Helaine Zack, the
June 2024 Financial Reports were approved.

9. New Business

There was no new business.

10. Meeting adjourned at 2:22 PM