



Special Board of Directors Meeting
Umpqua Public Transportation District
Monday, November 4th, 2024, 9:00 a.m.
3076 NE Diamond Lake Blvd, Roseburg, OR 97470

Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

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1. Call to Order 9:01 am

2. Roll Call

Doug Mendenhall – P
VACANT

Michaela Hammerson – P
Cathye Dewhirst Curreri - P

John Estill – P
Lisa Lanza - P

Todd Vaughn -P

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Comment for On Agenda Items Only – no public present

5. STIF / STAC Committee Appointments

Motion: Director Dewhirst Curreri moved to approve Ashely Hicks as part of the STIF/STAC Committee, Vice Chair Estill seconded.

Motion Passed unanimously.

6. Procurement Policy Amendments

Discussion held on primary changes to procurement policy. Director Estill pointed out that FTA Circular provides guidance on procurement and any deviation may need to be approved by the FTA. The Board generally agreed that the Primary Procurement Officer, Evaluation Committee, and General Manager will need to double check all requirements in our policy against the FTA. ODOT is also a resource that can be used to ensure compliance.

Updates in Authority and Definitions: The policy now delegates more authority to the Umpqua Public Transportation District (UPTD) General Manager for procurements up to \$10,000, aligns definitions with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) standards, and introduces new forms and processes for better compliance and clarity.

Flexibility in Procurement Procedures: Changes include the removal of strict time constraints for bidding, allowing the UPTD discretion in contract awards based on factors beyond just price, and the option to bypass certain procurement steps when not legally required, thereby enhancing operational flexibility.

Documentation and Implementation: Introduction of several new forms for different stages of procurement, correction of terminology for consistency, and setting an effective date for the policy changes to allow for a transition period, all aimed at streamlining processes while ensuring legal compliance.

Motion: Director Dewhirst Curreri made a motion to accept the amendments to the procurement policy. Director Vaughn seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

7. IT Request for Proposal Consideration

Discussion on IT proposals. Two official bids have been received, but there is a third in progress. Director Mendenhall states that the third bid did not meet the deadline for 11/03/2024 submission and should not be considered. Chair Hammerson pointed to the procurement policy that allows for late bids with documentation if reasonable. Due to the changes to the RFP and because we received an initial bid from this vendor, the Evaluation Committee will need to determine if the bid should be considered when received late. Director Vaughn stated that we need to do our best to allow as much competition as possible, and that three bids is a good standard for sufficient competition. Director Mendenhall stated that late submissions may not be a good first impression and that should be considered when reviewing the third bid. Jennifer Boardman (ODOT) confirmed that more bids are preferable to less. She also confirmed that the Board should be moving these decisions over to the General Manager and UPTD staff, rather than the board. It was discussed that the procurement will need to be within the current budget and the Finance Manager will need to be consulted. Jennifer Boardman (ODOT) reminded to adhere to midyear budget changes that were previously submitted.

Motion: Director Vaughn made the motion to allow the General Manager, with assistance from the Evaluation Committee, to make a decision to move forward with the IT procurement within the approved budget. Director Estill seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

8. Adjournment at 9:46 am.

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- All remarks are directed to the entire District Board. The Board reserves the right to delay any action requested until fully informed on the matter.

TIME LIMITATIONS

Each speaker will be allotted a total of 5 minutes. At the 3-minute mark, the Chair will remind the speaker there are only 2 minutes left. All testimony given shall be new and not previously presented to the Board.

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