

Wednesday, February 10, 2021 | 12:00 p.m.
ARC Governance Committee Meeting

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Georgia Department of Human Resources: *Becky Kurtz, Managing Director, Aging and Independence Services*
 - 1. FY 22 Update of FY 21-24 Area Plan on Aging and
 - 2. COVID-19 Relief
- V.** Discussion/Information Items *Kerry Armstrong, Chair*
 - A. Issue Summary and Draft Resolution for *Kerry Armstrong*
TIP Amendment #2 ([First Read](#)) *John Orr, Managing Director, Transportation Access and Mobility*
 - B. Center for Strategic Relations Overview *Eric Dial, Chair, SRSC*
Malika Reed Wilkins Senior Director, Center for Strategic Relations
 - C. Legislative Update *Eric Dial, Chair, SRSC*
John Bayalis, Manager, Intergovernmental Affairs
- VI.** Executive Director's Report and Announcements *Doug Hooker, Executive Director*
- VII.** Convene Executive Session for the Purpose of Personnel Discussion *Kerry Armstrong, Chair*
for Executive Director Hooker
- VIII.** Adjourn Executive Session
- IX.** Adjourn Main Governance Session

Next Committee Day:

2nd Wednesday, March 10, 2021 (CRC, TAQC, Governance, Board)
4th Wednesday, March 24, (Advisory Committee on Aging)



Atlanta Regional Commission



Board and Governance Committee Summary

January 13, 2021

NOTE: As per ARC bylaw revisions adopted in December 2020, the ARC Board is now following a bi-monthly schedule, while the Governance Committee maintains a monthly meeting schedule. This meeting summary is designed to streamline the reporting process for ARC Board and Governance Committee meetings. Items covered only in the Governance Committee are at the bottom of the recap.

Chairman's Comments: 2021 Outlook

[Presented at ARC Board Meeting and Governance Committee]

ARC Board Chairman Kerry Armstrong welcomed new board members and provided highlights of some of the key projects and programs that the agency will be working on in 2021. This includes:

- A new board and committee meeting structure designed to streamline our operations and support board engagement on the critical issues facing the Atlanta region. The ARC Board now meets the second Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and December.
- ARC's Workforce Group is responding to the economic crisis by launching a second phase of a targeted outreach program to better reach job-seekers and employers and connect them to the services and supports they need to thrive.
- The Aging and Independence Services Group will focus this year on implementing its Live Beyond Expectations Strategic Plan, which seeks to address the inequities that create large disparities in life expectancy across our region. In 2021, this work includes publishing our first annual "life expectancy scorecard," which will evaluate progress in measures that affect life expectancy in metro Atlanta.

- This year, ARC's Transportation Access & Mobility Group will be developing an update to the regional Transportation Improvement Program, or TIP, in the first quarter of 2021 that will fund about \$100 million in transportation projects across the region.

Aging & Independence Services' Annual Report Shows How Group Empowers Older Adults, Even During Pandemic

Aging & Independence Services Managing Director Becky Kurtz shared highlights from the group's 2020 [annual report](#), which illustrates the value of the services that are offered throughout the 10-county metro area. Highlights from the 2020 annual report include:

- **61,056 people** were services through the interactive programs and services of Empowerline, the agency's public-facing resource that links people with trusted community services and healthcare providers to help them live their best lives.
- **20,847 people** received counseling from certified professionals.
- **22,580 people** received home and community-based services such as meals, personal care, homemaking, transportation, and activities in senior centers.
- **751,667 meals** were delivered to 6,588 individuals who cannot leave their homes...and during the COVID-19 pandemic between April-November, **117,954 emergency home-delivered meals** went to 2,637 individuals.
- [Aging & Independence Services 2020 Annual Report](#)
- If you'd like a presentation to your community, please contact Becky Kurtz at BKurtz@atlantaregional.org.

Two Metro Atlanta Communities Join Green Communities "Starter" Program to Promote Regional Sustainability

Kelsey Waidhas, Sustainability Coordinator with the Natural Resources Group, gave an update on the [New Leaf Program](#). The program is designed for those metro Atlanta communities interested in increasing their sustainability, but unable to commit in full to the ARC Green Communities Program, a voluntary certification program that helps local governments implement measures that will reduce their environmental impact. The City of Tucker and Henry County both joined New Leaf in 2020. In total, five communities are working on New Leaf initiatives.

- [Presentation: New Leaf Program](#)

Latest News on the Economic Impact of COVID-19

[Presented at ARC Board Meeting and Governance Committee]

Mike Carnathan, managing director of ARC's Research & Analytics group, discussed the impact of the pandemic on the region's economy. Highlights include:

- Employment levels in almost every economic sector remain well below pre-pandemic levels, with exception of the trade, transportation and utilizes super sector.
- Small business are still struggling, but most economists are more in their forecasts – though the recovery time is expected to take a while.
- The biggest lesson learned so far: the pandemic and economic crisis has exposed the structural weaknesses in our region that has meant people of color have experienced the greatest negative impacts.
- The shape of the recovery is looking to be “K” shaped – that is, certain people and business sectors will recover quickly, while others are in much worse shape and take longer to recover.
- Metro Atlanta has suffered economically, but not as much as some other large metro areas.
- [Presentation: What we Know \(or Think We Know\) About the Economic Impact of COVID-19](#)

ARC's Workforce Group Collaborates with Regional Partners to Address Economic Crisis

[Presented at ARC Board Meeting and Governance Committee]

Rob LeBeau, managing director of ARC's Workforce Development group, gave a presentation on the ways that ARC and other workforce agencies in the region are responding to the economic crisis. He highlighted the collaborative work that the five workforce boards in the region are undertaking to help serve job-seekers and employers.

- Presentation: [WorkSource Atlanta Regional](#)

Announcements

- Applications are now being accepted for this year's Livable Centers Initiative and Community Development Assistance Program. [More information](#)

Governance Committee Recap

- Treasurer's Report
 - ARC Board Treasurer Bob Reeves presented the December Treasurer's report. The estimated fund balance as of Dec. 31, 2020 was \$5,499,495.
 - [Treasurer's report presentation](#)

Next Committee Days:

- Jan. 27: Advisory Committee on Aging
- Feb 10: CRC, TAQC, Governance

Next Board Meeting:

- March 10, 1:30 p.m.

ARC GOVERNANCE MEETING ATTENDANCE: JANUARY, 2021

Armstrong, Kerry	Present
Arnold, Julie Keeton	Present
Burnette, Dennis	Present
Clarkson, Eric	NOT PRESENT
Day, Joy	Present
Dial, Eric	Present
Mathews, Mark	Present
Reeves, Bob	Present
Robinson, Rochelle	NOT PRESENT
Turner, Jeff	NOT PRESENT
DOUG HOOKER - Executive Director	<i>Any questions? Contact: Charissa White-Fulks</i>

ARC BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE: JANUARY, 2021

Armstrong, Kerry	Present
Arnold, Julie Keeton	Present
Bivins, Charlton	NOT PRESENT
Bonner, Deane	NOT PRESENT
Bottoms, Keisha Lance	NOT PRESENT
Burnette, Dennis	Present
Cantrell, Greg	NOT PRESENT
Clarkson, Eric	NOT PRESENT
Clemons, Ollie	Present
Cupid, Lisa	Present
Davis, Tread - NON VOTING	NOT PRESENT
Day, Joy	Present
Dial, Eric	Present
Evans, Vince	NOT PRESENT
Harrell, Carlotta	Present
Hendrickson, Nicole	Present
Hutchison, Steve	NOT PRESENT
Jackson Jones, Romona	Present
Johnston, Harry	Present
Levetan, Liane	Present
Mason, Mike	Present
Mathews, Mark	Present
McGuire, Mickey	Present
Miller, Steve	NOT PRESENT
Moore, Felicia	Present
Nesbitt, Oz	NOT PRESENT
O'Neal, Angelia	Present
Paul, Rusty	Present
Pitts, Robb	Present
Reeves, Bob	Present
Robinson, Rochelle	NOT PRESENT
Sylvia, Richard	Present
Thurmond, Michael	NOT PRESENT
Turner, Jeff	NOT PRESENT
Wan, Alex	Present
Williams, Vince	Present
DOUG HOOKER - Executive Director	<i>Any questions? Contact: Charissa White-Fulks</i>

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 10, 2021
TO: Atlanta Regional Commission
FROM: Bob Reeves, Treasurer
SUBJECT: Treasurer's Report

Attached is the summary of total governmental fund type revenues, expenditures and change in fund balance through **January 31, 2021**. Total governmental fund revenues, expenditures and change in fund balance may be summarized as follows:

Fund Balance at 1/1/21 (estimate)		\$5,472,373
Add: Revenues and Transfers in	\$1,432,320	
Total Expenditures	<u>1,423,638</u>	
Revenue over (under) Expenditures	8,682	
Net Increase, (Decrease) in Fund Balance		<u>8,682</u>
Estimated Fund Balance at 12/31/2021		\$5,481,055

Attachment

ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION			
Treasurer's Report			
Revenues and Expenditures			
January 31, 2021			
	Budget	Y-T-D	% Y-T-D to Budget
Fund Balance as of 1/1/2021 (est)	\$5,472,373	\$5,472,373	
Revenues:			
Regional Appropriations	5,183,200	217,243	4.2%
Interest Income	45,000	449	1.0%
Special Revenue Fund Income	89,260,157	1,065,262	1.2%
Local Match	4,469,869	149,367	3.3%
Enterprise Income	866,500	-	0.0%
Miscellaneous Income	150,000	-	0.0%
TOTAL	\$99,974,726	\$1,432,320	1.4%
Expenses:			
Salaries and Benefits	26,932,741	1,008,159	3.7%
Contracts	20,982,370	53,453	0.3%
Equipment	576,918	30,450	5.3%
Miscellaneous Operating	3,701,338	19,809	0.5%
Travel	388,044	566	0.1%
Rent and Related	1,898,303	117,357	6.2%
Other Computer Expenses	1,242,690	184,487	14.8%
Sub-Grants/Participant Payments	45,604,918	9,357	0.0%
Other Expenses	-	-	0.0%
Over/(Under) Indirect Recovery	(1,383,554)	-	0.0%
TOTAL	\$99,943,768	1,423,638	1.4%
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenses	30,958	8,682	
Estimated Fund Balance:			
December 31, 2021	\$ 5,503,331	\$5,481,055	



DATE: JANUARY 27, 2021

ISSUE SUMMARY:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE FY 22 UPDATE TO THE STATE FISCAL YEAR 2021- 2024 AREA PLAN ON AGING AND STATE FISCAL YEAR 2022 FUNDING REQUEST.

FROM: Advisory Committee on Aging

Romona Jackson-Jones, Co- Chair

Cynthia Tucker, Co-Chair Cynthia

Romona Jackson Jones

P. TUCKER 1/27/21

IMPORTANCE:

The Atlanta Regional Commission, as the designated Area Agency on Aging, is submitting the SFY22 Update to the SFY 2021 -2024 Area Plan on Aging and SFY 2022 Funding Request to the Georgia Department of Human Services seeking funding in the amount of \$ 22,575,135 for the provision of aging services and programs. The attached resolution approves the submission of the Area Plan on Aging FY 22 Update, the Funding Request for aging programs administered by ARC, and Funding Request for the Coronavirus Response to meet needs of older persons, individuals with disabilities, and caregivers.

ACTION REQUIRED: Recommend Governance Committee Adoption



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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE SFY 22 UPDATE TO THE STATE FISCAL YEAR 2021- 2024
AREA PLAN, AGING AND STATE FISCAL YEAR 2022 FUNDING REQUEST AND THE RESPONSE TO THE
CORONAVIRUS FUNDING REQUESTS**

WHEREAS, the Atlanta Regional Commission is the designated Area Agency on Aging, pursuant to Title III of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Commission seeks to pursue a continued relationship with the Georgia Department of Human Services for the purposes of providing management, administration, planning and coordination of aging programs on behalf of the Department; and

WHEREAS, the Commission as the designated Area Agency on Aging is charged with the development of the SFY 22 update to the SFY 2021 – 2024 Area Plan on Aging, SFY 2022 Funding Request and the Response to the Coronavirus Funding Requests; and

WHEREAS, the Commission finds the (this is the Issue Summary) Summary of the SFY 22 Update to the SFY 2021- 2024 Area Plan on Aging, State Fiscal Year 2022 Funding Request and the Response to the Coronavirus Funding Requests to be consistent with the interests of the Region and of particular benefit to the older persons residing therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission adopts the SFY 22 Update to the SFY 2021-2024 Area Plan on Aging , Funding Request for aging programs within the Region for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 and the Response to the Coronavirus Funding Requests and authorizes its Director to submit said SFY 22 Update to the State Fiscal Year 2021 - 2024 Area Plan on Aging , SFY 2022 Funding Request and the Response to to the Coronavirus Funding Requests to the Georgia Department of Human Services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution has the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Aging and supersedes the Commissions' February 26, 2020 resolution concerning the State Fiscal Year 2021-2024 Area Plan on Aging.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Atlanta Regional Commission on February 10, 2021.

Charissa White-Fulks, ARC Board Secretary

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DATE: March 5, 2021

ISSUE SUMMARY: **FY 2020-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2**

FROM: Kerry Armstrong, Transportation & Air Quality Committee

IMPORTANCE:

TIP Amendment #2 was developed to:

1. include the programming of new funding recommendations from the 2019 TIP solicitation, and
2. address project cost estimate and programmatic changes that are of a time sensitive nature or cannot be handled administratively.

For additional information on the amendment: www.atlantaregional.org/amendment

Regarding the required conformity determination for the TIP amendment:

1. ARC determined that the changes reflected in Amendment #2 do not require a new technical evaluation for conformity. ARC provided this information to the adjacent Cartersville-Bartow MPO and Gainesville-Hall MPO.
2. Prior to the formal public comment period, ARC received concurrence as required through the Interagency Consultation process that the conformity determination for Amendment #2 does not necessitate a new regional emissions analysis.

Pursuant to the ARC Community Engagement Plan, a 20-day public comment period was conducted from January 14, 2021 to February 11, 2021. Comments received, and responses to those comments, were provided to TCC, TAQC and the ARC Board prior to action being taken.

ACTION REQUIRED: ARC approval

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A RESOLUTION ADOPTING:

FY 2020-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2

WHEREAS, the Atlanta Regional Commission is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for transportation planning in Atlanta Metropolitan Transportation Planning Area which includes all or parts of twenty counties; and

WHEREAS, Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST Act) and the Clean Air Act (CAA) Amendments of 1990 require the MPO to develop and adopt a long-range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and short-range Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that conforms with the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality; and

WHEREAS, a conformity determination was made on The Atlanta Region's Plan RTP Update/FY 2020-2025 TIP on February 18, 2020, by the US Department of Transportation in consultation with the US Environmental Protection Agency, which determined based on The Atlanta Region's Plan Conformity Determination Report, that The Atlanta Region's Plan RTP Update and FY 2020-2025 TIP conform to the requirements of the Clean Air Act under 40 CFR Part 93 for the 8 hour ozone 2015 standard (7 county nonattainment area), 2008 standard (15 county maintenance area) and 1997 standard (20 county partial maintenance area); and

WHEREAS, ARC did not perform a technical evaluation as no changes to the scope or schedule of any non-exempt status project was proposed in Amendment #2; and

WHEREAS, ARC did notify the Cartersville-Bartow MPO and Gainesville Hall MPO, that such a technical evaluation would be performed for the entire maintenance area and would include necessary changes in that region as well; and

WHEREAS, prior to releasing the amendment for a formal public comment period, ARC received concurrence through the Interagency Consultation process that Amendment #2 consists of changes that required a new technical evaluation for conformity, and

WHEREAS, Amendment #2 to the Atlanta Region's Plan RTP Update/FY 2020-2025 TIP was developed consistently with the requirements of 23 CFR 450.316 and in adherence with the participation processes and guidelines outlined in the ARC Community Engagement Plan as follows:

- Notice of such an amendment was published in a legal organ for a 20-day public comment period from January 14, 2021 to February 11, 2021.

For approval by TCC on 3/5; TAQC on 3/10 and ARC Board on 3/10

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- Interested parties were provided the opportunity to comment on the amendment through the ARC website; and
- Results of this public comment period were provided to the Transportation Coordinating Committee, the Transportation & Air Quality Committee and the ARC Board for consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Atlanta Regional Commission adopts the Amendment #2 to The Atlanta Region's Plan RTP Update/FY 2020-2025 TIP, as defined above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission authorizes staff, with approval of the Chair of the Atlanta Regional Commission, to make non-substantive technical corrections to the final documents as necessary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission directs the staff to continue the regular reporting on The Atlanta Region's Plan management and implementation.