

**TWIN CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**  
**Board Meeting**  
**September 22, 2026**

**I. Welcome and Opening:**

**Call to Order:** The meeting of the Twin City Area Transportation Authority Board of Directors was held at the Benton Harbor City Hall Building, 200 E. Wall Street, Room: Commission Chambers, Benton Harbor, MI 49022, on Tuesday, September 22, 2026.

**Roll call of Persons present:**

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| Alex Little, Chair     | Spencer Nesbitt, Vice Chair |
| Dayrl Jackson, Trustee | Cora Robinson, Trustee      |

**Persons Absent:** Trustee Hatcher

Roll call: Trustee Jackson, Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Robinson, Trustee Little. A quorum was established. Chair Little called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Motion made by Trustee Robinson to approve amendments to the agenda, seconded by Trustee Nesbitt. Roll call: Chair Little, Trustee Robinson, Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Jackson. Motion carried.

**Approval of agenda:** Motion made by Trustee Nesbitt to approve agenda with amendments, seconded by Trustee Jackson. Roll call: Chair Little, Trustee Robinson, Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Jackson.

**Approval of August 25, 2026 minutes:** Motion made by Trustee Nesbitt to approve the August 25, 2026 minutes, seconded by Trustee Jackson. Roll call: Chair Little, Trustee Robinson, Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Jackson. Motion carried.

**II. Finance Updates:** Presented by Ryan Marschke of Hungerford.

Financial Report

- Balance sheet
- Profit/Loss

Motion to accept the Financial Updates made by Trustee Nesbitt, seconded by Trustee Jackson. Roll call: Chair Little, Trustee Jackson, Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Robinson. Motion carried.

**III. Director Updates:** Presented by Director Tressa Greschak.

**Farebox Revenue Update:** Increase in revenue; hit record high in August. Revenue includes punch cards, tokens, cash, and debits/credit cards through the App.

Motion made by Trustee Robinson to approve Farebox Revenue Update, seconded by Trustee

Nesbitt. Roll call: Trustee Jackson, Trustee Nesbitt, Chair Little, Trustee Robinson. Motion carried.

Update on Vehicle Disposal Status: Q & A with Board. Resolution read. Permission from MDOT for disposal of certain vehicles at auction on tentative date of October 10, 2026, with online bidding. Resolution reread noting additional pages.

Motion made by Trustee Nesbitt to approve Updates, and, resolution on Vehicle Disposal, seconded by Trustee Jackson. Roll call: Chair Little, Trustee Jackson, Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Robinson. Motion carried.

2027 MDOT Master Agreement: Agreement needs further viewing. Will request MDOT to adjourn decision for approval to next board meeting, if not agreed, will call a Special Meeting for approval of agreement. Director Greschak to also provide a summary of changes to the Board.

Via Updates: Presented by the strategy team, Rob and Webb, who have been experiencing TCATA's transit services since April. Conducted improvement study. Observed increased revenue and doubled efficiency. Finalizing improvement plan, proposal, and recommendations. (Handouts were provided) Over the course of the next year or so, recommending completion of a few possible changes that include short-to-medium term priorities. Q & A by Board. Coverages of each route explained. Paratransit is similar to On-demand. Chair Little suggests that after issues are resolved, this presentation should be presented at a commission meeting to help encourage people in upcoming millage. Something to think about.

Via Presentation – Service Change Recommendations: Covered in Via Updates.

- IV. **Old Business:** Articles of Incorporation passed by the County Board. Encourage Board to get it and read it. Director Greschak will send out a copy to all board members.
- V. **New Business:** None.
- VI. **Chair's Report:** None.
- VII. **Public Comments:** Mr. Sterneman with the Center for Growth and Independence. Work with Trustee Nesbitt. Previously met with the Board, about a year ago, to discuss how to get together and advertise and help each other. Presented a map from TCATA website to discuss. He's presently a Business Development manager at the old Gateway Services, working with disabled adults to help improve their lives, and, also run the Michigan Rehabilitation Services Program.

The issue is that some of their clients, disabled adults usually, live inside the borders of TCATA or Berrien Bus and works outside the borders where the lines cross. He has a client now, which he may not be able to hang onto much longer, but she needs a ride from work, which is technically inside the TCATA borders, to her home two miles down the road, which is technically outside TCATA

borders and outside everyone else's borders too because she works at a place called Power in Motion inside of Scottsdale. So, it's in the white area of the map, which is technically unpartnered with anyone but was advised by Berrien Bus that TCATA has service to Scottsdale. And because she works at Power in Motion, Berrien Bus is unwilling to cross TCATA's borders. And they don't service her area either. She lives in the area called no-man's land between Scottsdale and the river, so, directly east of Scottsdale. It sounds like based on the descriptions of the red line, depending on how the new map is drawn, it's gonna come right up through Scottsdale and then miss her. This area is not neighborhood upon neighborhood, it's farmland and one neighborhood that sits on the river, maybe 50-100 homes, if that.

So, he came here to ask if TCATA would consider servicing this area since you're so close to doing it anyway by looking outward and trying to serve more people. Also thinking that it's the line between the services that really jam things up. Don't know if Berrien Bus would move outward and do more of this but think it would take them longer to do so. He knows they go to the hospital under contract, though. If they can go to places inside TCATA's area under contract, he can imagine TCATA, when TCATA expands, can have a similar agreement. It would be great if TCATA could just pick her up and take her to her house. But it's not about the one client, it's about the area.

He understands the hangups in terms of cost and time and the mileage, and the other stuff that was talked about too, but he's getting questions from people that they're frustrated in this area, saying that there's no public transit which is why they don't want to move in this area, live in this area, work in this area, or whatever. He tells them that there is public transit. Nick from Via advises that he lives right over in that area, right on the cusp.

Director Greschak agrees that if it's right across the line in the Berrien Bus area then TCATA cannot go there. She advised that she would talk with him and get the specific address after the meeting to help provide a more specific answer for him. Mr. Sterneman advised that he wouldn't ask if it wasn't on the cusp of TCATA's border already. Director Greschak advised that there are some transit perks where the rural services can come in the urbanized areas when they're bringing someone into it or taking someone out it, or if they're transporting someone from TCATA's urban area to like, Niles or Buchanan. TCATA does not have that service; which does not mean TCATA can't do anything. Trustee Jackson advises of exceptions utilizing emergency routes during bad weather.

**VIII. Adjournment:** With no further action taken and no further business, Chair Little entertains Motion to adjourn. Trustee Nesbitt made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Jackson. Roll call: Trustee Jackson, Trustee Nesbitt, Trustee Robinson, Chair Little. And the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

**Attested:**

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Trustee Alex Little  
Chair

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Trustee Cora Robinson  
Board Secretary