GREATER AUSTIN AREA TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK (GAATN)
INTERLOCAL AGENCY

4000 South Interstate 35
Austin, TX 78704

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In compliance with Chapter 551 (Open Meetings Act) of the Texas Government Code, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Directors of GAATN will be held at 1:30 p.m. on October 6, 2026, at the Lower Colorado River Authority Service Center, 3505 Montopolis Blvd., Austin Texas, in Room A502/503. As required by Government Code sections 551.127(c) & (e), the GAATN officer chairing the meeting will be physically present at the meeting location; other GAATN Board members may attend in person or remotely. This meeting will have a remote public attendance option via a Microsoft Teams videoconference or an audio-only conference call; the information for both options will be published on the homepage of the GAATN website (www.gaatn.org) at least 3 business days prior (not including the day of posting or the day of the meeting) to the scheduled meeting. A copy of the agenda packet will also be made available for viewing or downloading on the homepage of GAATN's website at the time of the meeting. This meeting will be recorded, and the audio recording will be available on GAATN's website after the meeting.

At this meeting, the topics listed on the agenda attached as part of this notice may be considered and acted upon by the Board. The Board may not consider or act upon any matters not posted as agenda items. The Board may receive comments from the public, but may not discuss, consider, or act on such comments unless they relate to posted agenda topics; for comments not regarding posted agenda topics, the Board may provide a brief responsive explanation or information, but has no obligation to do so.

On this day, September 30, 2026, a copy of this notice was provided to Austin ISD for posting on the bulletin board at the main entrance of Austin ISD headquarters at 4000 South Interstate 35, Austin, TX 78704, which is accessible to the public during normal business hours. Austin ISD is the fiscal manager for GAATN. A copy was also provided to each GAATN member entity for posting, including the Travis County Clerk. This notice and agenda were also posted on GAATN's website at www.gaatn.org.

Frank Ammons
Network Manager
Greater Austin Area Telecommunications Network (GAATN)

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October 6, 2026, 1:30 p.m.
LCRA Dalchau Service Center
3505 Montopolis Drive, Building A, Rm A502/503, Austin, TX 78744
Videoconference: Link available at least 72 hours prior on www.gaatn.org
Audio-only: (512) 831-7858, Access Code: 680 046 122#

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AGENDA

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (Chairperson, 1 minute)**

2. **Citizen Communications (3 minutes)**
   You may address the Board for up to three (3) minutes on GAATN issues, whether those issues are posted on this agenda or not. If you inquire about a subject not on this agenda, then, by law, the Board cannot discuss the subject with you at this Board meeting and the Board Members cannot discuss the subject among themselves. The Board, however, may respond to your inquiry with a brief factual statement or state existing GAATN policy on the subject. In addition, after hearing from you, the Board may place the subject of your inquiry on a future agenda.

3. **Review and approve the minutes for the regular Board Meeting of September 1, 2026 (5 minutes)**

4. **Network Manager's Update (10 minutes)**
   A. Tech Committee Agenda Recap
      - Updated Ring Priority Rankings
   B. Job status report
   C. Job budget report
   D. GAATN FY27 Cost Avoidance Report
   E. GAATN quarterly financial report and fiscal year budget issues

5. **Consent Agenda: Operational Contract Renewal Item and Item Recommended from September 15, 2026 Technical Committee Meeting**
   A. **Operational Contract Renewal** - Seeking approval for third (3rd) of four (4) possible renewals of AISD 24RFP005 GAATN Underground Locating contract with USIC for a term of February 1, 2027, to January 31, 2028, with a $0.75 per locate increase per renewal year
   B. **Recommended by Tech Committee** - Seeking approval for revisions to GAATN Maintenance Policy/Procedure to change frequency of splice case audits from a 5-year to a 10-year cycle and refine language regarding "Additional work" done by the maintenance contractor

6. **Board Chair Update (45 minutes) – Discussion and possible action regarding:**
   A. Seeking approval for GAATN fund balance transfer and FY27 budget line-item adjustments
   B. Seeking approval for General and Excess Liability insurance policies through Higginbotham Insurance Agency with a one-year premium in an amount not to exceed $30k to be funded from the FY27 GAATN Insurance budget
   C. Seeking approval for the third (3rd) of four (4) possible renewals of AISD 24RFP006 GAATN Property Insurance to Brown & Brown Insurance Agency Hartford Inland Marine Policy with a renewal term of November 1, 2026 to October 31, 2027 in an amount not to exceed $105k to be funded from FY27 GAATN insurance budget
   D. Seeking approval for TxDOT Cap Ex UTAC 100% reimbursable project at a cost not to exceed $446,011.30 to be funded from the GAATN MAC budget
   E. Seeking approval to execute Memorandum of Understanding between GAATN and Cap Metro for the Saltillo Double Track Utility Relocation 100% reimbursable project, subject to final approval by GAATN legal
   F. Seeking approval to execute License agreement with Cap Metro for Travis County Foothills entity-specific project, with annual fee to be reimbursed by Travis County, subject to final approval by GAATN legal
   G. GAATN Permanent Backup NOCC Agreement discussion
   H. GAATN Emergency Fund and Fund Balance Policy discussion
   I. Cap Ex North project discussion
   J. GAATN property damage claim for damage to SRN at St. Johns Avenue on 8/9/26
   K. Consideration of lawsuit Garcia V. GAATN et al. and Bluebonnet Electric Coop's request for defense and contractual indemnity based on pole attachment agreement
   L. GAATN insurance policies

7. **Executive Session** (if an executive session is necessary, Board members and other authorized participants will use a different teleconference line not accessible to the general public; once the executive session is concluded, the meeting will resume on the Teleconference number given above)**:**
   Adjourn for closed session, under one or more of Tex. Gov't Code sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.076, 551.089 and/or one or more of sections 418.175 - 418.181 ("H.B. 9"), to seek legal advice or to preserve confidentiality as permitted by law (including but not limited to pending, anticipated or contemplated litigation concerning):
   A. Construction, equipment, and product warranty claims;
   B. Damage to GAATN fiber optic cables, equipment, hardware, and other property;
   C. Contractual, tort or other legal or equitable claims by or against GAATN; or
   D. The procedures and operations of the Board or the organization;
   E. GAATN Management and Operation

      And/or to consider matters concerning:

   F. Real property purchase, exchange, lease, easements or value;
   G. Gifts or donations;
   H. Personnel;
   I. Security devices, security personnel or security procedures or protocols; or
   J. Issues involving GAATN physical plant detail made confidential by law
   K. Or other matters as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act

   Reconvene for discussion and actions, if any, on matters considered in closed session.

8. **Update Roll Call (only if executive session called)**

9. **Meeting and Action Items Summary (5 minutes)**

10. **Confirm date, time, and location for the next regular Board meeting on Tuesday, November 10, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. at City of Austin Permitting and Development Center 6310 Wilhelmina Delco Dr, Room 1208, Austin, TX 78752, and via Microsoft Teams Videoconference.**
    A. Items to be added to the next Board Agenda: