



**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

**Wednesday, July 2, 2014**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

A Special meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at 10:07 a.m. in the MARTA Board Room, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, MARTA Headquarters Building, 2424 Piedmont Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30324.

**Board Members Present**

Robert L. Ashe III  
Harold Buckley, Sr.  
Frederick L. Daniels, Jr.  
Jim Durrett  
Roderick E. Edmond  
Noni Ellison-Southall  
Kirk Fjelstul\*  
Freda Hardage  
Barbara Babbit Kaufman

**Public Comment**

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Public Comments were submitted by:

- Lee Biola
- Colleen Kiernan
- Brionte McCorkle

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On Tuesday, July 1, 2014, Clayton County voted on a proposed November ballot measure that would ask its voters to raise the sales tax by a half-penny. This half-penny would cover bus service for the county, but not commuter rail. This proposal passed by a 3-to-2 vote.

The MARTA Board of Directors held a Special Board meeting today to take action on a half-penny proposal from Clayton County to join the MARTA system.

\* Kirk Fjelstul is Executive Director of Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA) and is therefore a non-voting member of the MARTA Board of Directors

**A Resolution Rejecting a Rapid Transit Contract Between the Authority and Clayton County which is Limited to Financial Participation by Clayton County at a Sales and Use Tax Rate of One Half of One Percent**

On motion by Dr. Edmond seconded by Mr. Durrett, the resolution to reject a proposal for a half-penny sales tax passed by a unanimous vote of 8 to 0, with 9\* members present.

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Additionally, the MARTA Board voted on a resolution that called for a one-cent sales tax that would provide extension of transit services into Clayton County, including rail transit and surface bus transportation.

**A Resolution Authorizing Approval of a Rapid Transit Contract Between the Authority and Clayton County**

On motion by Mrs. Kaufman seconded by Mr. Daniels, the resolution passed by a unanimous vote of 8 to 0, with 9\* members present.

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In summary, the MARTA Board passed a resolution rejecting a proposal for a half-penny sales tax. The Board then passed a resolution approving a Rapid Transit Contract for Clayton County for the sales tax levy of one percent.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:49 a.m.