

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF: Special Meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees

DATE: Monday, July 6, 2015, 9:00 a.m.
SORTA/Metro Mt. Adams Board Room
602 Main Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Jason Dunn, Frank Bowen, Brendon Cull, Brennan Grayson, Gregg Hothem, Kreg Keesee, Ron Mosby, Jack Painter, Ken Reed, Gwen Robinson, Karl Schultz, Daniel St. Charles, Brad Thomas

BOARD MEMBERS

ABSENT:

STAFF MEMBERS: Dwight Ferrell, Donna Adkins, Matt Conover, Kenneth Foxx, Butch Gaut, Paul Grether, Jennifer Haines, Darryl Haley, Tim Harrington, Sallie Hilvers, Arnold Isham, Orlando King, Mary Moning, Kris Neiheisel, Wright Parkes, Mike Restle, Carlos Rowland, Frank Spataro, Mike Weil

OTHERS: Nick Sunyak, City of Cincinnati; Trevor Smith, Seasongood Intern; Jason Williams, Cincinnati Enquirer; John Deatrick, City of Cincinnati; Lisa Bernard Kuhn, WCPO Digital; Chris Wetterich, Business Courier; Camera Crews from WCPO, Local 12, WLWT and Fox 19; Jay Hanselman, WVXU; Kim Schaefer, Vorys, Stater, Seymour and Pease, LLP; Dick Alexander, Mike Setzer and John Claflin, Transdev Services, Inc.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Dunn, SORTA Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLIGANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

HEARINGS FROM CITIZENS

None were present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning and Operations Committee

Mr. Thomas reported on the Planning and Operations Committee meeting held on Monday, July 6, 2015, and proposed the following resolution to the Board for approval:

Proposed Resolution No. 2015-18: Approval of Contract for Streetcar Operations & Maintenance Services

Mr. Thomas moved for adoption and Mr. Schultz seconded the motion. Under the Cincinnati Streetcar Operations & Maintenance Intergovernmental Agreement (OMIGA) with the City of Cincinnati, SORTA's role is to manage the procurement process to secure a third-party contractor to operate and maintain the Cincinnati Streetcar and to award the contract at the end of the process. On Jan. 6, 2015, SORTA issued a request for proposals (RFP) to provide operating and maintenance services for the Cincinnati Streetcar for start-up plus a five-year base contract period with up to five one-year extensions, beginning in July 2015. The best-value proposer to meet these requirements was Transdev Services, Inc. using the turn-key method. It is recommended that the SORTA Board of Trustees award the contract to Transdev Services, Inc. for Streetcar Operation and Maintenance Services on a turn-key basis for start-up plus a base five-year contract period with the option of renewing the contract for five one-year extensions for a total amount not to exceed \$38,333,271 (price is the maximum for start-up plus ten-year term of the contract including extensions), and authorize the CEO & General Manager or the CFO/ Interim Secretary-Treasurer to execute the contract on behalf of SORTA.

By roll call vote, the Board approved Resolution No. 2015-18.

Mr. Hothem wanted to thank staff for their time and dedication and asked how Transdev ranked in the procurement. Mr. Grether responded stating that Transdev ranked top in each category.

Mr. Dunn also wanted to thank the staff and the city representative for their work during this procurement and asked for a round of applause.

Mr. Grether introduced Mike Setzer and John Claflin from Transdev. Mr. Claflin noted that he is looking forward to providing Cincinnati with a safe and reliable system for the city and is excited to be moving and becoming a part of the community in the near future.

Mr. Mosby wanted to thank Mr. Dunn and Mr. Ferrell for their leadership and is honored to be a part of the SORTA Board of trustees.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, July 21, 2015, at 9:00 a.m., the SORTA/Metro Board Room, 602 Main Street, Suite 1200, Cincinnati, Ohio.

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

APPROVED:

Jason Dunn
Chair, SORTA Board

ATTESTED:

Dwight Ferrell
CEO & General Manager