

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING  
REGIONAL METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF OMAHA  
2222 Cuming Street  
Omaha, Nebraska, 68102  
January 9, 2025  
4:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

The Regional Metropolitan Transit Authority of Omaha Board met on Thursday, January 9, 2025, at 4:00 p.m., in person at the Authority's Administration Building, 2222 Cuming Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68102, and virtually. Notice was published in the Omaha Daily Record on January 7, 2025, in advance of the meeting. For the benefit of the public in attendance, a copy of the Open Meetings Law is posted in the meeting room and the Agenda is published on the display in the facility lobby. The following persons were in attendance at the meeting:

**Authority Board:**

Mr. Curt Simon, Board Chair  
Mr. Danila Padilla, Vice Chair  
Mr. Josh Corrigan  
Ms. Clairice Dombeck  
Ms. Yanira Garcia  
Mr. Tim Lonergan  
Mr. Cornelius Williams

**Authority Staff:**

L. Cencic, CEO/Executive Director  
K. Pendland, Deputy Executive Officer (Absent)  
D. Grant, Human Capital, and Talent Development Director (Absent)  
E. Simpson, Legal Director (Absent)  
W. Clingman, Finance Director (Virtual)  
J. Willoughby, Senior Project Manager (Absent)  
A. Johnson, Civil Rights & Inclusion Director  
J. Beverage, Maintenance Director (Absent)  
N. Ebat, Sr. Manager of Communications & Community Relations  
S. Scheer, Safety & Security Director (Absent)  
S. Perry, Executive Administrator & Board Secretary

**Others Present:**

Other Metro staff  
Members of the public

Metro connects people, places, and opportunities through quality transit services.

**Agenda Item #1 Call to Order at 4:00 p.m.**

Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the Omaha Daily Record on January 7, 2025. For the benefit of the public in attendance, a copy of the Open Meetings Law is posted in the meeting room and the Agenda is published on the display in the facility lobby.

Ms. Cencic opened the Organizational Meeting which now seats the newly elected Board of the Regional Metropolitan Transit Authority.

**Agenda Item #2 Resolution 2025-01: Election of Board Chair**

(L. Cencic)

The first item of business was the Election of the Board Chair. Ms. Cencic began by explaining the process and then opened the floor for nominations.

Mr. Lonergan nominated Curt Simon to be the Board Chair. No other nominations were presented.

**Motion by Lonergan; Seconded by Padilla**

**ROLL CALL: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIES**

**Agenda Item #3 Resolution 2025-02: Election of Vice Chair**

(C. Simon)

With the Board Chair being nominated and unanimously voted in favor, Ms. Cencic then handed the meeting over to Mr. Simon.

Mr. Simon thanked the Board for their vote of confidence and opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chair. Ms. Dombeck nominated Daniel Padilla for Vice Chair. No other nominations were presented.

**Motioned by Dombeck; Seconded by Lonergan**

**ROLL CALL: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIES**

**Agenda Item #4 Resolution 2025-03: Adoption of Bylaws**

(L. Cencic)

Staff sought approval to adopt the Bylaws of the Regional Metropolitan Transit Authority. Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute 18-810, "not later than seven days after the qualification of the members, the board shall organize for the transaction of business, shall select a chairperson and vice-chairperson from among its members, and shall adopt bylaws, rules, and regulations to govern its proceedings. The chairperson and vice-chairperson and their successors shall be elected annually by the board and shall serve for a term of one year. Any vacancy in the office of chairperson or vice-chairperson shall be filled by election by the board for the remainder of the term."

The current Bylaws were adopted in May 2021. The proposed changes to the Bylaws are primarily administrative in nature and reflect Metro's conversion to the Regional Metropolitan Transit Authority of Omaha and the newly seated elected Board of Directors. A redline and "clean" versions were included for a full review of all changes.

The Board unanimously approved the amended Bylaws which became effective on January 9, 2025.

**Motioned by Lonergan; Seconded by Corrigan**

**ROLL CALL: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIES**

**Agenda Item #5 Date, Time, and Place of Next Board Meeting**

Next Regular Meeting

January 23, 2025, Time 8:30 am

Transit Authority's Administrative Building

The Board discussed the possibility of changing the date and time of future meetings. However, a final decision will be made after gathering community input and further Board discussion.

**Agenda Item #6 Adjournment**

There being no further business and no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.