**RTS Steering Committee Meeting
EOB, 9th Floor Conference Room
July 30, 2013, 4:00 – 6:00 pm**

**Voting Members In-Attendance**
Arthur Holmes, Jr. – Chair; Joe Beach; David Dise; Leif Dormsjo; Marc Hansen; Shyam Kannan; Dan Wilhelm; Mark Winston

**Non-Voting Members**
Tom Autrey; Sean Egan; Gary Erenrich; Jonathan Genn; Brady Goldsmith; Edgar Gonzalez; Bruce Johnston; Rick Kiegel; Charles Lattuca; Phil McLaughlin; Al Roshdieh; Frank Spielberg; Tom Street; Emil Wolanin

**Other Attendees**
Paula Bienenfeld; Kelly Blynn; Jim Buneh; Cerald R. Cichy; Chris Conklin; Dan Goldfarb; Celesta Jurkovich; Roberta Paul-Zeitler; Todd Peterson; Harriet Quinn; Paul Silberman; Melanie Wenger; Jim Zegg

**Introductions and Welcome** Arthur Holmes Jr. called the meeting to order at 4:06 pm. He introduced Charles Lattuca as the new RTS Manager.

**Approval of Minutes for April 30, 2013** The minutes from the April 30, 2013 meeting were approved. The May and July meetings were both cancelled.

**Transit Signal Priority Work Group Report** Emil Wolanin spoke first about the meeting held two weeks ago. He gave a status report from the Division of Traffic Engineering and Operations review of current traffic signals and how they are controlled. There will need to be a multi-phase effort to integrate the transit signal priority system to ensure county and state requirements are met.

 Paul Silberman from Sabra, Wang, & Associates then gave a presentation about the Transit Signal Priority Systems, which can be found on the RTS web site.

**Service Planning and Integration Study Work Group Report** Dan Goldfarb gave the presentation on the Service Planning and Integration Study Work Group; the presentation can be found on the RTS web site. He explained the service planning team activities. Dan Goldfarb also broke down the different corridors and what the planned stops (or key nodes) would be. Currently looking at neighborhoods on MD355 to figure out service patterns and where there could be overlapping service. Travel time is easier to predict for models than reliability.

**RTS Finance Working Group Report** Joe Beach did not have a PowerPoint presentation, but he spoke about different types of financing options his working group was looking at. One concern is what type of authority (risk) the County would have. Also need to see if any local or state law changes are needed. In addition, the working group met with the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) to discuss funding for RTS, CCT, and the Purple Line and also spoke with a financial advisor regarding special taxing areas.

**Update on the Countywide Transit Corridors Function Master Plan** Tom Autrey gave the presentation, which can be found on the RTS web site. The Phase 2 corridor treatments were relocated into an appendix of the public hearing draft. In addition, a few new paragraphs were added to help the public understand what RTS is.

**Transportation Infrastructure Investment Act Project Funding and the Purple Line Private Public Partnership Initiative** Leif Dormsjo gave a presentation on the Purple Line Private Public Partnership (3P) Initiative, which has been posted to the RTS web site. He didn’t want to get too far ahead of the governor’s announcement scheduled for August 5th, but said that the state is seeking $900 million from the federal government for the Purple Line through the New Starts program. At this time, the plan is to try to accelerate both the CCT and the Purple Line.
 Mr. Dormsjo also discussed funding for Ride On and $10 million for further RTS studies.

**Meeting Calendar** The next meeting is scheduled for August 27, 2013 at 4:00 pm until 6:00 pm in the EOB 9th Floor Conference Room. Charles Lattuca will be contacting the working groups regarding meeting dates, which will be posted on the web site.

Arthur Holmes Jr., ended the meeting at 6:04 pm.