

GREATER AUSTIN AREA TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK (GAATN) INTERLOCAL AGENCY

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

October 15, 2024, 1:30 p.m.

City of Austin Permitting and Development Center

6310 Wilhelmina Delco Dr, Rm 1202, Austin, TX 78752

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: 740 422 761#

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call:

GAATN Board Chairman Dain Herbat called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

The following announced as present at the start of the meeting:

Dain Herbat, on behalf of Travis County (on site)

Gary Weseman, on behalf of Austin Community College (remote)

Jaime Guerra, on behalf of UT-Austin (on site)

Steve Pyle, on behalf of State of Texas DIR (remote)

Mark Stavis, on behalf of City of Austin (remote)

Paul Hodge, on behalf of Austin ISD (remote)

Bo Kinsey, on behalf of Travis County (remote)

Robert Saddler, on behalf of LCRA (remote)

Frank Ammons, on behalf of GAATN (remote)

Carlos DeMatos, on behalf of GAATN (remote)

Syd Falk, GAATN attorney (remote)

A quorum was established at roll call.

2. Citizen Communications: There were no citizen communications.

3. Board Chairperson Update – Discussion and possible action regarding:

A. Seeking approval for A1N, A2N, SRN, SRS fiber re-route to new GAATN backup NOCC temporary location at a total cost not to exceed \$367k to be funded by the FY25 GAATN MAC budget

Frank reported that the job budget tracking report is included as a handout for this item and has been updated to show the financial impact of these projects for approval. If these projects are approved today, that will leave a fund balance bottom line of \$1.75 million remaining. Steve asked whether the location will be temporary or permanent; Dain said the temporary location will be at the same site as the permanent location; however, the temporary location is in the parking garage and GAATN is hopeful that the permanent location will be inside the building. Dain said the temporary location will be in place for several months. Jaime noted that the fiber that is being re-routed to the temporary location will also be used for the permanent location. Robert with LCRA requested to view the design and maps. The remainder of this agenda item was discussed in executive session under Texas Government Code 418.181. Upon reconvening in open session, Jaime Guerra moved to approve A1N, A2N, SRN, SRS fiber re-route to new GAATN backup NOCC temporary location at a total cost not to exceed \$367k to be funded by the FY25 GAATN MAC budget; Mark Stavis seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

4. Executive Session:

At 1:36 p.m., Dain Herbat adjourned the GAATN Board of Directors for closed session, under Tex. Gov't Code section 418.181 ("H.B. 9"), to preserve confidentiality as permitted by law (including but not limited to pending, anticipated or contemplated litigation concerning) regarding Agenda Item 3A.

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At 1:51 p.m., Dain Herbat reconvened the GAATN Board in open session for discussion and actions, if any, on matters considered in closed session. Agenda Item 3A was the only item discussed. Any additional discussion held, or action taken on items discussed in executive session will be noted in the summary for that agenda item.

5. **Update Roll Call (only if executive session called):** An updated roll call was taken and all members that announced as present at the opening roll call re-confirmed their presence at the updated roll call. A quorum was re-established.

6. **Confirm date, time, and location for the next regular Board meeting on Monday, November 4, 2024, at 12:30 p.m. at LCRA Dalchau Service Center 3505 Montopolis, Bldg. A, Room A502, Austin, TX 78744, and via Microsoft Teams Videoconference.**

The date, time, and location for the next regular Board meeting were confirmed; the meeting adjourned at 1:54 p.m.