

- NOTICE OF MEETING -
CAPITAL METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2007; 12:00 NOON
2910 EAST FIFTH STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78702

- MINUTES -

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Lee Walker
Commissioner Margaret Gomez
Mayor Pro Tem John Trevino
Mayor Pro Tem Fred Harless
Mayor John Cowman
Council Member Brewster McCracken
Council Member Lee Leffingwell

STAFF PRESENT

Fred Gilliam, President/CEO
Sallie Crosby, Chief Counsel
Gina Estrada, Executive Assistant/Board Liaison
SUPPORT STAFF

The Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board of Directors convened its Special Board Meeting on March 19, 2007 and was called to order by Chairman Walker at 12:04 p.m.

- A G E N D A -

Items for Presentation, Review, Consideration and Possible Action:

1. Capital Metro Structure.

Before going into executive session Anthony Walker wanted to address the Board. Mr. Walker wanted to thank Council Member Leffingwell and Council Member McCracken for the fight for changes. Leadership is a part of the Board and the City and respect is needed for leadership at Capital Metro. President and the Union need to get together and work this out. Council Member Martinez also addressed the Board, thanked the Board, recognized that it has not been easy but important as Board Members to have the vision with transit.

The Board went into executive session at 12:11 p.m.

2. **Executive Session of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code:**

Chapter 551.071 – Update on Labor Issues.

The Board returned from executive session at 12:42 p.m.

Council Member Leffingwell spoke on the decision today which has been discussed since October 2, 2006; there are two attorneys that will answer questions. The resolution results of consents, there are some that I wouldn't put in the resolution but it is a step forward. Mr. Denton and Mr. Shank thanked the Board for serving them. Mr. Denton said the boundaries line are with ATU and is complex with labor law. The resolution is the first step for a meet and confer. ATU contract expires the end of June. Mr. Denton said they now want to begin to explore a work force model. Commissioner Gomez said this process is good but wants no confusion and communication is very important. Mayor Pro Tem Harless said he received the letter from Council Member Leffingwell and feels like there is an agreement. We need to start negotiations now and congratulations to all the Board Members and the press for not making it harder. Council Member Leffingwell said, meet and confer offers to both sides and eliminates outsourcing when entering the contract and they will have to give up a lot. Chairman Walker said thank you very much for Leffingwell's letter. You said everything beautiful. Chairman read some of the attached letter. Thanked Andy Mormon who worked behind the scenes and to Mayor Pro Tem Harless who attended so many meetings.

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Council Member Leffingwell thanked Council Member McCracken who supported this from the beginning. Council Member McCracken added by saying that was a fine letter since he has been in public service. President/CEO Fred Gilliam said staff appreciates the diligence; we made sure to respond to your needs.

It was moved by Leffingwell seconded by Gomez to approve the resolution. The motion carried a vote of 7 ayes (Walker, Gomez, Harless, McCracken, Leffingwell, Trevino and Cowman) 0 nays.

The Board of Directors may also announce it will go into Executive Session, if necessary, to receive advice from legal counsel regarding any item on this agenda in accordance with Section 551.071 of the Texas Government code.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS: *Lee Walker, Chairman; Commissioner Margaret Gomez, Vice Chairperson; Alderman Fred Harless, Secretary; Mayor Pro Tem John Trevino; Mayor, City of Leander; John Cowman, Council Member Lee Leffingwell and Council Member Brewster McCracken. Board Liaison: Gina Estrada 389-7458, email gina.estrada@capmetro.org*

The board meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

It was moved by Gomez seconded by Trevino to approve the above minutes. The motion carried a vote of 7 ayes (Walker, Gomez, Harless, McCracken, Leffingwell, Trevino and Cowman) 0 nays.

Date: March 19, 2007

Gina Estrada
Executive Assistant/Board Liaison