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**Gwinnett County Transit Advisory Board Minutes  
Wednesday, January 5, 2022 – 5:00pm**

446 West Crogan Street, Lawrenceville, GA 30046

DOT Large Conference Room or Webex Virtual Meeting

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Meeting number/access code: 2331 468 5870 Password: GTAB

Present: John Karnowski, Mark Tapp, Dr. Arlene Beckles, Joshua Williams (virtual), Lewis Cooksey, Tom Sever, David Tucker, China Thomas, Natasha Tyler, Destiny O'Loughlin, Katherine Santiago (virtual), Thomas Stringer (virtual)

Absent: John Hollon

- I. Call to Order  
John Karnowski called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm.
- II. Approval of Agenda  
{Action: Approved. Motion: Beckles, Second: Tapp. Vote (4-0); Karnowski – Yes; Tapp – Yes; Beckles – Yes; Williams – Yes
- III. Approval of Minutes  
{Action: Approved. Motion: Beckles, Second: Tapp. Vote (4-0); Karnowski – Yes; Tapp – Yes; Beckles – Yes; Williams – Yes
- IV. Old Business
  - a. 2022 GTAB Calendar  
{Action: Approved. Motion: Tapp, Second: Beckles. Vote (4-0); Karnowski – Yes; Tapp – Yes; Beckles – Yes; Williams – Yes
- V. New Business
  - a. Recommendation to Award RP002-22 Transit Development Plan  
Mr. David Tucker, Deputy Director, discussed the selection of RP002-22 to Foursquare ITP and asked for the GTAB's award recommendation to the Board of Commissioners.

{Action: Approved. Motion: Tapp, Second: Williams. Vote (4-0); Karnowski – Yes; Tapp – Yes; Beckles – Yes; Williams – Yes}

b. Transit Vehicle Purchase: Paratransit and Microtransit (increasing from 12-14)

Mr. David Tucker presented the updated request to purchase up to 14 Paratransit/Microtransit vehicles for the expansion of transit service instead of 12.

{Action: Approved. Motion: Tapp, Second: Beckles. Vote (4-0); Karnowski – Yes; Tapp – Yes; Beckles – Yes; Williams – Yes}

VI. Division Report

Ms. Destiny O’Loughlin, Outreach Coordinator, recaps ridership data and outreach for 2021. Discussion was held. Ms. Natasha Tyler, Division Director, stated that the Transit Section Manager vacancy has been filled internally by Loammi Aviles and discussed the 2022 holiday service schedule. Ms. China Thomas, Transit Capital Projects Director, stated that Gwinnett County Transit received an award for its service performance during the COVID-19 pandemic from the Georgia Transit Association.

VII. Director of Transportation/Assistant Director of Transportation Report

Mr. Lewis Cooksey, Department Director, discussed the Board of Commissioners’ approval of the 2022 Transit budget. Mr. Tom Sever, Assistant Department Director, discussed the ITS4US project and the department’s involvement.

VIII. Contractor Report

Mr. Thomas Stringer, Transdev General Manager, discussed the COVID-19 prevention protocols in place, hiring efforts, and support of new holiday service schedule.

IX. Public Comment

No public comment was held.

X. Adjournment

{Action: Approved. Motion: Beckles, Second: Tapp.  
Vote (4-0); Karnowski – Yes; Beckles – Yes; Tapp –  
Yes; Williams – Yes}

Meeting adjourned at 5:44 pm.