

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2024
OPEN MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY

OPEN SESSION

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Cynthia Penny-Ardinger
Dontae Carroll
Jeffrey Rosen – via phone
John von Paris

STAFF ATTENDING: Donna DiCerbo
Cheryl Dickinson
Bruce Gartner
David Goldsborough
Chantelle Green
Natalie Henson
Richard Jaramillo
Moreshwar Kulkarni
Kimberly Millender, Esq.
Ken Montgomery
Ebony Moore
Mary O’Keeffe
Jason Pulliam
Deb Sharpless
Tim Sheets
Jason Stolicny

At 9:00 a.m., Member John von Paris, Chair of the Finance and Administration Committee, called the Finance and Administration Committee Meeting to order.

APPROVAL – OPEN MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE 18, 2024 MEETING

Member John von Paris called for the approval of the meeting minutes from the open meeting held on June 18, 2024. Member Dontae Carroll made the motion, and Member Cynthia Penny-Ardinger seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL – MDTA RESOLUTION 24-04, DELEGATED AUTHORITY – CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS PLAN

Mr. Richard Jaramillo requested a recommendation of approval from the Finance and Administration Committee to present MDTA Resolution 24-04, Delegated Authority – Continuity of Operations Plan to the full MDTA Board at its next scheduled meeting.

The Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) develops, implements, and maintains a viable continuity of operations capability for MDTA. MDTA COOP components and supporting elements are annually reviewed, evaluated, revised as necessary, and certified annually based on the requirements of Maryland Annotated Code, Public Safety Article, Title 14 Section 116. The purpose of MDTA Resolution 24-04 is to update the various job positions in the resolution by removing the Deputy Executive Director position and adding the Chief Engineer to the resolution.

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

UPDATE – ALTERNATIVE PROJECT DELIVERY AND PROGRESSIVE DESIGN-BUILD

Mr. Jason Stolicny provided the Finance and Administration Committee with an overview of the typical project delivery approaches utilized on Department of Transportation projects. Mr. Stolicny provided information related to the Progressive Design-Build (PDB) methodology and how PDB is being utilized on the Key Bridge Rebuild.

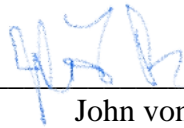
UPDATE – FRANCIS SCOTT KEY BRIDGE TURNAROUND

Ms. Chantelle Green provided the Finance and Administration Committee with an update on the status of tolling at the Francis Scott Key (FSK) Bridge Turnaround. Following the FSK Bridge Collapse, the MDTA temporarily suspended tolling the FSK Bridge Turnaround movement. Since that time, there have been approximately 20,000 turnaround movements.

Ms. Green indicated that staff plans to seek the MDTA Board's approval in August 2024 to temporarily suspend the collection of tolls at the FSK Bridge Turnaround until the new FSK Bridge is completed. The temporary suspension of the collection of tolls is needed to facilitate the safe and efficient movement of traffic and is likely needed until the new FSK Bridge is completed.

Although the MDTA's Trust Agreement with its bondholders prohibits free passage, the Trust Agreement contains a limited exception whereby the temporary suspension of the collection of tolls for the efficient use and management of traffic on other portions of the highway projects in the Transportation Facilities Projects may be used in catastrophic situations like the collapse of the FSK Bridge.

There being no further business, the meeting of the Finance Committee adjourned at 9:43 a.m., following a motion by Member Penny-Ardinger, and seconded by Member Carroll.



John von Paris, Chairman