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LANTA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes July 9, 2024

Meeting held at LANTA Rider Resources Center, 60 W Broad St, Bethlehem, PA

Members Attending: Matt Malozi – Chair of the Authority; Mike Lichtenberger – Vice Chair of the Authority; Fred Williams – Treasurer of the Authority; Becky Bradley – Secretary of the Authority; Kim Schaffer; Iris Linares; Sheila Alvarado; and Amy Beck.

Members Attending via Webinar/Teleconference: None.

Members Absent: Cordelia Miller; Beth Halpern; Jennifer Ramos; and Matt Rozsa.

Staff/Contractors Attending: O. O'Neil, N. Ozoa, B. Cotter, T. Williams, D. Lightner, AJ Jordan, Ja. Ozoa, K. Cashatt - LANTA Staff; K. Herman – Solicitor.

Public Attending: Maurice Wells.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. by Matt Malozi, Chair of the Authority.

2. Public Comment

No comments were offered during public comment.

3. Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of the June 11, 2024 Board of Directors meeting were approved on a motion made by Mr. Lichtenberger and seconded by Mr. Williams.

4. Report of the Chair

As part of the Report of the Chair, Mr. Malozi addressed the election of the Board officers for the fiscal year. At the June 11, 2024 Board meeting, the Board Officers Nominating

Committee presented the following slate of officers for the fiscal year 2024 - 2025. The slate includes:

Chair – Mike Lichtenberger Vice Chair – Becky Bradley Secretary – Sheila Alvarado Treasurer – Fred Williams

Mr. Malozi called for any additional nominations from the floor.

No additional nominations were offered.

On a motion made by Ms. Schaffer and seconded by Ms. Linares, the Board voted to elect the slate of candidates as set forth by the Nominating Committee.

Mr. Malozi thanked the Board members for the confidence they placed in him to act as Chair for the previous two years. He commended the transparency and professionalism of the LANTA staff. Mr. Malozi commented that he is proud to represent LANTA and that the work of the staff and Board are a model for good governance.

Mr. Malozi then concluded the Report of the Chair.

Mr. Lichtenberger Chaired the remainder of the meeting.

5. Report of the Newly Elected Chair

Mr. Lichtenberger thanked the Board members for the confidence they have placed in him to act as Chair. He thanked Northampton County Executive Lamont McClure for appointing him to the Board and the Northampton County Council for approving his appointment. He commended the professionalism of Mr. Malozi, Mr. O'Neil, and the LANTA staff and noted that he has served on various Boards but considers LANTA to be a model for professionalism and competence. Mr. Lichtenberger noted that he likes to employ an inclusive style and welcomed the Board, staff, and public to offer their input during Board meetings.

Mr. Lichtenberger then announced the Committee structure and Committee Chair assignments for the coming year. To better align the Board Committee structure with LANTA's organizational structure, he announced that the Board will be splitting the Finance & Administration Committee into two Committees, the Finance Committee and the

Administration Committee. These two committees will meet jointly for the remainder of the year.

The Finance Committee will be chaired by Board Treasurer, Fred Williams, and the Administration Committee will be chaired by Board Secretary, Sheila Alvarado.

The Service Support & Planning Committee will be chaired by the immediate past Board chair, Matt Malozi, and the Service Delivery & Accessibility Committee will be chaired by Board member, Iris Linares.

Mr. Lichtenberger thanked the committee chairs for their willingness to serve in these roles, as well as all Board members for contributing their time and talent.

Mr. Lichtenberger noted that he looks forward to working with the newly elected Vice Chair, Becky Bradley, the Board, and the LANTA team to continue the important work of the Authority in delivering high quality and reliable public transportation to the Lehigh Valley.

Mr. Lichtenberger then concluded his report.

6. Report of Committees

None

7. Other Items

A. <u>Grant Application Board Resolution</u> - Mr. O'Neil presented a Board resolution required as part of LANTA's application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development's Multimodal Transportation Fund grant program. The application seeks funding for the interior renovation of the Allentown Transportation Center (ATC). The resolution is attached.

On a motion made by Ms. Alvarado and seconded by Ms. Bradley, the Board voted to approve the resolution as presented.

B. <u>2024 Musikfest LANTA Services and Partnerships</u> – Mr. Jordan provided an overview of the services LANTA will be providing for Musikfest 2024 in partnership with the City of Bethlehem, the Bethlehem Parking Authority, and ArtsQuest. One element of the

partnership will include free rides on LANTA EBS service when boarding at designated stops during the festival.

C. Tour of Interior Renovation of Bethlehem Transportation Center (BTC) - The meeting was then convened and those present took a tour of the completed renovations to the interior spaces at the BTC.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:51 p.m.

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Sheila Alvarado

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Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority

LANTA Board Meeting Agenda July 9, 2024

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Public Comment
- 3. Approval of the Minutes June 11, 2024 Board Meeting
- 4. Report of the Chair
 - A. Election of FY 2024 Board Officers
- 5. Report of the Newly Elected Chair
- 6. Report of Committees
 None
- 7. Other Items
 - A. For Consideration of Approval Board Application Resolution PA DCED Multimodal Grant Program seeking funding for the interior renovation of the ATC
 - B. Informational Presentation 2024 Muskifest LANTA services and partnerships
 - C. Information Presentation Tour of interior renovations of BTC

8.	. Adjournment					



RESOLUTION BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZING OFFICIALS TO APPLY FOR MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION FUND GRANT

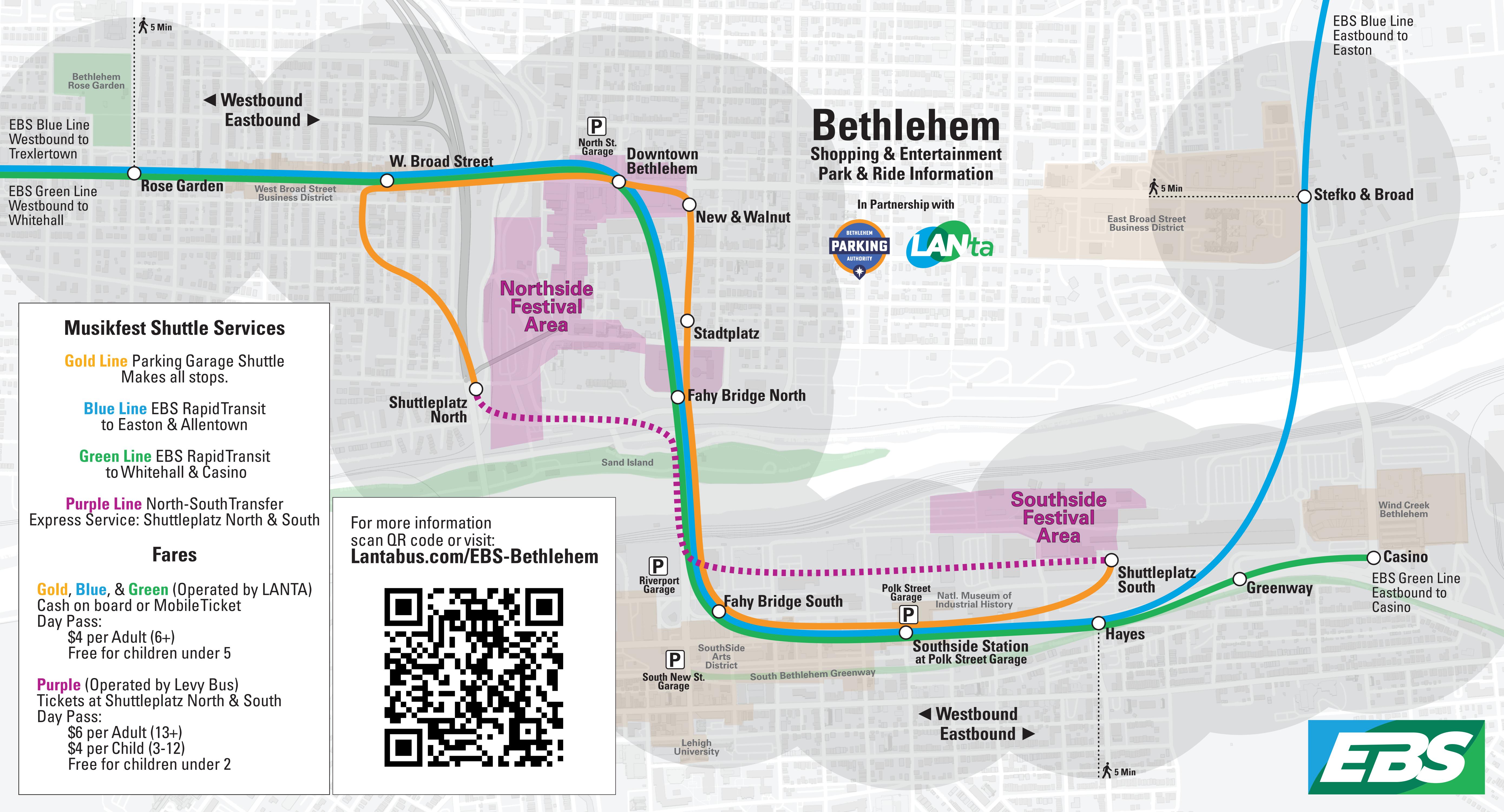
Be it RESOLVED, that the Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority (LANTA), the Applicant, of Lehigh County, hereby request a Multimodal Transportation Fund grant of \$1,211,939.47 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the full scope of the Allentown Transportation Center (ATC) Interior Fit-Out Renovation project located in Lehigh County.

Be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant does hereby designate Owen O'Neil, Executive Director, as the official to execute all documents and agreements between LANTA and the Commonwealth Financing Authority to facilitate and assist in obtaining the requested grant.

I, Michael Lichtenberger, Board Chair of the Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority, in Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the LANTA Board of Directors at a regular meeting held on July 9, 2024 and said Resolution has been recorded in the Minutes of the LANTA Board of Directors meeting and remains in effect as of this date.

In WITNESS THEREOF, I affix my hand and attached the seal of the Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority, this 9th day of July, 2024.

7/9/2024	
Date	Michael Lichtenberger
	Chair of the Authority



BTC Interior Renovation Tour

