

Memphis Area Transit Authority

MATA'S MISSION: To provide a reliable, safe, accessible, clean and customer-friendly Public Transportation System that meets the needs of the community.

Board of Commissioners

Chairman – Sean Healy Vice Chairman – Marion McClendon

Commissioners Karl Birkholz M. P. Carter **Charles "Chooch" Pickard** John C. Vergos **Andre Gibson**

Board of Commissioners Meeting Monday, May 20, 2013 3:30 pm

I.	CALL TO ORDER	Marion McClendon
II.	BOARD ROLL CALL	Linda Eskridge
III.	APPROVAL of April 22, 2013 Minutes	Marion McClendon
IV.	BUSINESS & REPORTS	Marion McClendon
	A. <u>FINANCE COMMITTEE</u>	
	1. Resolution to Award a Contract to Gillig Corporation for 15 40-Foot Hybrid Electric Buses and 15 40-Foot Diesel Buses - Res. No. 13-17	William Hudson
	2. Resolution to Award a Contract to Sam Swope Auto Group for One (1) Flatbed Truck – Res. No. 13-18	William Hudson

B. <u>SERVICE AND DEVELOPMENT</u>

	 Resolution to Approve FY13 Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities Capital Projects -Res. No. 13-19 	William Hudson
	2. Resolution Honoring the Memory of MATAplus Operator Chantel Sanders – Res. No. 13-20	William Hudson
V.	FINANCIAL REPORT	Gilbert Noble
VI.	MARKETING REPORT	Alison Burton
VII.	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT	William Hudson
VIII.	SPEAKERS (See sign-in cards for speakers)	
IX.	OLD/NEW BUSINESS	Marion McClendon

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY April 22, 2013

A regular meeting of the MATA Board of Commissioners was held at 3:30 p.m. on Monday April 22, 2013 at 1370 Levee Road in the MATA Board Room.

BOARD PRESENT:	Chairman, Sean Healy
Commissioners:	Karl Birkholz; Charles Pickard; Andre Gibson; John Vergos

- **STAFF:** Lawson Albritton; Ashley Best; Frances Boyland; Alison Burton; Darryl Covington; Lavelle Fitch; Don Forsee; Tom Fox; Warren Henderson; William Hudson; John Lancaster; Glen Lockhart; Shelia Maclin; Maury Miles; Niketa Reed; Gilbert Noble; Alvin Pearson; Glenda Wade
- OTHERS: Betty Anderson, Travel Trainer; Marion Bacon, MCIL; Kenny Bond, Citizens for Better Services; Deborah Cunningham, MCIL; Amy Doss, MPO; Aury Kangelos, TDOT; Carlos McCloud, TDOT; Reginald Merriwether, Citizen; Johnnie Mosley, Citizens for Better Services; Eddie Settles, backinriver.city.com; Betty Robinson, MBRU; John Paul Schaffer, MPO;

Chairman Healy called the meeting to order and called for Board roll call. The Board Secretary, Linda Eskridge called the Board roll. Five Board Members were present; two Board Members were absent, Mattie Carter and Marion McClendon. There was a quorum for the meeting. Chairman Healy called for approval of the March 25, 2013 Board Minutes. Mr. Birkholz made a motion for approval. Andre Gibson seconded the motion and the March Board minutes were unanimously approved.

BUSINESS & REPORTS

A. <u>FINANCE COMMITTEE</u>

1. Resolution to Award a Contract to Clark Power Services for Retrofit of Buses with Diesel Particulate Filter and Closed Crankcase Ventilation System - Res. No. 13-13

Discussion: Dr. Fox presented this resolution to the Board. MATA is working with the Shelby County Health Department and the Shelby County Commission. This would allow us to retrofit up to 65 of our older buses. This is the first one of these that will be done in this part of the country and it is being done with TDOT CMAQ money and Shelby County air pollution find money. MATA received two bids and they both were responsive. Staff recommends the award to Clark Power Services per bus price of \$10,865.00. Mr. Gibson moved to approve Resolution No. 13-13, and Mr. Pickard seconded the motion. The resolution was unanimously approved after discussion.

2. Resolution to Award a Contract to Sam Swope Auto Group for the Purchase of Five 5-Door 7-Passenger Vans - Res. No. 13-14

Discussion: Mr. Hudson stated that we are replacing vehicles that have met their useful life. We issued an invitation for bid for the replacement of these vans in the amount of \$19,736.17 each for a total cost of \$98,680.85. Solicitation was sent to five vendors and we received one responsive bid from Sam Swop Auto Group for five seven-passenger vans. These are new vans that are being purchased. There was no DBE participation on this contract. **Mr. Vergos moved to approve Resolution No. 13-14, and Mr. Gibson seconded the motion. The resolution was unanimously approved after discussion.**

B. <u>SERVICE AND DEVELOPMENT</u>

1. Resolution Authorizing Free Fares for all Customers with Bicycles on May 17, 2013

- Res. No. 13-15

Discussion: Mr. Hudson presented this resolution to the Board. This is to support Bike to Work Day that will be celebrated Friday May 17, 2013. This is an incentive that the marketing department has put together and is asking the Board to donate May 17th as Bike to Work Day, with free fares to the customers who bike and ride on that date. **Mr. Birkholz asked for a report back on how many bikes participated on May 17th. Mr. Vergos moved to approve Resolution No. 13-15, and Mr. Pickard seconded the motion. The resolution was unanimously approved after discussion.**

2. Resolution Authorizing the Disposal of Surplus/Obsolete Parts, Equipment and Materials - Res. No. 13-16

Discussion: Mr. Hudson stated these are parts that are no longer useful to the authority. If we cannot sell the items, we ask Board permission for them to be sold as scrap or discarded. MTM staff or First Transit staff is not permitted to bid on any of the items sold by MATA. Mr. Vergos moved to approve Resolution No. 13-16, and Mr. Birkholz seconded the motion. The resolution was unanimously approved after discussion.

FINANCIAL REPORT Mr. Gil Noble First 9 months of Fiscal Year

For the month of March our expenses were roughly on budget, just \$2,000 off budget. Expenses are about \$1MM favorable to budget, due to some legislative relief that we received for employer pension contributions. All other items in the budget are roughly on budget. Revenues is slightly ahead, primarily because of drawing down some revenue and set up receivables on grant items earlier, but should still be roughly on budget for the year for revenues.

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Mr. Noble expressed more bad news on our projected revenues for FY2014. Seems like we will receive \$4MM less in grant revenues overall. We had already been reduced by close to \$2MM from the federal, state, and then \$2.3MM from the city of Memphis. The earlier \$4MM gap that we suggested we would likely have is now closer to \$6MM from last month's news. City funds will be reduced to a similar level as back in 2005. All revenues are now being projected at about \$51MM, just a little bit above where we were in 2008. We've had a number of things that raised the level of our expenses. We still face a difficult situation and will be addressing it the next upcoming weeks.

MARKETING REPORT Alison Burton

Last month the Board authorized MATA to have reduced fares on the Trolley Turns 20 celebration. The celebration will begin on Wednesday – Friday, April 24-26, 2013 and ride for \$.20. Persons with disabilities, senior citizens with a valid ID can ride for \$.10. On Thursday cake will be served to the customers at the NET, and on Friday cake will be served to the customers on the Plaza at Central Station at 12:00 noon. The trolleys started April 29, 1993 with six trolleys on Main Street. Riverfront was added in 1997, and in March 2004 we added the Madison Line. Today we are operated by 16 trolleys on 17 miles of track. In 2012 we had this big 45% increase in passengers up to 1.4MM riders. Recently the Memphis Business Journal named the Main Street Trolleys as #6 on their top 10 list of attractions, and this is based on attendance. Posters will go out announcing the Trolley Turns 20 as well.

Ms. Burton talked about MATA's new website and Niketa Reed showed a presentation of the new site, as well as a thorough explanation of each page. The site will be launched on May 1, 2013 and asked for any feedback for the Board Members. To confirm the MATA web address it is <u>www.matatransit.com</u>.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT William Hudson

Mr. Hudson's report was very brief. Staff is going to try to post all of the runs for June 2, 2013. We plan no changes or no recommendation for that sign-up, but will come back to the Board for approval of August sign-up, which will include all the modifications that we will present to the Board. This is in an effort to bridge the gap with where we are and where we need to be. The June Board Meeting may be a little late to get it all in place.

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Mr. Hudson stated if appropriate, we may have to call a special meeting to approve all the modifications in an effort to be timely in making our presentation. This is something that we may ask a little later, but just wanted to put it on the Board Members minds.

Mr. Hudson talked about the ridership numbers, which continue to increase particularly on fixed route, as well as MATAplus. The trolley numbers are down a little for the first quarter of the fiscal year, but on the annual we are about 92,000 riders to the good.

SPEAKERS:

- Ms. Betty Robinson Memphis Bus Riders Union Ms. Robinson addressed the Board regarding the issue of hot weather, and not being able to get the windows open on the bus. The other issue is the green route entertainment shuttle to west Memphis and the fact of where they are being deboarded on the right side of the highway. Ms. Robinson stated the seniors are willing to pay \$3.00 if we could get the buses on the right side of the road to avoid walking the bridge. She feels this would be an increase to our ridership if this could happen. Chairman Healy stated that staff have stressed time and time again that the issues with the green route is in the hands of west Memphis, not MATA. Mr. Hudson addressed the windows on the buses, by stating that on May 15th the bus air conditioner will be operational. With some of the older buses, when they open the windows all the air conditioning goes out the window; therefore, a mechanism is used to keep the windows closed. Glen Lockhart stated that on certain buses, the drivers cannot turn the air on, it has to be done with a computer. The manufacturers do not make it where the driver has the ability to turn the air conditioner on and off.
- Mr. Reginald Merriwether 3382 Denver St. Memphis, TN 38127

Bus drivers need to be complimented as well as if you are complaining. Mr. Merriwether stated that certain bus drivers are very rude. Most of the drivers are courting on the buses with young girls. Some drivers dispute what you put in the fare boxes. Riders are getting tired of the drivers and the service they are receiving. It is wrong the way the bus drivers treat riders. Mr. Merriwether became very emotional. He stated that he is a minister and it really hurts him the way the riders are being treated. *Chairman Healy thanked Mr. Merriwether for his comments.*

• Mr. Eddie Settles

Stated he has three requests. He would like an explanation of the relationship between First Transit, Mid South Transportation Management, and Amalgamated Transit Union in support of how it affects MATA. He searched the website for answers to this, but there was no information on it. He would like to review the contracts between the three entities and MATA. *Mr. Hudson stated that Amalgamated is the union. The rest of the request will be forwarded to Mr. Settles via email.*

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Healy called for any old/new business. Chooch asked if there is an update on the GPS for the trolley system. *Mr. Hudson stated that looks like we will have to take some other measures to get this done. We are not receiving any progress on it. Mr. Hudson asked for an opportunity to get back with Mr. Pickard on this with some kind of a solution to this problem.*

Ms. Eskridge stated that she polled the Board on a change in the next Board Meeting to be scheduled for May 20, 2013 due to the Memorial Day holiday falling on the 4th Monday of the month. Chairman Healy stated that he has jury duty for that week, but encouraged the Board to go ahead with the May 20th date. It was unanimously voted that the meeting be held on May 20, 2013 at 3:30 p.m.

Chairman Healy stated in the performance measures where staff is not meeting the targets, he would like for Mr. Hudson to include this in his general manager's report on the actions that are being take to meet these targets or what happens when there is a dramatic improvement. Chairman Healy stated it is important that stay focused on what we have committed to as far as goals are concerned.

Mr. Healy took this opportunity to recognize our guests at the meeting. He called each name of each guest and thanked them for attending the meeting. He also stated that he appreciates their participation as well. Mr. Gibson moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Mr. Pickard seconded the motion and the April Board Meeting was adjourned.

Sean Healy Chairman of the MATA Board

NOTE: A taped recording of the MATA Board of Commissioners Meetings is always available in the event of clarity on a particular item.

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MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 13-17

RESOLUTION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO GILLIG CORPORATION FOR 15 40-FOOT HYBRID-ELECTRIC BUSES AND 15 40-FOOT DIESEL BUSES

WHEREAS, The Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) maintains safe, reliable and cost effective transit service within the Memphis urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, MATA needs to replace 30 40-foot fixed-route diesel buses that have met their useful service life; and

WHEREAS, A Request for Proposals for the purchase of up to 15 40' hybridelectric buses and up to 15 40' diesel buses was advertised and proposals were solicited; and

WHEREAS, Gillig Corporation submitted the only proposal, and it was determined to be responsive and responsible by the Evaluation Committee; and

WHEREAS, MATA negotiated with Gillig Corporation who submitted their Best and Final Offer and delivery schedule for the buses as follows:

Type of Bus	Quantity	Price per Bus	Extended Price
40' Hybrid-Electric Buses	15	\$578,819	\$ 8,682,285
40' Diesel Buses	15	\$389,960	<u>\$ 5,849,400</u>
TOTAL	30		\$14,531,685

PERFORMANCE PERIOD: 350 days from Notice to Proceed.

WHEREAS, MATA staff recommends that a contract be awarded to Gillig Corporation for the buses at the prices listed above; and

WHEREAS, Federal, state and local capital funds are programmed for the purchase of said buses and will become available over a two year period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, That a contract for the purchase of 15 40' hybrid-electric buses and 15 40' diesel buses be awarded to Gillig Corporation at the unit prices listed above for a total contract price of \$14,531,685. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the President/General Manager, Chairman or Vice-Chairman be authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That MATA staff is authorized to issue multiple Notices to Proceed as necessary to insure availability of grant funds.

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Motion Made By: Andre Gibson SECONDED: Charles Pickard

YEA: Karl Birkholz; Andre Gibson; Charles Pickard; John Vergos; Mattie Carter; Dale McClendon

NAY: None

Approved: May 20, 2013



TO:	MATA Board of Commissioners
FROM:	William Hudson, Jr. President/General Manager
SUBJECT:	Procurement of 15 40' Heavy-Duty, Low-Floor Hybrid-Electric Buses and 15 40' Heavy-Duty, Low-Floor Diesel Buses
DATE:	May 15, 2013

This memo summarizes the procurement and evaluation process for purchase of 15 40' hybrid-electric buses and 15 40' diesel buses to replace 30 40' diesel buses in the fixed-route fleet that have reached the end of their useful service life.

The Evaluation Committee consisted of four MATA staff members. The following criteria were established for evaluating proposals: Design Complexity; Conformance to the Request for Proposal; Price; and Past Performance.

MATA established the delivery time as not to exceed 450 days from Notice to Proceed (NTP). Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises on bus procurements is handled by the Federal Transit Administration in coordination with bus manufacturers, therefore MATA did not set a goal for this project.

Gillig Corporation was the only bus manufacturer to submit a proposal. The Evaluation Committee reviewed and rated the proposal based on the evaluation criteria. Gillig met all the requirements, and their Best and Final Offer is shown below for each type of bus:

Type of Bus	<u>Price Per Bus Total Price</u>		Delivery Time
15 40' Hybrid-Electric Buses	\$578,819	\$ 8,682,285	350 days from NTP
15 40' Diesel Buses	\$389,960	<u>\$ 5,849,400</u>	350 days from NTP
TOTAL		\$14,531,685	

Gillig's price has been determined to be fair and reasonable based on a review of recent purchases by MATA and other transit agencies, as shown below: Page 2

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	<u>Price Per Bus</u>	<u>Difference</u>
HYBRID BUSES		
Current Purchase	\$578,819	
Previous MATA Purchase (2011)	\$551,764	+5%
		(+2.5%/yr)
Other Transit Agency Purchases		(
(5 in 2011 & 2012)		
Average	\$573,914	+0.9%
Range	\$518,153-624,971	
DIESEL BUSES		
Current Purchase	\$389,960	
Previous MATA Purchase (2009)	\$346,482	+12.5%
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Other Transit Agency Purchases		(1 3.1 /0/ y 1)
(4 in 2011 & 2012)		
	\$388,442	+0.4%
Average		⊤U.4 /0
Range	\$350,933-403,757	

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Also, Gillig can meet the desired delivery time. The Evaluation Committee recommends award of the contract to Gillig at the prices listed above. MATA will be purchasing these buses under various grants.

Funding for 27 buses is including in pending grants and funding for three buses is programmed in the Fiscal Year 2014 grant. Therefore, Staff is requesting approval to issue the Contractor multiple Notices to Proceed to insure that funding is available for payment when buses are delivered.

Please let me know if you have questions or would like to discuss.

MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION 13-18

RESOLUTION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO SAM SWOPE AUTO GROUP FOR ONE (1) FLATBED TRUCK

WHEREAS, The Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) maintains a fleet of service vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Certain service vehicles have met their useful service life and need to be replaced; and

WHEREAS, MATA issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) for companies to provide one (1) Flatbed Truck w/mounted 14 HP air compressor & pressure washer; and received one (1) offer; and

WHEREAS, The offer was responsive; and

WHEREAS, Contract award is based on the lowest responsive and responsible offer; and

WHEREAS, Sam Swope Auto Group submitted a responsive offer for the purchase of one (1) flatbed truck with mounted 14HP air compressor and pressure washer at a total cost of \$57,478.50; and

WHEREAS, No offers were received for the one (1) Extended Wheelbase Cargo Van; and

WHEREAS, Staff has determined that the offer is reasonable and recommends approval of a contract with Sam Swope Auto Group at a cost of \$57,478.50.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, That a contract be awarded to Sam Swope Auto Group for the purchase of one (1) flatbed truck w/ mounted 14hp air compressor and pressure washer at a cost of \$57,478.50.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the Chairman, Vice Chairman or President/General Manager be authorized to execute the contract.

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Motion Made By: Charles Pickard SECONDED: John Vergos

YEA: Karl Birkholz; Andre Gibson; Charles Pickard; John Vergos; Mattie Carter; Dale McClendon

NAY: None

Approved: May 20, 2013



TO:	MATA Board of Commissioners
FROM:	William Hudson, Jr. President/General Manager
SUBJECT:	PURCHASE OF ONE (1) FLATBED TRUCK/WITH MOUNTED 14HP AIR COMPRESSOR & PRESSURE WASHER IFB 12-25
DATE:	May 13, 2013

This memo summarizes the procurement process for the purchase of one (1) flatbed truck w/ mounted 14 HP air compressor and pressure washer. The IFB also included one extended wheelbase cargo van but no offers were received.

The contract award is based on the lowest price from among the responsive and responsible offerers.

The goal for participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) was set at 0%. Since this procurement is only for supplying vehicles with limited opportunities for subcontracting, there was not a DBE goal assigned.

One (1) responsive offer was received from Sam Swope Auto Group for the purchase of one (1) flatbed truck w/mounted 14hp air compressor and pressure washer with a total cost of \$57,478.50. Staff compared the price to recent similar procurements and determined that the price is reasonable

Staff recommends that a contract be awarded to Sam Swope Auto Group for \$57,478.50.

MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 13-19

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION, AN ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED BY 49 U.S.C. CHAPTER 53, TITLE 23 UNITED STATES CODE AND OTHER FEDERAL STATUTES ADMINISTERED BY THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION AND THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, The Federal Transit Administrator has been delegated authority to award Federal financial assistance for transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, The grant for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provision by it of the local share of project costs in the program; and

WHEREAS, The Memphis Area Transit Authority (MATA) has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the Federal Transit Administration required for the projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

1. That the President/General Manager, Deputy General Manager, Chairman or Vice-Chairman of MATA is authorized to execute and file an application for federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, Title 23, United States Code, or other Federal statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration to aid in the financing of capital assistance projects, and with the Tennessee Department of Transportation in accordance with the program of projects and budget.

2. That the President/General Manager, Deputy General Manager, Chairman or Vice-Chairman is authorized to execute and file with its applications, the annual certifications and assurances and other documents the Federal Transit Administration requires before awarding a Federal assistance grant.

3. That the President/General Manager, Deputy General Manager, Chairman or Vice-Chairman of MATA is authorized to execute grant agreements on behalf of MATA.

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Motion Made By: Mattie Carter SECONDED: Charles Pickard

YEA: Karl Birkholz; Andre Gibson; Charles Pickard; John Vergos; Mattie Carter; Dale McClendon

NAY: None

Approved: May 20, 2013

MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY 49 U.S.C. § 5309 BUS AND BUS FACILITIES FUNDS PROGRAM OF PROJECTS AND BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2013

	PROJECT	FEDERAL SHARE	STATE <u>SHARE</u>	LOCAL <u>SHARE</u>	TOTAL <u>SHARE</u>
1.	Up to 12 Paratransit Vehicles	\$470,450	\$ 58,806	\$58,807	\$588,063
2.	Shop Equipment	1,600	200	200	2,000
3.	Miscellaneous Support Equipment	<u> </u>	200	200	2,000
т	OTAL CAPITAL	\$473,650	\$ 59,206	\$59,207	\$592,063



TO:	MATA Board of Commissioners
FROM:	William Hudson, Jr. President/General Manager
SUBJECT:	Section 5309 Funds from TDOT Statewide Grant
DATE:	May 15, 2013

The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) had \$2,639,745 in unobligated Section 5309 Federal funds available from an earmark they received in 2010 which were going to lapse on September 30, 2012. These Federal funds represent 80% of \$3,299,681. In order to avoid the funds from lapsing, TDOT applied for a grant amendment from FTA, and the amendment was approved. TDOT included various line items in the amendment for buses, equipment, construction, etc. for the availability of all grantees in the state. The grantees had previously submitted their capital needs to TDOT.

On April 24, 2013, TDOT notified all grantees of their share of the grant funds. They distributed the funds based upon the grantees' FY12 statistics using a formula adopted by TPTA. The formula is based upon passengers transported (25%), revenue miles (50%) and passenger miles (25%). MATA's share totaled \$592,063 (\$473,650 in Federal funds) or approximately 17.94% of the \$3,299,681.

MATA plans to use the funds to purchase up to 12 replacement vehicles for MATAPlus. Since there may be funds left over once the vehicles are purchased, MATA is also including line items in the grant for shop equipment and miscellaneous support equipment.

MATA's grant application will be submitted to TDOT for the 80% FTA share and for TDOT's matching 10% share. The remaining 10% represents the local funds and will be provided by the City of Memphis from appropriated Capital Improvement Program funds.

Let me know if you have questions.

MEMPHIS AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION NO. 13-20

RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF MATAPLUS OPERATOR CHANTEL SANDERS



November 4, 1971 - May 14, 2013

WHEREAS, The MATA Board, the staff and employees of Mid-South Transportation Management, Inc. pay tribute to the life of Chantel Sanders, and

WHEREAS, Chantel Sanders was a MATAplus operator since 2005 transporting customers to various locations throughout the city of Memphis, and

WHEREAS, Chantel Sanders was a member in good standing of the Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 713, and

WHEREAS, Chantel Sanders was a loved and well-known friend to many coworkers and customers, and

WHEREAS, Chantel Sanders' big smile was contagious and made others smile, and

WHEREAS, On Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at approximately 8:48 a.m., Chantel Sanders, a great employee, caring mother and grandmother, and loving daughter passed away, and

WHEREAS, Chantel Sanders' death represents a great loss to her family, and coworkers, and

WHEREAS, all transit workers at Memphis Area Transit Authority mourn the unfortunate and untimely death of Chantel Sanders, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the MATA Board of Commissioners, staff and employees of Mid-South Transportation, Inc. offer our profound sorrow and condolences to the family of Chantel Sanders, and extend our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement.

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Motion Made By: Andre Gibson SECONDED: Charles Pickard

YEA: Karl Birkholz; Andre Gibson; Charles Pickard; John Vergos; Mattie Carter Dale McClendon

NAY: None

Approved: May 20, 2013