

**OFFICIAL PUBLICATION
DES MOINES AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (DART)
COMMISSION MEETING – July 8, 2025 CHERRY STREET, DES MOINES, IA 50309
[The above Commission Meeting was held in a virtual format only].**

Commissioners/Alternates Present and Voting:

Dean O'Connor, Todd Shafer, Angela McKenzie, Michael McCoy, Connie Boesen, Paula Dierenfeld, Ross Grooters, Angela Connolly, Bridget Carberry Montgomery, Russ Trimble and Joseph Jones

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Connie Boesen called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present. Notice of the meeting was duly published.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Connie Boesen requested a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

It was moved by Dean O'Connor and seconded by Michael McCoy to approve July 8, 2025, agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT ITEMS

7A. Commission Meeting Minutes – June 3, 2025

7B. FY 2026 Iowa Communities Assurance Pool (ICAP) Renewal

7C. Updated DART Procurement Policy Approval

7D. May Consolidated Financials

It was moved by Dean O'Connor and seconded by Bridget Carberry Montgomery to approve the consent items. The motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

8A – FTA FY 2025 Buses and Bus Facility Grants Program Application

It was moved by Dean O'Connor and seconded by Angela Connolly to approve staff to submit a grant application to the FTA Bus and Bus Facility Grant Program to fund the second phase of construction of a new Bus Operations and Maintenance Facility that fully exits DART Way with no debt service. The motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Michael McCoy and seconded by Dean O'Connor that the Commission adjourn the regular session and reconvene in closed to discuss strategy session to discuss strategy regarding employment conditions for non-union employees.

Roll Call: O'Connor - Yea, Shafer – Yea, McKenzie – Yea, McCoy – Yea, Boesen – Yea, Dierenfeld - Yea, Grooters - Yea, Connolly – Yea, Carberry Montgomery – Yea, Trimble – Yea, Jones – Yea.

Chair, Connie Boesen recessed the regular meeting at 12.40 p.m.

No action was taken during the closed session.

At 12.50pm, a voice vote was taken for the closed session to be adjourned, and the regular session be reconvened. O'Connor - Yea, Shafer – Yea, McKenzie – Yea, McCoy – Yea, Boesen – Yea, Dierenfeld - Yea, Grooters - Yea, Connolly – Yea, Carberry Montgomery – Yea, Trimble – Yea, Jones – Yea to reconvene in open session.

ACTION

13A – It was moved by Bridget Carberry Montgomery and seconded by Ross Grooters to approve the FY2026 CEO Compensation as presented in closed session (pursuant to section 21.5, subsection (1), paragraph (i) of the Iowa Code.

ADJOURN

Chair Connie Boesen adjourned the meeting at 12.51 p.m.

*****OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE NEXT DART COMMISSION MEETING DATE IS HEREBY PUBLISHED:**

The next regular DART monthly Commission Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 5, 2025, at 12:00 p.m. in the DART Multimodal Room at 620 Cherry Street, Des Moines, Iowa. This will be a 2-hour meeting. Both in-person and virtual options for attendance of the August 5, 2025 Commission meeting will be offered as follows: (1) Commission members, staff, and the public will be allowed to attend this Commission meeting in person in the DART Multimodal Room at 620 Cherry Street, Des Moines, Iowa; and (2) Commission members, staff, and the public will be allowed to attend this Commission meeting via a virtual platform such as Zoom. Participation directions for such virtual meeting option are as follows:

**<https://ridedart.zoom.us/j/89677626995?pwd=efbFBZkYqYbYefqMx2JU8nGOAw2SOi.1&from=addon>
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