



## CATS Board of Commissioners Monthly Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 17, 2024  
4:30 pm

### MINUTES

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the CATS Board of Commissioners Meeting was called to order at 4:36 pm by President deGeneres.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Carolyn Coleman	Member at Large	Present
Melissa deGeneres	President	Present
Michelle Dennis	Secretary	Present
Patrick Downs	Member	Present
Johnathan Hill	Vice-President	Present
Antoinette Pierre	Member	Absent
Tremaine Sterling	Member	Absent
Frederick Thomas	Member	Present
John Vukovics	Treasurer	Absent

#### 3. Public Comment

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#### 4. APPROVAL September 17, 2024, Monthly Board Minutes

**RESULT: ACCEPTED**

**MOVER: deGeneres**

**SECONDER: Thomas**

**YEAS: Coleman, deGeneres, Dennis, Downs, Hill, Thomas, Vukovics**

**NAYS:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**ABSENT: Sterling, Vukovics**

#### 5. President's Announcements

- a. President deGeneres shared a presentation that was also presented in the October 9, 2024, Metro Council meeting. The presentation included CATS Board of Commissioners' recent accomplishments, next steps, committees, structure, future goals and more.

## 6. Administrative Matters

- a. CEO Update - Theo Richards
  - The 2025 budget will be forthcoming
  - COA schedule changes that were previously scheduled for late October will be delayed and revisited in January 2025.
  - Fourth quarter updates: Exceeded 2023 ridership, 100+ fleet count, 9 new electric buses expected in 2025.
  - Audit report complete
- b. ADA Bus Stop Improvement Project - Vanessa Dargin
  - Awarded to the Luster Group (Certified DBE Certified)
  - Construction in progress
  - Includes 77 ADA Bust stop pads
  - Federally funded – 80% & 20% local match
  - Permits needed from DPW (in progress)
  - Team meets frequently, 25 pads to be completed per week
- c. October Health Fair
- d. Financials
  - September financials will be delayed due to Netchex transition
  - September financials will be presented along with Octobers
  - 2024 Budget Amendments will be delivered no later than first week of December
  - Netchex issues resolved on same day

## 7. Committee Reports

- a. Finance & Executive: Ms. Melissa deGeneres
- b. Technical, Policies & Practices: did not meet
- c. Audit: did not meet
- d. Community Relations & Planning: Mr. Johnathan Hill & Mr. Patrick Downs

## 8. New Business

- a) **Consideration and Approval to waive bus fares on October 26, 2024 and November 5, 2024.**

**RESULT: ACCEPTED**

**MOVER: deGeneres**

**SECONDER: Coleman**

**YEAS: Coleman, deGeneres, Dennis, Hill, Sterling, Thomas,**

**NAYS:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**ABSENT: Downs, Vukovics**

## 9. Review of Administrative Matters

## 10. Adjournment

deGeneres/Coleman