

SORTA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
SORTA/METRO AT HUNTINGTON CENTER
23rd FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
525 VINE STREET, CINCINNATI OHIO 45202

MINUTES OF: Regular Meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees

DATE: Monday, November 21st, 2022, 9:00 A.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Alyson Beridon, Blake Ethridge, Chelsea Clark, Robert Harris, Kreg Keesee, Gwen Robinson, Sonja Taylor, and Larry Thompson

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Heidi Black, Trent Emeneker, Allen Freeman, Rod Hinton, Sara, Sheets

STAFF MEMBERS: Andy Aiello, Donna Adkins, Julie Beard, Ann Dinan, John Edmondson, Adriene Hairston, Darryl Haley, Brandy Jones, Caprice Jones, Maria Jones, Natalie Krusling, Pat Lafleur, Jeff Mundstock, John Ravasio, Jason Roe, Khaled Shammout, Tara Walker, and Mike Weil.

OTHERS: James Aasem (DHS/TSA), Kevin Coomer (DHS/TSA), James Green (DHS/TSA), Paul Komarek (Human Intervention LLC), Troy Miller (ATU), Kim Schafer (Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, LLC), Chris Steiner (ATU)

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

James Green, Transportation Security Inspector-Surface (CVG) Kevin Coomer, Assistant Federal Director for Inspection (AFSD-1) (CVG) James Aasen, Supervisory Transportation Security Inspector (CVG) spoke at the board meeting about security. Paul Komarek from Human Intervention LLC spoke at the board meeting concerning fare deal eligibility and suggested to add TVM's to locations on the westside of town.

CHAIRMAN UPDATE

None.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 20th, 2022, BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Keesee made a motion that the minutes from the September 20th board meeting be approved as previously mailed and Mr. Ethridge seconded the motion.

By voice vote, the SORTA Board approved the minutes.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Keesee reported on the Finance Committee meeting held on November 8th, 2022.

Mr. Keesee made a motion and Mr. Thompson seconded to approve the following item(s) that the committee agreed to place on the consent agenda.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the following items:

PROPOSED MOTION: APPROVAL OF LEGAL SERVICE EXPENDITURES WITH VORY'S, SATER & PEASE LLC

This motion approves a one (1) year agreement for legal services with Vory's, Sater & Pease LLC for the period of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, at the rates provided in the engagement letter, for a total not to exceed \$300,000.

PROPOSED MOTION: APPROVAL OF LEGAL SERVICE EXPENDITURES WITH DINSMORE & SHOHL LLP

This motion approves a one (1) year agreement for legal services with Dinsmore & Shohl LLP for the time period of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, at the rates set forth in the engagement letter at a cost not to exceed \$250,000.

Proposed Resolution 2022-40: Approval of 2023 Healthcare Plan

This resolution approves a one (1) year contract with United Healthcare at a cost of \$213,809 for healthcare and \$623,529 for stop loss, and a two (2) year contract with Enrollment Management Services (EMS) at a cost of \$160,000 on behalf of SORTA.

PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Ethridge reported the Planning and Operations Committee meeting was held on November 8th, 2022.

Mr. Ethridge moved for adoption and Ms. Taylor seconded a motion to approve the following items that were placed on the consent agenda.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved.

Proposed Motion: Approval of OKI Appointment

This motion approves the appointment of Darryl Haley as SORTA's representative to the OKI Board of Trustees and Khaled Shammout as the alternate.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2022-41: Approval of Contract Modification for Trapeze OPS and Paracutter Software

This resolution approves a contract with Trapeze Software Group, Inc. for software licensing that will add operations and route planning improvement to the access service.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2022-42: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT MODIFICATION FOR PAYCOR

This resolution approves a contract modification of a three (3) year extension of the contract with for Paycor, at a cost of \$736,609 and a total not to exceed \$1,385,618.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2022-43: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR INTEGRATED VEHICLE LOGIC UNITS (IVLU) FOR VONTAS

This resolution approves a contract with Vontas for the purchase of IVLU's at the total cost not to exceed \$2,593,174.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2022-44: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR QUEENSGATE GARAGE DOOR REPLACEMENT

This resolution approves a contract with Bushelman Supply Company for a total cost not to exceed \$1,003,775 to replace 106 garage doors at the Queensgate Garage.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2022-45: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR IT RESEARCH AND ADVISORY SERVICES MEMBERSHIP

This resolution approves a three (3) year contract with Info-Tech Research Group Inc. for IT research and advisory services membership at a total cost not to exceed \$179,230.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2022-47: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FRAME RACK FOR MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

This resolution approves a contract with CJ. Inc. for the purchase and installation of a new frame rack at the Queensgate body shop with a total cost not to exceed \$273,838.34.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2022-48: RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT EXECUTIVE FOR QUEENSGATE RADIO CONTROL CENTER AND TRAINING ROOF REPLACEMENTS

This resolution approves a contract with American Roofing for the Queensgate Radio Control Center and Training Trailer roof replacements at a cost of \$336,606.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2022-46: RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR PARATRANSIT VEHICLES

This resolution approves a ratification of a contract with Transportation Equipment Sales Corporation (TESCO) for Paratransit Vehicles at a total cost not to exceed \$2,367,022.

Mr. Ethridge made a motion to approve and Ms. Beridon second the motion, by roll call, the SORTA Board approved the Resolution No. 2022-46.

METRO ON THE MOVE REPORT

Mr. Haley provided a brief report of Metro on the Move. The report included: Winter service changes beginning December 4th, 2022. New Federal grants for buses and facilities, the recipient of \$13.4 million in federal grants awarded by OKI Regional Council of Governments. State of Metro luncheon with over 300+community leaders, customers, and elected officials in attendance, successful vendor fair and as a promotion Metro kicked off this month to encourage everyone to shop local with free fares on Metro and Access service Black Friday November 25th, 2022.

The SORTA Board accepted the report as presented.

NEW BUSNISS

None

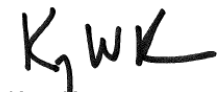
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 A.M.

NEXT MEETING

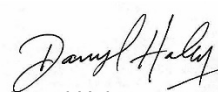
The next regular meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees has been scheduled for **DECEMBER 13th, 2022, at 6:00 P.M.** the SORTA/Metro Board Room, at 525 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

APPROVED:



Kreg Keesee
Chair, SORTA Board

ATTESTED:



Darryl Haley
CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer