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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION:	Resolution No.:
CONTRACT: RED LINE STATION PLATFORM MODIFICATIONS	2026-9
VENDOR: SCHIRMER CONSTRUCTION LLC	Date: January 15, 2026
AMOUNT: $11,111,000.00	Initiator: Engineering & Project Development Department

ACTION REQUEST:

☒ Approval ☐ Review/Comment ☐ Information Only ☐ Other _____

1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") to enter into a contract for Project 66E1 – Red Line Station Platform Modifications.

2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: This project consists of modifications to 22 platforms, including: concrete repair and structural restoration, replacement of damaged tactile warning surfaces, replacement and restoration of guardrails, fabrication and installation of bracket assemblies, and fabrication and installation of platform edge extensions for station platforms. In addition, three platforms (E. 55th, Windermere, and Brookpark) will be lengthened to accommodate the operation of three-car trains.

3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: The Invitation for Bid ("IFB") was posted on the Authority's website and advertised in the local newspapers. Twenty-two (22) interested parties, including potential subcontractors, downloaded the solicitation. Three (3) bids were received and opened on December 11, 2025, as follows:

Company Name	Total Base Bid
Schirmer Construction LLC	$11,111,000.00
Suburban Maintenance and Construction Co., Inc.	$11,662,000.00
The Great Lakes Construction Co.	$12,745,000.00

The bid from Schirmer Construction LLC ("Schirmer") has been determined by the Procurement Department to be the lowest responsive bid from a responsible bidder.

A cost analysis has been performed, and the Procurement Department has determined the price to be fair and reasonable to the Authority. The total base bid is approximately 3.84% above the engineer's estimate.

4.0 DBE BACKGROUND: As a result of the USDOT Interim Final Rule published in the Federal Register and made effective October 3, 2025, DBE goal-setting has been suspended on Authority projects until further notice.

5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.

6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This procurement shall be payable through the RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to Capital Grants OH-2024-011-307, OH-2024-011-337, and local advance funds pending the approval of the FFY 2026 formula dollars, in an amount not to exceed $11,111,000.00 ($8,888,800.00 in federal funds which represents 80% of the cost).

7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this bid. Rejection of this bid would prevent the Authority from using the Red Line stations after the commissioning of the new railcars.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was discussed by the Board of Trustees at the January 6, 2026 Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee meeting. It is recommended that the bid from Schirmer be accepted and the resolution adopted authorizing the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer to enter into a contract.

9.0 ATTACHMENTS: None

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

General Manager, Chief Executive Officer

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-9

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2025-151 WITH SCHIRMER CONSTRUCTION LLC FOR PROJECT 66E1 – RED LINE STATION PLATFORM MODIFICATIONS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $11,111,000.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") deems it necessary to modify twenty-two (22) Red Line Station platforms to accommodate the new railcar fleet; and

WHEREAS, the bid from Schirmer Construction LLC ("Schirmer"), located at 31350 Industrial Parkway, North Olmsted, Ohio 44070, was received on December 11, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Schirmer has agreed to perform the required services for an amount not to exceed $11,111,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer deems the bid from Schirmer to be the lowest responsive bid from a responsible bidder and recommends acceptance thereof by the Board of Trustees.

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

Section 1. That the bid from Schirmer for Project 66E1 – Red Line Station Platform Modifications be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2. That the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer be and she is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Schirmer for Project 66E1 – Red Line Station Platform Modifications.

Section 3. That said contract shall be funded through the RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department budget, including but not limited to Capital Grants OH-2024-011-307, OH-2024-011-337, and local advance funds pending the approval of the FFY 2026 formula dollars, in an amount not to exceed $11,111,000.00 ($8,888,800.00 in federal funds which represents 80% of the cost).

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon compliance by the contractor with the specifications and addenda, if any; the bonding and insurance requirements; and all applicable laws relating to contractual obligations of the Authority.

Section 5. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: JANUARY 20, 2026

President

Attest: Kajan D. Jantam
Secretary-Treasurer