RESOLUTION NO. 2005 -31

AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $40,000 AS THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY PORTION OF THE PUBLIC FUNDING FOR THE GREATER CLEVELAND INFRASTRUCTURE NETWORK (RTA CAPITAL FUND – EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority funded and participated in the Build Up Greater Cleveland (BUGC) Program since the early 1980's; and

WHEREAS, the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program resulted in the development of a strategy for financing urgent renewal needs of the bridge, highway, water, sewer and transit systems in the Cleveland area; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Partnership has proposed revising the BUGC program and reconstituting the public private partnership on public infrastructure issues, and creating the Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network; and

WHEREAS, the new program is centered on issues of state and federal funding opportunities, and ongoing research and discussion of initiatives and projects that can dramatically impact the region's economic future; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to the community to continue the process that has evolved for arriving at joint conclusions about infrastructure needs and funding; and

WHEREAS, other public and private entities have agreed to participate in the fund and the Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network program in 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority:

Section 1. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to support the coordination process created by the Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network and to execute any and all documents necessary to effect the participation of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority in the Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network.

Section 2. That the expenditure of $40,000 to the Greater Cleveland Partnership be and it is hereby authorized as the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's share of public funding for the Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network for the calendar year 2004.

Section 3. That this expenditure shall be payable from the RTA Capital Fund, Executive Department Budget, in the amount of $40,000.

Section 5. That this Resolution is effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: March 15, 2005

President

Attest:

CEO, General Manager
Secretary-Treasurer

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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

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	Date: March 10, 2005
	Initiator: Executive
ACTION REQUEST: ☑ Approval ☐ Review/Comment ☐ Information Only ☐ Other _____	

1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to support the Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network (formerly the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program; the Downtown Cleveland Partnership has revised the BUGC program and created the Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network.)

2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: Since the early 1980's, the Build Up Greater Cleveland Program provided a forum for government officials and concerned private citizens to develop workable plans for meeting the capital funding needs for infrastructure improvements throughout the county. The priority issues of the new Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network are:

#1: Sustainable infrastructure collaborations
#2: Infrastructure public information/education program
#3: Human Resources Task Force
#4 Regional Water Resources Management Task Force
#5 Annual Capital Contracting Report
#6 Local government asset management program
#7 Potential future GIS initiatives

3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.

4.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.

5.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: RTA will provide $40,000 as its share of the public funding for the Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network. The other public agency participants are the Cuyahoga County Commissioners, Cleveland/Cuyahoga County Port Authority, City of Cleveland, and the Northeast Ohio Sewer District. Private sector support will be provided by the Greater Cleveland Partnership. Funds have been budgeted in the RTA Capital Fund, Executive Department budget for this purpose. This is the same amount as last year's contribution.

6.0 ALTERNATIVES: Do not participate in the Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network. If RTA does not participate in the program, the comprehensive nature of the program would be diminished and RTA would not benefit from the program.

7.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Board authorize payment of $40,000 and GCRTA's involvement in Greater Cleveland Infrastructure Network.

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8.0 ATTACHMENTS: No attachments.

Recommended and certified as appropriate to the availability of funds, legal form and conformance with the Procurement requirements.

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer