



**DOWNTOWN MOBILITY AUTHORITY
MINUTES**

**Tuesday, May 15, 2024
4:00 PM**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Elliott Embry, Shanea McKinney, Travis Green, Wayne West, and Michael Chance

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Alvin Crook, and Queen Keskesa

DMC STAFF PRESENT: Chandell Ryan, Christine Taylor, Brett Roler, Penelope Springer, Milton Howery, Lauren Bermudez, Sara Barrera, Tori Haliburton, Halle Novarese, and Brian Mykulyn.

GUESTS PRESENT: James McLaren (Counsel), Joran Smith, Robert, Tiana Gwin, and Member of the Public

Elliott Embry determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM. Christine Taylor called roll for board members to confirm quorum. The first agenda item is the Election of Chandell Ryan as DMA President & CEO. Michael Chance motioned to approve Chandell Ryan as President, Shanea McKinney seconded the motion, after roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. After election of DMC President, Chairman Embry called for approval of the minutes from March 20, 2024, meeting. Shanea McKinney motioned to approve the minutes as presented, Michael Chance seconded the motion, after roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Elliott Embry called for agenda item IV: Financial Update

Penelope Springer presented the FY25 budget, financial update and monthly highlights. Shanea McKinney motioned to accept the FY25 budget as presented, Michael Chance seconded the motion, after roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Elliott Embry called for agenda item V: mConnect: Bus Rapid Transit Project Update

Jordan Smith presented an update on mConnect: Bus Rapid Transit Project. The project was identified as a need from MATA's Short Range Transit Plan in 2012. Midtown AA, which started in 2014. That plan evaluated 26 alternative routes to identify the best alignment and mode for public transportation. This route was adopted by MATA's Board as the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA). The project was carried out in the Memphis 3.0 Comprehensive Plan and the Transit Vision Plan. Development of those plans occurred with input from over 300 meetings and 15,000 participants. Features and Amenities – BRT Stations: Real-Time Bus Arrival Information, Security (Cameras and Emergency Call Box) Off-Board Fare Collection, Electronic signage and communications.

Elliott Embry called for agenda item VI: Other Business/Adjournment

Chandell Ryan gave a brief update on DMC cleaning event, the Mobility Center, and Tom Lee Park parking.

Seeing no further business, Elliott Embry adjourned the meeting.