

TBARTA held a virtual **Board Meeting** on Friday, April 24th via Zoom.

Resolution 2020-04

- The Board unanimously approved Resolution 2020-04: Suspension of Physical Quorum Requirement. The Governor's Executive Order 20-52, was issued on March 9th, to allow political subdivisions to waive the procedures and formalities required by law pertaining to the performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community. This Resolution immediately suspended all provisions of TBARTA's bylaws requiring the physical presence of a quorum of the members of the governing board or TBARTA's committees at meetings or requiring governing board or committee meetings to be held at any certain physical location, authorizing board meetings to be conducted by communications media technology during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Resolution 2020-03

- The Board unanimously approved Resolution 2020-03 accepting \$870,000 in grant funding from the Florida Department of Transportation to administer the District 7 Commuter Assistance Program. This will cover the fiscal year 2020 program, which funds commuter services team salaries, program marketing, staff training, technology, and a portion of vanpool subsidies.

Presentations

Envision 2030 Draft Executive Summary

- Bill Ball (Tindale Oliver) presented highlights from the Draft Executive Summary. He introduced the Regional Transit Vision Network (RRT, intermodal centers, rail center and passenger ferry) along with major transit projects (short/long term) and what our future role could be. The 10-year plan included three scenarios: status quo – maintain what we are doing today; low impact – includes TBARTA assuming responsibility for some regional bus routes, capital, and regional transportation disadvantaged services; high impact – includes new regional bus routes, regional rapid transit and more. Different revenue assumptions and operating costs/revenues were presented based on each scenario. Recommendations focus on three key areas: policy, funding, and commitment/collaboration. The draft plan offers 13 action items and 26 recommendations. Next steps include initiating a public comment period, presenting to the PSTA/HART boards, and presenting the final plan to be adopted by the TBARTA Board in June.

Regional Rapid Transit Progress and Outreach Update

- Scott Pringle (WSP) provided updates on milestone #2, conceptual design. This focus area of the study includes two elements, defining alignment and the station types. There are 4 alternative alignments, each with different operating paths. Concepts include a dedicated transit lane in Pinellas county from 4th street to the Gateway/Carillion area. In Hillsborough county an inside transitway in the median of the interstate from Westshore to downtown Tampa. Heading out of downtown Tampa both inside and outside lane options are being discussed. There were 6 Charrettes to discuss station design, with almost 100 participants. Neighborhood typology, station location, parking, amenities and building materials were all discussed within the groups.

Both presentations can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3cQXeH9>.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2020, 10:00 am via Zoom.