

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority  
**Board Action/Information Summary**

Action  Information

MEAD Number:  
200976

Resolution:  
 Yes  No

**TITLE:**

Accessibility Advisory Committee Appointment

**PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

A member of the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) representing the Accessibility for All Committee (AFA) of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' (COG) Transportation Planning Board (TPB) has resigned.

TPB has selected a replacement to serve the remainder of the resigned member's term on the AAC. The attached resolution seeks board appointment of this candidate.

**PURPOSE:**

Board approval of the appointment of an AAC member to serve the remainder of the term of one of the two AFA Committee members who resigned.

**DESCRIPTION:**

COG's TPB selected a replacement committee member to serve the remainder of the resigned member's term on the AAC, in accordance with the AAC bylaws (Board Resolution No. 11-209).

The attached resolution lists the name, term for the individuals to be appointed, and the language permitting this action in the bylaws.

**Key Highlights:**

The nominee meets the Board's criteria for membership as established by Resolution No. 2011-09.

**Background and History:**

The Board of Directors established an Accessibility Advisory Committee in 1979, and adopted governing bylaws and standards of conduct on September 24, 2009 under Resolution No. 2011-09.

The AAC is an advisory committee that provides recommendations on accessibility related items to the Board of Directors. The mission of the AAC is to actively seek input from a broad range of seniors and persons with disabilities and organizations with an expressed interest in public transportation for seniors and persons with disabilities on

operational issues that affect the accessibility of Metrorail, Metrobus and MetroAccess services; advise the Board on ways to resolve such issues in order to improve Metrorail, Metrobus, and MetroAccess; promote responsiveness to riders who are seniors or persons with disabilities; and recommend possible solutions to the Board of Directors and staff, based on public input, to effectively address the diverse concerns of seniors and persons with disabilities who use Metro services.

The AAC is comprised of 20 members - six members each from Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia, with two additional members from the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Access for All Committee (AFA). AAC members serve a staggered three-year term so that one third of the committee is replaced or reappointed each year.

**Discussion:**

One of the two AFA members recently resigned before the expiration of their term in June, 2015. This action will appoint a replacement individual to serve the remainder of this term.

**FUNDING IMPACT:**

Members of the AAC volunteer their services; therefore, there is no impact on funding.

**TIMELINE:**

Upon approval, the individual will begin serving immediately.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Board approval of the appointment of one individual to the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC).

**PRESENTED AND ADOPTED: September 24, 2014**

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT**

**2014-43**

**RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, By adoption of Resolution 2011-09, the Board of Directors amended the Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC) reporting relationship, committee composition, and adopted governing bylaws and standards of conduct; and

WHEREAS, The term of one member of the AAC representing the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Access for All Committee (AFA) has resigned their membership prior to the completion of their full term; and

WHEREAS, Article III Section B.1(a) of the AAC bylaws states that, "The term for each member of the AAC shall be for three (3) years or until replaced by the appointment of a new member of the AAC"; now, therefore be it

*RESOLVED*, That the Board of Directors hereby appoints Charles Crawford to the AAC representing the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Access for All Committee to replace a resigned committee member to a term set to expire June 2015; and be it finally

*RESOLVED*, That this Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency,

  
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Kathryn H.S. Pett  
General Counsel

WMATA File Structure Nos.:  
1.1.1 Accessibility Advisory Committee

**Motioned by Mr. Dyke, seconded by Mr. Downey  
Ayes: 7 – Mr. Downs, Mr. Downey, Mrs. Hudgins, Mr. Dyke, Ms. Bowser, Mr. Acosta and Mr. Goldman**