



CATS Board of Commissioners Meeting

Tuesday, November 28, 2023

4:30 pm

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the CATS Board of Commissioners Meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by President deGeneres.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Dr. Peter Breaux	Member	Present
Carolyn Coleman	Member at Large	Present
Melissa deGeneres	President	Present
Patrick Downs	Secretary	Present
Johnathan Hill	Member	Present
Linda Perkins	Member	Present
Antoinette Pierre	Vice-President	Present
Frederick Thomas	Member	Absent
John Vukovics	Treasurer	Present

2. Public Comment

Provided by Stanley Smalls.

APPROVAL - October 24, 2023, Monthly Board Minutes

RESULT: ACCEPTED

MOVER: Coleman

SECONDER: Hill

YEAS: Coleman, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Breaux, Thomas

APPROVAL – 2024 Health Benefits Contract

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Downs
YEAS: Breaux, Coleman, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Thomas

APPROVAL – 2024 CATS Proposed Budget

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Downs
YEAS: Breaux, Coleman, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Thomas

APPROVAL – 2023 CATS Budget Amendment

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Vukovics
YEAS: Breaux, Coleman, DeGeneres, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Downs, Thomas

APPROVAL – Contract amendment with Cubic Transportation Systems for the contactless fare collection system as a part of the COVID-19 Mitigation Research Grant - Increase \$50,000.00 – Total contract amount \$250,000.00

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Coleman
YEAS: Breaux, Coleman, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Thomas

APPROVAL – CATS Audit Services Contract – Carr, Riggs, and Ingram, LLC - \$117,750.00 Annually – Three Year Contract

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Breaux
YEAS: Breaux, Coleman, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Thomas

APPROVAL – BRPD Off Duty Security Detail Contract January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024 - \$93,000.00

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Downs
YEAS: Breaux, Coleman, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Thomas

APPROVAL – CATS Public Agency Safety Plan

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Downs
YEAS: Breaux, Coleman, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Thomas

APPROVAL – Enter into Executive Session – 5:24 pm

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Downs
YEAS: Breaux, Coleman, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Thomas

APPROVAL – Exit Executive Session

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Pierre
YEAS: Breaux, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Coleman, Thomas

APPROVAL – Authorizing settlement in the matter entitled “Christopher Johnson vs. Capital Area Transit System and the City and Parish of East Baton Rouge” Suit No. 667672 on the docket of the 19th Judicial District Court. \$52,500.00

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Downs
YEAS: Breaux, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Coleman, Thomas

APPROVAL – Authorizing a lump sum payment to the Estate of Gary Curtis to replace stale settlement checks in the matter entitled “Gary Curtis, Individually and on behalf of his minor children, S’hala Foster, Garyneisha Curtis and T’Kha Curtis vs. Constance Holland and Capital Area Transit System” Suit No. 585854 on the docket of the 19th Judicial District Court. - \$68,181.49

RESULT: ACCEPTED
MOVER: deGeneres
SECONDER: Pierre
YEAS: Breaux, DeGeneres, Downs, Hill, Perkins, Pierre, Vukovics
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: Coleman, Thomas

Adjournment
Perkins/deGerenes