



MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

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Gary J. Rosenfeld
Chief Executive Officer

Board of Commissioners

Dr. Martin Lipinski, Chair
Shelia Williams, Vice-Chair

Kristen Bland
Michael Fulton
Edward Stephens, III
Janice Holder

Robert Clark
Michelle McKissack
Anton Mack

**Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting**

AGENDA

**Thursday, February 24, 2022
10:00 AM**

- I. Call to Order 1005 Shelia Williams
- II. Board Roll Call 1007 Bacarra Mauldin

Member	Arrived	Departed	Member	Arrived	Departed
Bland, Kristen			Mack, Anton	1002	1209
Clark, Robert			McKissack, Michelle		
Fulton, Michael	0958	1209	Stephens, Edward	0958	1209
Holder, Janice	0958	1209	Williams, Shelia	0900	1209
Lipinski, Martin					

- III. Approval of Minutes Commissioners
 - a. Regular Board Meeting – December 14, 2021
 - The minutes of the December 14, 2021, Board meeting can be found beginning on page 6.

Item:	Approval of the December 14, 2021, Regular Board Meeting Minutes									
Motion by:					Second by:					
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton	X				
Clark, Robert				X	McKissack, Michelle				X	
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice	X				Williams, Shelia	X				
Lipinski, Martin				X						

IV. CEO (Chief Executive Officer) Report
Gary Rosenfeld

V. Consent Agenda Items

- a. Resolution to authorize a letter of intent between the Memphis Area Transit Authority and Moment AI to participate in a joint effort in the development of autonomous vehicles
- [Resolution 22-01](#)
 - [Letter of Intent](#)

Item:	Resolution 22-01 to authorize a letter of intent between the Memphis Area Transit Authority and Moment AI to participate in a joint effort in the development of autonomous vehicles.									
Motion by:	Janice Holder				Second by:		Michael Fulton			
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton	X			X	
Clark, Robert				X	McKissack, Michelle					
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice	X				Williams, Shelia	X				
Lipinski, Martin				X						

VI. Administration

- a. Legislative Activity Gary Rosenfeld
Report on MATA’s recent efforts in support of workforce development while in Nashville last week
- b. Invitation Gary Rosenfeld
Public Event – February 28, 2022

VII. Procurement Item(s)

- a. Resolution to award a contract to **FREELAND AUTOMOTIVE** to purchase three sport utility vehicles for use as support and service vehicles. Gary Rosenfeld
- [Resolution 22-02](#)
 - [Information Memo](#)

Item:	Resolution 22-02 to award a contract to FREELAND AUTOMOTIVE to purchase three sport utility vehicles for use as support and service vehicles.									
Motion by:	Michael Fulton				Second by:		Edward Stephens			
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton	X				
Clark, Robert				X	McKissack, Michelle				X	
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice	X				Williams, Shelia	X				

b. Resolution to Issue **Change Order #1** to On Call Rail Services and Facility Maintenance Agreement

- [Resolution 22-03](#) John Lancaster
- [Information Memo](#)

Item:	Resolution 22-03 to Issue Change Order #1 to On Call Rail Services and Facility Maintenance Agreement									
Motion by:	Janice Holder				Second by:		Michael Fulton			
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton	X				
Clark, Robert				X	McKissack, Michelle				X	
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice	X				Williams, Shelia	X				
Lipinski, Martin				X						

c. Resolution to award a contract for the purchase of up to three 40-foot electric transit buses

- [Resolution 22-04](#) John Lancaster
- [Information Memo](#)

Item:	Resolution 22-04 to award a contract for the purchase of up to three 40-foot electric transit buses									
Motion by:	Anton Mack				Second by:		Edward Stephens			
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton	X				
Clark, Robert				X	McKissack, Michelle				X	
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice	X				Williams, Shelia	X				
Lipinski, Martin				X						

VIII. Service and Development

a. Resolution approving a contract with Shelby County Government to support Memphis Area Transit Authority cost of operations and improvement to public transportation

- [Resolution 22-05](#) Gary Rosenfeld
- [Information Memo](#)

Item:	Resolution 22-05 approving a contract with Shelby County Government to support Memphis Area Transit Authority cost of operations and improvement to public transportation									
Motion by:	Michael Fulton				Second by:			Anton Mack		
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton	X				
Clark, Robert				X	McKissack, Michelle					X
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice	X				Williams, Shelia	X				
Lipinski, Martin				X						

Additional Agenda Item

- b. Resolution to approve funding/contract with DMC for on-demand transit service in the Downtown and surrounding areas

- [Resolution 22-06](#) John Lancaster

Item:	Resolution 22-06 to approve funding/contract with DMC for on-demand transit service in the Downtown and surrounding areas									
Motion by:	Michael Fulton				Second by:			Janice Holder		
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton			X		
Clark, Robert				X	McKissack, Michelle					X
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward			X		
Holder, Janice	X				Williams, Shelia	X				
Lipinski, Martin				X						

IX. Technology

a. Update

- Navineo Rollout Gary Rosenfeld
- NGFS Gary Rosenfeld

b. Information

- Board Management and Public Engagement System - Granicus
- Employee Engagement Systems

X. Finance Agenda Items

- a. November 2021 Financial Report Bernhard Rudolph
- b. December 2021 Financial Report Bernhard Rudolph
- c. January 2022 Financial Report Bernhard Rudolph

Additional Item

- d. Presentation of FY2021 Fiscal Audit Christopher Hearn
- e. Acceptance of the FY2021 Fiscal Audit Bernhard Rudolph



Item:	Acceptance of the FY 2021 Fiscal Audit									
Motion by:	Michael Fulton				Second by:			Janice Holder		
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton	X				
Clark, Robert				X	McKissack, Michelle				X	
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice	X				Williams, Shelia	X				
Lipinski, Martin				X						

- XI. Acknowledgement of Public Comment Gary Rosenfeld
- XII. Old or New Business
- XIII. Adjournment [1209](#) Shelia Williams

**The Next Regular Meeting of the
 MATA Board of Commissioners
 Will be:
 To Be Determined
 at
 Memphis Area Transit Authority
 One Commerce Square - 40 S. Main Street
 Memphis, TN 38103**



**Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date:
Tuesday December 14, 2021
2:30 PM**

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Martin Lipinski at 2:35 p.m. Members of the Commission are noted:

Member	Arrived	Departed
Bland, Kristen		
Clark, Robert	1451	
Fulton, Michael	1435	
Holder, Janice		
Lipinski, Martin	1435	
Mack, Anton	1435	1522
McKissack, Michelle	1435	
Stephens, Edward	1435	
Williams, Shelia	1451	

Approval of Minutes from the October 26, 2021

Item:	Approval of the October 26, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes									
Motion by:	McKissack				Second by:	Stephens				
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton	X				
Clark, Robert				X	McKissack, Michelle	X				
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice				X	Williams, Shelia				X	
Lipinski, Martin	X									

Resolutions presented and voted upon:

Item:	Resolution 21-51 – Commence Due Diligence based on BRC Recommendations									
Motion by:	Clark				Second by:			Mack		
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton	X				
Clark, Robert	X				McKissack, Michelle	X				
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice				X	Williams, Shelia	X				
Lipinski, Martin	X									

Item:	Resolution 21-50 – Creation of the Memphis Transit Foundation									
Motion by:	McKissack				Second by:			Mack		
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton	X				
Clark, Robert	X				McKissack, Michelle	X				
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice				X	Williams, Shelia	X				
Lipinski, Martin	X									

Item:	Resolution 21-49 – Approval of the Calendar 2022 Operating Calendar									
Motion by:	Fulton				Second by:			Stephens		
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton				X	
Clark, Robert	X				McKissack, Michelle	X				
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice					Williams, Shelia	X				
Lipinski, Martin	X									

Item:	Resolution 21-45 – Authorization for Grant Program Participation									
Motion by:	Clark				Second by:			Stephens		
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton				X	
Clark, Robert	X				McKissack, Michelle	X				
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice				X	Williams, Shelia				X	
Lipinski, Martin	X									

Item:	Resolution 21-46 – Authorization for Grant Program Participation									
Motion by:	Fulton				Second by:			Clark		
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton				X	
Clark, Robert	X				McKissack, Michelle	X				
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice				X	Williams, Shelia				X	
Lipinski, Martin	X									

Item:	Resolution 21-47 – Authorization for Grant Program Participation									
Motion by:	Clark				Second by:			McKissack		
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton				X	
Clark, Robert	X				McKissack, Michelle	X				
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice				X	Williams, Shelia				X	
Lipinski, Martin	X									

Item:	Resolution 21-48 – Authorization for Grant Program Participation									
Motion by:	McKissack				Second by:			Stephens		
Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	
Bland, Kristen				X	Mack, Anton				X	
Clark, Robert	X				McKissack, Michelle	X				
Fulton, Michael	X				Stephens, Edward	X				
Holder, Janice				X	Williams, Shelia				X	
Lipinski, Martin	X									

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Lipinski at 3:58 p.m.

Martin Lipinski

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**MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 22-01

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A LETTER OF INTENT TO BE EXECUTED BETWEEN THE MEMPHIS
AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY AND MOMENT AI, INC.**

WHEREAS, new technologies are rapidly becoming available which would enhance our riders opportunities and enhance mobility; and

WHEREAS, MATA staff spends extensive time and effort evaluating these technologies to develop policy and plans to effectively incorporate different technologies into the systems daily offerings; and

WHEREAS, MATA has identified a need to enhance service offerings and reimagine the future delivery of services to the community; and

WHEREAS, Autonomous vehicles and service delivery is making large strides in its ability to operate within the transit environment; and

WHEREAS, Moment AI, Inc. has presented an unsolicited proposal to partner with MATA on the further development and deployment of autonomous vehicles, and;

WHEREAS, The Federal Transit Administration offers grant opportunities focusing on new technologies, and;

WHEREAS, MATA and Moment AI, Inc. share a desire to partner on such a grant application, and;

WHEREAS, the first step in the development of a contract is a letter of intent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: That the President & General Manager/Chief Executive Officer, Chairman or Vice-Chairman of MATA is authorized to execute a letter of intent between MATA and Moment AI, Inc. leading to contract between the parties and an application for federal assistance.

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February 25, 2022

Megan Gray
Chief Executive Officer
Moment AI, Inc.
400 Army Navy Drive
Arlington, VA 22202

Re: Collaboration between Moment AI and the Memphis Area Transit Authority

Dear Ms. Gray:

At its regularly scheduled board of commissioners meeting on February 24, 2022, the Board of Commissioners authorized a collaboration between the Authority and your company to work towards continued development and eventual deployment of autonomous vehicles into the MATA Fleet to better serve several different segments of our services.

Recognizing that there is still extensive development and integration activities yet to be accomplished including but not limited to:

- Development of warranty and support functions to support the autonomous aspects of the vehicles
- Written confirmation from the vehicle manufacturer's that the addition of the autonomous product will not negatively affect the vehicles warranty in any way
- Integration of the AI aspect into dispatching and scheduling services that MATA currently uses to provide the community with services

MATA is committed to work with Moment AI in the development of a funding request from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for the purpose of continued development, testing and ultimate procurement of vehicles equipped with Moment AI's Autonomous Vehicle Systems. To have an adequate level of data to determine that this system is viable within a public transit environment, MATA will commit to the local funding required for an FTA Grant, subject to the conditions of any grant agreement and any MATA or stakeholder funding agreements.

It is further understood that MATA will have the option to extend this agreement to other transit agencies and that any information or data derived from this development with any party shall be shared between the parties. Trade secrets of Moment AI would be exempt from disclosure.

If you agree with the intent of this letter, please acknowledge in the space provided and we will begin working towards a formal agreement. The informal relationship between Moment AI and MATA has already had a very positive effect on the Agency and I look forward to continued development of exciting and fresh approaches to delivering mobility to our community.



Sincerely,

Gary Rosenfeld
Chief Executive Officer

Agreed & Accepted: Moment AI, Inc.

Signature:

By:

Title:

Date:

Agreed & Accepted: Memphis Area Transit Authority

Signature:

Gary Rosenfeld

By:

President & General Manager/Chief Executive Officer

Title:

Date:

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**MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 22-02

**RESOLUTION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO FREELAND AUTOMOTIVE TO PURCHASE THREE
SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE SERVICE VEHICLES**

WHEREAS, The Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) is a public agency responsible for providing public transportation services within the City of Memphis and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, MATA has a fleet of service vehicles which periodically need to be replaced when they have met their useful service life and add additional fleet; and

WHEREAS, MATA needs to purchase three service vehicles to replace service vehicles that have met their useful service life and add additional fleet; and

WHEREAS, MATA will purchase these three service vehicles from the state contract; and

WHEREAS, MATA has capital funds available for this procurement; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends that a contract be awarded to Freeland Automotive to purchase three SUV service vehicles at a unit price of \$28,200.00 for a total cost of \$84,600.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS That a contract be awarded to Freeland Automotive to purchase three SUV service vehicles at a unit price of \$28,200.00 for a total cost of \$84,600.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the President & General Manger/Chief Executive Officer, Chief of Staff Officer, Chairman or Vice-Chairman is authorized to execute the necessary documents.

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MEMO-22-02

TO: MATA Board of Commissioners

FROM: Gary Rosenfeld, Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT: PURCHASE THREE SUV SERVICE VEHICLES

DATE: February 24, 2022

The Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) has a service vehicle fleet and periodically needs to replace the vehicles as they reach their useful service life and add additional vehicles. MATA currently needs to purchase three new SUV service vehicles.

MATA checked the state contract to see if these SUVs were included in their list of approved vehicles. They were, and MATA proposes to purchase three 2022 Chevrolet Traverse SUVs.

MATA has capital funds available for this procurement.

There was no DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise) goal assigned to this procurement since these vehicles are purchased off the state contract.

MATA recommends a contract be awarded to Freeland Automotive for the purchase of three SUV service vehicles at a unit price of \$28,200.00 for a total cost of \$84,600.00.

Let me know if you have questions.

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**MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 22-03

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR ON-CALL
SERVICES FOR RAIL SYSTEM TRACK AND FACILITY MAINTENANCE**

WHEREAS, The Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) Board of Commissioners awarded a Contract for On-Call Services for Rail System Track and Facility Maintenance to River City Railroad TTC, LLC. by Resolution 20-28 August 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, MATA has additional rail system track services and repairs needed on the Madison Line; and

WHEREAS, The task order proposals for these services and repairs exceed the existing \$750,000 contract and MATA agreed to increase the current contract amount by \$1,000,000;

WHEREAS, Change Order #1 incorporates existing and anticipated task orders needs during the remaining period of the contract; and

WHEREAS, MATA staff recommends approval of Change Order #1 to the River City Railroad TTC, LLC contract for a not to exceed amount of \$1,000,000; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS That Change Order #1 be approved with an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 for the River City Railroad TTC, LLC. contract through the remaining contract period August 31, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the Contracting Officer be authorized to execute the change order.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the President & General Manager/Chief Executive Officer, Chief of Staff Officer, Chairman or Vice-Chairman is authorized to execute the necessary documents.



**MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 22-04

**RESOLUTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE ELECTRIC BUSES
OFF THE WASHINGTON STATE CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, The Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) is a public agency responsible for providing public transportation services within the City of Memphis and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, MATA plans to purchase up to three (3) Electric Buses and required electric charging equipment to replace existing buses that have reached their useful life with environmental friendly zero emission buses in keeping with MATA's adopted sustainability plans; and

WHEREAS, MATA has grant funds available from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) for this procurement; and

WHEREAS, MATA's maintenance department has tested several demonstration buses from various manufacturers and evaluated their performance to determine potential vendors; and

WHEREAS, MATA recommends the purchase of up to three (3) new GILLIG Electric Buses and required electric charging equipment through options available through an existing Washington State contract at a not to exceed price of \$1,000,000 each for a total not to exceed \$3,000,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS That MATA purchase up to three (3) new Electric Buses at a total cost not to exceed \$3,000,000 based upon the unit prices stated above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the President/General Manager/Chief Executive Officer, Chief Administrative Officer, Chairman or Vice-Chairman be authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

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MEMO-22-04

TO: The MATA Board of Commissioners
FROM: Gary Rosenfeld, Chief Executive Officer
DATE: February 22, 2022
SUBJECT: Purchase up to Three New Electric Buses

MATA proposes to purchase up to three (3) new environmentally friendly electric buses to replace vehicles that have met their useful service life.

A DBE goal was not assigned since FTA regulations require Transit Vehicle Manufacturers (TVM) to submit their own goals to FTA and be on FTA's TVM list.

MATA will purchase up to three (3) new electric buses using options available through an existing Washington State contract.

MATA recommends the purchase of up to 3 (three) new electric buses off the Washington State contract for a cost of \$1,000,000 each for a total cost not to exceed \$3,000,000.

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**MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 22-05

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH SHELBY COUNTY GOVERNMENT TO SUPPORT
MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY COST OF OPERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENT TO PUBLIC
TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS, the Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) seeks the approval of a contract with Shelby County Government in the amount of \$1,300,000.00 to cover operating costs (Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, MATA submitted an estimated budget amount for Operators Salaries to the Shelby County Board of Commissioners in the amount of \$1,328,866.00 which represents an estimated one-month total for Fixed Route, MATAPlus and Trolley Operators; and

WHEREAS, Shelby County Government approved MATA's estimated Operating Budget for Operator's Salaries and agreed to provide Operating Funds not to exceed \$1,300,000.00 (Exhibit A) and

WHEREAS, There is no match requirement associated with this funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: That the Chief Executive Officer, Chairman or Vice-Chairman of MATA is authorized to execute a contract for Local assistance with Shelby County Government for the above project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the President & General Manager/Chief Executive Officer, Chairman or Vice-Chairman is authorized to execute grant contracts with Shelby County Government on behalf of MATA.

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MEMO 22-05

TO: MATA Board of Commissioners
FROM: Gary Rosenfeld, Chief Executive Officer Shelby County
SUBJECT: Government Contract to Support Operations

DATE:
February 24, 2022

Shelby County agreed to compensate Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) \$1,300,000.00 for a portion of its operating expenses in FY22.

MATA submitted an estimated budget for Operator’s salaries for one month to Shelby County Government for eligibility and MATA was awarded the contract.

Shelby County Government’s contract of \$1,300,000.00 (Exhibit A) will compensate an estimated one-month of salaries for Fixed Route Bus, MATAPlus Paratransit, and Trolley Operators as shown below:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Fixed Route Operator Wages & Benefits	\$973,309.00
MATAPlus Operator Wages & Benefits	\$278,866.00
Trolley Operator Wages & Benefits	<u>\$76,691.00</u>
	\$1,328,866.00

Let me know if you have any questions.

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**MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 22-06

**RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR YEAR 2 OF THE GROOVE ON-DEMAND MOBILITY
PROGRAM TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TRANSIT SERVICE IN DOWNTOWN MEMPHIS**

WHEREAS, The Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) through a partnership with the Downtown Memphis Commission (DMC) and Memphis Medical District Collaborative (MMDC) successfully funded and operated a new mobility pilot program known as the Groove On-Demand service this past year and wish to continue the program for another year; and

WHEREAS, Through the partnership with DMC, MMDC, and MATA, VIA was selected by the partnership as the service provider and has presented a proposal to operate the service for another year with various service options that total up to \$1,364,000; and

WHEREAS, The DMC has been awarded a grant through the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) for \$350,000 in Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Funds (CMAQ) to operate the program for another year or 25% of the total project cost; and

WHEREAS, The DMC will provide \$200,000 of the local match for the CMAQ Grant, or 14.3% of the project costs and MATA will provide \$150,000 of the local match for the CMAQ grant and \$700,000 in operating funds for a total of \$850,000 or 60.7% of the total program budget of \$1,400,000; and

WHEREAS, Funds collected by the program operator through fare recovery or other means will be used to offset the cost of the project; and

WHEREAS, The partnership agreement with DMC and MMDC will be subject to applicable requirements of MATA's grant agreement(s) for this undertaking; and

WHEREAS, A the existing service zone of about 7.5 square miles was established to operate the pilot program in downtown Memphis and New Chicago through collaboration with the DMC and MMDC and subsequently expanded to include President's Island and areas of south Memphis and may be expanded further as needed, including but not limited to the days and hours of service; and

WHEREAS, The service is open to the public who will pay fare according to MATA's existing fare provisions and through possible integration with MATA's GO901 App and other payment methods that are yet to be determined; and

WHEREAS, Provision of this service will not adversely impact the existing service and operation of MATA.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS That MATA may enter into a partnership agreement with the DMC and MMDC to continue to operate the TaaS program and fund up to 60.7% of the operating cost of the service at a not to exceed amount of \$850,000 for another one-year period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That MATA be authorized to enter a contract with The Downtown Memphis Commission (DMC) and Medical District Collaborative (MMDC) and that the President & General Manager/Chief Executive Officer, Chief Administrative Officer, the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the MATA Board are authorized to execute partnership documents, contracts, and other necessary documents.

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