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Department

Real Estate and Asset Management

Requested Action

Request approval of a Resolution approving Fulton County, Georgia's transfer of County-owned right of way and providing a temporary construction easement located at 1332 Metropolitan Parkway SW, Atlanta, Georgia to the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority, MARTA, for the purpose of installing bus stop improvements; authorizing the Chairman to execute a right of way deed and temporary construction easement declaration; authorizing the County Attorney to approve the right of way deed and temporary construction easement declaration as to form and to make modifications thereto prior to execution. Effective upon approval. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Requirement for Board Action

O.C.G.A. § 36-9-3(a)(3)(A) authorizes the granting of rights of ways without a competitive process, and Fulton County Code § 1-117 gives the Board of Commissioners exclusive jurisdiction and control over directing and controlling all the property of the County, as they may deem expedient, according to law.

Strategic Priority Area related to this item

Open and Responsible Government

Commission Districts Affected

- All Districts
- District 1
- District 2
- District 3
- District 4
- District 5
- District 6

Is this a purchasing item?

No

Summary & Background

Scope of Work: The Department of Real Estate and Asset Management (DREAM) received a request from the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) to acquire approximately

272.82 square feet of right of way and 362.50 square feet of temporary construction easement area from the County-owned real property located at 1332 Metropolitan Parkway SW, Atlanta, Georgia, formally known as the Metropolitan Branch Library.

MARTA's acquisition of these real property rights is necessary for MARTA to relocate and improve an existing bus stop shelter, which will prevent hazardous boarding and exiting from buses, provide shelter for passengers from inclement weather, reduce traffic congestion, and deliver real-time arrival information and advertising.

As consideration for the transfer of right of way and temporary construction easement property rights, MARTA has agreed to relocate the planned bicycle rack and other bus stop amenities to a mutually acceptable location onsite. It is the recommendation of staff that the requested property rights be transferred in exchange for MARTA's increased costs related to the relocation of their planned bus stop amenities.

Community Impact: Approval of the requested transfer of the right-of-way and temporary easement areas to MARTA will not adversely impact the residents of the community or the library and will improve rider safety.

Department Recommendation: The Department of Real Estate and Asset Management recommends approval of the Resolution to convey the requested real property rights to MARTA as negotiated.

Project Implications: Construction of a new bus stop platform is expected to improve passenger safety, enhance the rider experience by providing real-time bus arrival information and a larger seating area for patrons.

Community Issues/Concerns: None

Department Issues/Concerns: None

Fiscal Impact / Funding Source

Requested Board of Commissioners' action does not involve the expenditure or the receipt of funds.