# ACCEPTING THE DECEMBER 2024 WORKING COMMITTEE REPORTS, FINANCIAL AND INVESTMENT REPORTS, AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT

WHEREAS, certain committees of the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas Board of Directors (the "Board of Directors") held meetings in December 2024; and

WHEREAS, each such committee has provided the Board of Directors with a monthly committee report; and

WHEREAS, the materials for this meeting of the Board of Directors include certain finance and audit-related reports and supporting documents, including the Compliance Report for the period ended November 30, 2024, the December 2024 Sales & Use Tax Report, the November 2024 Investment Report, the November 2024 Debt Report, the November 2024 Monthly Performance Report, and the Monthly Report of the Chief Financial Officer dated December 19, 2024 (collectively, the "Finance and Audit materials"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed such materials, including the November 2024 Investment Report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby accepts the December 2024 Audit & Human Resources Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, Public Safety Committee, and Customer Experience, Operations & Business Development Committee monthly reports and the Finance and Audit materials, including the November 2024 Investment Report.

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Executive Vice President & Acting General Counsel

PASSED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024 APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024

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# AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM PRESIDENT & CEO TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH OUTDOOR FURNITURE REFINISHING DBA ALLIED POWDER COATING TO PROVIDE POWDER COATING SERVICES FOR METRO'S SHELTERS AND OTHER AMENITIES, AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas ("METRO") requires powder coating services to restore METRO's shelters and other amenities at various locations including bus stops, park & rides, transit centers, and rail lines; and

WHEREAS, METRO issued an Invitation for Bids for such powder coating services and Outdoor Furniture Refinishing DBA Allied Powder Coating was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder of all those that submitted bids; and

WHEREAS, management recommends that METRO enter into a three (3) year contract with two (2) options to extend the contract term for an additional one (1) year period with Outdoor Furniture Refinishing DBA Allied Powder Coating to provide these powder coating services for METRO's shelters and other amenities, with a base contract amount of \$3,524,355.90, and an owner-controlled contingency of \$176,217.80, for a maximum contract amount of \$3,700,573.70.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The METRO Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Interim President & CEO to execute a three (3) year contract with two (2) options to extend the contract term for an additional one (1) year period with Outdoor Furniture Refinishing DBA Allied Powder Coating to provide powder coating services for METRO's shelters and other amenities, with a base contract amount of \$3,524,355.90, and an owner-controlled contingency of \$176,217.80, for a maximum contract amount of \$3,700,573.70.

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Executive Vice President & Acting General Counsel

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# AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM PRESIDENT & CEO TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CONSERV FLAG COMPANY TO PROVIDE FABRICATION SERVICES FOR CONCRETE BENCHES, AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas ("METRO") requires fabrication services for concrete benches at various locations that do not have shelters; and

WHEREAS, METRO issued an Invitation for Bids for such fabrication services and ConServ Flag

Company was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder of all those that submitted bids; and

WHEREAS, management recommends that METRO enter into a three (3) year contract with two

(2) options to extend the contract term for an additional one (1) year period with ConServ Flag Company

to provide these fabrication services for concrete benches, with a maximum contract amount of \$2,663,130.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The METRO Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Interim President & CEO to

execute a three (3) year contract with two (2) options to extend the contract term for an additional one (1)

year period with ConServ Flag Company to provide fabrication services for concrete benches, with a maximum contract amount of \$2,663,130.

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Executive Vice President & Acting General Counsel

PASSED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024 APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024



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# APPROVING THE PROPOSED 2025 METRO BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE, AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT

WHEREAS, Section 451.514(a) of the Texas Transportation Code requires that the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas ("METRO") Board of Directors ("Board of Directors") hold at least one regular meeting each month, for the purpose of transacting the business of the authority; and

WHEREAS, Section 451.514(a) of the Texas Transportation Code and METRO's Bylaws require that the Board of Directors set the place, date and time for each regular Board meeting by adopting a resolution that is recorded in the minutes of its meetings; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that all regular meetings of the Board of Directors in 2025 be held on the fourth Thursday of each month except during November and December, to avoid conflicting with the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays; and

WHEREAS, it is also proposed that Board meetings be conducted in person at the Lee P. Brown METRO Administration Building, 1900 Main Street, Houston, Texas 77002, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Meeting Room, at 10:00 a.m., subject to change by the Chair of the Board of Directors as necessary to the extent permitted by law; and

WHEREAS, it is currently expected that Board members except for the Chair or other presiding member may continue to join Board meetings virtually by video conference call; and

WHEREAS, the proposed dates for such regular meetings are as follows:

Thursday, January 30, 2025 Thursday, February 27, 2025 Thursday, March 27, 2025 Thursday, April 24, 2025 Thursday, May 22, 2025 Thursday, June 26, 2025 Thursday, July 24, 2025 Thursday, August 28, 2025 Thursday, September 25, 2025 Thursday, October 23, 2025 Thursday, November 20, 2025 Thursday, December 18, 2025

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby approves the proposed 2025 METRO Board of Directors regular meeting schedule with the following dates to be held in person at the Lee P. Brown METRO Administration Building, 1900 Main Street, Houston, Texas 77002, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Meeting Room, at 10:00 a.m., such meeting dates, time and place subject to change by the Chair of the Board of Directors as necessary to the extent permitted by law:

Thursday, January 30, 2025	Thursday, July 24, 2025
Thursday, February 27, 2025	Thursday, August 28, 2025
Thursday, March 27, 2025	Thursday, September 25, 2025
Thursday, April 24, 2025	Thursday, October 23, 2025
Thursday, May 22, 2025	Thursday, November 20, 2025
Thursday, June 26, 2025	Thursday, December 18, 2025

Alva Treviño Executive Vice President & Acting General Counsel

PASSED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024 APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024



AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM PRESIDENT & CEO TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT MODIFICATION WITH SIEMENS MOBILITY, INC. TO EXERCISE OPTIONS TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT TERM FOR VENDOR-MANAGED INVENTORY SERVICES AND PARTS FOR METRO'S LIGHT RAIL VEHICLES, AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2021-108, the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas ("METRO") entered into a three (3) year contract with two (2) options to extend the contract term for an additional one (1) year period subject to Board approval with Siemens Mobility, Inc. to provide vendor-managed inventory services and parts for METRO's light rail vehicles, with a maximum contract amount of \$9,600,000; and

WHEREAS, the contract is set to expire March 6, 2025, and METRO requires continued vendormanaged inventory services and parts for METRO's light rail vehicles; and

WHEREAS, management recommends that METRO enter into a contract modification with Siemens Mobility, Inc. to exercise two (2) options to extend the contract term for an additional one (1) year period through March 6, 2027, to provide continued vendor-managed inventory services and parts for METRO's light rail vehicles, with no changes to the maximum contract amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The METRO Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Interim President & CEO to negotiate and execute a contract modification with Siemens Mobility, Inc. to exercise two (2) options to extend the contract term for an additional one (1) year period through March 6, 2027, to provide continued vendor-managed inventory services and parts for METRO's light rail vehicles, with no changes to the maximum contract amount.

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Executive Vice President & Acting General Counsel

PASSED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024 APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024



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**RESOLUTION 2024 – 158** 

#### A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM PRESIDENT & CEO TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CAF USA, INC. TO PROVIDE OVERHAUL SERVICES FOR METRO'S H3 LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE TRUCKS, AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas ("METRO") requires overhaul services for METRO's H3 light rail vehicle trucks; and

WHEREAS, METRO issued a Request for Proposals for such overhaul services and the proposal from CAF USA Inc. was determined by an evaluation committee to offer the most advantages and best overall value to METRO; and

WHEREAS, management recommends that METRO enter into a three (3) year contract with two (2) options to extend the contract term for an additional one (1) year period with CAF USA Inc. to provide these overhaul services for METRO's H3 light rail vehicle trucks, with a base contract amount of \$26,866,271.90, and an owner-controlled contingency of \$2,686,627.19, for a maximum contract amount of \$29,552,899.09.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The METRO Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Interim President & CEO to negotiate and execute a three (3) year contract with two (2) options to extend the contract term for an additional one (1) year period with CAF USA Inc. to provide overhaul services for METRO's H3 light rail vehicle trucks, with a base contract amount of \$26,866,271.90, and an owner-controlled contingency of \$2,686,627.19, for a maximum contract amount of \$29,552,899.09.

Alva Treviño Executive Vice President & Acting General Counsel

PASSED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024 APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024



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AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM PRESIDENT & CEO TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH EACH OF NATIONAL BUSINESS FURNITURE, FPS, LP DBA OFFICE FURNITURE CONNECTION, AND OTHER POTENTIAL VENDORS FOR THE PURCHASE OF OFFICE FURNITURE AND CUBICLES, AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas ("METRO") requires the purchase of office furniture and cubicles to replace existing office furniture and cubicles at METRO's Administration Building, support buildings, and bus operating facilities that have reached the end of their useful life; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2021-55, the METRO Board of Directors ("Board of Directors") authorized METRO to enter into a cooperative purchasing agreement with Purchasing Cooperative of America ("PCA") for participation in its cooperative purchasing program, which program satisfies METRO's procurement requirements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2003-66, METRO entered into an Interlocal Participation Agreement with the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative ("Cooperative"), which allows METRO to utilize the BuyBoard online purchasing system to procure various products, equipment and services as a participant in a cooperative purchasing program established by the Cooperative, which program satisfies METRO's procurement requirements; and

WHEREAS, management recommends that METRO enter into a three (3) year contract with each of National Business Furniture, FPS, LP dba Office Furniture Connection, and other potential vendors through METRO's participation in the PCA's cooperative purchasing program and the BuyBoard online purchasing system for METRO to purchase office furniture and cubicles at METRO's Administration Building, support buildings, and bus operating facilities, for a maximum contract amount not to exceed \$4,175,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The METRO Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Interim President & CEO to negotiate and execute a three (3) year contract with each of National Business Furniture, FPS, LP dba Office Furniture Connection, and other potential vendors through METRO's participation in the cooperative purchasing program of the Purchasing Cooperative of America and the BuyBoard online purchasing system for METRO to purchase office furniture and cubicles at METRO's Administration Building, support buildings, and bus operating facilities, for a maximum contract amount not to exceed \$4,175,000.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

I hereby certify that the above resolution is accurate in describing the action herein of the Board of Directors on the date below.

Alva Trèviño Executive Vice President & Acting General Counsel

PASSED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024 APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024



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# AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM PRESIDENT & CEO TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CARAHSOFT TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION TO PROVIDE UPGRADE AND ENHANCEMENT SERVICES FOR THE RIDEMETRO MOBILE APPLICATION, AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas ("METRO") requires upgrade and enhancement services for the RideMETRO mobile application based on feedback received from a usability study and heuristic review; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas Department of Information Resources ("DIR") cooperative purchasing program has contracts for information technology products and services that satisfy METRO's competitive bidding requirements and can be used by METRO to procure such services; and

WHEREAS, management recommends that METRO enter into a six (6) month contract with Carahsoft Technology Corporation through METRO's participation in the DIR cooperative purchasing program to provide these upgrade and enhancement services for the RideMETRO mobile application, with a maximum contract amount of \$174,947.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The METRO Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Interim President & CEO to negotiate and execute a six (6) month contract with Carahsoft Technology Corporation through METRO's participation in the State of Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative purchasing program to provide upgrade and enhancement services for the RideMETRO mobile application, with a maximum contract amount of \$174,947.

Alva Treviño Executive Vice President & Acting General Counsel

PASSED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024 APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024



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APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE PROPOSED 2025 METRO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AGENCY SAFETY PLAN, AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2020-47, the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas ("METRO") adopted an agency safety plan incorporating the principles and methods of Safety Management Systems as required by the Federal Transit Administration ("METRO Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan"); and

WHEREAS, Title 49 Part 673 of the Code of Federal Regulations requires annual review of the

plan and Board approval of any subsequent updates to the plan; and

WHEREAS, METRO staff has reviewed the METRO Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan for 2025 and made changes to the plan to be consistent with current safety practices and other compliance updates; and

WHEREAS, management recommends that the METRO Board of Directors ("Board of Directors") approve and adopt the proposed 2025 METRO Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan included in the meeting materials.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby approves and adopts the proposed 2025 METRO Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan included in the meeting materials.

Alva Treviño Executive Vice President & Acting General Counsel

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PASSED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024 APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024

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## APPROVING AND ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT OF THE CONSENT AGENDA POLICY, AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 1987-2, the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas ("METRO") adopted a policy on the presentation of agenda items dealing with competitively bid contract authorizations to improve the efficiency of the meetings of the METRO Board of Directors ("Board of Directors"); and

WHEREAS, such policy established a summary agenda (otherwise known as a consent agenda) wherein competitively bid contracts recommended for award to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder would be considered without explanation or discussion at Board meetings ("Consent Agenda Policy"); and

WHEREAS, consistent with the Board's goal to enhance and increase the efficiency of the deliberative work of the Board as a result of the committee system, the Board desires to amend the Consent Agenda Policy to include purchases through METRO's cooperative agreements, proclamations, employee appointments, memorandums of understanding, committee or staff reports, financial reports, investment reports, prior meeting minutes, grant agreements, the annual list of pre-approved underwriters pool for financial services, modifications to any of the foregoing contracts, and other routine matters on the list of matters that may be placed on the consent agenda for consideration and approval as a single item; and

WHEREAS, such updates to the policy reflect the changes to Board operating procedures over time and will further improve the efficiency and effectiveness of Board meetings by providing the Board with more time to consider major policy and other matters.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby approves and adopts an amendment and restatement of the Consent Agenda Policy.

Alva Treviño Executive Vice President & Acting General Counsel

PASSED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024 APPROVED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024

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# EXHIBIT "A" CONSENT AGENDA POLICY

The agenda of a meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas ("METRO") may include a grouping of regular or routine matters where no discussion is necessary or anticipated, on a Consent Agenda as a single item for consideration and approval, including competitively bid contracts wherein a contract is to be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, purchases through METRO's cooperative agreements, proclamations, employee appointments, memorandums of understanding, monthly committee or staff reports, financial reports, investment reports, prior meeting minutes, grant agreements, the annual list of pre-approved underwriters pool for financial services, and modifications to any of the foregoing contracts. Any member of the Board may remove any matter from the Consent Agenda to discuss the item or to vote against it, by request, oral or written, to the Chair, or, in the Chair's absence, to the presiding officer of the meeting at which the matter is to be considered on the Consent Agenda, at any time prior to the Board's vote on the Consent Agenda. If any matter is removed from the Consent Agenda, the Board shall consider it in its regular order on its meeting agenda. The Board shall consider matters on the Consent Agenda without explanation or discussion at the Board meeting and shall vote on all such matters as a group, after a motion, duly made and seconded, to approve the entire Consent Agenda. The minutes shall reflect an abstention in any matter on the Consent Agenda. Staff shall continue to provide full information and complete abstracts to each Board member relating to any matter to be considered by the Board, regardless of its inclusion on the Consent Agenda.