

TARC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING



January 27, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

The Board of Directors of Transit Authority of River City (TARC) met on January 27, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. in person at TARC, 1000 W. Broadway in the Board Room and virtually via teleconference as permitted by KRS 61.826.

Board Members Present

In Person

Abbie Gilbert
Steve Miller
Ted Smith
Justin Brown

Virtual

Alice Houston
Christy Ames
DuWayne Gant
Myra Rock

Declined

Meeting Called to Order

Abbie Gilbert called meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

Quorum Call

January Board Meeting Minutes approved.

No Public Comment

Special Reports

Ted Smith presented the Finance Committee Report.

- All items were fully discussed during the Finance Committee Meeting.
- The Resolution presented has been moved to today's Board Meeting for consideration.

Alice Houston presented the Operations Report.

- During the meeting the New TARC Network was presented.
- All items were fully discussed during the Operations Committee Meeting.

Ozzy Gibson presented the Executive Director and Operations Report.

- Above and Beyond employees of the month Nelson Clavel & Delisa Henderson.
- Delisa and Nelson both helped to de-escalate a situation involving a student and a potential stalker.
- Snowstorms on January 25-26 did have effect on us but the TARC Team did an outstanding job..
- The video was shared of TARC Staff working through the snowstorm over a couple of days.
- TARC did stop service for part of the time due to unsafe driving conditions.
- Several TARC employees stayed in downtown hotels to help guarantee a quick response if one was needed for warming stations or other issues at TARC.
- TARC was back up and running at full-service levels on Tuesday, January 27th.
- Larry Sloane was recognized for graduating from UofL.
- Aida Copic was recognized for all of her years of service at TARC and was wished a happy retirement.
- Geoffrey Hobin was introduced as the Interim Planning Director.

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Bruce Withers presented the COO and Director of Transportation Report.

New TARC Network Overview

Martin Barna with JWA presented the New TARC Network Implementation Plan Update.

- The project has transitioned from planning to implementation phase.
- A large group of Metro Government staff, TARC Staff and other interested parties met to review the plans for the Downtown Transfer Site.
- A new chart plotting the progress of the implementation phase was presented.

Action Items

Rick Dooley presented Resolution 2026 – 01 Roofing and Gutter Services – IDIQ (20251916).

- On October 20, 2025, TARC issued RFP 20251916 for comprehensive roofing and gutter services. This solicitation sought a qualified contractor to provide turnkey labor, equipment, and materials for the inspection, repair, and full replacement of aging systems across all TARC building facilities.
- On November 19th, TARC received proposals from three (3) responsive and responsible vendors. A committee of TARC staff from multiple departments evaluated and independently scored the proposals. The three vendors were: Highland Roofing Company, Inc., Merrick Construction Companies, Inc, and Rooflynx.
- This Resolution seeks to negotiate and enter into a contract with Highland Roofing Company, Inc. for roofing and gutter services that are task order-based with IDIQ.
- The contract will include an initial term of three (3) years, with a value not to exceed \$450,000, with an option to exercise one (1) additional two (2) year term, with a value not to exceed \$300,000 for a total term of five (5) years, with a total value not to exceed \$750,000 for the entire contract.

The motion was duly moved for approval by Alice Houston. The motion was seconded by Ted Smith. The Board of Directors unanimously adopted the resolution.

Matt Abner presented Resolution 2026-02 2026 Line of Credit Renewal.

- TARC relies on formula funding from the federal government to reimburse eligible operating expenses each year.
- For the last several years, federal funding has been unpredictable and TARC is sometimes faced with uncertainty on when we can receive or accrue for these funds. Delayed funding puts a strain on cash flow and while TARC continues to work very hard to manage cash flow efficiently and effectively, TARC needs to be prepared for any unforeseen disruptions to our business processes.
- To reduce the likelihood of unforeseen disruptions, TARC has sought to maintain a line of credit with their provider of Banking Services, Fifth Third Bank.
- This line of credit was originally made available to TARC in 2009 and has continued to be renewed, with the current line of credit of \$4,000,000 set to expire at the end of January 2026. TARC seeks to renew the contract with Fifth Third Bank to provide a line of credit up to \$4,000,000 for a one-year term.

The motion was duly moved for approval by Justin Brown. The motion was seconded by Steve Miller. The Board of Directors unanimously adopted the resolution.

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Brian Cassady presented Resolution 2026-03 Unified Communications Systems.

- For over a decade, TARC has utilized Cisco Unified Communications System (UCS) for its IP telephony and customer contact center. The system was originally installed in 2014 and upgraded in 2017. The current system lacks many of the modern features that have become standard among cloud hosted hybrid systems. The cost to upgrade the current system was determined to be similar to replacement.
- This past July, the Procurement Department issued a Request for Proposals 20251919. The department conducted an independent cost estimate to forecast the cost of the hardware and software for the new UCS.
- TARC received proposals from nine (9) responsive and responsible vendors. The evaluation committee evaluated (9) proposals, and six (6) proposals were short-listed: AT&T, ConnX, Presidio, Ring Central, Trace3, and Ventis Consulting Group.
- Presidio's proposal presented the best value solution for TARC. Presidio pricing includes the following: Initial four (4) year term to include system design, integration with existing systems, implementation, training, licenses, hosting, support, and maintenance for all related hardware, software, and services including 8% contingency at a cost of \$475,200.
- Three (3) optional two (2) year renewals to include all licenses, hosting, support, and maintenance for all related hardware, software, and services at a cost of \$407,000.
- Total life of the contract of up to ten (10) years and total of the contract not-to-exceed amount of \$882,200.

The motion was duly moved for approval by Christy Ames. The motion was seconded by Alice Houston. The Board of Directors unanimously adopted the resolution.

Nolan Kelly presented Resolution 2026-04 Amendment 2 Facility Wide General contractor.

- As part of the launch of the New TARC Network, TARC will need to relocate a large number of existing bus shelters and benches from TARC stops that are no longer being used to new or existing bus stops that will be served by the new network.
- To address this need, TARC developed a scope for the removal, transportation and reinstallation of up to 150 bus shelters and up to 200 bus stop benches.
- On January 24, 2024, TARC awarded a contract to Gardner Enterprises, Inc. dba CityWide Facility Solutions for facility-wide maintenance and general construction. Since then, CityWide has consistently demonstrated high capability across various task orders, including the installation, repair, and maintenance of on-street amenities as directed by TARC's Maintenance and Planning departments.
- Based on ongoing utilization of CityWide for various maintenance and repair projects across TARC properties, and the amount of work needed for the New TARC Network, the initial not-to-exceed amount of \$500,000 will need to be increased up to \$850,000 to support the ongoing need of TARC's maintenance department and the New TARC Network.

The motion was duly moved for approval by Christy Ames. The motion was seconded by Ted Smith. The Board of Directors unanimously adopted the resolution.

Nolan Kelly presented Resolution 2026-05 TARC Bus Stop Pad Installations Lawrence & Assoc.

- As part of the launch of the New TARC Network, TARC will be making adjustments to bus stop locations throughout the region and will need to establish more than 200 new bus stops that do not exist in the current TARC network.

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- FTA requirements based on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 dictate that all new bus stops must meet minimum ADA compliance standards, including the provision of concrete boarding pads and sidewalk connections.
- While Louisville Metro Government (LMG) Public Works handles bus stop and sidewalk improvements within Louisville city limits, local jurisdictions in New Albany and Jeffersonville maintain responsibility for infrastructure in Indiana.
- To streamline the rollout of the New TARC Network—scheduled for implementation on August 2, 2026—TARC will utilize an existing LMG contract with Lawrence & Associates (SC00000382) to perform pad and pole installations at new stop locations.
- Based on the detailed scope of work and updated vendor pricing, the total cost of the New TARC Network bus stop pad and pole installations is estimated up to a not-to-exceed amount of \$770,000.

The motion was duly moved for approval by Christy Ames. The motion was seconded by Ted Smith. The Board of Directors unanimously adopted the resolution.

Financial Report

Matt Abner presented the January FY2026 Financial Report.

Board Closed Session – Real Estate Opportunity

Abbie Gilbert asked for a motion to have the Board move into a closed session.

The motion was duly moved for approval by Alice Houston. The motion was seconded by Ted Smith. The Board of Directors moved into a closed session pursuant to KRS 61.810 to discuss a potential real estate opportunity.

Abbie Gilbert asked for a motion to have the Board move to an open session.

The motion was duly moved for approval by Steve Miller. The motion was seconded by Ted Smith. The Board of Directors moved into open session. No action was taken during the closed session.

Public Comment from Facebook

John Hardesty read the Public Comment Preamble: The TARC Board values hearing from its customers, TARC employees and public at large. This Board will not respond in this meeting to any comments made at this time. However, TARC will post a response on TARC's website regarding the comments made by the following meeting. In addition, the TARC Board may assign the feedback or comments to be further examined by its subcommittees and, if warranted, further addressed by TARC.

- Herman Wells posted: "once the changes that are coming for TARC and the riders, with the increase in price, would anyone that has a TARC card, would they be required to get a new card or continue with our old card?"
- Juan Vidal posted: "when increasing the price?"
- Doug Smith posted:

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- Doug Smith posted:
 - "do we need to buy new TARC cards or will our current card work when you increase the price?"
 - "does the State Of Indiana give TARC any money to help with the running of buses?"
 - "would like to know why TARC Bus 72 is always late in the mornings?"

NIA Center

Abbie Gilbert made a motion to authorize Ozzy Gibson, Executive Director of TARC to sell the NIA Center to the West Louisville Dream Team, Inc.

The motion was duly moved for approval by Steve Miller. The motion was seconded by Alice Houston. The Board of Directors unanimously adopted the motion.

Abbie Gilbert made a motion to adjourn at 4:30 p.m. This motion was approved by the Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Abbie Gilbert", written over a horizontal line.

Abbie Gilbert, Board Chair

A handwritten date "Feb 24, 2022" written in black ink, positioned above a horizontal line.

Date