



Wednesday, March 11, 2026 | 1:00 PM

Joint ARC Board & Transportation and Air Quality Committee (TAQC) Meeting

ARC Conference Center | 229 Peachtree Street NE | Atlanta, GA 30303

The meeting agenda with all presentations and references can be found at: www.atlantaregional.org/board

I. Call ARC Board Meeting to Order — *Andre Dickens*, Chair

II. Pledge of Allegiance — *Andre Dickens*, Chair

III. Chairman's Comments — *Andre Dickens*, Chair

IV. Oath of Office by New Board Member(s):

Marvin Nesbitt Jr., ARC Citizen District 4
Liliana Bakhtiari, Atlanta City Council

V. ARC Board Action Item – *Andre Dickens*, Chair

A. 2026 Committee Roster

[ARC Board Meeting recess]

The ARC Board meeting will recess, and the Joint ARC Board & TAQC meeting will convene.

[Joint Meeting convene]

VI. Call Joint ARC Board & TAQC Meeting to Order — *Andre Dickens*, Chair

VII. Public Comment for Joint Meeting

VIII. Consent Agenda — *Andre Dickens*, Chair

A. February 11, 2026 Joint TAQC & ARC Board Meeting Summary

IX. Joint Discussion/Information Items – *Andre Dickens*, Chair

A. Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)
Amy Goodwin, Planning Administrator, Transportation Planning

Summary: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) provides the Region's long-range transportation vision and details the investments that will be made over the next 25 years. The MTP is federally mandated to be updated every four years. The current MTP was approved in 2024, and so the next MTP will be adopted in 2028. ARC has been working on hiring a consultant and plan to formally kick off the 2-year long planning process in March 2026.

B. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 6
Michael Haire, Principal Planner, Transportation Planning

Summary: This is an overview of the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)/FY 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 6. This amendment will add new projects that are considered exempt from air quality conformity analysis and make project cost estimate and programmatic changes that are of a time sensitive nature or cannot be handled administratively. This amendment does not require the modeling of air quality to ensure the updated projects maintain conformity with the region's air quality standards, as all of these project are non-capacity adding and considered exempt from air quality analysis. A 15-day public comment period is running from April 1 through April 15, with approvals during the May committee and Board meetings.

[Joint Meeting recess]

The Joint meeting of the ARC Board and TAQC will recess, and the TAQC meeting will convene. TAQC is asked to approve one item listed below for action.

[TAQC Convene]

X. **TAQC Action Item** – *Carlotta Harrell, Chair*

A. 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment #1
David Haynes, Manager, Transportation Planning

Summary: The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is ARC's annual statement of work identifying the planning priorities and activities to be carried out within the Atlanta metropolitan planning area. The UPWP includes a description of the planning work and resulting products, who will perform the work, time frames for completing the work, the cost of the work, and the source(s) of funds. The 2026 UPWP was approved by TAQC and the ARC Board in November 2025. This amendment involves adding one federally funded initiative led by ARC: the "Origin-Destination Atlanta Region Travel On-Board Survey", a \$1.6 million initiative which will begin in the fall of this year and be completed in late 2027. It will involve the collection of data from transit passengers to be used for scheduling and operations planning, performance analysis, long-range planning, and regional travel demand modeling. The amendment also includes the addition of seven locally led planning studies recently funded from the federal Safe Streets and Roads for All competitive grant program, as well as six studies to be led by the ATL Authority using FTA 5307 grants. An informal public and agency partner review and comment period was conducted from February 16-26 and no comments were received on the proposed changes.

[TAQC adjourn]

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XI. ARC Board Action Items – Andre Dickens, Chair

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XII. ARC Board Discussion/Information Items — Andre Dickens, Chair

- A. Regional Housing Strategy Update
Kristin Allin, Principal Planner, Community Development

Summary: Board review and update on the development of the Housing Strategy for the Atlanta Region. The consultant, HR&A, will propose scenarios for housing distribution at the regional level based on preferred policy outcomes.

- B. Regional Development Plan (RDP)
• Public Hearing for the Regional Development Plan (RDP)
Andrew Smith, Planning Coordinator, Community Development

Summary: The Regional Development Plan is a high-level policy guide for Metro Atlanta local governments and other leaders in areas including land use, quality of life, infrastructure, economic development, natural resource management, and intergovernmental coordination.

- C. Model Atlanta Regional Commission (MARC) Class of 2026
Antemil Jorkey, Community Engagement and Culture Planner, Community Development

Summary: The purpose of this presentation is to provide a look back at the Model Atlanta Regional Commission’s (MARC) 2025-2026 class and to highlight MARC students’ perspectives. This youth leadership program has engaged over 1,000 students in experiential learning with the region’s

leaders and experts in transportation, natural resource sustainability, community development, and more.

D. Legislative Outlook/Federal Update
John Bayalis, Manager, Intergovernmental Affairs
Will Feeney, Senior Policy Advisor, External Affairs

Summary: Monthly update on state and federal government affairs activity.

XIII. Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings

Board Working Session 2026

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2026

Location: Gas South District Conference Center

Regional Housing Summit

Date: Thursday, April 30, 2026

Location: Gas South District Conference Center