

**OFFICIAL PUBLICATION
DES MOINES AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (DART)
COMMISSION MEETING – September 7, 2021 – 620 CHERRY STREET, DES MOINES, IA 50309**

[The above Commission Meeting was held in a hybrid format].

ROLL CALL

Commissioners/Alternates Present and Voting:

Vern Willey, Bobbi Bentz (participated via zoom), Doug Elrod, Michael McCoy, Frank Cownie, Jill Altringer, Paula Dierenfeld, Ross Grooters, Steve Van Oort (participated via zoom), Bridget Montgomery, Russ Trimble and Joseph Jones

Commissioners Absent:

Kelly Whiting, Josh Mandelbaum and Angela Connolly

CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Russ Trimble called the meeting to order at 12 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present. Notice of the meeting was duly published.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair, Russ Trimble requested a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

It was moved by Vern Willey and seconded by Ross Grooters to approve the September 7, 2021 agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Thomas Washington from Des Moines requested to see more bus shelters in Altoona near the Walmart which will be especially helpful to those in mobility devices. Commissioner Willey confirmed that the City of Altoona is addressing this. Staff encouraged Mr. Washington to share his observations with Chief Planning Officer, Luis Montoya.

CONSENT ITEMS

7A – Commission Meeting Minutes – August 3, 2021

7B – FY 2023 Iowa Clear Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) Grant Application

7C – Microsoft Services Contract Annual Renewal

7D – June 2021 Financials

7E – July 2021 Financials

7F – Quarterly Investment Report

It was moved by Michael McCoy and seconded by Doug Elrod to approve the consent items. The motion carried with Commissioner Montgomery abstaining from approving item 7A -August 3, 2021 Commission Meeting Minutes.

ACTION ITEMS

8A – November Service Change – Ankeny Microtransit Pilot Implementation

It was moved by Vern Willey and seconded by Doug Elrod to approve the November Service Change which included the listed service changes outlined to the Ankeny on call zone effective November 2021. The motion carried unanimously.

8A – Paratransit Consulting Services

It was moved by Joseph Jones and seconded by Bridget Montgomery to approve of a two (2) year contract with Transportation Management & Design, Inc. (TMD) for the amount Not to Exceed \$175,000. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

Chair, Russ Trimble, adjourned the meeting at 1:16 p.m.

*****OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE NEXT DART COMMISSION MEETING DATE IS HEREBY PUBLISHED:**

The next regular DART monthly Commission Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. in the DART Multimodal Room at 620 Cherry Street, Des Moines, Iowa. Pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.8, the DART Commission has determined that it is still impractical or impossible to require all Commission members, staff, and the public to be physically present for this Commission meeting. Accordingly, both in-

person and virtual options for attendance of the October 5, 2021 Commission meeting will be offered as follows: (1) Commission members, staff, and the public will be allowed to attend this Commission meeting in person in the DART Multimodal Room at 620 Cherry Street, Des Moines, Iowa; and (2) Commission members, staff, and the public will be allowed to attend this Commission meeting via a virtual platform such as Zoom. Participation directions for such virtual meeting option are as follows:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89682059741?pwd=VTZvcDRMWDdLcTk5Z2lYV2E5Vnhwdz09> - Meeting ID: 896 8205 9741/Passcode: 306369222180