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NOTICE & AGENDA OF THE VIA METROPOLITAN TRANSIT BOARD OF TRUSTEES VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021 AT 5:00 P.M.

Statement to Public Regarding VIA Virtual Meetings

This meeting of the VIA Metropolitan Transit Board of Trustees (Board) will be conducted as an audio/video conference at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2021. In keeping with proper social distancing measures in order to slow the spread of COVID-19 and avoid meetings that bring many people into congregate settings, the Board will not meet in person. Instead, this videoconference Board meeting will be conducted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act as temporarily modified and suspended by the Office of the Governor on March 16, 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and associated declarations of emergency.

Accessing the Virtual Meeting:

This Board meeting will be held via Zoom. Members of the public may access this meeting via the free-of-charge video conference link or by calling one of the toll-free numbers provided.

Meeting Link: https://zoom.us/j/97043337615

Toll Free Numbers:

iPhone one-tap US:

- 1-346-248-7799 plus ext. code 970 4333 7615#
- 1-669-900-6833 plus ext. code 970 4333 7615#

Telephone (US): Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

- 1-346-248-7799; or
- 1-669-900-6833; or
- 1-253-215-8782: or
- 1-312-626-6799; or
- 1-929-205-6099; or
- 1-301-715-8592

Webinar ID: 970 4333 7615

International numbers available: https://zoom.us/u/adcA5jxkJ6

Public Comments:

Members of the public who wish to address the Board during the Citizens to Be Heard portion of the meeting may do so by registering to speak online or by phone.

- CLICK HERE to register online;
- Call 210-380-0942 to register by phone. When registering by phone, registrants may leave a message stating their name, contact information and the subject(s) on which they wish to address the Board.

Registration to speak opens Monday, February 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2021.

The Board meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2021. Each registrant will be invited to speak in the order of registration.

- Please note that registrants <u>will not</u> receive an individual confirmation notice nor a special link to
 access the meeting. Registrants are to use the information provided in this notice to access the
 meeting. (See Accessing the Virtual Meeting.)
- Any registrant who does not timely request to address the Board will not be allowed to speak. Each person must be available to speak when called or will lose the opportunity to address the Board.

A recording of this meeting will be made available to the public.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Announcements
- 3. Citizens to be Heard

NOTE: Each speaker is allowed a maximum of three minutes to address the Board of Trustees during the Citizens to Be Heard portion of the meeting or prior to the Board's consideration of an item. Speakers are requested to first state their names and any organization(s) they represent.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR REVIEW, DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

- 4. Approval of January 19, 2021 Meeting Minutes
- 5. **Proposed May 2021 Service Revisions** For information, discussion and possible action regarding the proposed service changes for May 3, 2021
- 6. **National Science Foundation Major Research Instrumentation Program** For information, discussion and possible action to participate in the National Science Foundation Major Research Instrumentation Program
- 7. **Procurement Items** For information, discussion and possible action regarding procurements A. Awards
 - 1. Central Circuits and Related Services To request approval to award a contract for installation of point-to-point circuits for VIA's locations and monthly circuit services fees
- 8. **87**th Legislative Session of the Texas Legislature Update For information and discussion regarding the status of the 87th Legislative Session of the Texas Legislature Update

- 9. Financial Updates
 - A. Monthly / Quarterly Financial Reports
- 10. **Board Activity Requests** For information and discussion regarding the board activity requests
- 11. *Legal Briefing
- 12. Board of Trustees
 - A. Election of Board Vice Chair To elect a Board Vice Chair for one 1-year term ending December 31, 2021
 - 1. Review / Acceptance of Nominees and Nominations From the Floor (if any)
 - 2. Nominee Comments
 - 3. Election of Board Vice Chair for One 1-year Term Ending December 31, 2021
 - B. Election of Board Secretary To elect a Board Secretary for one 1-year term ending December 31, 2021
 - 1. Review / Acceptance of Nominees and Nominations From the Floor (if any)
 - 2. Nominee Comments
 - 3. Election of Board Secretary for One 1-year Term Ending December 31, 2021
- 13. **Adjourn**

NOTE: Whenever open meeting policies provide for a closed session in matters concerning legal advice, real estate, contracts, personnel, or security, the Board may find a closed session to be necessary. For the convenience of the citizens interested in an item preceded by an asterisk (*), notice is given that a closed session is contemplated.