METROPOLITAN KNOXVILLE AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Minutes of the Board of Commissioners

Date: July 22, 2026 Place: Henrietta Grant Board Room
McGhee Tyson Airport

The Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority met pursuant to notice at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 22, 2026, in the Henrietta Grant Board Room at McGhee Tyson Airport (TYS). With the lack of a chair due to the reconstitution of the Board of Commissioners, Mr. Vogel called the meeting to order.

Roll call developed that Board members present were James Berrong, Markus Chady, Joe Dawson, Caryn Hawthorne, Allison Page, Wes Stowers, and Howard Vogel. Also present were Patrick Wilson, President of the Airport Authority, and members of his staff; Mark Mamantov, legal counsel; and other visitors. The Board noted the absence of Jordan Mollenhour, who was unable to attend the meeting due to a previously scheduled travel commitment that predated his appointment to the Board. A letter from Mr. Mollenhour was read aloud to the Board during the meeting and is attached hereto and incorporated into these Minutes as Exhibit A.

BUSINESS AGENDA

I. Selection of Chair Pro Tem. Mr. Vogel explained that Robert's Rules of Order instructs the Board that a chair pro tem should be elected until new officers are appointed. Mr. Vogel volunteered to serve in the role of chair pro tem. Upon motion duly made and seconded, Mr. Vogel was elected to act as chair pro tem of the meeting. Mr. Vogel accepted the appointment and presided over the meeting as chair pro tem.

II. Selection of Nominating Committee. Chair Pro Tem Vogel explained that the Airport Authority's bylaws require that the Nominating Committee, comprised of a chairperson and two additional Board members, meet and then present a recommended slate of officers to the Board. Mr. Vogel reported that Mr. Stowers, Mr. Chady, and Mr. Dawson have expressed a willingness to serve on the Nominating Committee. Chair Pro Tem Vogel recommended that Mr. Stowers serve as Chair to the Nominating Committee. Upon motion duly made and seconded, Mr. Stowers, Mr. Chady, and Mr. Dawson were appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee and that Mr. Stowers serve as Chair to the Committee. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

III. Recess for Nominating Committee Meeting. With the selection of a Nominating Committee, Chair Pro Tem Vogel announced that the Board would be in recess until the conclusion of the Nominating Committee Meeting, which was held in the West Conference Room on the third floor of McGhee Tyson Airport.

IV. Reconvening Following Recess. Following a recess called to permit the Nominating Committee to meet and consider nominations, the meeting was reconvened at 4:12 p.m. by Chair Pro Tem Vogel.

V. Nominating Committee Report. Mr. Stowers, Chair of the Nominating Committee, advised the Board that the Committee had met during the recess and developed a slate of officers to recommend to the Board. Mr. Stowers, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, then proposed Mr. Vogel to serve as Chair. Mr. Vogel moved for approval of the Committee's nomination, which motion required no second. The motion to approve Mr. Vogel to serve as Chair was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Mr. Stowers, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, then proposed Ms. Page to serve as Vice Chair. Mr. Vogel moved for approval of the Committee's nomination, which motion required no second. The motion to approve Ms. Page to serve as Vice Chair was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Mr. Stowers, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, proposed Ms. Hawthorne to serve as Secretary. Mr. Vogel moved for approval of the Committee's nomination, which motion required no second. The motion to approve Ms. Hawthorne to serve as Secretary was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Mark Mamantov then asked the Board to consider appointing an Assistant Secretary to serve in the event of Ms. Hawthorne's absence and suggested Mr. Dawson, who had served previously in this role. Chairman Vogel moved for approval of Mr. Dawson to serve as Assistant Secretary, which was seconded by Ms. Page. The motion to approve Mr. Dawson to serve as Assistant Secretary was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

VI. Announcements. Chairman Vogel reminded those in attendance that a sign-up sheet was available for members of the audience who would like to address the Board of Commissioners as to an item on the agenda or speak during the public forum at the conclusion of the meeting.

VII. Minutes. Chairman Vogel noted that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 17, 2026, had been distributed with the agenda materials. Upon motion by Ms. Page, seconded by Mr. Dawson, the minutes were approved as presented by a unanimous voice vote.

VIII. Report of President's Report and Financial Report. President Wilson provided the Board with highlights of the activity report, the project report, and financial information that were included with the agenda materials.

IX. New Business.

A. Consideration of Adoption of Resolution No. 26-05 Recognizing the Continuity of the Metropolitan Knoxville Airport Authority as the Same Legal Entity and Affirming the Continued Use and Effectiveness of All Bylaws, Policies, and Board Actions in Effect as of June 30, 2026. Mark Mamantov advised that the Airport Authority was created by the City of Knoxville pursuant to the Metropolitan Airport Authority Act. Pursuant to recent legislation enacted by the Tennessee General Assembly that amended that Act, the Board of Commissioners of the Airport Authority was vacated and reconstituted as of July 1, 2026. Prior to July 1, 2026, the Board adopted bylaws, rules, regulations, policies, and procedures governing the operations, procedures, and conduct of business of the Airport Authority. To provide clear guidance to and clarity for the Airport Authority's staff and legal counsel, the proposed resolution would affirm the Board's intent for the Airport Authority to continue to operate under its existing bylaws, rules, regulations, policies, and procedures. The proposed resolution recognizes that its passage will not limit the Board's authority to amend, repeal, or adopt new bylaws, rules, regulations, policies, and procedures in accordance with applicable law and the Board's established procedures. It was moved by Mr. Chady, and seconded by Ms. Hawthorne, that the resolution be approved as presented. The resolution was unanimously adopted by a voice vote.

B. Consideration of Approval of Work Authorization Number 26-601 to Parsons for the FY 2027 Program Manager Services for the Terminal Area Development Program at McGhee Tyson Airport. Bryan White, the Vice President of Planning and Development at the Airport Authority, advised that the Airport Authority's staff is seeking a work authorization to Parsons to provide services related to overall program management to include design support, quality control, cost estimating, scheduling, and funding assistance for the Terminal Area Development Program ("TADP") for FY 2027. Additionally, project management and all necessary or required inspection services (civil, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing) for the construction of the Security Screening Checkpoint ("SSCP") are included. Funding for this work

authorization will be through future Passenger Facility Charges ("PFCs") and the Airport Authority's local funds as provided in the funding plan included in the agenda packet. Mr. White concluded by recommending that Work Authorization Number 26-601 to Parsons in the amount of $3,459,871 be approved and that the President be authorized to execute a work authorization consistent with such terms, subject to review by the Airport Authority's legal counsel. It was moved by Mr. Dawson and seconded by Mr. Stowers, that the Airport Authority staff's recommendation be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

C. Consideration of Approval of Work Authorization Number 22-500H to Gresham Smith for the Terminal Area Development Program Final Conceptual Development at McGhee Tyson Airport. Mr. White explained that, over the past year, the Airport Authority's staff and design team have been developing the TADP expansion concepts to further define the projects. These concepts include the SSCP, terminal apron expansion, central utility plant, centralized baggage handling, existing restrooms reconstruction, and architectural and interior design elements. This proposed work authorization will be the continuation of the previous development work and provides services related to the apron expansion final programming, 30-percent design of the central utility and energy plant, further exploration of centralized baggage handling, 90-percent design for the existing concourse restroom reconstruction, and further exploration of the architectural layout and massing concepts. Funding for this work authorization will be through future PFCs and the Airport Authority's funds provided in the funding plan included in the agenda packet. Mr. White concluded by recommending approval of Work Authorization Number 22-500H to Gresham Smith in the amount of $5,630,854 be approved and that the President be authorized to execute a work authorization consistent with such terms, subject to review by the Airport Authority's legal counsel. It was moved by Mr. Chady and seconded by Mr. Stowers, that the Airport Authority staff's recommendation be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

D. Consideration of Approval of an Easement Agreement with the State of Tennessee for Knoxville Downtown Island Airport. Mr. White explained that the State of Tennessee has agreed to grant an easement to the Airport Authority to allow for the construction and maintenance of a new entrance sign, decorative entrance security gate, and fencing for the Knoxville Downtown Island Airport. The Airport Authority currently has an easement from the State that allows ingress and egress over State owned property currently utilized by the Tennessee School for the Deaf. This additional easement will allow for additional improvements and access for their maintenance. An exhibit showing the property location along with the easement agreement and closing statement, drafted by the State and reviewed by the Airport Authority's legal counsel, was provided with the agenda packet. Mr. White concluded by recommending that the President be authorized to execute the easement agreement and that the Airport Authority be authorized to pay all costs related to entering into the easement agreement. It was moved by Ms. Page and seconded by Mr. Dawson, that the Airport Authority staff's recommendation be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

E. Consideration of FY 2027 Airport Cyber Liability Insurance Policy Premium. Susan Gennoe, Vice President of Finance, advised that the Airport Authority's current cyber liability insurance policy with Cowbell is expiring, and the current rate, including terrorism risk coverage, is $32,450. Ms. Gennoe advised that the Airport Authority engaged D.R. Cox and Company to solicit and negotiate renewal of the policy. D.R. Cox and Company obtained two (2) competitive quotes for cyber liability insurance that includes terrorism risk coverage. Based on the Airport Authority's IT Department's review of these options and discussions with the insurance agent and underwriter, the collective recommendation is that the Airport Authority renew its existing Cyber Liability Insurance Policy with Cowbell at a premium of $35,660. Despite the higher cost, Ms. Gennoe explained that Cowbell is the preferred option due to its significant coverage enhancements, breach response coverage and the advantages of maintaining continuity of coverage. Renewal with Cowbell represents an approximate increase of $3,210 or 9.9% from the prior year. The increase is due to the increase in projected airport revenues over the prior year. Ms. Gennoe concluded by recommending approval of the cyber insurance policy renewal with Cowbell under the terms outlined in its proposal and authorization for the appropriate Airport Authority officers to renew the policy

on behalf of the Airport Authority. It was moved by Ms. Hawthorne, and seconded by Ms. Page, that the Airport Authority staff's recommendation be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

X. Staff Reports. Bryan White, the Vice President of Planning and Development at the Airport Authority, provided the Board with an update on the garage construction. Mr. White provided a schedule overview and highlighted key activities such as moving utilities, the work on the third level of the garage, and the closure of Hotel Road, which was scheduled to be reopened soon. Mr. White also provided a budget update.

Jim Evans, Vice President of Marketing at the Airport Authority, provided the Board with an update on recent media stories about McGhee Tyson. The media has reported that Frontier Airlines has discontinued service out of McGhee Tyson. Mr. Evans shared that service breaks by Frontier are not unusual and that he has reached out to Frontier to discuss these issues further. Mr. Evans also noted that there are three other airlines that provide nonstop service to Denver from McGhee Tyson. Mr. Evans also introduced Christie Sampieri, who was recently hired as an employee in the marketing department.

XI. Public Forum. Chairman Vogel announced that the business agenda had been completed and that there were no requests by individuals wishing to address the Board.

XII. Adjournment. Thereupon, upon motion duly seconded and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

Carson Hawthorne

Secretary