



Regional Transit Authority  
2817 Canal Street  
New Orleans, LA 70119-6307

RESOLUTION NO. 23-008

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
PARISH OF ORLEANS

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**Adoption of the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) for the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) East-West Bank Corridor Project**

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Introduced by Commissioner Neal, seconded by Commissioner Walton.

**WHEREAS**, RTA is the sponsor of the BRT East-West Bank Corridor Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the RTA intends to seek a Small Starts Capital Investment Grant (CIG) from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to contribute to the capital cost of construction of the BRT East-West Bank Corridor; and

**WHEREAS**, the FTA requires project sponsors to seek a Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) in order to qualify for such grant funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the RTA staff developed the recommended LPA, described in the attached Board report, during a year-long planning process in consultation with the community including representatives from neighborhoods, small businesses, major employers, institutions, the City of New Orleans, the New Orleans Regional Planning Commission, the Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development, and elected officials; and

**WHEREAS**, the next phase of the BRT East-West Bank Corridor project following LPA adoption is an environmental review and initial design – a ten to fourteen-month process that includes several rounds of additional community engagement; and

**WHEREAS**, RTA will continue to work with riders, neighborhood residents, City of New Orleans and State officials on the design of the corridor concerning potential impacts to traffic and parking;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the RTA Board of Commissioners adopts the language set forth in this Resolution as the Locally Preferred Alternative for the BRT East-West Bank Corridor Project.

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THE FOREGOING WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

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| YEAS:    | <u>6</u> |
| NAYS     | <u>0</u> |
| ABSTAIN: | <u>0</u> |
| ABSENT:  | <u>1</u> |

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED ON THE 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2023.



MARK RAYMOND  
CHAIRMAN  
RTA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS