



Atlanta Regional Commission



BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

December 5, 2018

Board Approves Slate of Regulatory Transportation Items

As the governing body of the region's federal Metropolitan Planning Organization for transportation, the ARC Board is required to act on technical and regulatory matters from time to time. The board unanimously passed several of these items:

- **2019 Unified Planning Work Program** for the Atlanta Metropolitan Transportation Planning Area – This document is prepared by ARC Transportation Access & Mobility staff each year and filed with the USDOT to describe the work that group will be conducting in the upcoming calendar year.
- **TIP Amendment #6** – This amendment to the 2018-2023 Transportation Improvement Program included minor adjustments in costs, scopes, and timelines for several projects, as well as allowing for additional state funding for Major Mobility Investment Program projects.
- **Concurrence with State Performance Targets** – This resolution stated that ARC agrees with the safety and performance targets established by the Georgia DOT for the condition of roads and bridges, as well as congestion mitigation, and other factors. This was done in pursuance with the federal transportation funding bill, called the FAST Act.
- Authority was given to the ARC Transportation Access & Mobility Group manager (currently John Orr) to confirm with the USDOT that amendments to the TIPs of the Gainesville-Hall MPO

and the Cartersville-Bartow MPO don't impact air quality in the Atlanta MPO.

2019 Legislative Preview: Transportation, Aging Services and Workforce among Issues to Watch

John Bayalis, manager of intergovernmental affairs, provided a preview of the upcoming legislative session. He outlined issues that ARC will be closely monitoring:

- **Transportation** issues include rural transit recommendations, the Go! Transit Capital Program, possible updates to HB 930, which created The ATL, and motor-fuel tax exemption.
- **Aging services** issues include funding for home and community based services, and funding for the Aging & Disability Resource Connection.
- **Workforce development** issues include legislation to enable workforce board meetings to be held by teleconference.
- Other issues include possible legislation regarding workforce housing tax credit, potential state takeover of Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, the "5G/Small Cell" debate, and rural broadband.

Atlanta Regional Workforce Development Board Recognized for Providing Needed Services and Operating Efficiently in FY 2017

Eddie Ausband, co-chair of the Atlanta Regional Workforce Development Board and liaison to ARC, provided an update on workforce activities during the 2017 fiscal year. The program is operating efficiently and consistent with state and federal requirements. More than 30,000 customers were assisted at local career centers. Recently, ARWDB received an additional \$500,000 in state funding to provide additional programming to local clients.

Announcements and References

- The [2019 ARC Year-at-a-Glance](#) is now available
- State ethics requirements for ARC Board citizen members are due on or before Jan. 31, 2019
- The Atlanta Regional Workforce Development Board (ARWDB) Meeting & Customer/Business Recognitions takes place at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2018, at Maggiano's in Buckhead
- Board Member Orientation is 10 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 23 at ARC