



Southeastern Regional Transit Authority (SRTA) Advisory Board Meeting

Date: Thursday, February 16th, 2023
Location: Virtual Meeting via SRTA Microsoft Teams (2:00 PM)
Call in Number: 1-929-523-2910; Access Code: 939005578#
Purpose: SRTA Advisory Board Meeting

(1) Call to Order

The Advisory Board Chair called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM EST.

(2) Roll Call

Present:

City of New Bedford (Jennifer Clarke)	City of Fall River (Seth T. Aitken)
Town of Fairhaven (Leon Correy)	Town of Freetown (Jared Zager)
Town of Somerset (Jacob Vaught)	Town of Westport (Richard Brewer)
Riders Representative (Dan Robillard)	

Absent:

Town of Acushnet	Town of Dartmouth
Town of Mattapoisett	Town of Swansea
ADA Representative	

Additional Attendees:

Erik Rousseau, SRTA	Arthur Frank, General Counsel (SRTA)
Kristen Sniezek, SRTA	John LeBert, SRTA
Shayne Trimbell, SRTA	Corey Hebert, SRTA
Maritza Aquino, SRTA	Michelle Tavares, SRTA
Lilia Cabral-Bernard, SRPEDD	Andrea Duarte

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(3) Approval of Minutes

Motion: The motion was made (Riders Representative) and seconded (Town of Westport) to approve the minutes from the previous SRTA Advisory Board Meeting held on December 15th, 2022.

Discussion: N/A

Vote:

For: Town of Fairhaven, City of Fall River, Town of Freetown, City of New Bedford, Town of Somerset, Town of Westport, Riders Representative

Status: Motion Passes

(4) Citizen's Participation

No Citizen's Participation.

(5) Civil Rights Update

Title VI:

The SRTA's current Title VI Plan has been submitted and is under FTA review and awaiting concurrence.

Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO):

The EEO Plan for South Coast Transit Management (SCTM) has been submitted and is under FTA review and awaiting concurrence.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE):

The SRTA's current DBE Goal Plan has been submitted and is under FTA review and awaiting concurrence.

The most recent semi-annual report was submitted on December 1st and is under FTA review. The next semi-annual report is due June 1st.

The SRTA's current DBE Program Plan has been submitted and is under FTA review and awaiting concurrence.

Environmental Justice:

Environmental justice is a requirement that the SRTA must engage the public whenever there is a major project or route change. The SRTA is constantly working to increase public participation, and if any public input is needed, it will be conveyed to the Board as part of this report.

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Public Hearings / Meetings:

There will be public engagement meetings held in March, but dates have not been set.

(6) Old Business

Mr. Robillard asked if the results of the Bus Stop Consolidation and Design would be distributed to the members of the board. Mr. Rousseau replied that the members of the board will receive the results of this study.

(7) New Business

FY23 Budget Update

Mr. Rousseau presented the mid-year financial report for fiscal year 2023 which included increases in operating and auxiliary revenue, increases in cost of service, and administrative costs in line with the budget. The draft FY2024 budget will be discussed at the next meeting.

(8) Logistics for the Next Advisory Board Meeting

As indicated on the agenda, the next Advisory Board Meeting for the Southeastern Regional Transit Authority is on Thursday, March 23rd, 2023, at 2:00 PM.

(9) Adjournment

The Advisory Board Chair called the meeting to adjourn at 2:18 PM EST.

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