

Board of Directors Special Called Board Meeting Minutes DCTA Budget Workshop June 16, 2022 | 10:00 a.m.

The Board of Directors of the Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA) convened the Special Called Board Meeting (Budget Workshop) with Chair Cesar Molina presiding on June 16, 2022, at 10:00am at the DCTA Administrative Offices located at 1955 Lakeway Drive, Suite 260, Lewisville, Texas.

Voting Members

Chair Cesar Molina, Denton County Vice-Chair TJ Gilmore, City of Lewisville Secretary Dianne Costa, City of Highland Village Board Member Andy Eads, Denton County Board Member Alison Maguire, City of Denton

Alternates

Board Member Jody Gonzalez, Denton County Board Member Kristin Green, City of Lewisville Board Member Pat Smith, City of Denton Board Member Paul Stevens, City of Highland Village

Non-Voting Members

Board Member Tom Winterburn, City of Corinth Board Member Dennie Franklin, City of Frisco Board Member Connie White, Small Cities Board Member Mark Miller, City of Flower Mound Board Member Jeremie Maurina, City of The Colony

Legal Counsel

Joe Gorfida, NJDHS (absent)

INTERIM DCTA CEO

Paul Cristina

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Molina called the meeting to order at 10:10am. The following Board Members were in attendance:

Cesar Molina, Chair
TJ Gilmore, Vice-Chair
Alison Maguire, Board Member
Paul Stevens, Alternate for Board Secretary Costa
Jody Gonzalez, Alternate for Board Member Eads
Dennie Franklin, Board Member
Connie White Board Member



INVOCATION

Chair Molina provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Molina announced that Paul Stevens and Jody Gonzalez were filling in for Board Secretary Costa and Board Member Eads.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public wished to address the Board at this time.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discussion of Proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Operating and Capital Budget (packet pages)

Discussion Item

Presenter:

Amanda Riddle, Senior Manager of Budget

Paul Cristina, Interim CEO

Backup Information:

Memo

The discussion of the Proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Operating and Capital Budget and Reserve Policies was presented by the following staff members:

Amanda Riddle, Senior Budget Manager
Paul Cristina, Interim Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Javier Trilla, Assistant Vice-President – Innovation and Information Technology
Troy Raley, Senior Director of Mobility Services

Executive Summary

- FY0223 Proposed Budget Budget Calendar
- 4-Year Outlook Revenue vs. Expenses
- Budget Adjustment Drivers Revenues and Expenses
- Expanded Level Project (ELP) Summary
- Ridership and Budget (By Mode)
- Incremental Cost of Connect Service
- DCTA Budget Summary
- Capital Budget Summary
- Change in Net Position (DCTA, Net Depreciation)

Revenues

- Total FY2023 Proposed Revenues
- Operating Revenues Bus, GoZone, Rail
- Non-Operating Revenues
- Non-Operating Revenue: Federal Grants Capital and Operating



Operating Expense: Bus Operations (\$22.9 million)

- Operating Expenses Bus
- Service Miles and Fuel
- UNT Contract Details
- Relationship between DCTA and North Texas Mobility Corporation (NTMC)
- DCTA Transfer out to NTMC Budget
- Change in Net Position (DCTA, Net Depreciation)
- Purchased Transportation
- GoZone Budget Details
- GoZone Budget Details Additional Investment

Operating Expenses – Rail (\$16.4 million)

- Rail Purchased Transportation
- Operating Expenses
- Rail Maintenance Background
- Rail Major Maintenance (A-train)
- Rail Major Maintenance (Overall)
- Recommended Rail Fleet Maintenance (FY26-FY30- DRAFT)

Operating Expenses: General and Administrative (\$7.9 million)

- Operating Expenses General and Administrative
- Expanded Level Project (ELP) Summary
- Security Camera, Access Control, and Station Signage Study
- GoZone Weekend Hours, Coverage Expansion and Quality Improvements
- Position: Director of Safety and Compliance
- Kansas City Southern (KCS) Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Planning Analysis
- Long-Range Service Plan Update (LRSP)
- Marketing and Advertising Strategic Review
- Staffing Level Review

Operating Expense: Debt Service

Non-Operating Expense

Capital Improvement and Major Maintenance Plan

- Capital Budget Summary
- Capital Rollover Requests
- Expanded Leel Project (ELP)Summary
- Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Implementation
- Swiftly Transit Platform (CAD-AVL)
- DCTA Multifacility Firewall Upgrade
- AV Upgrade for DCTA Conference Rooms



Long Range Financial Plan

- Reserve Fund Policies Financial Policies
- Escalation Assumptions Revenue, Sales Tax, Labor and General Inflation

During the Budget Workshop, the Board held discussions regarding the following:

- Net Sales Tax collected
- Clarification of Vanpool increases
- Clarification of Bus Operation expenses (i.e. NTMC salaries/wages)
- Separation of GoZone and Bus operations data
- Lyft contracts
- The bidding process (i.e. Via)
- PTC Phase 1 completion date
- "Fuel Pass Through"
- Clarification of Administrative Fees
- Opportunities to save money on utilities (i.e., contracts with Denton Municipal)
- Rail Maintenance scheduling (i.e., timeframe to purchase new trains)
- Comprehensive Maintenance Long Range Plan
- Employees' Wages/Benefits (i.e., discussion of 3.5% merit increase, clarification of eligibility, percentage of employees who receive it, costs of living increases, analysis of employee wages versus inflation)
- Understanding the Marketing Budget
- Security on vehicles and platforms (i.e., high priority for cameras on platforms, suggestion to partner with cities/county to obtain lower rate/purchase price, engineering study)
- Bike racks
- Discussion of the ERP system (i.e., workload reduction, project manager to oversee installation)
- Investigation of Rail Wi-Fi
- Automatic Passenger Counting

CONVENE EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board did not convene into Executive Session.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board did not convene into Executive Session; therefore, reconvening into Open Session was not necessary.



ADJOURN

Chair Molina adjourned the meeting at 1:05pm.

Cesal/Molina, Board Chair

Dianne Costa, Board Secretary