MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019
2310 BROENING HIGHWAY, BALTIMORE, MD 21224

OPEN SESSION

Pete K. Rahn, Acting Chairman

MEMBERS ATTENDING:
P. Jack Basso
Katherine Bays Armstrong
Dontae Carroll
William H. Cox, Jr.
William Ensor
W. Lee Gaines
Mario J. Gangemi
John von Paris

STAFF ATTENDING:
Kerry Brandt
Percy Dangerfield
Donna DiCerbo
Allen Garman
David Goldsborough
Chantelle Green
Michele Gross
Jim Harkness
Natalie Henson
Meshelle Howard
Col. Jerry Jones
James Kruszynski
Cheryl Lewis-Orr
Kimberly Millender
Tonya Morant
Mary O’Keeffe
John O’Neill
First Sergeant Kirk E. Perez
Will Pines
Deborah Sharpless
Darol Smith
Christina Thompson
Tim Wendt
Eric Willison

OTHER ATTENDEES:
Lisa Choplin, State Highway Administration
Jaclyn Hartman, Maryland Department of Transportation
Sean Powell, Maryland Department of Transportation
Lisa Webb, Maryland Department of Transportation
At 9:04 a.m. Chair Pete K. Rahn called the meeting of the Maryland Transportation Authority (MDTA) Board to order.

**APPROVAL – OPEN SESSION MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 2019**

Upon motion by Member Dontae Carroll and seconded by Member William Cox, the open meeting minutes of the MDTA Board meeting held on March 28, 2019 were unanimously approved.

**RESOLUTIONS – YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNITION**

Mr. John O’Neill read the Years of Service Recognitions for the following retired employees: First Sergeant Kirk E. Perez and Scott M. Shindel. On the occasion of their retirement from their distinguished careers of service, the Chairman and Members of the Maryland Transportation Authority hereby express to them their most sincere appreciation for their excellence and commitment.

**APPROVAL – TRAFFIC RELIEF PLAN INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT**

Mr. John O’Neill requested approval from the MDTA Board for the proposed Interagency Agreement (IAA) between MDTA and the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)/MDOT State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) for development and tolling of the Traffic Relief Program (TRP).

The proposed agreement will allow MDTA to provide the State the most efficient collection of tolls and fees from motorists on the proposed managed lanes and ensure that the cost of such toll collection for the managed lanes is provided by the P3 Program.

Upon motion by Member P. Jack Basso and seconded by Member Dontae Carroll, the Members unanimously approved the Traffic Relief Plan Interagency Agreement.

**APPROVAL – CODE OF MARYLAND REGULATIONS (COMAR)**

Mr. John O’Neill requested conditional approval from the MDTA Board for the proposed amendments to Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 11.07.05 Public Notice of Toll Schedule Revisions, Regulations .01, .02, .04, and .05 subject to any needed non-substantive changes as the result of pre-publication review.

The proposed changes will enable the future incorporation of dynamic pricing, time of day pricing, tolling algorithms, and related concepts into MDTA’s tolling operations.
Upon motion by Member Katherine Bays Armstrong and seconded by Member W. Lee Gaines, Jr., the Members unanimously approved COMAR 11.07.05 Public Notice of Toll Schedule Revisions, Regulations .01, .02, .04, and .05.

**APPROVAL – BOARD RESOLUTION 19-03 – TIFIA FINANCING**

Mr. Allen Garman requested MDTA Board approval of 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 MDTA Board 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 MDTA Board explaining the rationale for the decision.

Upon motion by Member P. Jack Basso and seconded by Member William Ensor, the Members unanimously approved Board Resolution 19-03 TIFIA Financing.

**APPROVAL – BOARD RESOLUTION 19-04 – AMENDED PASSENGER FACILITY CHARGE FINANCING**

Mr. Allen Garman requested MDTA Board approval of 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.

Upon motion by Member P. Jack Basso and seconded by Member Katherine Bays Armstrong, the Members unanimously approved Board Resolution 19-04 Amended Passenger Facility Charge Financing.

**UPDATE – MUNICIPAL ADVISORY SERVICES CONTRACTS SV-3077 AND SV-3078**

Mr. Allen Garman provided the MDTA Board with an update on the status of the MDTA’s Municipal Advisory Services Contracts Nos. 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 MDTA Board 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 MDTA. 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).

**UPDATE – LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Ms. Michele Gross reported on the outcome of the 2019 Legislative Session.

**UPDATE – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Mr. John O’Neill gave a brief update on the following topics: HB105 Bill Signing, MDTA Police Annual Awards Ceremony, MDTA Annual Earth Day Fair, Bring Your Child to Work Day, and the upcoming MDTA Police Fallen Heroes Ceremony. Mr. O’Neill presented employee Walter Laun as his employees of the month for outstanding service.

There being no further business, the meeting of the MDTA Board was adjourned by consensus at 10:00 a.m.

The next MDTA Board Meeting will be held on May 23, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Maryland Transportation Authority, 2310 Broening Highway, Baltimore MD 21224.

**APPROVED AND CONCURRED IN:**

James F. Ports, Jr., Acting Chairman