

#### **Minutes**

Date:

Meeting: TriMet

**Board of Directors** 

Regular Board Meeting **Time:** 

**Presiding:** Bruce Warner, President Location: World Trade Center, Bldg. 2

Plaza Conference Room

25 S.W. Salmon

April 24, 2019

9:00 a.m.

Portland, Oregon 97204

BoardLori Irish BaumanMembersKeith EdwardsPresent:Ozzie Gonzalez

Linda Simmons
Travis Stovall
Kathy Wai
Bruce Warner

Board Members Absent:

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President Warner called the business meeting to order at 9:43 a.m.

### 1. Board Reports:

- A. Finance & Audit Committee Meeting Report Director Stovall reported that the Committee met this morning and discussed: 1) Budget Transfer 2.) FY2020 Bond Update 3.) Financial Forecast Narrative 4) Large Capital Projects, 5) Hollywood Transit Center Legal Update and 6.) Safety Update
- B. **Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC)** Director Wai shared that the committee met on April 10, 2019 and received reports on: 1.) Preview of the 2020 Census and 2.) Regional Parks and Nature Bond
- C. **Transit Equity Advisory Committee** Director Gonzalez shared highlights from the April 9, 2019 meeting: 1.) Legislative Update 2.) Timeline and challenges of Hop Card transition

At this time the Board presented the Resolution Honoring Kelly A. Runnion, Senior Executive Assistant and Board Administrator who is retiring on May 13, 2019. Doug Kelsey, President Warner and the other directors thanked her for her dedication and service for the past 21 years and wished her well in her retirement.

#### 2. General Manager Report

A. Lifetime Exclusion – Doug Kelsey reported that TriMet has now imposed its first lifetime ban of an individual from the transit system. He said it was issued against a man who has repeatedly victimized TriMet riders. He reminded the Board, that as General Manager, he was granted the authority to carry out the lifetime exclusion with an ordinance the Board adopted in September of 2017. He said the ban is immediate and if the individual is spotted on our transit system he will be arrested and charged with interfering with public transportation and criminal trespass. Mr. Kelsey then answered questions from the directors.

- B. **March 2019 Ridership** Doug Kelsey reported that in March, TriMet provided just under 8 million trips system wide and shared ridership statistics.
- C. **Electric Buses** Mr. Kelsey provided an overview of the recent event unveiling TriMet's new Electric bus. He thanked directors for attending the event and thanked the staff who have worked hard to bring this new product to market. He said two busses have been received to date and three more on their way.
- D. **Business Plan Draft** Alan Lehto, Director of Business Planning and Asset Management provided an overview of the final Business Plan that covers Fiscal Years 2020 through 2023 and responded to Board questions.

### 3. Consent Agenda

<u>Action:</u> Linda Simmons moved to approve the consent agenda item listed below; Travis Stovall seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes for March 27, 2019.

Resolution Directing that the Reading of All Ordinances Be By Title Only

### 4. Resolutions

# Resolution 19-04-25 Authorizing a Contract with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. for General Banking Services

Doug Kelsey introduced resolution 19-04-25, which provides banking and treasury services for deposits, disbursements, cash management and safekeeping services from Wells Fargo. The maximum amount for this contract is about \$872,000 over a period of up to ten years. TriMet has used their services since 2019, but an RFP was issued to ensure the agency is getting the best value for serviced rendered. Staff presented a summary of the services and answered the Board's questions.

Director Stovall informed the board that the Finance and Administration Committee conducted a thorough review of the bids received in the RFP process and recommends approval of the resolution.

Director Edwards shared his concern that Wells Fargo, as well as other large banks, does not have a good reputation for social responsibility. He referenced their involvement in the Dakota Access Pipeline as an example. He added that other organizations he's involved in have ended their relationship with these banks and suggested that TriMet take this into consideration.

Director Wai asked if it would be possible to revisit the other proposals received in the RFP process. Zach Cooper from TriMet's Procurement department addressed the question and said doing so would require a new solicitation. A discussion ensued among the Board and staff about the growing concern among businesses to align with other organizations who share their values. They discussed TriMet's procurement process and the potential need to revisit the RPF review criteria, specifically for the vendor's corporate social responsibility policies. Director Edwards expressed a desire to be engaged in the process and requested a meeting with the procurement team. He also suggested that a letter be drafted to Wells Fargo. The intent of the letter is to inform the bank that TriMet would prefer to do business with entities who take

corporate social responsibility seriously and let them know the agency will be watching for improvement in this area. A draft letter will be sent to the Board for review prior to being submitted to Wells Fargo.

President Warner summarized the potential actions to be taken by the Board on the resolution including 1.) Approve 2) Oppose or 3) Delay for further discussion at a future meeting. He noted that approval of the resolution would result in a savings of approximately 25% of current fees, as Wells Fargo is currently providing financial services for TriMet. He added that as TriMet works to refine its procurement criteria they could revisit the relationship with Wells Fargo or select another institution.

<u>Action</u>: Linda Simmons moved approval of Resolution 19-04-25; Travel Stovall seconded the motion. Directors Warner, Stovall, Simmons, Irish Bauman, Gonzalez and Wai voted in favor of the motion; Director Edwards was opposed. The motion passed.

## Resolution 19-04-26 Authorizing a Contract with Wells Fargo Merchant Services, LLC for Merchant Bankcard Services

Doug Kelsey introduced resolution 19-04-26. The purpose of the resolution is to authorize a contract with Wells Fargo Bank to provide payment card processing services for TriMet. The total contract amount is for \$34.5 million over 10 years. This particular service is necessary for TriMet to accept credit card payments. Staff presented a summary of the services and answered the Board's questions.

<u>Action</u>: Travis Stovall moved approval of Resolution 19-04-26; Lori Irish Bauman seconded the motion. Directors Warner, Stovall, Simmons, Irish Bauman, Gonzalez and Wai voted in favor of the motion; Director Edwards was opposed. The motion passed.

# Resolution 19-04-27 Authorizing a Contract with Bank of the West for \$60 million Revolving Line of Credit

Doug Kelsey introduced resolution 19-04-27. He reminded the Board that in January 2019 Resolution 19-01-03 was passed, authorizing the General Manager to secure up to \$60 million in revolving lines of credit. The availability of these funds is necessary to help offset shortfalls due to various factors including the uncertainty of federal funds as well as gaps in local revenues such as HB 2017. Resolution 19-04-27 would authorize a contract with Bank of the West to provide that revolving line of credit. Staff presented a summary of the services and answered the Board's questions.

<u>Action</u>: Ozzie Gonzalez moved approval of Resolution 19-04-27; Lori Irish Bauman seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

## Resolution 19-04-28 Adopting the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) for the Red Line Extension and Reliability Improvement Project

Doug Kelsey introduced Resolution 19-04-28 to adopt the locally preferred alternative the Red Line extension and Reliability Improvements Project. He said it will extend Red Line MAX service west to Fair Complex/Hillsboro Airport. This adds 10 stations to the Red Line and substantially more service to the communities on the West side. Staff presented a summary of the services and answered the Board's questions.

<u>Action</u>: Linda Simmons moved approval of Resolution 19-04-28; Travis Stovall seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

# Resolution 19-04-29 Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Port of Portland for the Red Line Extension and Reliability Improvements Project

Doug Kelsey introduced Resolution 19-04-30. He said the resolution seeks authorization for an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Port of Portland – an instrumental partner in the development of this plan. The IGA confirms the expectations of TriMet and the Port for funding each element of the project. He added that it also formally establishes the Port's commitment of airport land for TriMet use during construction. Staff presented a summary of the services and answered the Board's questions.

<u>Action</u>: Ozzie Gonzalez moved approval of Resolution 19-04-29; Lori Irish Bauman seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

# Resolution 19-04-30 Approving the Proposed Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Budget for Submission to the Multnomah County Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission

President Warner convened a meeting of the TriMet Budget Committee to review Resolution 19-04-30.

Doug Kelsey introduced the resolution and then turned over the floor to Dee Brookshire, Executive Director, Finance and Administration who provided an overview of the resolution and answered the directors' questions.

<u>Action</u>: Travis Stovall moved approval of Resolution 19-04-30; Keith Edwards seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

The Budget Committee adjourned and the Trimet Board of Directors Meeting reconvened.

### 5. Ordinances:

Ordinance 353 of the Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon (TriMet) Adopting Service Changes, Revising Route Designations, and Amending TriMet Code Chapter 22 (Second Reading)

General Counsel Shelley Devine read Ordinance 353 by title only.

Doug Kelsey provided a brief overview of the Ordinance which came before the Board in March 2019 for the first reading and public comment.

<u>Action</u>: Director Simmons moved approval of Ordinance 353; Director Stovall seconded the motion.

The following roll call vote resulted in the approval of Ordinance 353:

Lori Irish Bauman	Yes
Keith Edwards	Yes
Ozzie Gonzalez	Yes
Linda Simmons	Yes
Travis Stovall	Yes

Bruce Warner	Yes
Kathy Wai	Yes

# Ordinance 354 Eliminating Certain Day Passes and Paper Tickets and Amending TriMet Code Chapter 19 (First Reading and Public Hearing)

General Counsel Shelley Devine read Ordinance 354 by title only.

Doug Kesley provided a brief summary Ordinance 354 and President Warner opened the meeting for public comments.

### **Public Comment:**

Tristan Isaac spoke in opposition to Ordinance 354.

President Warner closed the session for public comment. Ordinance 354 will proceed to the May 15, 2019 meeting for the Second Reading.

## 6. Other Business & Adjournment

Hearing no further business, President Warner adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberley Angove, Recording Secretary