

FINANCE COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019
POINT BREEZE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

OPEN SESSION

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Jack Basso (via phone)
Katherine Bays Armstrong (via phone)
Dontae Carroll (via phone)
John von Paris (via phone)

STAFF ATTENDING: Kerry Brandt
Donna DiCerbo
Cheryl Dickinson
Allen Garman
Chantelle Green
Natalie Henson
Meshelle Howard
Kimberly Millender, Esq.
Mary O'Keeffe
Kevin C. Reigrut (via phone)
Deb Sharpless
Lora Tracy

OTHER ATTENDEES: June Hornick, MDOT (via phone)
Jim Walsh, MAA (via phone)

At 9:00 a.m., Member Jack Basso, Chair of the Finance Committee, called the Finance Committee Meeting to order. Member Basso called for a moment of silence to acknowledge the passing of Maryland's Speaker of the House, Michael E. Busch.

APPROVAL – OPEN MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 12, 2019, MEETING

Member Jack Basso called for the approval of the meeting minutes from the open meeting held on March 12, 2019. Member Katherine Bays Armstrong made the motion, and Member John von Paris seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL – TIFIA FINANCING MDTA BOARD RESOLUTION

Mr. Allen Garman requested a recommendation of approval from the Finance Committee to present to the full Maryland Transportation Authority (MDTA) Board for approval, a resolution authorizing a Transportation Infrastructure Financing and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan of up to \$275 million. The loan will be used to finance a portion of the Nice Bridge Project costs. The resolution authorizes the Executive Director, with the assistance of other staff, legal counsel, and external advisors, to negotiate the terms of the secured loan agreement and to prepare and execute all closing documents, certificates, and bond forms.

Ms. Deb Sharpless explained to the committee that the MDTA is currently evaluating whether it would be more economical to issue toll revenue bonds instead of pursuing the TIFIA loan. If it is determined that the MDTA should forgo the TIFIA loan, an update will be provided to the committee explaining the rationale for the decision.

Member Basso called for a motion to recommend approval of this item to the full MDTA Board at its next scheduled meeting. Member Carroll made the motion, and Member Armstrong seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL – AMENDED PFC FINANCING BOARD RESOLUTION

Mr. Garman requested a recommendation of approval from the Finance Committee to present to the full MDTA Board for approval, a resolution amending Resolution 19-01. Resolution 19-01 authorized the issuance of up to \$120 million of Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) revenue bonds for the Baltimore Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport. The amended resolution supersedes Resolution 19-01 and increases the par amount of the PFC revenue financing to \$130 million.

Member Basso called for a motion to recommend approval of this item to the full MDTA Board at its next scheduled meeting. Member Armstrong made the motion, and Member Carroll seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

UPDATE – MUNICIPAL ADVISORY SERVICES

Mr. Garman provided the Finance Committee with an update on the status of the agency's Municipal Advisory Services contracts SV-3077-0000 and SV-3078-0000. The MDTA recommended awarding the contracts to PFM Financial Advisory Services, LLC (PFM), and Davenport & Company, LLC (Davenport). The contracts are work order based Indefinite Quantity agreements for independent financial advisory services that include a base term of four years, with an option to renew for an additional two-year term. The \$1.6 million award amount is a not-to-exceed amount for potential assignments during the contract term.

Ms. Donna DiCerbo advised the Committee that four proposals were received in response to the request for proposals. However, only two proposals were determined to be reasonably susceptible of being selected for award. Both unsuccessful proposals were rejected due to issues with compliance with the required minority business enterprise participation goals. One of the unsuccessful offerors submitted a protest, which was denied by the agency. Given that no subsequent appeal was filed, the MDTA moved forward with the recommendation for award to the Primary Contractor (PFM) through the Board of Public Works and is in the process of moving forward with the Secondary Contractor (Davenport).

There being no further business, the meeting of the Finance Committee adjourned at 9:19 a.m., following a motion by Member Armstrong, and seconded by Member Carroll.

Jack Basso, Chairman