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5
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8 May 11th, 2022

9 at

10 10:08 a.m.

11 at

12 567 West Lake Street, 2nd Floor,
13 Chicago, Illinois 60661

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17 videoconference had in the above-entitled cause
18 held at the Chicago Transit Authority Headquarters,
19 567 West Lake Street, 2nd Floor, Chicago, Illinois,
20 Alejandro Silva, presiding.

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1 BOARD MEMBERS:

2 MR. GREGORY LONGHINI, Secretary;

3 MR. ALEJANDRO SILVA, Chairman;

4 MR. LESTER L. BARCLAY, Director;

5 DR. L. BERNARD JAKES, Director;

6 REV. JOHNNY L. MILLER, Director;

7 MS. ROSA ORTIZ, Director;

8 MR. DORVAL R. CARTER, JR., President.

9 ABSENT:

10 MR. KEVIN IRVINE, Director.

11 PRESENTERS:

12 MR. JEREMY FINE, Chief Financial Officer;

13 MR. WILLIAM MOONEY,
14 Chief Infrastructure Officer;

15 MR. MICHAEL CONNELLY, Chief Planning Officer.

16 ALSO PRESENT:

17 MS. VERONICA ALANIS,
18 Chief of Strategy, Data and Technology;

19 MR. DONALD BONDS, Chief Transit Officer;

20 MR. MARC BUHMANN, Videographer;

21 MR. CHRISTOPHER BUSHELL,
22 Senior Vice President, Infrastructure;

23 MS. MICHELE CURRAN, Vice President,
24 Budget & Capital Finance;

MS. VEDA DUFFIE, Electronic Communications;



1 ALSO PRESENT:(Continued)

2 MS. STINA FISH, Senior Manager,
3 Business Development;

4 MS. MARLISE FRATINARDO,
5 Senior Project Manager, Planning;

6 MR. ANDREW FULLER, Chief Internal Auditor;

7 MS. CAROLINE GALLAGHER,
8 Chief Strategy, Data and Technology Officer;

9 MS. ELSA GUTIERREZ, Vice President, Planning;

10 MR. BRAD JANSEN, Acting General Counsel;

11 MS. ELLEN MCCORMACK, Vice President of
12 Purchasing and Supply Chain;

13 MR. THOMAS MCKONE,
14 Chief Administrative Officer;

15 MS. DEBORAH MILOSLAVICH,
16 Senior Coordinator, Fare Systems;

17 MR. HERB NITZ,
18 Director, Technology Engineering;

19 MR. JUANPABLO PRIETO,
20 Director, Diversity Programs;

21 MR. BRIAN STEELE, Vice President of
22 Communications and Marketing;

23 MR. MICHAEL THIRY,
24 Manager, Fare Systems Program Management;

MS. NANCY-ELLEN ZUSMAN,
Chief Safety & Security Officer.



1 (whereupon, the following
2 proceedings commenced at
3 10:08 a.m. via Zoom.)

4 SECRETARY LONGHINI: We can now move on to the
5 Finance, Audit and Budget Committee meeting.
6 Chairman Silva?

7 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Good morning. I would like to
8 call to order the May 11, 2022 meeting of the
9 Committee on Finance, Audit and Budget. Will the
10 secretary call the roll?

11 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Yes. Director Ortiz?

12 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Here.

13 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

14 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: Here.

15 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

16 DIRECTOR MILLER: Here.

17 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Chairman Silva?

18 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Here.

19 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Directors Irvine and Jakes
20 will not be with us today. We have a quorum of
21 four -- with all four -- with four members of the
22 committee present, sir.

23 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our first order of business is
24 the approval of the committee minutes for



1 April 20, '22. May I have a motion to approve?

2 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

3 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

4 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved and seconded.

5 Director Miller? Director Miller on the motion?

6 DIRECTOR MILLER: Yes.

7 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Yes. Director Barclay?

8 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: Yes.

9 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

10 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Yes.

11 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Chairman Silva?

12 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Yes.

13 SECRETARY LONGHINI: The motion to approve the
14 minutes is approved with four yes votes. Proceed
15 with number three.

16 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
17 the finance report, Jeremy Fine. Good morning,
18 Jeremy.

19 MR. FINE: Good morning. I'm Jeremy Fine, your
20 Chief Financial Officer and I'll be going over
21 results for the month of March as well as
22 year-to-date numbers. On the next page we see
23 March revenues. They're following a similar form
24 of what we've seen over the first couple of months



1 of the year. We received farebox totals slightly
2 positive to budget. Passes slightly down on budget
3 based on spreads but overall we're essentially
4 flat. Slightly down to what we had expected in the
5 budget. More importantly though is -- is -- is the
6 variance to this time last year. So variance to
7 March of 2021 we're almost 8 million dollars to the
8 positive. Reduced fare subsidy coming in as
9 expected. Albeit at lower amounts due to prior
10 haircuts from the state. Non-farebox totals
11 continue to come in slightly positive to budget by
12 about \$400,000. A little over a million dollars to
13 March of last year. So overall for the month of
14 March we end up essentially flat. Slightly
15 positive by \$100,000 for the month of March but
16 almost 9 million dollars of positive variance until
17 March of 2021.

18 On the next page you see year-to-date
19 numbers. Again following a similar form. You see
20 fare and pass totals down but essentially flat but
21 down by about \$700,000. But over 18 million
22 dollars positive to this time last year. Reduction
23 fare subsidy coming in as expected. Non-farebox
24 totals coming in essentially flat. Slightly



1 positive to the budget. But over a million and a
2 half positive to this time last year. So overall
3 revenues year-to-date through the first quarter are
4 essentially flat. Slightly down by about \$600,000
5 but almost 20 million dollars of positive variance
6 to the first quarter of last year. On the next
7 page we see our expense numbers for March. We see
8 positive variance by about 9 and a half million for
9 labor. Down about \$650,000 for material based on
10 timing. Fuel is essentially flat but slightly down
11 due to the impact of spot portion of that buy and
12 then power we're positive by about \$900,000.
13 Injuries and damages essentially flat. Security
14 services positive by almost \$450,000. And other
15 expenses continues to be a strong performer of
16 about 6 and a half, 6.6 million dollars of
17 favorable variance for the month of March. So we
18 end up the month of March favorable in our expenses
19 by 16.8 million dollars. Net of revenue we're
20 16.9 million dollars to the positive for the month
21 of March. On the next page we see year-to-date
22 numbers for expenses positive across the board.
23 You see total operating expenses of 13.2 million
24 dollars favorable to budget on expenses alone. Net



1 of revenues were about 32.6 million dollars to the
2 positive. So again for the first quarter of the
3 year very favorable results with regard to our
4 system generated revenues and expenses. With
5 regard to our public funding, we see this on the
6 next couple of pages. For the monthly collections,
7 this is this first page, we see positive variance
8 for sales tax by about 3.4 million dollars for the
9 collections attributed to January of '22. PTF for
10 April of '22 we're about 3 and a half million
11 dollars to the positive. The RETT for March of '22
12 about a million six. And then PTF and RETT and ICE
13 funding coming in almost a million dollars to the
14 positive for their respective months. So we have
15 for the monthly collections positive favorable
16 variance of 9.4 million dollars for public funding.
17 On the next page you see the year-to-date numbers.
18 And again dropping to the bottom line here for the
19 collections so far for the year we see about
20 26 million dollars of positive variance for public
21 funding.

22 On the next page you see federal relief
23 funding draws. We have listed out the four pots of
24 federal relief funding that we've received: CARES,



1 CRRSAA, ARP, and ARP discretionary. The ARP
2 discretionary should be noted as been announced but
3 not yet executed so we've not yet started drawing
4 down on that. CARES as we've talked about in prior
5 months has been fully drawn down, you know, so far.
6 So now we've turned our attention to drawing down
7 against CRRSAA and ARP funding and we'll start
8 drawing down against ARP discretionary once that
9 grant is executed. But in the meantime what we're
10 doing is we're drawing down in a pro rata fashion
11 on a monthly basis against the active grants. So
12 in this case we're drawing down about \$3,000,000.
13 A little bit more than 3.3 of CRRSAA and about 9.2
14 of ARP. We will continue to do so in the coming
15 months and years as we need to make draws. We'll
16 keep all three grants active on a monthly basis.
17 That would be CRRSAA, ARP and ARP discretionary so
18 that we have activity on all three grants on a
19 going forward basis. Again that helps to signify
20 how -- how critical and how necessary each of those
21 grants are to the federal government as we continue
22 to move forward. On the next page we talked about
23 our commodities: Fuel, power and natural gas.
24 Fuel we're locked in, you know, for 2023 of about



1 50 percent. We were actually able over the last
2 couple of days to make some additional purchases
3 which we'll talk about next month for '23 and '4
4 but for the report here we have about half of what
5 we need for '23 already locked in at about
6 10 percent for '24 and '5. So again we'll continue
7 to make selective opportunities to buy more of
8 those future, you know, volume needs as prices
9 relax occasionally but, you know, obviously it's a
10 very volatile market but we have been very
11 successful in our -- in our plan to kind of
12 incrementally buy along the way when prices do
13 relax, you know, temporarily. But, you know, again
14 we're keeping an eye on that daily. Power and
15 natural gas we're locked in where we need to be for
16 the foreseeable future but we'll continue to look
17 for selective opportunities there as well. That
18 completes the FAB report for the month of March.
19 I'm glad to answer any questions.

20 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Are we -- are we achieving,
21 okay, what we are expecting, okay, for -- from the
22 public collection, okay, that we have here in the
23 Illinois area?

24 MR. FINE: Yes. So the public funding in



1 general has been very good, exceeding budgeted
2 expectations through the first quarter of the year.
3 Both in terms of our sales tax, our public funding,
4 from PTF and RETT. So again it's been -- it's been
5 a strong first quarter. Obviously there's a lot of
6 things going on in the larger, you know, economy.
7 We continue to keep an eye on that but for the
8 first quarter of 2022 it's been a very positive
9 year in terms of public funding.

10 CHAIRMAN SILVA: And -- and we -- we are
11 expecting, okay, the pair of relief funding, okay,
12 to continue, okay, for this year?

13 MR. FINE: So the federal relief funding, you
14 know, comes in those four grants as I previously
15 mentioned. We expect to draw down those funds as
16 part of, you know, what we discussed in the '22
17 budget and what we'll talk about here in a moment
18 with regard to the amendment of the '22 budget.
19 But we expect to use those funds, you know, for any
20 gaps that would be for '22, '23 and '24. And we'll
21 talk about that more in a moment on the amendment.
22 But again those -- those funds are available for
23 current year shortfalls as well as any future year
24 shortfalls as long as those remain, you know,



1 available and in existence that we haven't drawn
2 down. So those will be, you know, available as we
3 move forward as well.

4 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Can you talk a little bit,
5 okay, about how our position in gas futures?

6 MR. FINE: Sure. So, you know, we have been
7 very successful in locking in, you know, lower
8 pricing through, you know, the help of our fuel
9 advisors at Ameresco. We've been able to lock in
10 essentially at \$2 a gallon for 2022, about 2.70 a
11 gallon for 2023, 2.63 for '24 and about 2 and a
12 quarter for '25. So, you know, again we look for
13 selective opportunities to buy. Obviously prices
14 have gone up considerably. You probably see that
15 at the pump but, you know, there's a couple of
16 things to our advantage. One is is that the blend
17 of diesel that we're buying is a bit cheaper than
18 what you see with regard to unleaded gas at the
19 pump. You know, and particularly if you were
20 buying premium. But if you -- if you also buy out
21 in the future like we are for '23, '4 and '5, those
22 years are continuing to come in at a slight
23 discount to spot pricing. So, you know, we
24 continue to look for selective opportunities, you



1 know, to buy additional volume for those outer
2 years. we've been fairly successful in that
3 endeavor heretofore but, you know, again it's a
4 very violative market, a very rocky market. So
5 we're just looking for selective windows when
6 prices fall to make additional purchases for those
7 outers years. The good news is is that we do have
8 some continued time on our side for '24 and '5.
9 '23 we would like to get locked in, you know,
10 before the -- before the budget cycle, you know,
11 ends but again we still have some time there as
12 well. So we're using that to our advantage to
13 again make selective opportunities when prices
14 avail themselves.

15 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Thank you.

16 PRESIDENT CARTER: Director Silva, one -- one
17 more point I want to clarify for what Jeremy said
18 and it's important to keep in mind that the reason
19 we're engaging in this strategy is -- is twofold.
20 One is what Jeremy has mentioned which is we are
21 able to lock in prices at a discounted rate much
22 lower than what you would get on -- on the market
23 if you were going to your gas station and -- and
24 buying gas. But the other point which is also just



1 as important to us is budget stability. So the
2 more that we lock this in, the more we can budget
3 to a particular price in our -- in our annual
4 budgets and clearly fuel is a significant portion
5 of our budget expense. So even if -- even if we
6 are paying more than say, you know, next year than
7 we're paying this year, we still get the benefit of
8 knowing that our prices for that -- for that fuel
9 are not going to go skyrocketing up and down all
10 year long which would just play havoc with our
11 overall budget. So -- so I just want to point out
12 the -- these very purpose why we do this which is
13 not necessarily tied to the cost savings but tied
14 to budgeting, you know, stabilizing.

15 CHAIRMAN SILVA: We are not openly, okay,
16 playing the market, okay?

17 PRESIDENT CARTER: No. We're working --

18 MR. FINE: No.

19 PRESIDENT CARTER: Yeah. We're not speculating
20 if that's -- if that's what you're referring to.
21 This -- this is a very industry accepted practice.
22 A lot of other practices do the same thing where it
23 basically -- they would (inaudible) industry that
24 has the -- the need to purchase a significant



1 amount of fuel. It would be the airlines.
2 something like that. All engage in this process.
3 So we're not -- you know, we're not out here trying
4 to make money off doing -- off of this or anything
5 like that. We're really just trying to take
6 advantage of volume discounts with advanced
7 purchases that allow us to stabilize our budget
8 going forward.

9 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Thank you.

10 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Excuse me. Before we
11 proceed -- proceed, I've just been informed that
12 Director Jakes on the committee is joining the
13 proceedings virtually.

14 DIRECTOR JAKES: Thank you.

15 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay, any --

16 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: Yes. Just -- just one
17 comment, Jeremy. I'm encouraged by the steady
18 improvement of fare revenues. We've seen the
19 increase there from last year. And then with the
20 hopes that this summer it's going to improve even
21 greater now that the festival season will open up.
22 So we're anxiously awaiting those results as well.

23 MR. FINE: Thank you. We are too but it's
24 encouraging so far.



1 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

2 DIRECTOR MILLER: No. I have no additional
3 questions. Thank you.

4 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

5 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No additional questions.
6 Thank you.

7 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Is director -- is Director
8 Jakes available to -- no?

9 DIRECTOR JAKES: I have no questions, Greg.

10 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Okay. Thank you, Director
11 Jakes. We're finished with all the issues on that
12 item number three, Chairman Silva. You may move to
13 number four now.

14 CHAIRMAN SILVA: The next order of business is
15 to review an ordinance adopting an amended budget
16 for calendar year 2022 and amended financial plan
17 for calendar years 2023 and 2024. Jeremy?

18 MR. FINE: Thank you. Again I'm Jeremy Fine,
19 your Chief Financial Officer. And I'm here today
20 to present an ordinance amending the 2022 operating
21 budget and the 2023 and '24 financial plans as
22 required by the RTA to reflect increased public
23 funding marks and to incorporate the American
24 rescue plan known as ARP funds allocated by RTA in



1 November as well as the discretionary ARP funds
2 awarded to CTA in March. The amended 2022 budget
3 also includes actual information and system
4 generated revenue results for January through March
5 but is otherwise unchanged. In addition, the RTA
6 has reduced the recovery -- the required recovery
7 ratio from 45.75 percent. I'm sorry.
8 54.75 percent to 42 percent for tracking purposes
9 but we continue to have a waiver from the state
10 legislature through 2023. RTA approved revised
11 marks at their April 2022 board meeting. The CTA
12 public funding is projected to be 1 billion dollars
13 which is about 80 million higher than originally
14 budget -- budgeted for in 2022. The revised budget
15 also incorporates the 912.1 million of ARP funds
16 allocated to CTA and the 118.4 million of ARP
17 discretionary funds awarded. CTA was the only
18 service board in the region eligible to apply for
19 the competitive grant based on the expending CARES
20 funds. The amended budget also shows system
21 generated revenues relatively flat to the original
22 budget. Down \$600,000. And the operating expenses
23 33 million dollars lower than the original budget
24 primarily due to favorable labor expense in the



1 first quarter of 2022. As a result of the
2 increased public funding marks and favorable
3 expenses, CTA is able to reduce the expected
4 federal relief funds needed for 2022 from
5 456 million to 343 million. We previously
6 estimated that the federal relief funds would last
7 us through mid 2024 and we are currently estimating
8 funds to last through early 2025. This
9 amendment -- with this amendment the overall 2022
10 operating budget is decreased from 1.747 billion to
11 1.714 billion. This concludes my presentation and
12 I'm glad to answer any questions. Greg, I think
13 that you may be on mute.

14 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Jakes, any
15 questions?

16 DIRECTOR JAKES: No questions, Greg.

17 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Okay. Chairman Silva, all
18 questions are finished on this matter.

19 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Thank you. Our next order of
20 business --

21 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Chairman Silva, we need to
22 put this on the omnibus.

23 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this
24 item on the omnibus for Board approval?



1 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

2 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

3 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved and seconded? You
4 may proceed to number five, Chairman.

5 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
6 an ordinance authorizing an amendment to a lease of
7 retail space and license agreements for basement
8 space and adjacent property located at
9 4620 North Broadway, Chicago, Illinois, Red Line.

10 MR. FINE: Thank you. Good morning. I'm
11 Jeremy Fine, your Chief Financial Officer. And
12 today I present for your consideration an ordinance
13 authorizing the amendment to the lease and license
14 agreement with Chicago Cooperative, tradename
15 Chicago Market, at the Gerber building adjacent to
16 the Wilson Station. The lease with Chicago Market
17 for a grocery co-op and accompanying license
18 agreement for the basement and adjacent under 'L'
19 parking area were originally executed in May of
20 2018. The proposed amendment to the lease and
21 accompanying license -- license agreements will
22 provide Chicago Market more time and flexibility to
23 build out and operate successfully in the space.
24 This amendment includes a new rent commencement



1 date of June 1, 2024. A rent abatement estimated
2 to be approximately \$208,000 in exchange for
3 Chicago Market taking over necessary remediation
4 work to the basement, the expanded use of the
5 basement space at a rent of a dollar per square
6 foot and an extension to the seven months at the
7 end of the lease base term to offset the rent
8 abatement. The amendment also introduces
9 milestones toward the design and build out of the
10 Chicago Market that it must meet which will help
11 ensure they stay on schedule going forward.
12 Starting annual rent for the building will remain
13 unchanged at \$238,302 and the total value to the
14 CTA for the ten-year base term remains 2.73 million
15 dollars. This concludes my presentation and I'm
16 glad to answer any questions.

17 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

18 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

19 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

20 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

21 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

22 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

23 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Jakes?

24 DIRECTOR JAKES: No questions.



1 SECRETARY LONGHINI: All the questions are
2 finished, Chairman Silva.

3 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this
4 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

5 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

6 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

7 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved and seconded. You
8 may proceed to number six, Chairman.

9 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
10 an ordinance authorizing an additional experimental
11 University Pass, U-pass, Program agreement with the
12 University of Illinois at Chicago for certain
13 part-time students for fall 2022 and spring 2023.
14 Jeremy?

15 MR. FINE: Thank you. Again I'm Jeremy Fine,
16 your Chief Financial Officer. Today for your
17 consideration it's similar to the Board approval
18 for the summer of '22 semester last month I present
19 a proposal for an extension of the University of
20 Illinois at Chicago, known as UIC, part-time U-Pass
21 experimental program for the fall of 2022, spring
22 of 2023 and summer 2023 academic terms. Per this
23 pilot program, the graduate, under graduate
24 part-time students taking between eight and eleven



1 credit hours shall receive a U-Pass. UIC
2 participated in previous U-Pass pilots during the
3 2000, 2021, 2022 academic years which were both
4 successful even in the midst of the Covid-19
5 pandemic. The pilot program allows the part-time
6 UIC students to be eligible to receive U-Passes if
7 they opt in to the program. UIC will pay CTA the
8 daily per student rate per term of \$1.25 for the
9 general U-Pass agreement and this pass is passed
10 through to the students. At the conclusion of the
11 experimental program, CTA will review the ridership
12 of the part-time U-Passes issued and make a
13 comparison to the revenue earned to make a
14 recommendation as to the potential permanency of
15 this part-time U-Pass program with the new
16 five-year U-Pass contracts that will be in effect
17 starting August 2023. This concludes my
18 presentation and I'm glad to answer any questions.

19 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Are we gaining some U --
20 U-passes or are we trying to get, okay, what we
21 used to have before?

22 MR. FINE: So with regard to the participating
23 schools, we have actually gained several
24 new -- three new U-Pass participants in the



1 program. So that's -- that's great news in a very
2 tough time, tough market in general with regard to
3 higher education and just the impact on, you know,
4 the pandemic there. So we're very excited about
5 that. You know, the student participation in the
6 program or just ridership in general tracks some of
7 the ebbs and flows in ridership in general on the
8 CTA. So again we're starting to see -- you know,
9 as we're starting to see ridership in general
10 coming back, we're also seeing ridership on the
11 U-Passes picking up as well. But again this -- the
12 modifications that we made last month as well as
13 the modifications that are before you today to
14 continue to provide the flexibility for the opt in
15 aspect of the program has allowed us to maintain
16 the current cohort of about seventy schools as well
17 as add to that stable of schools. So as well just
18 allow for students to start coming back to, you
19 know, classroom settings and -- and additional
20 ridership related to that. So this has been a very
21 successful program for us and we're continuing to
22 see progress on, you know, ridership here and also
23 maintaining the -- the stable schools as well as
24 expanding it. So this has been a very good program



1 for us and the schools and the students
2 participating.

3 CHAIRMAN SILVA: So we should expect, okay, to
4 keep going up?

5 MR. FINE: Yeah. So again we're -- we're
6 seeing continued increasing ridership, you know,
7 just kind of across the board and this program is
8 no different than that. We're continuing to see
9 improvements on ridership throughout the program.

10 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Yeah.

11 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

12 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

13 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

14 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

15 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Jakes?

16 DIRECTOR JAKES: No questions, Greg.

17 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

18 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions. Thank you.

19 SECRETARY LONGHINI: There are no -- I'm sorry.

20 There are no further questions on this matter,
21 Chairman Silva.

22 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this
23 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

24 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.



1 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

2 SECRETARY LONGHINI: We may now proceed
3 to -- moved and seconded. We may proceed to number
4 six, Chairman.

5 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Number seven.

6 SECRETARY LONGHINI: No. Number seven.

7 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
8 an ordinance authorizing an additional experimental
9 U-Pass, U-Pass, program agreement with City
10 colleges of Chicago for certain part-time students
11 for fall 2022 and spring 2023 terms. Jeremy?

12 MR. FINE: Thank you. Again I'm Jeremy Fine,
13 your Chief Financial Officer. And today for your
14 consideration and similar to the UIC ordinance
15 previously presented, I present a proposal for an
16 extension of the City colleges of Chicago part-time
17 U-Pass pilot program for the fall of '22, spring of
18 '23 and summer of '23 academic terms. For this
19 experimental program selected part-time City
20 college students taking between nine and eleven
21 credit hours are eligible to receive a U-Pass. The
22 initial City college part-time experimental program
23 was implemented in the fall of 2018 and extended.
24 This pilot program allows eligible part-time City



1 College students to receive U-Passes the same as
2 previous agreement if they opt in. City Colleges
3 will pay CTA the daily per student rate per term of
4 \$1.25 per the general U-Pass agreement. And at the
5 conclusion of this experimental program, CTA will
6 review the ridership of the part-time U-Passes
7 issued and make a comparison to the revenue earned
8 to make a recommendation as to the potential
9 permanency of the part-time U-Pass model with the
10 new five-year U-Pass contracts that will go into
11 effect in August of 2023. This concludes my
12 presentation and I'm glad to answer any questions.

13 CHAIRMAN SILVA: No further questions.

14 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director -- Director
15 Barclay?

16 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

17 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

18 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

19 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

20 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Can you clarify something?

21 For the other piece it said that the cost went back
22 to the students and it was regardless of whether
23 they use it or not. For those that do use it, is
24 the cost actually lower through this program than



1 if they were doing it on their own?

2 MR. FINE: Yeah. So, Director, the -- the --
3 both programs are currently opt-in programs as the
4 larger program at large -- the U-Pass program at
5 large for full-time is also opt in. To your
6 question, yes. This is a significant discount.
7 It's about half of what a thirty-day pass -- an
8 unlimited thirty-day pass would cost. So this is,
9 you know -- you know, a good pricing point for
10 students to be able to access the system as they
11 would through that thirty-day pass option at a
12 discount but again it -- it -- what it has done in
13 the past and has been basically modeled for -- it's
14 become a model for other transit agencies around
15 the country is that -- that this really
16 incentivizes folks to ride the system, you know,
17 and -- and because school, you know, hours are
18 different they are kind of riding throughout the
19 day. And they become accustomed to the system so
20 that when they become employed after their
21 education that they continue to be riders. And
22 again this has been a very successful program
23 that's been replicated around the country because
24 of -- because of the success that we've seen here



1 in Chicago.

2 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Yeah. So I am a fan of the
3 program which is why I also wanted to clarify that
4 it's a benefit all around and I'm -- just continue
5 to be super excited for -- for the program and
6 expansions of it. Thank you.

7 MR. FINE: Thank you.

8 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Jakes, any
9 questions? Director Jakes?

10 DIRECTOR JAKES: No questions, Greg. And I'm
11 getting ready to go through airport security so I
12 may have to log off and log back in.

13 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Thank you, sir. Chairman
14 Silva, there are no further questions on this
15 matter.

16 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this
17 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

18 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

19 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

20 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.
21 Seconded by Director Ortiz. We may move to number
22 eight now, Chairman.

23 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
24 an ordinance authorizing an amendment of University



1 Pass, U-Pass, to allow incentive pricing and
2 enrollment flexibility for the 2022-2023 academic
3 year. Jeremy?

4 MR. FINE: Thank you. Again I'm Jeremy Fine,
5 your Chief Financial Officer. And today for your
6 consideration I present a proposal to offer tiered
7 pricing and continued flexibility of certain U-Pass
8 contract provisions due to the lasting effects of
9 the Covid-19 pandemic through the 2022 and 2023
10 academic year. Similar to the Board approval for
11 the summer of 2022 semester last month, this
12 ordinance continues the flexibility of certain
13 U-Pass contract provisions due to the lasting
14 effects of the Covid pandemic through the '22, '23
15 academic year. Colleges and universities have
16 experienced unique and lasting enrollment changes
17 since March of 2020. In-person enrollment
18 continues to be reduced since the onset of the
19 pandemic. And remote classes will continue to be a
20 mode of learning in many instances. Offering
21 enhanced flexibility terms to participating schools
22 will allow continued school participation and allow
23 students to maximize access to the use of CTA
24 services. In addition to the continued flexibility



1 through the final year of the current contract, the
2 ordinance proposes allowing incentive pricing to
3 colleges and universities based on enrollment
4 levels. As these schools have been valued partners
5 of CTA for the past several years and to encourage
6 schools to enroll 100 percent of their eligible
7 students in U-Pass, a reduced daily rate of a
8 dollar will be charged for full enrollment. For
9 schools that want to continue with flexible
10 enrollment, the current daily rate of \$1.25 will
11 continue to be charged. Staff will monitor the
12 enrollment and usage of U-Passes through the coming
13 academic year to make recommendations for pricing
14 and enrollment flexibility for the new five-year
15 U-Pass contracts that will take effect August of
16 2023. Offering enhanced flexible terms to
17 participating schools will allow continued school
18 participation and allow students to maximize the
19 access and use of the CTA services. This concludes
20 my -- my comments and I'm glad to answer any
21 questions.

22 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Chairman Silva?

23 CHAIRMAN SILVA: No questions.

24 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?



1 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

2 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

3 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

4 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

5 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

6 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Chairman Silva, we're

7 finished with questions.

8 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this

9 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

10 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

11 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

12 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.

13 Seconded by Director Ortiz. You may move to number

14 nine, sir.

15 CHAIRMAN SILVA: The next order of business is

16 an ordinance authorizing the co-promotion for

17 advertising trade agreement with Bank of America

18 for the 2022 Bank of America Chicago 13.1 and 2022

19 Chicago Marathon. Jeremy?

20 MR. FINE: Thank you. Again I'm Jeremy Fine,

21 your Chief Financial Officer. And today I present

22 for your consideration an ordinance that permits

23 CTA to enter into a co-promotional trade agreement

24 with Bank of America for the 2022 Bank of America



1 Chicago 13 and -- 13.1 half marathon and the 2022
2 Chicago Marathon and related events. The
3 co-promotion has a trade value to Bank of America
4 of approximately \$46,000 and a trade value to CTA
5 of about 81 and a half thousand dollars. 800 -- a
6 little over \$80,000. CTA has done a co-promotion
7 for the marathon with Bank of America or their
8 predecessor for twenty-one years. The half
9 marathon will be run for the first time this year.
10 And we have combined the half marathon in June and
11 the marathon in October into a single
12 co-promotional agreement. The Bank of America will
13 provide CTA information at their spectator guide,
14 participant guide, e-mail blasts participants and
15 on the event web sites. This will also include
16 links to purchase fare in advance of the race
17 through the Ventra web site. They have also
18 provided booth space to the CTA at the marathon
19 health and fitness expo. And in exchange CTA will
20 provide unsold hard card space on our rail system
21 and bus system. This partnership will allow CTA to
22 reach a substantial audience of runners and
23 spectators leading up to the marathon and over the
24 weekend of the event. This concludes my



1 presentation and I'm glad to answer any questions.

2 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Is it -- is it the first time
3 that we're doing these changes, okay, for the
4 marathon?

5 MR. FINE: So this is the first time that the
6 half marathon is being run. It was actually
7 scheduled to be run earlier but due to the pandemic
8 had been cancelled. So we're excited to have the
9 half marathon come on-line. So this will be the
10 first time for the half marathon. But it's the
11 twenty-first year of the agreement with Bank of
12 America and its predecessor banks for the marathon
13 at large. So, you know, this is -- you know, this
14 is a slightly larger denomination because of the
15 inclusion of the half marathon and what we've
16 previously seen. But again this has been a great
17 partnership for us and the marathon. You know, we
18 get a lot of, you know, runners riding the system
19 during these events. Particularly the marathon and
20 now the half marathon as well as spectators.
21 Friends and family come out for these events and
22 travel around on the system, you know, to see the
23 runners at different locations along the route. So
24 this has been a very successful program for us and



1 the marathon and it's been a very good
2 co-promotion.

3 CHAIRMAN SILVA: We will continue with Bank of
4 America? Okay. We don't do various people for
5 this marathon, right? They will have twenty-one
6 years or -- or we -- we do have a little bit more
7 commitment to every Bank of America?

8 MR. FINE: So Bank of America is the sponsor
9 for the marathon and we have nothing to do with
10 that kind of sponsorship agreement. We do have the
11 flexibility to enter into these types of
12 co-promotions which we do on a regular basis with
13 the city for other large events, you know, that are
14 sponsored by DCASE or other city department and --
15 and other entities from time to time. You know,
16 this is really an opportunity for us to engage
17 unused hard card space on the system. And in
18 exchange we get to promote our services at the
19 different events. In this case at marathon related
20 events. But in other events, you know, we
21 get -- we get to advertise in those various events
22 as well. So again this is, you know, just an
23 opportunity that is open to other type of events
24 like this. And it's an opportunity for us to



1 engage what would otherwise would be unsold hard
2 card space and get, you know, the -- the branding
3 of CTA and the availability of CTA out there to a
4 market and particularly for the marathon. This is
5 a very important opportunity for us because a lot
6 of people from around the country, around the world
7 frankly come into this event. So we see increased
8 usage of passes and -- and paper use but passes in
9 particular as people come in from other countries,
10 other areas around the country and, you know, look
11 to buy those, you know, three-day passes or longer
12 to engage the system as they go around the city and
13 see sites as well as go to the event itself.

14 CHAIRMAN SILVA: The half marathon this is the
15 first time that it's coming?

16 MR. FINE: Yes. This is the first time. Like
17 I said, they mentioned -- they meant to run it, you
18 know, during the pandemic but it had been
19 cancelled. So this will the first time that the
20 half marathon is being run and -- and the first
21 time that it's being included in the co-promotion
22 here.

23 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Thank you. Keep it up. Good.
24 Good.



1 MR. FINE: Yeah. We're excited.

2 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

3 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

4 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

5 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

6 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

7 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions. Thank you.

8 SECRETARY LONGHINI: No further questions,

9 Chairman Silva, on this matter.

10 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave -- may I have

11 leave to place this item on the omnibus for Board

12 approval?

13 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

14 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

15 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.

16 Seconded by Director Ortiz. We move to number ten,

17 Chairman.

18 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is

19 an ordinance authorizing the sublease to Farpoint

20 Development, LLC of a portion of property located

21 at 120 North Racine Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

22 Bill Mooney?

23 MR. MOONEY: Good morning. Bill Mooney, your

24 Chief Infrastructure Officer.



1 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Good morning, Bill.

2 MR. MOONEY: Staff recommends approval of an
3 ordinance authorizing a sublease to Farpoint
4 Development of a portion of the property located at
5 120 North Racine. Sterling Racine, LLC has a
6 master lease agreement for 84,879 square feet on
7 the first and second floors of 120 North Racine.
8 Farpoint Development, LLC has subleased space on
9 the second floor since 2017 for ordinances number
10 17-73 and 20-004. The proposed new sublease
11 increases Farpoint's lease space from 5,039 square
12 feet to 5,615 square feet. Sterling Racine will
13 continue to be responsible for all rent and
14 expenses as set forth in the master lease agreement
15 including its proportion share of building
16 operating expenses and all applicable taxes and
17 utility fees. Under the terms of the master lease
18 agreement will Sterling Racine, all amendments of
19 the sublease requires CTA approval which cannot
20 reasonably be withheld. I'm happy to take any
21 questions on this item.

22 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Chairman Silva?

23 CHAIRMAN SILVA: No. I don't have any
24 questions.



1 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

2 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

3 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

4 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

5 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

6 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

7 SECRETARY LONGHINI: No further questions,
8 Chairman Silva.

9 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this
10 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

11 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

12 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

13 SECRETARY LONGHINI: So moved by Director
14 Miller. Seconded by Director Ortiz. Proceed to
15 number eleven, Chairman.

16 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
17 the review of an ordinance authorizing an agreement
18 and acknowledgement of easement with JRTC office
19 owner, LLC, for renovation, operation and
20 maintenance of the Chicago Transit Authority
21 Clark/Lake Station at the former State of Illinois
22 Center Building, Chicago, Illinois. Bill?

23 MR. MOONEY: Thank you, Director. Staff
24 recommends approval of an ordinance authorizing



1 agreement and acknowledgement of an easement with
2 JRTC Holdings, LLC for the renovation, operation
3 and maintenance at the Clark and Lake CTA Station
4 at the former State of Illinois Center Building.
5 CTA operates and maintains the Clark and Lake
6 Station pursuant to an easement the state granted
7 CTA dated August 7th, 1984. For the purpose of
8 operating and maintaining the rapid transit
9 station. The state is selling a portion of the
10 State of Illinois Center, SOIC, and is assigning
11 their rights under the 1984 agreement and
12 associated easement to an affiliate of the prime
13 group known as JRTC Holdings. CTA has negotiated
14 an agreement with the new owner for the CTA's
15 continued operation of Clark and Lake Station. The
16 new agreement protects CTA's rights under the 1984
17 agreement and provides for the continued operation
18 of the station under the existing conditions and
19 rights in the Authority's interest as well as
20 provides for terms around renovation and
21 reconstruction of the building if so required. I'm
22 happy to take any questions on this item.

23 CHAIRMAN SILVA: I don't have a question.

24 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?



1 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

2 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

3 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

4 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

5 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

6 SECRETARY LONGHINI: There are no further

7 questions on this matter, sir.

8 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this

9 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

10 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

11 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

12 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.

13 Seconded by Director Ortiz. We may now proceed to

14 number twelve, Chairman.

15 CHAIRMAN SILVA: The next order of business is

16 the review of an ordinance consenting to the

17 assignment of a ground lease from SCG Church Street

18 Plaza, LLC to 900-950 Church Street Property, LLC

19 and issuance of an estoppel certificate for

20 property located between Church and Clark Streets

21 near the Davis Station in Evanston, Illinois,

22 Purple Line. Bill?

23 MR. MOONEY: Real estate staff recommends

24 approval of an ordinance authorizing the consent to



1 the assignment of a ground lease for the property
2 located between Church and Clark Streets near Davis
3 Station in Evanston. The CTA previously enter into
4 a ground lease with the city of Evanston for a
5 strip of land located between Church and
6 Clark Streets just west of the Purple Line tracks.
7 The city of Evanston later assigned the ground
8 lease and the current lessee is SCG Church Street
9 Plaza, LLC. At this time SCG Church Plaza has sold
10 multiple properties to 900-950 Church Street
11 Property, LLC and is looking to assign the grounds.
12 The assignment will not alter the CTA's rights
13 under the ground lease. Assignee will assume all
14 the assigner's responsibilities under the ground
15 lease but additionally the assigner will continue
16 to be obligated under the terms of the ground lease
17 following the assignment. Under the terms of the
18 lease, CTA must consent to such an assignment
19 and -- and such consent may not unreasonably be
20 withheld. I'm happy to take any questions on this
21 item.

22 CHAIRMAN SILVA: I don't have questions.

23 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

24 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.



1 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

2 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

3 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

4 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

5 SECRETARY LONGHINI: There's no further
6 questions on this matter, sir.

7 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this
8 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

9 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

10 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

11 SECRETARY LONGHINI: So moved by Director
12 Miller. Seconded by Director Ortiz. We may move
13 to number thirteen now, sir.

14 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Thirteen. Our next order of
15 business is an ordinance authorizing an
16 intergovernmental agreement with the City of
17 Chicago through its Tax Increment Financing funds
18 for Western Brown Line Station and bus turnaround
19 improvements. Bill?

20 MR. MOONEY: Staff recommends approval of an
21 ordinance authorizing an intergovernmental
22 agreement with the City of Chicago through its
23 Department of Planning and Development for the Tax
24 Increment Financing funds for the Western Brown



1 Line Station and bus turnaround project. The
2 Western Brown Line Station and bus turnaround
3 project includes improvements to customer facing
4 elements within the station, platform and
5 mezzanine, upgrades to key mechanical systems and
6 the bus turnaround area. CTA has been approved for
7 the use of TIF funds in the total amount of
8 8 million dollars to support this project which we
9 made available through this intergovernmental
10 agreement. I'm happy to take any questions on this
11 item.

12 CHAIRMAN SILVA: No questions.

13 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

14 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

15 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

16 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

17 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

18 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

19 SECRETARY LONGHINI: There are no further
20 questions on this matter, sir.

21 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this
22 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

23 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

24 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.



1 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.
2 Seconded by Director Ortiz. You may proceed to
3 number fourteen, sir.

4 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
5 an ordinance authorizing an intergovernmental
6 agreement with the City of Chicago through its
7 Department for Planning and Development for Tax
8 Increment Financing funds for design work for
9 California Blue Line All Stations Accessibility
10 Program, ASAP, improvements. Bill?

11 MR. MOONEY: Thank you. Staff recommends
12 approval authorizing intergovernmental agreement
13 with the City of Chicago through its Department of
14 Planning and Development for the Tax Increment
15 Financing funds for the California All Stations
16 Accessibility Project or ASAP. The California ASAP
17 project will provide for the installation of two
18 elevators and associated improvements to the
19 California Station on the O'Hare branch to make the
20 station fully accessible. CTA has been approved
21 for the use of TIF funds to support the design
22 phase of the project in the amount of 5,670,000
23 which we made available through this
24 intergovernmental agreement. I'm happy to take any



1 questions on this item.

2 CHAIRMAN SILVA: No questions.

3 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

4 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

5 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

6 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

7 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

8 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

9 SECRETARY LONGHINI: There's no further
10 questions on this matter, sir.

11 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this
12 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

13 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

14 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

15 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.
16 Seconded by Director Ortiz. Proceed with general
17 item number fifteen, sir.

18 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
19 an ordinance authorizing an intergovernmental
20 agreement with the City of Chicago through its
21 Department of Planning and Development for Tax
22 Increment Financing funds for 43rd Street Green
23 Line Station improvements. Bill?

24 MR. MOONEY: Thank you. Staff recommends



1 approval of an ordinance authorizing an
2 intergovernmental agreement with the City of
3 Chicago through the Department of Planning and
4 Development for the use of TIF funds for the
5 43rd Street Green Line Station improvements
6 project. 43rd Station projects includes
7 improvements to customer facing elements including
8 painting, canopy repairs, lighting and upgrades to
9 the signage for the station. The project will also
10 relocate one of the exit-only staircases at the
11 state. CTA has been approved for the use of TIF
12 funds in the total amount of \$1,983,938 to support
13 the project which will be made available through
14 this intergovernmental agreement. I'm happy to
15 take any questions on this item.

16 CHAIRMAN SILVA: I don't have a question.

17 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

18 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

19 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

20 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

21 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

22 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

23 SECRETARY LONGHINI: No further -- there are no
24 questions, Chairman Silva.



1 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this
2 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

3 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

4 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

5 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.
6 Seconded by Director Ortiz. We may proceed, sir,
7 to number sixteen.

8 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
9 an ordinance authorizing an intergovernmental
10 agreement with the City of Chicago through its
11 Department of Planning and Development for Tax
12 Increment Financing funds track improvements to the
13 Forest Park branch for the Blue Line. Bill?

14 MR. MOONEY: I swear this is my last one for
15 you today. Staff recommends approval of an
16 ordinance authorizing an intergovernmental
17 agreement with the City of Chicago through its
18 Department of Planning and Development for the use
19 of TIF funds for the Blue Line Forest Park track
20 improvements project. The project will replace
21 track and associated components between
22 Damon Avenue and Ashland Avenue and it's part of a
23 larger phase one replacement project. CTA has been
24 approved for the use of TIF funds in the total



1 amount of \$21,560,000 to support the project which
2 we made available through this intergovernmental
3 agreement. I'm happy to take any questions on this
4 item.

5 CHAIRMAN SILVA: No questions.

6 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

7 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

8 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

9 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

10 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

11 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

12 SECRETARY LONGHINI: No further questions on
13 this matter, sir.

14 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have leave to place this
15 item on the omnibus for Board approval?

16 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

17 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

18 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.
19 Seconded by Director Ortiz. You may proceed to
20 number seventeen, sir.

21 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
22 the review of an ordinance authorizing an agreement
23 with the Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation
24 District, NICTD, for preliminary engineering



1 services for the Red Line extension project. Mike
2 Connelly?

3 MR. CONNELLY: Good morning. I'm Mike
4 Connelly, your Chief Planning Officer. Staff
5 recommends approval of an ordinance authorizing an
6 agreement of preliminary engineering services with
7 the Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation
8 District, commonly called NICTD. As you are aware,
9 CTA is planning to extend the Red Line from 95th to
10 130th Street. The select alignment for this
11 5.6 mile extension requires a bridge be built over
12 the NICTD track. NICTD requires CTA to enter into
13 an agreement under which NICTD or its consultants
14 will provide preliminary engineering services to
15 evaluate the potential impacts of our RLE project
16 on the NICTD track. This type of agreement is
17 common between agencies. In fact, CTA requires the
18 same type of agreement for work which could impact
19 CTA lines or operations. This agreement is for a
20 maximum of \$25,000 which is available in the Red
21 Line extension budget. I'll be glad to answer any
22 questions that you may have.

23 CHAIRMAN SILVA: The agreements go for how
24 long?



1 MR. CONNELLY: This is a multi-year agreement
2 because we'll be working with them for several
3 years on -- on this. It -- it is intended to cover
4 all of the work during the -- the build up and lead
5 in to this project.

6 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Okay. Thank you.

7 MR. CONNELLY: Uh-huh.

8 CHAIRMAN SILVA: No questions.

9 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

10 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

11 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

12 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

13 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

14 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

15 SECRETARY LONGHINI: No further questions on
16 this matter, sir.

17 CHAIRMAN SILVA: May I have --

18 PRESIDENT CARTER: Director Silva?

19 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Yes.

20 PRESIDENT CARTER: Just to clarify the answer
21 to your question. They will be working with us
22 throughout the entire engineering design phase of
23 this project until we actually begin construction.
24 So at this point in time we anticipate that we're



1 still, you know, two to three years away
2 from -- from that aspect of it. So -- so they'll
3 be working with us the entire time.

4 CHAIRMAN SILVA: So you will come back to the
5 Board?

6 PRESIDENT CARTER: No. There won't be any
7 reason to come back to the Board for this. When
8 we -- obviously when a project moves into the next
9 phase when we're going to do construction on the
10 final engineering, there will be contracts we'll
11 put in place and we'll bring those back to the
12 board. But this will -- they will be sort of by
13 our side during that entire process.

14 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Okay. Thank you. So may I
15 have leave to place this item on the omnibus for
16 Board approval?

17 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

18 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

19 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.
20 Seconded by Director Ortiz. You may now proceed to
21 the contracts, sir, starting with B-1.

22 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
23 contract number B-1, a design-build contract change
24 order.



1 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Any questions, Chairman
2 silva?

3 CHAIRMAN SILVA: I don't have a question.

4 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

5 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

6 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

7 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

8 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

9 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

10 SECRETARY LONGHINI: We may now proceed to
11 contract F-1, Chairman.

12 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our next order of business is
13 contract number F-1, recruiting services contracts.
14 I don't have questions.

15 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

16 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: Just curious. Was there any
17 opportunity for subcontracting opportunities for
18 recruiting efforts under this contract?

19 MR. PRIETO: Chairman Barclay, this is
20 JuanPablo Prieto, Director of Diversity Programs.
21 We did not identify any subcontracting
22 opportunities through our analysis.

23 MR. BARCLAY: And the services will be included
24 in the contract?



1 MS. MCCORMACK: Specifically we have asked them
2 to -- to help us recruit for five positions for the
3 technology department. We're looking for a senior
4 network architect, senior network engineer, senior
5 manager in technology systems, HRIS analyst 3 OAB
6 and a vice president of technology.

7 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: Okay. All right. No
8 further questions.

9 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

10 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

11 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

12 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

13 SECRETARY LONGHINI: No further questions on
14 this matter, sir. You may move to item G-1.

15 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Next order of business is
16 contract number G-1, a change order for cellular
17 services contract.

18 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Any questions, Chairman
19 Silva?

20 CHAIRMAN SILVA: How many times have we changed
21 telephone supplier providers? In the similar
22 services, okay, are contracted, who are we doing
23 the business with?

24 MS. GALLAGHER: Good morning. This is Caroline



1 Gallagher, your Chief of Technology here. We are
2 doing the business with AT&T Mobility, also with
3 T-Mobile and also Verizon Wireless. These are our
4 local providers that have services in the area that
5 our scope of services cover here, Directors. So we
6 put out an RFP recently to incorporate all bidders
7 and everybody that has services in this area and we
8 have received bids back from those entities. But
9 typically with telecommunications or wireless
10 services like this the -- the providers are pretty
11 much fixed and in order to provide the volume of
12 service that we require as a large agency with a
13 wide range of -- of requirements it tends to be the
14 larger providers who are successful in meeting all
15 of those needs.

16 CHAIRMAN SILVA: So they are the three largest,
17 okay, providers, okay, that provide us?

18 MS. GALLAGHER: Yes. These are the -- the
19 larger providers that have that sort of bench
20 strength and bandwidth to be able to meet all of
21 our needs. Some of our needs are life safety
22 communications. They're on our fleet, in our bus
23 shelter signs and we have a large variety of those
24 needs and as I said, a large volume. And so the



1 provider has to have a really strong communications
2 network for us to be able to provide what we are
3 asking for.

4 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Okay. Thank you.

5 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

6 CHAIRMAN SILVA: No question.

7 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

8 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

9 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.

10 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

11 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No questions.

12 SECRETARY LONGHINI: There's no further
13 questions, Chairman Silva. So we may proceed to
14 contract J-1.

15 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Our final order of business is
16 contract number J-1, a change order for a
17 consulting contract.

18 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Any questions, Chairman
19 Silva?

20 CHAIRMAN SILVA: No. I don't have a question.

21 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

22 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: No questions.

23 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Miller?

24 DIRECTOR MILLER: No questions.



1 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

2 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: No question.

3 SECRETARY LONGHINI: There's no further
4 questions on this matter, sir. You may proceed to
5 18-A.

6 CHAIRMAN SILVA: If there are no further
7 questions on the contracts, may I have leave to
8 place the four contracts on the omnibus?

9 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

10 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

11 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.
12 Seconded by Director Silva. I'm sorry. By
13 Director Ortiz. Move to 18-B, sir.

14 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Since there is no further
15 business to come before the committee, may I have a
16 motion to approve the omnibus and recommend the
17 omnibus for Board approval?

18 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

19 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

20 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.
21 Seconded by Director Ortiz. I'll take the vote.
22 Director Miller?

23 DIRECTOR MILLER: Yes.

24 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?



1 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Yes.

2 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

3 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: Yes.

4 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Chairman Silva?

5 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Yes.

6 SECRETARY LONGHINI: The motion is approved
7 with four yes votes, sir. You may proceed to
8 nineteen.

9 CHAIRMAN SILVA: And finally may I have a
10 motion to adjourn?

11 DIRECTOR MILLER: So moved.

12 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Second.

13 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Moved by Director Miller.
14 Seconded by Director Ortiz. I'll take the vote.
15 Director Miller?

16 DIRECTOR MILLER: Yes.

17 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Barclay?

18 DIRECTOR BARCLAY: Yes.

19 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Director Ortiz?

20 DIRECTOR ORTIZ: Yes.

21 SECRETARY LONGHINI: Chairman Silva?

22 CHAIRMAN SILVA: Yes.

23 SECRETARY LONGHINI: The motion is approved
24 with four yes votes. We are adjourned. We'll be



1 adjourned for few minutes before we start the
2 regular board meeting.

3 (which were all proceedings had
4 in the above-entitled cause at
5 this time.)

6 (Meeting concluded
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