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Statement from MTS Acting Chair Stephen Whitburn on negotiations between Teamsters Local 542 and First Transit, which provides MTS minibus and paratransit services:

“Thousands of San Diegans with disabilities count on MTS Access for transportation to medical appointments and other important activities. It is imperative that reliable service continue, and that employees be compensated fairly.

“I have spoken with representatives from Teamsters Local 542 and First Transit’s parent company, Transdev, and offered my assistance to bring contract negotiations to a successful resolution.

“MTS relies on its contract with Transdev and the dedicated workers who provide these services. I will continue to communicate with both parties as they move forward in their negotiations.”

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