

September 28, 2012

CLERK'S NAME
TITLE, MUNICIPALITY
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Official Notice: New Transit Authority Articles of Incorporation will be filed on October 3, 2012

Dear MUNICIPALITY Clerk;

This is official notice that the Washtenaw County Clerk will file Articles of Incorporation creating a new Transit Authority in the boundaries of Washtenaw County under MCL 196 of 1986 on October 3, 2012. The Ann Arbor Transportation Authority (AATA) board will request the filing, pursuant to the Public Transportation Agreement adopted by the County on September 5, 2012.

The MUNICIPALITY is within Washtenaw County boundaries and is therefore included in the new transit authority boundaries. Under MCL 196 of 1986 the MUNICIPALITY has the right to withdraw (or withdraw particular electoral precincts) from the authority until November 2, 2012. Requests to withdraw received after that date are void.

- **If your community wishes to remain in the new transit authority, NO ACTION IS NECESSARY.** Though, as a courtesy, please contact Karen Wheeler at 734.794.1763. If your board chooses to pass a resolution (a sample has been included); please include it with the response form, attached.
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- **If your community wishes to withdraw** (or withdraw particular electoral precincts) from the new transit authority, your board must pass a resolution indicating withdrawal (or withdrawal of particular precincts) from the new transit authority. A sample resolution has been included. If your board has taken action previously to withdraw from the authority, you do not have to take action again. Return the response form and attach resolution.

All responses (form, resolutions) must be received by AATA **no later than 5pm on November 2, 2012.**

My staff will be contacting clerks in each community to send electronic copies of the sample resolutions, answer questions, ensure the process is clear, and that we receive your notice. If you have questions or would like a presentation, please contact Deb Freer at 734.794.1881 or DFreer@theride.org.

Best regards,



Michael Ford
CEO, Ann Arbor Transportation Authority

CC: MUNICIPALITY Board Members

Attachments: FAQs, Response Form*, sample resolutions*, Articles of Incorporation*
(*included in clerk's letter only, find electronic copies at movingyouforward.org)

RESPONSE FORM: NEW TRANSIT AUTHORITY INCORPORATION

The _____ of _____
[City/Village/Township] [Name of Community]

Will remain in the new transit authority

[NO ACTION REQUIRED, though a courtesy call to Karen Wheeler at 734.794.1763 is appreciated] IF your board chooses to pass a resolution, please provide it with this response form by 5pm, November 2, 2012.

Will withdraw from the new transit authority

IMPORTANT: Attach a board resolution to this form and deliver to AATA by 5pm, November 2, 2012. If your board has taken action previously, attach the resolution indicating withdrawal from the authority.

Will withdraw the following electoral precincts from the new transit authority

Precincts that will NOT be part of the new authority: _____

IMPORTANT: Attach a board resolution to this form and deliver to AATA by 5pm, November 2, 2012.

Name of Mayor/President/Supervisor Signature Date

Name of Clerk Signature Date

Please return this form (and **any relevant board resolutions**) by **5pm, November 2, 2012** to Karen Wheeler, AATA Executive Assistant, using any of these methods:

Email (scanned copy):

kwheeler@theride.org

Subject: Response to Incorporation

Fax:

734.973.6338

ATTN: Karen Wheeler

Mail:

Karen Wheeler

AATA

2700 S. Industrial

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Karen will confirm receipt of your correspondence with an email to the clerk (or letter, if requested)