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MTA Board Approves nMotion 2016 Transit Plan

Future of transit and mobility in Middle Tennessee takes another step forward

NASHVILLE – At its board meeting late this afternoon, the Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority Board of Directors adopted a bold new strategic plan, dubbed nMotion 2016, which provides a roadmap for improving public transit within the region over the next 25 years. The plan received unanimous approval by the members.

Yesterday, the Regional Transportation Authority Board of Directors adopted the plan at its monthly meeting.

The nMotion plan is the culmination of more than a year of an aggressive community outreach campaign that generated almost 20,000 survey responses and comments from Middle Tennesseans at community meetings, online surveys, and neighborhood events.

MTA and the RTA released more than 35 technical documents and studies during the strategic planning efforts.

"The adoption of this plan is the first step in building a meaningful and equitable public transit network that addresses the anticipated growth in Nashville and Middle Tennessee over the next 25 years," said MTA Board Chair Gail Williams. "The plan identifies specific strategic actions Nashville and the region needs to take to begin working on the growing traffic and congestion. It is a historic day for public transit and the citizens in our community. Additionally my thanks to the many members of the community that engaged in this process to improve transit for all."

The next steps in the nMotion process will be to begin looking at simplifying services, but many of the upcoming improvements will only be possible through the support and cooperation of community and regional partnerships. MTA looks forward to working with its partners in Mayor's office for the City of Nashville, Nashville Metro Council and other Metro agencies, the Tennessee Department of Transportation, as well as other entities across the region.

"As we continue our work to improve mobility through innovative transit solutions for the region, the spirit of partnership among city, county, state, and private sector entities will be vital to the success of the project. MTA and RTA are looking forward to the future of transit in Middle Tennessee as we navigate this period of exciting growth and development," said CEO Steve Bland.

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