

**TWIN CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Special Board Meeting**

February 12, 2026

I. Welcome and Opening:

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting of the Twin City Area Transportation Authority Board of Directors was held at the Benton Harbor City Hall Building, 200 E. Wall Street, Room: Commission Chambers, Benton Harbor, MI 49022, on Thursday, February 12, 2026.

2. **Roll Call of Persons Present:**

Alex Little, Trustee Chair	Spencer Nesbitt, Trustee Vice Chair
Virgil Hatcher, Trustee	Daryl Jackson, Trustee
Cora Robinson, Trustee Secretary	

Persons Absent: None.

Roll call: Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Hatcher, Trustee Jackson, Trustee Little, Trustee Robinson. A quorum was established, and Board Trustee Chair called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

3. **Approval of Agenda:** Trustee Robinson made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Trustee Nesbitt. Roll Call: Trustee Little, Trustee Robinson, Trustee Hatcher, Trustee Jackson. The Board unanimously approved the agenda.

II. New Business: Presented by Trustee Little.

4. Discussion of FTA Letter: In order to demonstrate TCATA's legal, financial, and technical capacity to be eligible to receive federal assistance, TCATA must provide FTA with certain items; until this is done, TCATA does not possess the capacity to receive federal assistance under FTA's Master Agreement (34), denying access to ECHO.

Requirements:

- Name and title of TCATA's ECHO Authorizing Official, and whether they are serving on a temporary/interim or permanent basis.
- Updated Organizational Chart identifying the names of all key staff and their positions.
- TCATA's plans for hiring/assigning a permanent replacement for vacant key leadership roles, including a milestone schedule for implementation.
- Updated Designation of Signature Authority letter, as appropriate.
- Updated Board Approved Authority letter, as appropriate.
- Update Opinion of Counsel Letter.
- Copy of policies and/or procedures reflecting segregation of duties and internal controls.
- Updated financial plan demonstrating adequate revenues to maintain and operate transit service in accordance with written contracts and agreements.

Trustee Little advised that time should be taken in order to make sure all items are provided; most items are done but may need updating; a series of resolutions will be required after accomplishing this task, hopefully by the next meeting. This will give a clear stance on TCATA's projections beyond this interim period with Via. Need to contact MDOT, as well as FTA, in terms of projecting this plan forward. Also, we need to put the TCATA mileage on the November ballot this year in attempts to get that approved, which will also alleviate having to pay a lot of money for an election this year. This sets the work plan for the next few weeks.

Board questions regarding contracts TCATA presently have, i.e., fuel providers, IT, Hungerford (accounting), attorney, Oliver Linsey, annual state auditor. Deputy Director Greschak has previously prepared a list with some of this information for Via as to who will be handling which contracts. Via will be a line item on TCATA's budget, which Via is TCATA's biggest contract. Deputy Director Greschak will be available to answer any other questions. TCATA and the Board will meet with Via to go over contract responsibilities; Deputy Greschak will provide contract information and costs prior to the next meeting.

III. Public Comments: None

Motion to go into closed session made by Trustee Hatcher, seconded by Trustee Nesbitt. Roll call: Trustee Little, Trustee Robinson, Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Hatcher, Trustee Jackson. Motion carried.

IV. Closed Session:

5. Consultation with attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy. Attorney Clifford Hammond presented.

Motion made by Trustee Hatcher to accept the arbitration discussed in closed session, seconded by Trustee Nesbitt. Roll call: Trustee Little, Trustee Robinson, Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Hatcher, Trustee Jackson. Motion carried.

- V. Adjournment:** With no further action taken and no further business, Chair Little entertains Motion to adjourn. Trustee Robinson made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Nesbitt. Roll call: Trustee Little, Trustee Robinson, Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Hatcher, Trustee Jackson. And the meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Attested:

Trustee Alex Little
Chair

Trustee Cora Robinson
Board Secretary