Safety & Security Committee

Open Meeting

Thursday, August 13, 2026 at 8:30 AM

Virtual Meeting

Headquarters - Board Room, 6th Floor

One Metropolitan Square, 211 N. Broadway, Suite 650

St. Louis, Missouri 63102

Safety & Security Committee - Open Meeting

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

1. Call to Order	Approval	Chair Simmons
2. Roll Call		M. Bennett
3. Public Comment	Information	Chair Simmons
4. Approval of the Minutes of the May 14, 2026 - Safety & Security Committee, Open Meeting A. Draft Minutes - May 14, 2026 - Safety & Security Committee, Open Meeting -3	Approval	Chair Simmons
5. Award of Contract – Fire Suppression and Life Safety Systems A. Briefing Paper - 6	Approval	A. Ghiassi
6. Extension of Contract between Chestnut Health Systems, INC and Bi-State Development Agency for Transit Client Engagement Services A. Briefing Paper - 9 B. Third Amendment to Agreement for Transit Client Engagement Services -10	Approval	K. Scott
7. Allied Universal's Heliaus Security Patrol System	Information	K. Scott
8. Unscheduled Business	Approval	Chair Simmons
9. Report of the President & CEO	Information	T. Roach
10. Call for the Dates of Future Board & Committee Meetings	Information	M. Bennett
11. Adjournment to Executive Session If such action is approved by a majority vote of The Bi-State Development Agency's Board of Commissioners who constitute a quorum, the Board may go into closed session to discuss legal, confidential, or privileged matters pursuant to Bi-State Development Board Policy Chapter 10, Section 10.080 (D) Closed Records: Legal under §10.080(D)(1), Auditors under §10.080(D)(10), and Security under §10.080(D)(11).	Approval	Chair Simmons
12. Reconvene to Open Session	Approval	Chair Simmons
13. Adjournment	Approval	Chair Simmons

BI-STATE DEVELOPMENT
SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE - SPECIAL MEETING
(VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM)
OPEN SESSION MINUTES
May 14, 2026
(Following Board of Commissioners Meeting)

Committee Members Participating via Zoom
Herbert Simmons, Chair (joined at 10:14 am, due to technical issues)
Derrick Cox
Irma Golliday – Absent

Other Commissioners Participating via Zoom
Sam Gladney
Nate Johnson
Andrea Jackson-Jennings
Terry Beach – Absent
Debra Moore

Staff Participating via Zoom
Taulby Roach, President and Chief Executive Officer
Tammy Parris, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Brenda Deertz, Director of Executive Services
Greg Linhares, Chief Legal Counsel
Myra Bennett, Manager of Board Administration
Ron Forrest, Executive Vice President/Chief Operating Officer Metro Transit
Kevin Scott, Executive Vice President Public Affairs and Security

Others Participating via Zoom
Chelsey Niezwaag, ASL Interpreter
Amy Athy, ASL Interpreter

1. **Open Session Call to Order**
   10:12 a.m. Commissioner Gladney called the Open Session of the Bi-State Development Agency, Safety and Security Committee Meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. *(Chair Simmons was delayed in joining the meeting, due to technical issues, and joined the meeting at approximately 10:14 a.m.)*

2. **Roll Call**
   10:12 a.m. Roll call was taken, as noted above.

3. **Public Comment**
   10:13 a.m. Chair Simmons asked Ms. Bennett if any speaker cards were submitted for today's meeting. Ms. Bennett noted that the Agency received no public comments for today's meeting.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the March 5, 2026 - Safety & Security Committee, Open Meeting

10:13 a.m. The minutes of March 5, 2026, Safety & Security Committee, Open Meeting, were provided in the Committee packet. A motion to approve the minutes, as presented, was made by Commissioner Cox and was seconded by Commissioner Jackson-Jennings.

The motion passed unanimously.

5. Law Enforcement Agreement with the City Sheriff's Department

10:14 a.m. A briefing paper was included in the meeting materials, requesting that the Safety and Security Committee accept, and forward to the Board of Commissioners for approval, a request to authorize the President and CEO to enter into a Law Enforcement Services Agreement between Bi-State Development and the City of St. Louis Sheriff's Office.

Chief Legal Counsel, Greg Linhares, stated that this item is being amended. He reported that it was originally noted as an approval item; however, at today's meeting, this information is being presented as information only.

Kevin Scott, Executive Vice President Public Affairs and Security, provided an overview of this item, noting systemwide staffing challenges. He stated that he is certain that the City will provide increased Police staffing, once available; however, the City currently has no officers available for the Metro system. Mr. Scott stated that a proposed contract with the City Sheriff's Department is a proactive attempt to address the current situation. President and CEO Roach noted that the Agency has a very successful relationship with John Hayden. Discussion was held regarding current staffing levels for Police Officers on the system and the proposed additional staffing to be provided by the City Sheriff's Department. Mr. Scott noted that the main premise of the proposed agreement is to alleviate the current strain on the City; however, he noted that these challenges are not exclusive to the City's Police department, and will continue to remain fluid, as law enforcement agencies across the country continue to face staffing challenges.

This item was presented as information only.

6. Unscheduled Business

10:56 a.m. There was no unscheduled business.

7. President & CEO Report

10:56 a.m. There was no President & CEO report at this time.

8. Call for the Dates of Future Board & Committee Meetings

10:57 a.m. Myra Bennett, Manager of Board Administration noted the following upcoming meetings:

Audit/Finance/Administration Committee	Thursday, May 28, 2026	8:30 AM
Operations Committee	Thursday, May 28, 2026	Following AFA

Ms. Bennett reported that she was notified yesterday that there will not be a quorum present to hold the meeting of the Board of Commissioners on Thursday, June 25, 2026, as originally scheduled. She stated that she is in the process of identifying alternate dates, and she is hoping to have the reschedule date finalized within the next few days.

9. Adjournment

10:57 a.m. Chair Simmons noted that there was no need to hold an Executive Session at today's meeting. He asked if there was any further business, and being none, Commissioner Gladney made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moore. Unanimous vote in favor was taken. The motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:57 a.m.

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Deputy Secretary to the Board of Commissioners
Bi-State Development Agency

Bi-State Development Agency
Safety and Security Committee
Open Session Agenda Item
August 13, 2026

From:	Kevin Scott, Executive Vice-President of Public Affairs and Security
Subject:	**Award of Contract – Fire Suppression and Life Safety Systems**
Disposition:	Approval
Presentation:	Andrew Ghiassi, GM Safety, Chief Safety Officer

Objective:
To present to the Safety and Security Committee for discussion and referral to the Board of Commissioners for approval to authorize the President & CEO to execute a contract with Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP to provide Fire Suppression and Life Safety Systems inspection, testing, maintenance, certification, and related services for Bi-State Development facilities, vehicles, and operational assets.

Background:
Bi-State Development (BSD) is responsible for maintaining fire suppression and life safety systems throughout Metro Transit, MetroLink, Call-A-Ride, Facilities Maintenance, the St. Louis Downtown Airport, communications sites, administrative facilities, and other agency-owned properties. Routine inspection, testing, certification, and maintenance of these systems are essential to protect employees, customers, contractors, agency assets, and critical infrastructure while maintaining compliance with applicable fire codes, National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards, insurance requirements, and regulatory requirements.

On June 15, 2026, BSD issued Request for Proposals *(RFP) 26-RFP-677086-MD, Fire Suppression and Life Safety Systems* seeking qualified firms to provide comprehensive inspection, testing, maintenance, and related life safety services.

On July 21, 2026, three (3) firms submitted proposals in response to the solicitation.

- Cintas Corporation
- Gateway Fire Protection
- Johnson Controls

The proposed contract includes annual, quarterly, and five-year inspections, testing, certification, maintenance, documentation, and reporting for fire suppression and life safety equipment throughout the agency. Services include inspection and testing of wet pipe, dry pipe, and deluge systems; fire alarm systems; fire hydrant flow testing and certification; obstruction investigations; hydrostatic testing; portable fire extinguishers; onboard vehicle fire extinguishers; Call-A-Ride vehicle suppression equipment; monthly spare extinguisher inventory inspections; and fire suppression systems located at the St. Louis Downtown Airport.

The contract supports inspection and maintenance activities for approximately 802 fire extinguishers located within BSD facilities, 896 fire extinguishers installed on MetroBus and MetroLink vehicles, and 142 onboard Call-A-Ride fire suppression units, in addition to associated fire protection infrastructure located throughout the agency.

Analysis:

The three proposals were deemed responsible and responsive and were forwarded to an evaluation committee, which consisted of individuals within Safety and Security, Occupational Health and Maintenance Facilities Divisions. The proposals were scored in accordance with the evaluation requirements as specified in the solicitation.

Following completion of the technical evaluation, the evaluation committee conducted its consensus meeting on July 28, 2026, and requested Best and Final Offers from vendors within the competitive range. Gateway Fire Protection System and Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP submitted its Best and Final Offer in response to BSD's request.

The table below presents the overall rating results, representing the consensus technical and cost scores combined.

Round 1				
Firm:	**Cost**	**Cost Score**	**Technical Score**	**Total**
Johnson Control	$893,858.00	72.07	271.13	**343.20**
Gateway Fire Protection	$1,250,333.00	51.53	277.25	328.78
Cintas Corporation	$368,139.35	175.00	157.63	332.63
Total Possible Points		**175.00**	**325.00**	**500.00**
Percentage of Total Points		**35%**	**65%**	**100%**

Round 2 - Best and Final Offer				
Firm:	**Cost**	**Cost Score**	**Technical Score**	**Total**
Johnson Control	$893,858.00	72.07	271.13	**343.20**
Gateway Fire Protection	$1,126,554.00	57.19	277.25	334.44
Cintas Corporation	$368,139.35	175.00	136.13	311.13
Total Possible Points		**175.00**	**325.00**	**500.00**
Percentage of Total Points		**35%**	**65%**	**100%**

The proposed contract establishes a three-year base term with two one-year option periods, for a total potential contract duration not to exceed five years. The total contract value is $893,858.00.

Awarding this contract will ensure continued compliance with applicable fire protection standards while maintaining the operational readiness of fire suppression and life safety systems that protect BSD employees, customers, facilities, rolling stock, transit vehicles, and other critical assets throughout the agency.

Committee Action Requested:

Management recommends that the Safety and Security Committee accept, and forward to the Board of Commissioners for approval, authorization for the President & CEO to execute a contract with Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP for Fire Suppression and Life Safety Systems inspection, testing, maintenance, certification, and related services, for a three-year base period with two one-year renewal options, in an amount not to exceed $893,858.00.

Funding Source:

Operational Funds

Example: Board Policy 50, Purchasing – Section 50.010 Procurement and Contract Administration E.1.a. The Board of Commissioners shall approve the following Procurements: Competitive Negotiation Procurements which exceed $500,000.

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Bi-State Development Agency
Safety and Security Committee
Open Session Agenda Item
August 13, 2026

From:	Taulby Roach, President & CEO
Subject:	**Extension of Contract between Chestnut Health Systems, INC and Bi-State Development Agency for Transit Client Engagement Services**
Disposition:	Approval
Presentation:	Kevin Scott, Executive VP for Public Affairs and Security

Objective:
To present to the Safety and Security Committee, a request to forward to the Board for approval, the Third Amendment to Agreement (2-year extension) for Transit Client Engagement Services with Chestnut Health Systems, INC in Missouri, to provide comprehensive behavioral health services, directly connecting riders/customers with appropriate Chestnut services or warm transfer to alternate service providers. This agreement will allow for two (two person) clinician teams focusing their resources on the Metro Transit System in Missouri.

Background:
The focus of a comprehensive Metro Transit public safety platform recognizes that there is a significant need to engage Riders/Customers in need with behavioral health services, to improve the health and safety of Riders/Customers on the Metro Transit System. Only focusing on security enforcement measures can simultaneously fail to address the underlying health determinants responsible for many safety concerns, while decreasing a sense of safety in our Metro Transit community. This model mimics the highly success program already in place on the MetroLink Alignment within the St. Clair County Transit District, with the same provider (Chestnut Health Systems, INC).

Analysis:
By paring Chestnut Health Crisis Teams with Allied Universal security personnel, we are taking a proactive public health approach to Metro Transit System rider safety. We are proposing that maintaining this initiative will continue to increase rider security and experience, while tangibly improving the community's perception of the Metro Transit System.

Committee Action Requested:
Management recommends that the Safety and Security Committee accept, and forward to the Board of Commissioners for approval, the Amendment allowing the Bi-State President and CEO to authorize an Extension of Contract between Chestnut Health Systems, INC and Bi-State Development Agency for Transit Client Engagement Services, in a total not to exceed amount of **$874,480.00 for the period of 12/01/2026 to 11/30/2028.** Please note that this is a 7.8% increase above the current Amendment 2 (2-year) Agreement for $811,453.00.

Attachments:

Draft of the Third Amendment to Agreement for Transit Client Engagement Services with Chestnut Health Services, INC.

Funding Source:
Metro Transit Public Safety Security Budget.

THIRD AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR TRANSIT CLIENT ENGAGEMENT SERVICES

This **THIRD AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR TRANSIT CLIENT ENGAGEMENT SERVICES** (this "Third Amendment") is made this 18th day of June 2026, by and between **CHESTNUT HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC.**, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation ("Chestnut"), and **BI-STATE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE MISSOURI-ILLINOIS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT** ("Metro Transit").

WHERAS, Chestnut and Metro Transit are parties to that certain Agreement for Transit Client Engagement Services dated October 1, 2021, that certain First Amendment to Agreement for Transit Client Engagement Services dated November 28, 2022 and that certain Second Amendment to Agreement for Transit Client Engagement Services dated September 20, 2024 (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, Chestnut and Metro Transit wish to amend certain terms of the Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the mutual agreements hereinafter set forth and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Third Amendment shall be effective as of December 1, 2026.

2. AMENDMENTS.

2.1 The Term, as defined in Section 10.1 of the Agreement, shall be extended for a period of twenty four (24) months, commencing on December 1, 2026 and ending on November 30, 2028.

2.2 The following compensation structure shall be added to Exhibit B to the Agreement titled, "Compensation": "In accordance with Section 5.2 of the Agreement, Metro Transit shall pay Chestnut Four Hundred Thirty One Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy One Dollars ($431,871.00) for the services rendered during December 1, 2026 through November 30, 2027 and Four Hundred Forty Two Thousand Six Hundred Nine Dollars ($442,609.00) for the services rendered during December 1, 2027 through November 30, 2028. These compensation amounts are estimates only; monthly invoices will reflect actual amounts due to Chestnut, pursuant to the terms of each invoice."

3. MISCELLANEOUS. This Third Amendment contains all of the agreements of the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and no prior agreement or understanding pertaining to any such matters shall be effective for any purpose. To the extent of any conflict between the Agreement and this Third Amendment, this Third Amendment shall control. No provision of this Third Amendment shall be modified in any matter whatsoever except by agreement in writing by the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed this **THIRD AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR TRANSIT CLIENT ENGAGEMENT SERVICES** as of the date first set forth above.

CHESTNUT:

Chestnut Health Systems, Inc.

By: ______________________________
Name: Puneet Leekha
Title: Chief Executive Officer

METRO TRANSIT:

Bi-State Development Agency of The Missouri-Illinois Metropolitan District

By: ______________________________
Name: ______________________________
Title: ______________________________