STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2021 - 40

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A CLAYTON COUNTY METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY CITIZENS' ADVISORY BOARD; TO ESTABLISH THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD; TO ESTABLISH MEETING TIMES; TO ESTABLISH THE TIME TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD; TO ESTABLISH THE TIME TO ENACT BYLAWS; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Clayton County Board of Commissioners advocates public participation and supports and encourages citizen involvement in matters of County government and transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Clayton County Board of Commissioners recognizes a need within Clayton County to address current issues related to the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority ("MARTA"); and

WHEREAS, the Clayton County Board of Commissioners desire to create a MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board whose purpose would be to provide input in reference to community transit needs, function as a sounding board for project teams, provide feedback on study direction and analysis, and provide an outside opinion on proposed funding, operation and marketing; and

WHEREAS, the Advisory Board will act as a liaison between the Clayton County Board of Commissioners and MARTA; and WHEREAS, the Advisory Board will not create policies; however, the Advisory Board will raise important issues regarding all facets of MARTA for consideration by the Board of Commissioners, policy makers, and the community; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners finds that it is in the best interests of the citizens of Clayton County, and the County will be best served by establishing a Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board as contemplated herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

Section 1. The Clayton County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board. The purpose of the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board is to provide input in reference to community transit needs, function as a sounding board for project teams, provide feedback on study direction and analysis, and provide an outside opinion on proposed funding, operation and marketing.

Section 2. Composition of the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board.

The Advisory Board will be composed of fifteen (15) members.

Appointment. The Chairman shall appoint two (2) members to the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board. Each district commissioner shall appoint two (2) members to the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board. The Clayton Chamber of Commerce President/CEO shall sit as an Ex-Officio member. The remaining four (4) seats will be recommended by representatives from American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations ("AFL-CIO"), Clayton State University, Georgia Power, and the Clayton County Chamber of Commerce.

Terms: The term of each appointee shall be for two (2) years. The term of any exofficio member shall be as long as the position exists.

Chair and Vice-Chair Roles. The MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board will designate the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Advisory Board. The Chairperson and Vice-

Chairperson shall oversee the Advisory Board agenda, facilitate discussion, and present information to the Board of Commissioners on behalf of the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board on a quarterly basis.

Vacancies. Vacancies shall be filled by the appointing commissioner for the unexpired term of the original appointment.

Removal. The Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board Members serve at the pleasure of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners and may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners for any reason.

Section 3. Meetings of the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board. The Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board shall meet at least once quarterly at a place, within Clayton County, at a time designated by Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board. The Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board shall be subject to the Georgia Open Meetings Act and shall act accordingly. There shall be no compensation for membership on the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board.

<u>Section 4.</u> The Members of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners shall make their appointments to the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board within forty-five (45) days of adoption of this Resolution.

Section 5. The Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board shall develop bylaws, consistent with this Resolution, that govern the conduct, meetings, and activities of the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board. The bylaws shall be completed with sixty (60) days of the appointment of the Clayton County MARTA Citizens' Advisory Board members.

Section 6. This Resolution shall become effective upon its approval by the Board of Commissioners.

SO RESOLVED, this <u>l</u> day of February, 2021.

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