Minutes of the meeting of
the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board
held at Grand Ballroom, Chateau Louis Conference Centre
on Thursday, June 14, 2018.

Delegates in Attendance:
Dr. Jodi L. Abbott – Board Chair
Mayor John Stewart – Beaumont
Mayor Ray Ralph – Devon
Mayor Don Iveson – Edmonton
Councillor Michael Walters – Edmonton (alternate)
Mayor Gale Katchur – Fort Saskatchewan
Councillor Glen Finstad – Leduc (alternate)
Mayor Tanni Dobankó – Leduc County
Mayor Barry Turner – Morinville

Mayor Rod Shaigec – Parkland County
Mayor Cathy Heron – St. Albert
Councillor Ray Watkins – St. Albert (alternate)
Mayor Stuart Houston – Spruce Grove
Mayor William Choy – Stony Plain
Mayor Rod Frank – Strathcona County
Mayor Alanna Hnatíw – Sturgeon County
Dale Beesley – Government of Alberta

Regrets:

EMRB Administration:
Malcolm Bruce, CEO
Neal Sarnecki, Project Manager
Sharon Shuya, Project Manager
Stephanie Chai, Project Manager
Taylor Varro, Project Manager
Loreen Lennon, Communications Manager

Leslie Chivers, Operations Manager
Charlene Chauvette, Office Manager
Brandt Denham, GIS Coordinator
Amanda Borman, Executive Assistant
Raquel Chauvette, Administrative Assistant

1. Opening

1.1 Call to Order

Called to order 9:00 a.m.
1.2 Chair’s Opening Remarks
- Chair acknowledges that we meet on the traditional lands referred to Treaty 6 Territory
- Chair expresses the Board’s gratitude for outgoing CEO Malcolm Bruce’s leadership over the last three and a half years, through some foundational changes for the Board.
- Chair Abbott and Vice Chair Choy present Mr. Bruce with a token of appreciation.
- Chair highlighted that our connection to Edmonton Global was underscored when Global Shareholder Chair Stuart Houston led a news conference May 28, 2018 to voice regional support for the Trans Mountain pipeline, with Mayors together urging the other orders of government to find a way to get it built. Good work Mayor Houston.
- Chair provides thanks to Mayor Iveson, whose State of the City Address May 25, 2018, included a significant regional message…and also to both he and Mayor Heron for kicking off the Integrated Transportation and Transit Systems Working Group at the end of the month.
- The Regional Agriculture Master Plan Task Force continues to work hard, with a meeting in Leduc County tomorrow.
- Chair sends congratulations to Parkland County Councillor AnnLisa Jensen, elected to represent Alberta Rural Municipalities at the FCM meetings earlier this month.
- Chair introduces Mr. Maurice Fritze, a consultant who specializes in Government Relations and Advocacy. Mr. Fritze has been engaged by the Executive Committee, which is undertaking a canvas of the Board for input on how we develop our advocacy plans.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mayor Doblanko. Accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve the Agenda of June 14, 2018, as amended, to switch the order of Items 6.11 (Regional Transportation Priorities Report) and 6.12 (Regional Transportation Priorities Evaluation Criteria Update); also including 7.2 (Airport Accord Update) as a new item, and to move 7.1 in the agenda to occur after item 4, and add 7.3 Pickleball Diplomacy.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes, May 10, 2018

Moved by Mayor Heron. Accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve the Minutes of May 10, 2018, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.
4. Regional Evaluation Framework

Moved by Mayor Iveson. Accepted by Chair.

Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve the proposed Allard Neighbourhood Area Structure Plan Amendment in accordance with Regional Evaluation Framework.

9 in favour, 4 opposed. Supported by 2/3 of the population and representatives from participating municipalities. Motion Carried.

7.1 City of Edmonton – REF Amendment Evaluation Criteria

Moved by Mayor Iveson. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board Administration develop criteria for evaluation of Regional Evaluation Framework (REF) applications that consist of amendments to statutory plans as outlined in Section 5.7.1 (e) of the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Growth Plan in order to provide clarity on expectations of density targets, beyond or in addition to what is included in the existing planning toolkit.

Motion carried unanimously.

10:19 a.m. Mayor Iveson leaves the table, replaced by Councillor Walters.

5. Audit & Finance Committee

5.1 Chair Update

Chair Doblanko updates the members on the key outcomes of the previous Audit & Finance Committee meeting, referring to the draft minutes included in the June Board Agenda Package.

10:25 a.m. Mayor Iveson returns to the table, replacing Councillor Walters.

5.2 Audited Financial Statements

Presentation to members delivered by Mr. Michael Epp, Metrix Group LLP.

Moved by Mayor Doblanko. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve the 2017/18 Audited Financial Statements as prepared by Metrix Group LLP.

Motion carried unanimously.
6. Executive Committee

6.1 Chair Update

Chair Abbott updates the members on the key outcomes of the previous Executive Committee meeting, referring to the draft minutes included in the June Board Agenda Package.

6.2 Interim CEO

Moved by Mayor Turner. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve the appointment of an internal administrative candidate to the position of Interim CEO effective July 1, with appropriate compensation, as recommended by the current CEO and at the discretion of the Board Chair, until such time that a permanent CEO is hired by the Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

6.3 Recreation

Presentation to members delivered by Ms. Chai.

Moved by Mayor Turner. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board include recreation (Option B) in the Metropolitan Region Servicing Plan.

Mayor Stewart moves “that the Board conduct a regional recreation environmental scan outside of the Metropolitan Region Servicing Plan”. Accepted by Chair.

Motion to amend: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board conduct a regional recreation environmental scan outside of the Metropolitan Region Servicing Plan.

1 in favour, 12 opposed. Not supported by 2/3 of the representatives from participating municipalities. Motion Failed.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board include recreation (Option B) in the Metropolitan Region Servicing Plan.

2 in favour, 9 opposed. Not supported by 2/3 of the representatives from participating municipalities. Motion Failed.
6.4 2018-2023 Strategic Plan

Presentation to members delivered by Ms. Chai.

Moved by Mayor Turner. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan, as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

11:32 a.m. Mayor Heron leaves the table, replaced by Councillor Watkins.  
11:32 a.m. Mayor Iveson leaves the table, replaced by Councillor Walters.

6.5 2018-2022 Business Plan

Presentation to members delivered by Mr. Chivers.

Moved by Mayor Turner. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve the 2018-2022 Edmonton Metropolitan Region Business Plan, as amended.

11:37 a.m. Mayor Iveson returns to the table, replacing Councillor Walters.  
11:37 a.m. Mayor Heron returns to the table, replacing Councillor Watkins.

Motion carried unanimously.

6.6 2017/18 Annual Report Content

Moved by Mayor Turner. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board endorse and approve the 2017/18 EMRB Annual Report Content.

Motion carried unanimously.

6.7 Policy G005 – Board Meeting Procedures

Moved by Mayor Turner. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve Policy G005 – Board Meeting Procedures.
Mayor Choy moves a motion to refer Policy G005 back to administration for additional clarity.

**Motion**: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board refer Policy G005 – Board Meeting Procedures back to administration for additional clarity.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

6.8 Public Engagement Policy

**Moved by** Mayor Turner. **Accepted by** Chair.

**Recommended Motion**: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board receive Policy G022 – Public Engagement for information.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

6.9 Integrated Transportation & Transit Systems Working Group Terms of Reference

**Moved by** Mayor Turner. **Accepted by** Chair.

**Recommended Motion**: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve the Integrated Transportation & Transit Systems Working Group Terms of Reference.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

6.10 In Camera – Regional Transportation Priorities List

**Moved by** Mayor Shaigec. **Accepted by** Chair.

**Recommended Motion**: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board move in-camera, in accordance with the provisions of Section 21 and 24 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP), R.S.A. 2000, c.F-25.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**In Camera Participants:**

Dr. Jodi L. Abbott – Board Chair  
Mayor John Stewart – Beaumont  
Mayor Ray Ralph – Devon  
Mayor Don Iveson – Edmonton  
Mayor Gale Katchur – Fort Saskatchewan  
Paul Benedetto – Leduc  
Nicole Boutestein – Morinville  
Malcolm Bruce – EMRB CEO  
Duane Coleman – Leduc County  
Stephen Dafoe – Morinville
Councillor Glen Finstad – Leduc
Mayor Tanni Doblanke – Leduc County
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Dale Beesley – Government of Alberta

Troy Fleming – Fort Saskatchewan
Mike Heck – Parkland County
Gary Klassen – Edmonton
Tony Kulbisky – Devon
Stephane Labonne – Morinville
Bill Minnes – Sturgeon
Neal Sarnecki – EMRB Administration
Mike Schwirtz – Beaumont

Motion to Reconvene

Moved by Mayor Katchur. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board move out of camera.

Motion carried unanimously.

6.12 Regional Transportation Priorities Evaluation Criteria Update

Moved by Mayor Katchur. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve the Regional Transportation Priorities Evaluation Criteria Update.

Motion carried unanimously.

6.11 Regional Transportation Priorities Report

Moved by Mayor Katchur. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board approve the 2018 Regional Transportation Priorities Report.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Member Motions/ Information

7.2 Airport Accord Update
Mayor Doblanke updates the members on the Airport Accord.

7.3 Pickleball Diplomacy

This item was not discussed during the meeting due to time constraints.

8. CEO Update

Mr. Bruce provided no further updates to the Board.

9. Next Meeting

- August 9, 2018, 9:00 a.m. – Noon, Grand Ballroom, Chateau Louis Conference Centre

10. In Camera

There are no additional items for In Camera.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Mayor Iveson. Accepted by Chair.

Recommended Motion: That the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board meeting of June 14, 2018 be adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.