

# Board Meeting Summary

The GoTriangle Board of Trustees met Wednesday, Oct. 27, to consider an agenda that included the following highlights. The meeting minutes will be available at [gotriangle.org/publications](https://gotriangle.org/publications).

## **Vehicle parts purchase approved**

The board authorized GoTriangle to contract with the following vendors to buy miscellaneous parts for vehicle maintenance and repair:

- Carolina Freightliner – up to \$117,018
- ABC-Muncie – up to \$173,832
- Kirk's Automotive – up to \$136,659
- GILLIG – up to \$259,823

## **Wake Transit art funding eligibility policy approved**

This policy is designed to identify projects that are eligible to receive Wake Transit funding for art, set funding parameters, guide Wake Transit project sponsors through requesting art funding and reporting expenditures, and provide program staff with the information necessary to implement the policy.

## **Funding approved for site construction and renovation at Plaza Building**

The board voted to allow GoTriangle to award and execute a contract with Bar Construction for the renovation, construction and site work at portions of the Plaza Building's first floor as well as exterior parking areas adjacent to Slater Road. The contract approved is \$1,157,000, with an additional 10% contingency of \$115,700.

## **GoDurham Microtransit pilot FY22/FY23 funding authorized**

The board authorized GoTriangle to contract with National Express Transit to operate the GoDurham Microtransit and Job Access Pilot for FY2022 and FY2023 in an amount not to exceed \$348,732.

## **GoTriangle authorized to negotiate sale of Raleigh property**

The board authorized staff to negotiate a contract for the sale of about 1.09 acres generally located at 850 Semart Drive in Raleigh.

## **GoTriangle General Counsel hiring approved**

The board approved hiring Byron Smith, a North Carolina native, as GoTriangle's general counsel with a start date of Dec. 1, 2021. It also approved an employment agreement related to his hiring. Smith is a N.C. Central University graduate and partner at Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell LLP in Washington, D.C. He is a former general counsel at the Maryland Transit Administration and has worked as a lead contract negotiator on numerous transit projects.

## **GoTriangle retirement plan services contract awarded**

The board awarded a contract to Voya Financial for GoTriangle's employee retirement plan recordkeeping services beginning Feb. 1, 2022, with a provider cost of \$0.19% (\$33,640 per year based upon current assets) and authorized GoTriangle to execute that contract.

## **GoTriangle's renewal of 2022 health and ancillary benefits approved**

The board voted to renew GoTriangle's existing BlueCross & BlueShield medical policy for 2022 with no premium increase.

**Wake Transit Work Plan Project performance periods extensions OK'd**

The board authorized GoTriangle to execute agreements to extend the periods of performance and to reallocate remaining funds from the FY2018 and FY2019 Wake Transit Work Plan project funding allocations. The approval involves no new financial commitments from the Wake Transit Plan.

**FY2022-2024 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program goal adopted**

The board adopted a resolution approving GoTriangle's proposed DBE goal of 13.57% for fiscal years 2022 through 2024. GoTriangle's DBE policy states in part that the agency shall not discriminate in any manner on the basis of race, color, sex or national origin and shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that certified DBEs have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed.

**Board approves RUS Bus development agreement**

The board voted to approve finalizing the development partnership for the public component of the Raleigh Union Station Bus Facility Project in downtown Raleigh with RB Infrastructure LLC, a special-purpose entity owned and controlled by Hoffman & Associates. A companion agreement, necessary to the overall project and related to the private mixed-use component, is still under development.

Hoffman & Associates was selected in 2019 as GoTriangle's preferred development partner for the \$200 million multimodal transit facility and mixed-use development. The project will include new regional and local bus platforms, supportive infrastructure for a future bus rapid transit station and pedestrian and bicycle-friendly connections between transit modes and the surrounding district. The integrated development will also offer a thoughtful mix of uses for the entire community, including multifamily rental apartments (with 10 percent affordable units) along with a planned hotel, retail, restaurants and parking. Construction is expected to begin in 2022.