

**PORT AUTHORITY TRANS-HUDSON CORPORATION**

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**MINUTES of the Meeting of Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation held Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 150 Greenwich Street, City, County and State of New York**

**PRESENT:**

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Hon. John J. Degnan, Chairman  
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Hon. Steven M. Cohen, Vice-Chairman  
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 Hon. Jeffrey H. Lynford  
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Cheryl A. Yetka

Guests:

Mary Maples  
Michael Wojnar

Speakers:

Jocelyn Andrews  
Murray Bodin  
Sharlene Davis  
Margaret Donovan  
David Gale  
Hon. Richard Gottfried  
Robert Gottheimer  
Louis Heimbach  
Hon. Bradley Hoylman  
Richard Hughes  
Alison Kreideweis  
Arthur Piccolo  
Emma Quail  
Rev. Ronald Tuff  
Nancy Velazquez  
Hon. Loretta Weinberg  
Neile Weissman

The public meeting was called to order by Chairman Degnan at 1:11 p.m. and ended at 3:04 p.m. The Board also met in executive session prior to the public session. Director Lynford was present for a portion of the public session.

### **Action on Minutes**

Assistant Counsel submitted for approval Minutes of the meeting of June 30, 2016. He reported that copies of these Minutes were delivered to the Governors of New York (in electronic form) and New Jersey (in paper form) on July 1, 2016. He reported further that the time for action by the Governors of New York and New Jersey expired at midnight on July 18, 2016.

Whereupon, the Board of Directors unanimously approved the Minutes of the meeting of June 30, 2016.

### **Report of Committee on Capital Planning, Execution and Asset Management**

The Committee on Capital Planning, Execution and Asset Management reported, for information, on matters discussed in public session at its meeting on September 22, 2016, which included discussion of an item that authorizes a project to replace certain tunnel infrastructure serving the Port Authority Trans-Hudson rail system between the Exchange Place Station and the World Trade Center Station, and the report was received.

**PATH – TUNNELS E AND F BETWEEN EXCHANGE PLACE STATION AND WORLD TRADE CENTER STATION – INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIRS – PROJECT AUTHORIZATION**

It was recommended that the Board authorize a project to replace the track, third rail, electrical, signal, and communications infrastructure in the under-river portions of the Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation (PATH) rail system's Tunnels E and F, located between Exchange Place Station in Jersey City, New Jersey and the World Trade Center (WTC) Station in Lower Manhattan, at an estimated total project cost of \$400 million.

In October 2012, PATH rail facilities and equipment were severely impacted by Hurricane Sandy. The storm resulted in significant flooding throughout the PATH rail system. In 2013 and 2014, the Board authorized certain actions to retain design services and perform repairs to infrastructure in PATH system tunnels, to address latent damage associated with corrosive salt residue that resulted from flooding of the tunnels following Hurricane Sandy. Approximately \$27 million of the expenditures authorized at that time was associated with work in Tunnels E and F, including approximately \$8.2 million for engineering design services to support the currently proposed project.

The proposed project would provide for the replacement of the following infrastructure within the project area or portions thereof: (1) track, third rail and appurtenances; (2) signals; (3) 27-kilovolt (KV), 15-KV and traction power and inter-tripping cables; (4) lighting, blue light stations and 480-volt power distribution equipment; (5) radio and electronics; (6) corrosion protection and control system; and (7) auxiliary power equipment and cable replacement.

It is currently anticipated that work would be carried out such that only one tunnel would be taken out of service for 35 weekends per calendar year. Weekend service between Exchange Place Station and the WTC Station would continue. The remaining 17 weekends during which no work is scheduled would be reserved for facility maintenance activities and major holidays. PATH will continue to explore and assess opportunities to accelerate construction in conjunction with maintaining service, where possible.

Construction management and inspection services for the proposed project would be provided through an existing agency consultant program to support federally funded Port Authority and PATH hurricane repair and resiliency projects. It is expected that 90 percent of the eligible total project cost would be recoverable through a grant from the Federal Transit Administration.

Pursuant to the foregoing report, the following resolution was adopted, with Directors Bagger, Cohen, Degnan, Fascitelli, James, Laufenberg, Lipper, Rechler, Schuber and Steiner voting in favor. Assistant Counsel confirmed that sufficient affirmative votes were cast for the action to be taken, a quorum of the Board being present:

**RESOLVED**, that a project to replace the track, third rail, electrical, signal and communications infrastructure in the under-river portions of the Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation (PATH) rail system's Tunnels E and F, located between Exchange Place Station and the World Trade Center Station, at an estimated total project cost of \$400 million, be and it hereby is authorized; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the President be and he hereby is authorized, for and on behalf of PATH, to take action with respect to construction contracts, contracts for professional and advisory services, including contracts for the preparation of necessary environmental documents and associated planning and design work, and such other contracts and agreements as may be necessary to effectuate the foregoing project, pursuant to authority granted in the By-Laws or other resolution adopted by the Board; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the form of all contracts, agreements and other documents in connection with the foregoing project shall be subject to the approval of Counsel or his authorized representative, and the terms of such contracts, agreements and other documents shall be subject to review by Counsel or his authorized representative.

Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned.

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Assistant Counsel