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

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2021 AT 5:00 P.M.

### Statement to Public Regarding VIA Virtual Meetings

This videoconference meeting of the VIA Metropolitan Transit Board of Trustees (Board) will be conducted as an audio/videoconference meeting (only) at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 24, 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 work session 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://us06web.zoom.us/j/87121986344

#### **Toll Free Numbers:**

#### iPhone one-tap US:

+1-346-248-7799,,8-712-198-6344# or

+1-253-215-8782,,8-712-198-6344#

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: 871 2198 6344

International numbers available: https://us06web.zoom.us/u/kbduZ9OMW

#### **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, August 23, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 24, 2021.

The Board meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m. on August 24, 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 VIA Board of Trustees during the Citizens To Be Heard portion of the meeting or prior to the VIA Board's consideration of an item. Speakers are requested to first state their names and any organization(s) they represent.

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

#### 4. Consent Agenda

Items for Approval:

- A. Approval of July 27, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Project Management and Construction Management Services *To request approval to award contracts for project and construction management services*
- C. Medical Auditing Services To request approval to award a contract to provide medical auditing services
- D. Annual Debt Policy Review For information, discussion and possible action regarding the required annual review of the VIA Metropolitan Transit Authority Debt Policy
- E. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) FY 21 Areas of Persistent Poverty Program Grant For information, discussion, and possible action regarding the FTA Areas of Persistent Poverty Program Grant
- F. Purchase of Nineteen (19) Forty-Foot Low-Floor Buses To request approval to award a contract to Purchase Nineteen (19) Forty-Foot Low-Floor Buses

#### Informational Reports Presented at Board Work Session:

- G. June 2021 VIA Financial Report Review of the financial results for the month of June 2021
- H. Board Activity Requests For information and discussion regarding the board activity requests

- I. Customer Survey (Wave 1) from June 2021 For information and discussion regarding additional Wave 1 (June 2021) Customer Survey responses and data
- J. Ridership Recovery Campaign Update For information and discussion regarding VIA's Ridership Recovery Campaign
- K. Human Resources Recruitment Update For information and discussion regarding the enhanced recruitment plans
- L. VIA Link Engagement Strategy For information and discussion regarding the VIA Link Engagement Strategy
- 5. **Proposed January 2022 Service Revisions** For information, discussion, and possible action regarding the proposed service changes for implementation during the signup period that begins on January 10, 2022
- 6. **VIA Vaccine Protocol** For information and discussion on the program to incentivize obtaining and reporting vaccination against COVID-19
- 7. **\*Cybersecurity Update** For information and discussion regarding VIA cybersecurity practices
- 8. \*Constitutional Carry Legislation Update (House Bill 1927) For information and discussion regarding Constitutional Carry Legislation (House Bill 1927)
- 9. \*Legal Briefing
- 10. **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.