

# LET THE HEARING BEGIN

## CIRCULAR SEATING ARRANGEMENT AT A COUNCIL CHAMBERS CALLED FOR A CREATIVE SOLUTION.

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**T**wo boardrooms at the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, a major public transportation agency in Texas, have been outfitted with TAIDEN conference microphone systems supplied by Media Vision. Ford AV was the main integrator on the project.

The main boardroom used for public forums now has a multimedia conference system. Wireless tabletop microphones have been installed in another reconfigurable room and placed for storage and charging onto a convenient charging cart when not in use.

The board members reported a lack of intelligibility and other sound challenges with their former audio system, an “all open” mic solution. Using the new conference mic solutions, they realized that limiting the number of open microphones would greatly limit pickup of intermittent noises. This change helped create a more structured and efficient meeting environment.

Meeting rooms with circular seating arrangement traditionally require the use of individual monitors for all participants to view the presentation content clearly. With a 10-inch display screen, board members say that the TAIDEN Video Delegate Unit offers a comfortable viewing angle for all users. What’s more, the onboard mic and integrated speaker for local sound reinforcement help remove distracting technology clutter on the table.



Boardrooms at the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas.



### PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- All-in-One Audio and Display Solution
- Portable System for A Reconfigurable Room

### EQUIPMENT LIST (PARTIAL)

- TAIDEN HCS-8335 Video Microphones QTY. 18
- TAIDEN HCS-5302 Digital Infrared Wireless Microphones QTY.16
- MV-CART32 Charging Cart QTY. 1

### INTEGRATOR

Ford AV; [www.fordav.com](http://www.fordav.com)

### TAKEAWAY

The Board of Transportation learned how controlled microphone activation—having a limited number of open microphones at once—versus an “all open mic” system can help to avoid noise distraction and provide greater intelligibility.

