

**PRESENTED AND APPROVED: June 24, 2021**

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF A SUSTAINABILITY VISION AND PRINCIPLES AND ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE GOALS

**2021-23**

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Compact § 9(b), and Bylaws, Article II.1, the Board of Directors is primarily responsible for policy, financial direction, oversight, and WMATA's relationships with its customers, jurisdictional partners, and signatories; and

WHEREAS, WMATA has a long-standing commitment to enhancing the sustainability of the Washington Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, Adopting a sustainability vision and principles will set direction and pillars for sustainability, which WMATA will implement through capital investments, operational planning, and strategic engagement throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, Adopting zero emission vehicle goals will enable WMATA to advance an updated Metrobus Fleet Plan and make purchasing decisions to transition to a zero emissions bus fleet;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

*RESOLVED*, That the Board of Directors adopts the Sustainability Vision and Principles included as Attachment A to this resolution; and be it further

*RESOLVED*, That the Board of Directors establishes the following goals: (1) purchase only lower-emission and electric buses in the next bus procurement; (2) transition to 100% zero emission bus purchases by 2030; and (3) transition to 100% zero emission bus fleet by 2045; and be it further

**Motioned by Mr. Smedberg, seconded by Ms. Gidigbi-Jenkins  
Ayes: 6- Mr. Smedberg, Ms. Gidigbi-Jenkins, Mr. McMillin, Mr. Letourneau, Ms. Babers, and Mr. Slater  
Abstain: 1- Mr. Goldman**

*RESOLVED*, That this Resolution shall be effective 30 days after its adoption in accordance with Compact § 8(b).

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patricia Y. Lee', written over a horizontal line.

Patricia Y. Lee  
Executive Vice-President and General Counsel

WMATA File Structure No.:  
6.6.7. Bus Fleet Planning & Acquisition

## **ATTACHMENT A**

### **Sustainability Vision and Guiding Principles**

#### **Vision**

WMATA provides a sustainable transportation system that meets the needs of people, communities, and businesses in the region, and fosters social wellbeing, equity, economic prosperity, and environmental stewardship.

#### **Guiding Principles**

1. Develop and implement an action plan with specific priorities, strategies, and targets to advance sustainability at WMATA and in the region
2. Recognize that our investments and operational decisions change lives. Make those decisions intentionally to address historical, social, environmental, and economic disparities and racial and social injustice
3. Build, operate, and maintain a resilient transportation system to improve livability, the environment, public health, equity, and access to opportunity
4. Leverage the special nature of WMATA's service and our unique market position to advance regional goals
5. Make cost-effective and data-driven business decisions that provide WMATA and its partners with the best return on their investment
6. Advance the region's efforts by leading transparent and authentic collaboration with stakeholders and community partners
7. Foster a culture of continuous improvement by growing staff capacity and leveraging regional expertise and innovation
8. Establish measurable performance indicators to track implementation and successes of WMATA's strategies and actions