GREATER AUSTIN AREA TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK (GAATN) INTERLOCAL AGENCY

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
February 4, 2025, 1:00 p.m.
LCRA Red Bud Center
3601 Lake Austin Blvd., Rm 225, Austin, TX 78703
Teams Videoconference link provided 72 hours prior to meeting on homepage of www.gaatn.org
Remote audio-only option for public access: (512) 831-7858, Access Code: 531 312 121#

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. Members of the public who wish to participate in the meeting remotely may participate via video conference at the link provided on the homepage of www.gaatn.org or via audio conference by dialing the number and access code noted above. Except during the Citizen Communication item, public attendees, whether in person or remote, will not be permitted to speak or otherwise interrupt the meeting. Members of the public who are participating in person or remotely will only be able to attend the open sessions of the meeting.

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. **Network Management SLA Mid-Year Feedback Session**

4. **Review and approve the minutes for the regular Board Meeting of January 14, 2025 (5 minutes)**

5. **Consent Agenda Items from the January 28, 2025 Technical Subcommittee Meeting**
   A. Seeking approval to classify GAATN Stock Fiber reels R647 and R704 as disposable and allow GAATN Maintenance Contractor to dispose of reels in accordance with GAATN Materials and Disposition Policy

6. **Board Chairperson Update (Approximately 45 minutes) – Discussion and possible action regarding:**
   A. Seeking approval for GAATN Insurance policies renewal for GAATN General Liability, GAATN Excess Umbrella, and GAATN Directors & Officers policies for a period of March 1, 2025 through February 28, 2026 through Higginbotham Insurance Agency to be funded from the FY25 GAATN Insurance budget
   B. Seeking approval for GAATN Permanent NOCC room layout/equipment installation, splicing, and terminations at a cost not to exceed $261k to be funded from the FY25 and FY26 MAC budgets
   C. Fiscal Manager Service Level Agreement with Austin ISD
   D. GAATN Backup NOCC Decommissioning
   E. GAATN Backup NOCC Relocation
   F. New GAATN Backup NOCC ILA agreement negotiation

G. Property damage claim against Gordon Foods Services for damage to C1S at 12115 Menchaca on 10/25/24

7. Network Manager's Update (10 minutes)

A. Project status report
B. Job budget report

8. 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): Construction, equipment, and product warranty claims;

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.

9. Update Roll Call (only if executive session called)

10. Discussion and possible action regarding the financial report and current fiscal year budget issues

11. Meeting and Action Items Summary (5 minutes)

12. Confirm date, time, and location for the next regular Board meeting on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. at LCRA Red Bud Center 3601 Lake Austin Blvd., Room 225, Austin, TX 78703, and via Microsoft Teams Videoconference.

A. Items to be added to the next Board Agenda: