GREATER MIAMI EXPRESSWAY AGENCY (GMX) Minutes of August 9, 2023 Board Meeting

The Greater Miami Expressway Agency held a public meeting on Wednesday, August 9, 2023. The following were present:

Board:

- Richard Blanco, Board Member (Secretary)
- Mariana "Marili" Cancio, Board Member (Chair)
- Stacy L. Miller, P.E., Board Member & FDOT District Six Secretary
- Rodolfo Pages, Board Member (Treasurer)
- Fatima Perez, Board Member (Vice-Chair)

Staff:

- Torey Alston, GMX Interim Executive Director
- Rafael Garcia, FDOT District Counsel and Acting GMX Counsel

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chair Cancio.

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Alston conducted the roll call of Board members. A quorum was present with 5 governing Board Members attending by phone.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

IV. REPORTS

First, Jason Gonzalez provided a report as outside counsel to the board. He shared updates on the decision by the 2nd Judicial Circuit including the determination of bank accounts being owned by GMX. At the conclusion of the report, a motion was made by Board Member Pages and seconded by Board Member Blanco to authorize the Executive Director and Lawson, Huck Gonzalez representatives to jointly notify outside counsel of the dissolved MDX organization to stand down and not take any action against GMX. The motion passed 5-0.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Interim Executive Director's Report

Mr. Alston provided a formal report to the board with recent developments on the "compassionate transition" and recent interaction with MDX staff. Mr. Alston also referenced his continued outreach to all key stakeholders including the legislative delegation and county commission on recent developments. After the report, the Interim Executive Director recommended for board action:

 Placing the MDX Executive Director, MDX General Counsel and MDX CFO on paid administrative leave immediately to ensure controls and proper oversight along with suspending the authority of those employees.

Subsequently, a motion was made by Vice-Chair Perez and seconded by Board Member Blanco to place the MDX Executive Director, MDX General Counsel and MDX CFO on paid administrative leave immediately. The motion passed without objection.

2. Without objection from the Board, if there are any additional administrative and operational decisions needed, the Executive Director will report back to the board.

There were no objections from the Board. The item proceeded based on general consent of the board.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Chair Cancio adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m.