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MEETING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the following meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority will take place on **Tuesday, November 18, 2025,** in the Board Room of the Authority, 1240 West Sixth Street, Cleveland, OH 44113, for consideration of the listed items and such other items that may properly come before the Board and be acted upon. This meeting will be live streamed on RTA's Board Page www.RideRTA.com/board on the meeting date for staff and members of the public. Members of the public may attend in person.

The meeting package will be posted on RTA's website at (www.riderta.com/board), on RTA's Facebook page, and RTA's Twitter page.

9:00 A.M. **Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee**

- TRACTION Results Reporting – Presentation of 3rd Quarter 2025 scorecards and customer experience surveys
- Quarterly Management Report – Review of 3rd Quarter 2025 results

Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee

- 2026 Budget Presentation
- 2026 Service Management Plan
- Public Hearing

Committee of the Whole

- Internal Audit Report – Presentation of 3rd Quarter 2025 Internal Audit Report

Board of Trustees Meeting

- Agenda attached

India L. Birdsong Terry
General Manager, Chief Executive Officer

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Attachment

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AGENDA

Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Committee Members: Ms. Emily Garr Pacetti, Vice Chair
Mayor Marie Gallo
Ms. Deidre Y. McPherson
Mr. Jeffrey W. Sleasman

I. Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes – November 4, 2025

III. TRACTION Results Reporting – Presentation of 3rd Quarter 2025 scoreboards and customer experience surveys

Presenters:
- India L. Birdsong Terry, General Manager & CEO
- Nick Biggar, Senior Director, CX & Performance Management
- Ehren Bingaman, TransPro Managing Principal

IV. Quarterly Management Report – Review of 3rd Quarter 2025 Results

Presenters:
- India L. Birdsong Terry, General Manager & CEO

V. Adjourn

Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee

November 4, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

Committee Members: Ms. Pacetti, Ms. Elder, Mr. Love, Ms. McPherson

Staff/Other: Shawn Becker, Nick Biggar, India Birdsong Terry, Janet Burney, Floun'say Caver, Brent Charnigo, Scott Ferraro, George Fields, Bob Fleig, Joel Freilich, Anthony Garofoli, Mabry Harris, Carl Kirkland, Jonathan Laule, Kathleen McGervey, Sheila Miller, Charles Morgan, Holly Mothes, Mike Schipper, John Sulik, Kay Sutula, Wendy Talley, John Togher, Eric Vukmanic, Natoya Walker-Minor, Carolyn Young

Public: Kesley Finucan, Ryan Fogliano, Brian Gibson, Lori Ingram

I. Roll Call

Ms. Pacetti called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. with roll call. A quorum was present.

II. Approval of Minutes – September 9, 2025

Ms. Pacetti moved, and Ms. Elder seconded to approve the minutes; the motion carried.

III. Procurement of Tire and Wheel Maintenance Services and Leasing of Radial Tires for a Period of Five (5) Years

Brian Gibson, Supply Chain Administrator, Fleet Management, stated that the GCRTA tire requirements encompass approximately four hundred seventy (470) coaches -- each averaging fifty thousand (50,000) miles per year. Each coach has six (6) tires and ten (10) tires per articulated coach.

The GCRTA operates hundreds of rubber-tired vehicles, providing public transportation throughout Cuyahoga County. Successfully management of the vehicles requires a contract with a tire lease program to allow a qualified tire company to inspect, service, maintain, install and dispose of tires for all bus fleets.

Contracting the tire service to a qualified vendor allows the GCRTA maintenance staff to focus on bus maintenance and components such as engines, transmissions and wheelchair assemblies.

The tire lease service is critical to the operations of GCRTA. The contractor's responsibilities are ensuring tires are defect-free when receiving tires, are serialized for asset tracking, furnishing all tire materials and labor to maintain the fleet, inspecting each tire's tread depth twice per month, and checking and correcting air pressure in each tire at least twice per month.

Mr. Gibson advised that the contractor is offering a drive-over tire-measurement service called Quick Scan which will improve service reliability and reduce operating costs. The technology will continuously capture data and pressure alerts, tread depth and PSI variances.

Quick Scan data can be used to predict other maintenance issues such as alignment, which would benefit maintenance and safety. Addressing misalignment early will help prevent collisions and curbing, while also decreasing service interruptions. This technology was estimated to cost $250,000 per reader, needing three (3) for each of location, totaling $750,000 value. As part of the contract, this technology will be offered at no cost to the Authority.

Mabry Harris, Procurement Manager, Procurement, stated that the Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued on July 27, 2025, and five (5) interested parties downloaded the package. Two (2) vendors submitted proposals. The evaluation criteria used for this procurement were manufacturers, reputation and performance, product design and performance, cost effectiveness and price.

Mr. Harris stated that staff recommends the Board of Trustees to award a contract to Michelin North America, Inc for tire and wheel maintenance services and leasing of radio tires in amount not to exceed $8,782,484.85 for a (5) five-year period.

Ms. Pacetti inquired with whom GCRTA has a contract for such services. Mr. Gibson indicated that GCRTA currently has a contract with Michelin.

Ms. Pacetti questioned how the new technology would work. Mr. Gibson stated that it is a new offering from the contractor. Implementing the Quick Scan technology would yield many benefits for safety maintenance. Data would be collected on every pass of every couch as they came into and out of the properties rather than monthly tire tests.

Ms. Pacetti asked about the cost differential between the last five-year agreement and this one. Mr. Gibson explained that the previous contract was approximately five and a half million dollars. Michelin had approached GCRTA several times for change orders to increase the cost of the contract due to rising costs and industry standards. The increased amount for this contract was in line with expectations, and the next closest bid was close.

Ms. Elder sought to clarify the new technology not being of cost to GCRTA. Mr. Gibson explained that the bid is for the contract and services; the technology is being offered as a free benefit as soon as the contract is awarded.

Mayor Koomar inquired whether these services come on site to Hayden and other locations to perform any of the rotations. Mr. Gibson advised that Michelin employees are on site. The technology makes their job more predictive and prescriptive. They would get a daily report with items to address immediately.

Mayor Koomar questioned whether this contract includes just buses or extends to other vehicles. Mr. Gibson stated that all vehicles are covered except for police, which is covered under a separate contract.

Mr. Love questioned whether Michelin or GCRTA is responsible for tire disposal at the end of life. Mr. Gibson advised that Michelin is responsible for the proper disposal of all tires.

Ms. Elder moved to approve the nominations and Mr. Love seconded; the motion carried.

IV. Adjournment

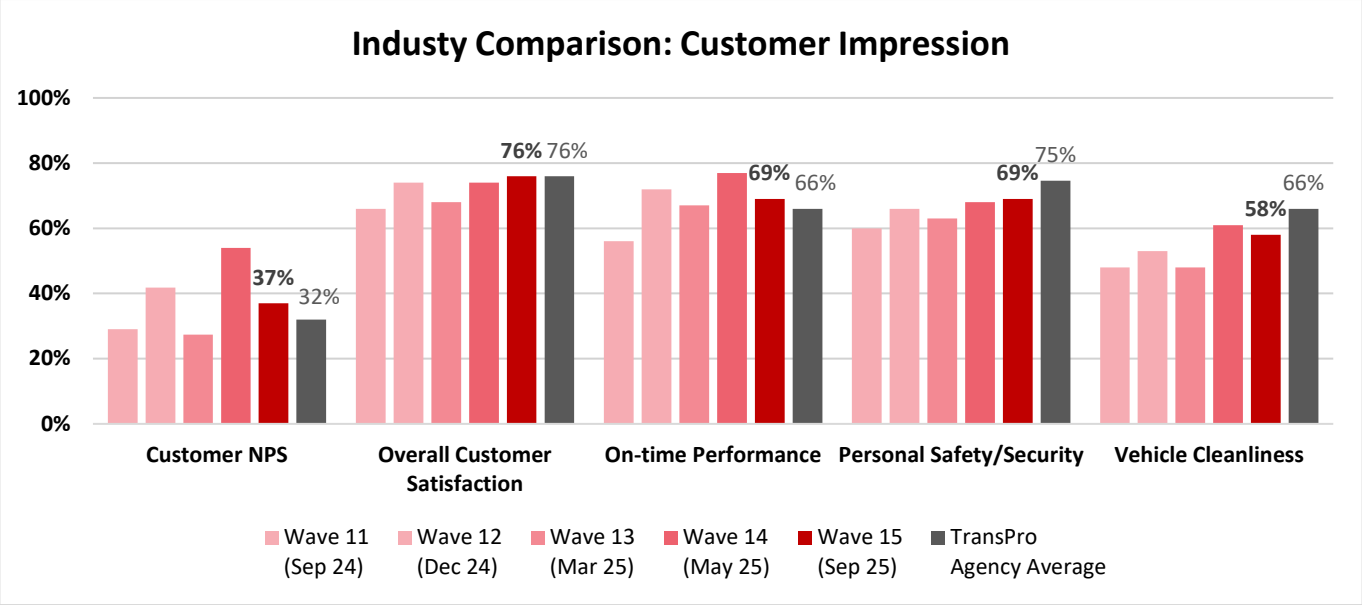
There being no further business to bring before this Committee, Ms. Elder moved to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Ms. Pacetti. The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

Rajan D. Gautam	Brent Charnigo
Secretary/Treasurer	Board Administrator

GCRTA Customer and Community Survey Results – November 2025

I. Overall Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority Customer Experience

The 15th wave of Customer Experience Surveys occurred in August and September 2025. The agency Net Promoter Score* (NPS) decreased by 17 points from Wave 14. An NPS of 37 is still above the agencywide goal and TransPro's Agency Average. Overall Satisfaction improved slightly within the margin of error, up to 76%. The chart presented below shows the five most recent waves of customer experience surveys with overall results weighted by mode ridership (Fixed Route, BRT, Rail, and Paratransit).



On average, the RTA's NPS now sits five points above other transit agencies. Overall Satisfaction is now even with other agencies. Customer perceptions of on-time performance and vehicle cleanliness declined from Wave 14. Views of personal safety/security improved.

II. Fixed Route, BRT, & Rail

Consistent with previous customer surveys, a methodology of a randomized intercept survey of approximately every fourth boarding customer across the three modes (Fixed Route, BRT, and Rail) was conducted. A total of 1,231 surveys were completed, yielding a margin of error below 5% for each mode.

The NPS for Fixed Route Bus, BRT, and Rail are 35, 40, and 40, respectively. For Overall Satisfaction, the modes scored 75%, 72%, and 80%, respectively.

The most important factors include on-time performance (all three modes), vehicle cleanliness (all three modes), and personal safety and security (all three modes).

Customers are most satisfied with conveniently located routes (all three modes), service operating on the days and times that are needed (BRT and Rail), understanding routes and confidence navigating the system (Fixed Route and BRT), and travel time (BRT and Rail).

Customers are least satisfied with vehicle cleanliness (all three modes), feeling safe while waiting for the vehicle (all three modes), information about changes (BRT and Rail), and on-time performance (Fixe Route).

III. Paratransit

Paratransit surveys were completed by telephone and mail with a total of 465 surveys yielding a ±4.6% margin of error.

RTA's Paratransit NPS improved by a strong five points, up to 71. It is now seven points higher than the TransPro Agency Average of 64.

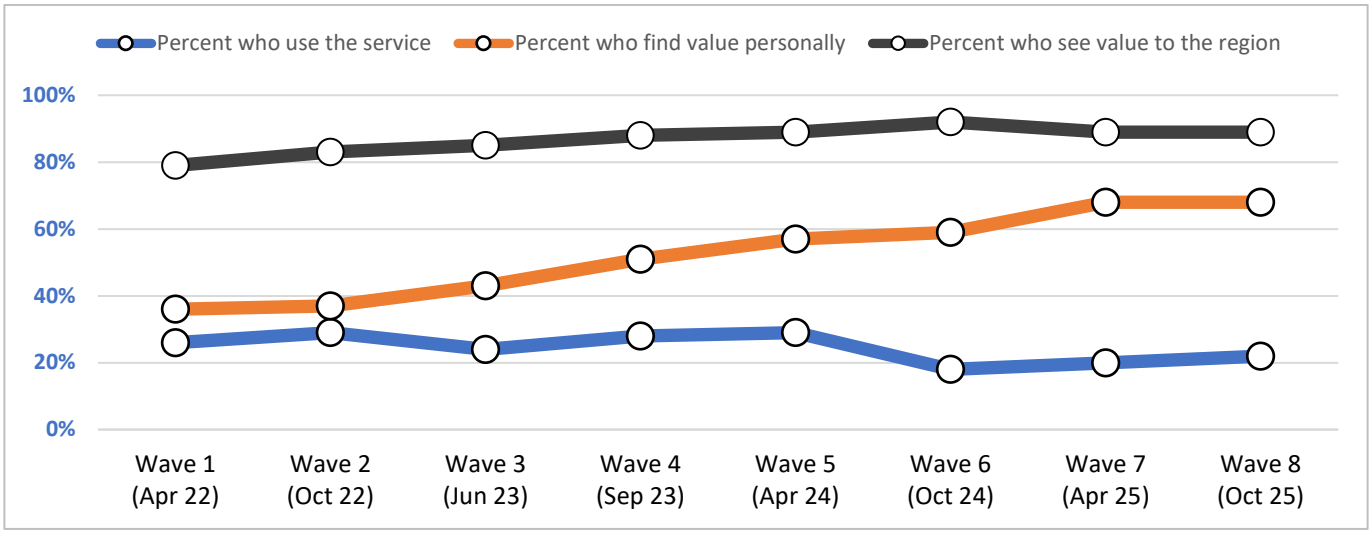
The most important factors to paratransit customers are safety while boarding and riding the vehicle and on-time performance.

Customers are most satisfied with safety while boarding and riding the vehicle and fare cost. They are least satisfied with concerns and complaints being resolved in a timely fashion and vehicle comfort.

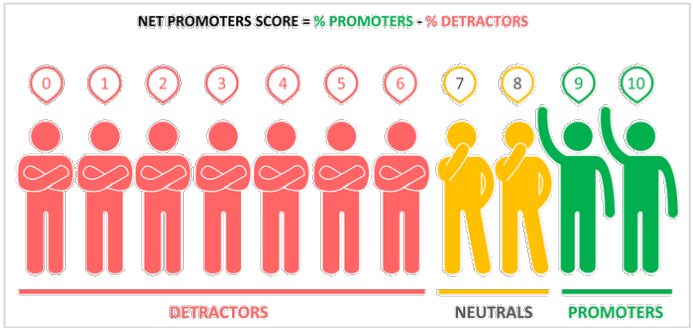
IV. Community Value Survey

The 8th wave of Community Value Surveys occurred in October 2025. 22% of those surveyed currently ride RTA. Despite that, 89% of the community believe that RTA brings value to the region and 68% find value in RTA personally.

The community ranked Employment Impact as the most important role that RTA plays in the region. This includes access to employment, attracting and retaining more employment options, and attracting and retaining a qualified workforce.



*Net Promoter Score



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority

FY25 Q3 Quarterly Performance Review Executive Summary

Q3 Organizational Scorecard

Customer Experience earned 39.5 of the possible 40 points (99%); Community Impact earned 16.5 of the possible 25 points (66%); Employee Investment earned 19.5 of the possible 20 points (98%); and Financial Health earned 13.5 of its possible 15 points (90%). *Customer Experience*: All but two metrics reached or exceeded their goal. Customer impression of on-time performance dipped below goal by seven points. *Community Impact*: RTA saw another dip in emissions reduction from 5% in Q1 to 2% in Q2 to -1% in Q3. *Employee Investment*: The internal pipeline declined, but agencywide fill rate rose slightly. *Financial Health*: RTA won an additional $2M in competitive capital grants over Q2, bringing the yearly total to $24.2M. The organization transferred another $10M from the Revenue Stabilization Fund, bringing the yearly total to $25M.

Q3 Divisional Scorecards

Division	Points	Strength Area	Growth Area
Operations	77.8	Non-Operator Overtime	Operator Labor Budget Adherence
Finance	83.8	Financial Management – Community Perception	Competitive Grant Dollars Awarded vs. Applied
Engineering & Project Management	81.9	Annual Goal for Rail Car Replacement Fund	Emissions Reduction
Legal Affairs	82.3	Customer Perception of Safety	Reduce Operating Expenses
Human Resources	89.9	Wellness Incentive Participation	Reduce Operating Expenses
Administration & External Affairs	98.4	Community Perception – Access to Employment	Division Employees Satisfaction

2025 Organizational Scorecard Key Success Metrics

The key success metric(s) for 2025 is defined in each of the four success outcomes:

Success Outcome	Success Definition	Status
Customer Experience	**29** Net Promoter Score	**37** Net Promoter Score
Community Impact	**62%** Community Perception of Personal Relevance	**65%** Community Perception of Personal Relevance
Employee Investment	**95%** Vacancy Fill Rate: Operators, Mechanics, Transit Police	**93%** Vacancy Fill Rate: Operators, Mechanics, Transit Police
Financial Health	**$35M** Competitive Capital Grants	**$24.2M** Competitive Capital Grants

Tactics Review: 3 Most Important Things

The 3 most important things for 2025 are: (1) reduce operating expenses, (2) employee retention, and (3) customer perception of safety and security.

AGENDA

Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee Meeting

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Committee Members:
Mr. Jeffrey W. Sleasman, Chair
Ms. Emily Garr Pacetti, Vice Chair
Mayor Marie Gallo
Mr. Stephen M. Love

I. Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes – November 4, 2025

III. 2026 Budget Presentation – a discussion on the FY2026 Budget presentation

Presenters:
- Kay Sutula, Director, Office of Management & Budget
- Eric Vukmanic, Manager of Budget

IV. Public Hearing

- FY 2026 Budget

V. 2026 Service Plan – a discussion on the FY 2026 Service Plan overview.

Presenter:
- Jeff Macko, Manager of Service Planning

VI. Adjourn

Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee

November 4, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

Committee Members: Mr. Sleasman, Ms. Pacetti, Mayor Gallo, Mr. Love

Staff/Other: Shawn Becker, Nick Biggar, India Birdsong Terry, Janet Burney, Floun'say Caver, Brent Charnigo, Scott Ferraro, George Fields, Bob Fleig, Joel Freilich, Anthony Garofoli, Mabry Harris, Carl Kirkland, Jonathan Laule, Kathleen McGervey, Sheila Miller, Charles Morgan, Holly Mothes, Mike Schipper, John Sulik, Kay Sutula, Wendy Talley, John Togher, Eric Vukmanic, Natoya Walker-Minor, Carolyn Young

Public: Kesley Finucan, Ryan Fogliano, Brian Gibson, Lori Ingram

I. Roll Call

Mr. Sleasman called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. with roll call. A quorum was present.

II. Approval of Minutes – October 7, 2025

Mr. Sleasman moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Love seconded. The motion carried.

III. IFB Procurement – a presentation of a competitive procurement for the second phase of the reconstruction of the grade crossings at Shaker Square and Shaker Junction.

Kathleen McGervey, Engineering Project Manager, stated that the purpose of the project is to replace the existing vehicular vehicle crossings at the two locations mentioned, as well as the pedestrian crossings in those two locations. The existing track structure will be replaced with 115-pound rail ties and ballast. As part of the track reconstruction staff will replace one crossover or switch area that is closest to the roadway so that we do not have to come back later. The whole road will be doing an asphalt overlay and pavement marking.

Jonathan Laule, Program Contract Manager, stated that the Invitation for Bid was issued on September 15, 2025. Twelve (12) parties reviewed the solicitation, and two (2) firms submitted a bid. The lowest responsive, responsible bidder for this project was Rail Works Track Services, LLC in amount not to exceed $2,438,863.

Michael Schipper, Deputy General Manager, Engineering, advised that the bulk of the work will take place during the summer of 2026. Work on crossings usually takes approximately ten (10) days.

Mr. Sleasman questioned whether staff expected to receive more than two bids. Mr. Schipper stated that it was not surprising, and bids were received from the usual bidders.

Mayor Gallo moved to advance the item to the Board and was seconded by Mr. Love. The motion was unanimously approved.

IV. General Fund Budget – increase in appropriation to the 2025 Budget

Kay Sutula, Director of the Office Management and Budget, stated that healthcare and prescription costs had increased by 34% from October 2024 to October 2025. Should this trend continue through November and December, staff projects an annual expenditure of $45.6 million by the end of the year.

Nadine DeJesus, Benefits & Compensation Manager, stated that GCRTA has stop-loss insurance that covers claims over $500,000. GCRTA pays up to $500,000 and the stop-loss insurance covers anything above that threshold. There were three specific stop-loss claims in 2024 and this year through August 31 there have been six stop-loss claims.

The average annual increase in health insurance costs have fluctuated but the six-year average is 3.8%.

Kesley Finucan, of Oswald Companies, stated that she has worked with GCRTA for several years helping to manage healthcare costs and RFPs. She explained that utilizing various survey data, the long-term 3.8% rate of increase is lower than industry trends of 7%.

Ms. Sutula advised that for 2025, due to healthcare and prescription costs increasing 34% compared to 2024 levels, staff will need to increase the appropriation to the operating budget by $9 million. The appropriation will be only towards payroll taxes, healthcare benefits and other fringes.

Any questions from the board or the committee or the board?

Mayor Weiss inquired whether this should be incorporated into the development of budgets on an ongoing basis in the future. Ms. Sutula stated that staff is finalizing the 2026 budget and has incorporated a 26% increase in healthcare and prescription costs.

Ms. Elder questioned which methods were utilized to account for anticipated healthcare cost increases. Ms. DeJesus stated that cost containment strategies include a wellness incentive program, spousal opt-out programs and others.

Mayor Weiss asked whether the current plan coverage for employees has a spousal provision that requires the spouse not employed by GCRTA to have coverage with their employers. George Fields, Deputy General Manager, Human Resources, stated that GCRTA has a waiver provision for employees to opt out and go on a spouse's healthcare plan. Staff is looking at ways to incentivize that action.

Ms. Pacetti requested a brief overview of plan designs offered to employees. Ms. DeJesus advised that two plans are offered through Anthem: a PPO plan, which has a larger network and an HMO plan which is a smaller and Cleveland Clinic-based only.

Ms. Pacetti inquired regarding the nature of the GCRTA contract with Oswald Companies. Ms. Finucan explained that the contract includes shopping the market, assisting with preparing RFPs and annual help with renewal planning.

Anthony Garafoli, Executive Director of Internal Audit, advised that staff has engaged an audit consultant to audit the healthcare plans and the scope is to review claims accuracy, eligibility compliance and adherence to the benefit plan rules. Staff will also provide management with recommendations for improving the plans with the new contract.

Mr. Sleasman asked whether the number of stop-loss claims were an anomaly this year. Ms. DeJesus stated that the claims are legitimate, and we are having a bad year.

Mr. Sleasman questioned whether the levels of stop-loss claims could be increased. Ms. DeJesus advised that the deductible could be changed when the next RFP is issued.

Mayor Koomar stated that GCRTA must develop a strategy to address plan design to avoid future increases that may impact operations.

Staff requests that the operational planning and Infrastructure Committee present the amended 2025 General Fund budget to the full board for approval.

Mr. Love moved to advance the item to the Board and was seconded by Mayor Gallo. The motion was unanimously approved.

V. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Mr. Sleasman moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Love. The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

Rajan D. Gautam
Secretary/Treasurer

Brent Charnigo
Board Administrator

2026 BUDGET – PUBLIC HEARING STATEMENT #1

This is the first of two official public hearings on the proposed 2026 Budgets for the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority. The 2026 Budgets are available for inspection in the Office of Management & Budget and on the Authority's web site and social media pages.

Public notice of this hearing has been given by publication in the Cleveland Plain Dealer on October 26 and October 31, 2025 and the Cleveland Call & Post on October 29 and November 1, 2025, as well as by posting a notice in the first-floor lobby of the Authority's Main Office Building, and on the Authority's web site and social media pages.

The Proposed 2026 Budgets were presented to the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee of the RTA Board of Trustees on November 18, 2025. A second presentation will be made to the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee on December 2, 2025. The Proposed General Fund Budget estimates revenues at $363.8 million. The two largest sources of revenue are sales & use tax, budgeted at $278.7 million, and passenger fares at $31.5 million.

Total operating expenditures are budgeted at $342.5 million. Health care costs increased by 30% in the 2025 budget and are projected to increase by another 26% in 2026. Through continued efforts to reduce expenses in 2025 and the budget for 2026, 56 vacant positions have been removed from the 2026 budget, for a total of 2,397 positions. Budgeted overtime and non-personnel items have been reduced and a hiring freeze is in place.

Transfers to other funds are budgeted at $30.7 million to support expenses and maintain the recommended fund balances for the Bond Retirement, Insurance, Supplemental Pension, Capital Improvement, and Reserve Funds. A transfer of $44 million will be needed from the Revenue Stabilization Fund to the General Fund to maintain the 1-month ending balance. We are aware that the Revenue Stabilization Fund will not be able to support the budget through 2027. All personnel costs, non-personnel items and service levels will continue to be monitored throughout 2026 to identify additional cost-cutting measures and mitigate the budget shortfalls to ensure future financial sustainability.

The 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) was adopted by the Board of Trustees on May 20, 2025. The CIP provides for the purchase, maintenance, and improvement of the Authority's capital assets through a programmed allocation of available financial resources.

Thank you.

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Interoffice Memo

To: Mayor Paul A. Koomar, President
and Members, Board of Trustees

From: India L. Birdsong Terry
General Manager/Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 13, 2025

Subject: 2026 Service Management Plan

At the November 18, 2025, meeting of the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee, staff will present the 2026 Service Management Plan (SMP), as required by the Board-adopted Services Code. Each year, the SMP is developed in alignment with the General Manager's Recommended Budget.

Please call me if you have any questions or require additional information prior to Tuesday's meeting.

ILT/JRM

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Fiscal Year 2026
Service Management Plan

November 18, 2025

Operations Division
Service Management Department

Section 1: Introduction

The FY 2026 Service Management Plan (SMP) is a companion document to the recommended 2026 Operating and Capital Budget. As required by policy, the SMP reports the current performance of all RTA bus routes and outlines plans for service levels and service changes anticipated in 2026. This year's report presents route performance in the first two quarters (first half) of 2025. In addition to the required section of the report, this plan will give a high-level overview of RTA service design principles.

Section 2: Plans for 2026

The 2026 budget was created with service that is comparable to service at the end of 2025. During 2026 the RTA staff will be closely monitoring revenues and expenses. **At the current time, it is expected that a service reduction will be needed.**

Service plans for 2026 include the following elements:

1. Staff will continue to monitor system performance and make adjustments.
2. Service resources will be reallocated to offset detours and delays due to building, road, and bridge construction projects.
3. Temporary service will be operated to support rail construction projects and major special events.
4. Staff will continue to adjust bus stops to improve safety.
5. Staff will continue working to improve transit waiting environments at high-usage bus stops and along priority corridors.
6. Even where a shelter may not be warranted, staff will seek to improve stop amenities to benefit all riders, especially riders with mobility impairments.
7. Efforts to improve service reliability will continue.
8. Staff will closely monitor revenues and expenses and adjust service levels as needed.

Service Budget Comparison

	Budget 2025	Budget 2026	% Change
Fixed-Route Bus and Rail Vehicle Hours	1,451,356.68	1,451,356.68	0%
Fixed-Route Bus and Rail Vehicle Miles	18,422,941.41	18,422,941.41	0%

Section 3: Service Design Principles

The 2026 budgeted service plan uses as a foundation the NEXT GEN system redesign, which was created through extensive public involvement. Through that public involvement, the community expressed the following priorities:

- More frequent service all times of the day rather than a focus on services in the peak hour, peak direction on weekdays
- More frequent service on Saturday and Sundays given that the economy has shifted to a 7-day economy
- Maintain existing coverage to outlying areas of the county
- When funding is available, invest in improved frequency on existing bus routes rather than going to new places

Service design principles that are grounded in community priorities are applicable to service level reductions as well as increases, and the RTA staff will continue to ensure that service changes are in line with community priorities. For example, the table below was originally developed to illustrate the benefits and costs of frequency improvements, and specifically to point out that improving service frequency from hourly to half-hourly has a high benefit-cost ratio due to high benefits and relatively low costs. However, the table is also applicable to service reductions because it means that reducing service frequency from half-hourly to hourly provides the lowest cost savings and has the highest (negative) impact on service value in terms of how soon customers can reach their destinations.

Benefit and Cost of Frequency Changes	60-min to 30-min	30-min to 15-min	15-min to 7.5-min
Value in Terms of "How Soon Can I Arrive?"	Highest	Mid-range	Lowest
Cost to Make the Change	Lowest	Mid-range	Highest

During 2026, RTA staff will monitor expenses and prepare for a service reduction. The information found in this document (route performance and the principles above) will be used to guide service reduction recommendations.

Section 4: Bus Route Performance Summary

Each year, the Service Management Plan includes an analysis of bus route productivity. RTA uses five indicators to measure route productivity:

- Boardings per revenue vehicle hour
- Boardings per revenue vehicle trip
- Boardings per revenue vehicle mile
- Boardings per total vehicle hour
- Boardings per total vehicle mile

To provide fair comparisons of route performance, bus routes are compared with other routes in the same category of service. The categories are:

- Radial – local routes operating to and from downtown.
- Crosstown/Feeder – routes that do not travel downtown, but typically connect with radial bus routes or rapid transit.
- Park-N-Ride – service operating on freeways between park-n-ride lots and downtown during rush hours.
- Downtown Trolley – local service traveling entirely within the downtown area.

Policy requires that the Service Management Plan include analysis of current bus route performance. Service statistics recorded between January 1 and June 30, 2025, were used to analyze current bus route performance.

Section 5: Bus Routes in the Bottom Quartile of Their Route Category

By policy, RTA staff must identify every route whose utilization, in boardings per revenue vehicle hour (B/VH), is low in relation to other routes in its route category. Routes in the bottom quartile of each route category are listed below. The number in parentheses next to each route is the number of boardings per "revenue vehicle hour" (i.e., in-service vehicle hour) for the route. Detailed route performance statistics are included in the Appendix.

Radial (Category Average = 19)

#53/53A MetroHealth – Broadview (14)

#71 Pearl - Tiedeman (12)

#90 Broadway - Libby (12)

#8 Cedar - Buckeye (10)

#77 Brecksville (7)

Crosstown/Feeder (Category Avg. = 14)

#54 Brookpark - Rockside (9)

#7/7A Monticello (9)

#86 Rocky River Dr - Bagley (8)

#35 Lee – E 123 (7)

#34 E. 200 - Green (7)

Appendix - Route Performance Tables

Total Radial Route Performance

From 1/1/25 through 6/30/25

Sorted by Boardings per Revenue Hour

	Ridership by Route		Vehicle Statistics					Route Performance Indicators				
Route	Boardings	% Contribution	Revenue Trips	Revenue Hours	Revenue Miles	Total Hours	Total Miles	Boardings per Revenue Trip	**Boardings per Revenue Hour**	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Boardings per Total Hour	Boardings per Total Mile
HealthLine	987,680	15.1%	30,408	23,502	206,433	23,683	207,501	32.5	**42.0**	4.8	41.7	4.8
3 Superior	415,904	6.4%	24,654	16,970	170,460	17,129	171,391	16.9	**24.5**	2.4	24.3	2.4
51/51A MetroHealth Line	510,433	7.8%	23,262	24,146	309,438	25,538	335,334	21.9	**21.1**	1.6	20.0	1.5
22 Lorain	524,824	8.0%	24,457	25,176	279,970	26,270	298,213	21.5	**20.8**	1.9	20.0	1.8
9 Mayfield - Hough	356,920	5.5%	13,957	18,504	227,267	19,376	248,521	25.6	**19.3**	1.6	18.4	1.4
26/26A Detroit	491,768	7.5%	21,789	26,556	331,072	27,418	347,653	22.6	**18.5**	1.5	17.9	1.4
14/14A Kinsman	528,939	8.1%	22,913	29,204	354,464	30,937	397,936	23.1	**18.1**	1.5	17.1	1.3
11 Quincy - Cedar	301,111	4.6%	14,022	16,630	183,318	17,405	198,218	21.5	**18.1**	1.6	17.3	1.5
1 St. Clair	279,014	4.3%	21,789	15,819	168,061	16,240	173,531	12.8	**17.6**	1.7	17.2	1.6
45 Ridge - Fulton	226,240	3.5%	12,581	13,794	155,946	14,496	170,139	18.0	**16.4**	1.5	15.6	1.3
19/19A/19B Broadway	423,750	6.5%	23,043	27,138	349,152	28,918	379,887	18.4	**15.6**	1.2	14.7	1.1
15 Union - Harvard	386,722	5.9%	20,487	25,071	296,853	26,876	328,558	18.9	**15.4**	1.3	14.4	1.2
25 Madison - Clark	266,645	4.1%	13,708	17,639	208,651	18,357	219,526	19.5	**15.1**	1.3	14.5	1.2
39 Lakeshore	49,710	0.8%	3,302	3,488	56,618	4,451	77,992	15.1	**14.3**	0.9	11.2	0.6
55/55B/55C Cleveland State Line	238,555	3.6%	12,574	17,501	261,648	19,813	314,638	19.0	**13.6**	0.9	12.0	0.8
53/53A MetroHealth - Broadview	107,293	1.6%	8,129	7,899	127,922	8,935	155,360	13.2	**13.6**	0.8	12.0	0.7
71 Pearl - Tiedeman	183,241	2.8%	10,768	14,968	206,217	15,751	223,761	17.0	**12.2**	0.9	11.6	0.8
90 Broadway - Libby	150,216	2.3%	10,707	13,005	230,070	13,859	252,236	14.0	**11.6**	0.7	10.8	0.6
8 Cedar - Buckeye	53,681	0.8%	5,684	5,537	45,465	5,788	50,262	9.4	**9.7**	1.2	9.3	1.1
77 Brecksville	54,929	0.8%	8,078	7,932	159,012	8,633	177,780	6.8	**6.9**	0.3	6.4	0.3
Total	6,537,575	100.0%	326,312	350,478	4,328,038	369,873	4,728,436	20.0	**18.7**	1.5	17.7	1.4

Appendix - Route Performance Tables

Total Crosstown/Feeder Route Performance

From 1/1/25 through 6/30/25

Sorted by Boardings per Revenue Hour

	Ridership by Route		Vehicle Statistics					Route Performance Indicators				
Route	Boardings	% Contribution	Revenue Trips	Revenue Hours	Revenue Miles	Total Hours	Total Miles	Boardings per Revenue Trip	**Boardings per Revenue Hour**	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Boardings per Total Hour	Boardings per Total Mile
10 E.105 - Lakeshore	645,571	20.5%	26,286	32,027	420,742	33,652	448,365	24.6	**20.2**	1.5	19.2	1.4
28/28A Euclid	339,409	10.8%	26,845	17,364	191,212	17,557	193,304	12.6	**19.5**	1.8	19.3	1.8
41/41F Warrensville	547,063	17.4%	23,622	31,774	427,704	32,898	445,876	23.2	**17.2**	1.3	16.6	1.2
31 St. Clair - Babbitt	170,740	5.4%	14,298	10,603	120,709	10,677	121,129	11.9	**16.1**	1.4	16.0	1.4
16 E.55	107,762	3.4%	7,620	7,455	84,326	7,901	94,992	14.1	**14.5**	1.3	13.6	1.1
40 Lakeview - Lee	181,500	5.8%	11,558	12,707	160,453	13,368	170,940	15.7	**14.3**	1.1	13.6	1.1
37 Hayden - E.185	108,095	3.4%	10,726	7,938	87,897	8,006	88,313	10.1	**13.6**	1.2	13.5	1.2
48 E.131	185,177	5.9%	14,429	14,028	130,962	14,763	140,807	12.8	**13.2**	1.4	12.5	1.3
94 E.260 - Richmond	77,091	2.4%	5,746	6,886	94,400	7,253	101,643	13.4	**11.2**	0.8	10.6	0.8
78 W.117 - Puritas	206,708	6.6%	19,312	18,977	220,081	19,811	229,611	10.7	**10.9**	0.9	10.4	0.9
2 E.79	40,498	1.3%	3,810	3,744	45,976	3,930	51,462	10.6	**10.8**	0.9	10.3	0.8
18 W.98 - Garfield	107,409	3.4%	7,059	10,121	118,744	10,418	125,165	15.2	**10.6**	0.9	10.3	0.9
83 Warren - W.130	111,331	3.5%	11,695	11,489	161,015	12,041	170,083	9.5	**9.7**	0.7	9.2	0.7
50 E.116	82,323	2.6%	8,878	8,779	87,672	9,075	90,893	9.3	**9.4**	0.9	9.1	0.9
54 Brookpark - Rockside	50,144	1.6%	5,792	5,682	76,722	6,050	84,295	8.7	**8.8**	0.7	8.3	0.6
7/7A Monticello	62,799	2.0%	10,345	7,422	89,770	7,626	92,733	6.1	**8.5**	0.7	8.2	0.7
86 Rocky River Dr - Bagley	69,246	2.2%	8,732	8,605	140,549	9,041	149,429	7.9	**8.0**	0.5	7.7	0.5
35 Lee - E.123	25,040	0.8%	4,826	3,424	30,617	3,462	30,841	5.2	**7.3**	0.8	7.2	0.8
34 E.200 - Green	30,513	1.0%	3,937	4,321	55,032	4,501	58,487	7.8	**7.1**	0.6	6.8	0.5
Total	3,148,419	100.0%	225,516	223,344	2,744,584	232,029	2,888,367	14.0	**14.1**	1.1	13.6	1.1

Appendix - Route Performance Tables

Total Route Performance by Route Category

From 1/1/25 through 6/30/25

No Sorting

	Ridership by Route		Vehicle Statistics					Route Performance Indicators				
Route Category	Boardings	% Contribution	Revenue Trips	Revenue Hours	Revenue Miles	Total Hours	Total Miles	Boardings per Revenue Trip	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Boardings per Total Hour	Boardings per Total Mile
Radial	6,537,575	66.9%	326,312	350,478	4,328,038	369,873	4,728,436	20.0	18.7	1.5	17.7	1.4
Crosstown/Feeder	3,148,419	32.2%	225,516	223,344	2,744,584	232,029	2,888,367	14.0	14.1	1.1	13.6	1.1
251 Strongsville Park-n-Ride	25,530	0.3%	1,524	1,385	34,934	2,724	71,820	16.8	18.4	0.7	9.4	0.4
B-Line Trolley	45,742	0.5%	12,827	3,160	17,584	3,348	21,247	3.6	14.5	2.6	13.7	2.2
Uncategorized and Misc.	9,289	0.1%	924	564	7,331	596	7,803	-	-	-	-	-
Total	9,766,555	100.0%	567,103	578,932	7,132,471	608,571	7,717,674	17.2	16.9	1.4	16.0	1.3

***Note**: *Uncategorized and Misc. primarily refers to rail replacement bus service for Red/Blue/Green Lines*

AGENDA

Committee of the Whole

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Committee Members:	Mayor Paul A. Koomar, Chair Ms. Emily Garr Pacetti, Vice Chair Ms. Anastasia A. Elder Mayor Marie Gallo Mr. Stephen M. Love Ms. Deidre Y. McPherson Mr. Jeffrey W. Sleasman Mayor David E. Weiss Ms. Shanelle Smith Whigham

I. Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes – November 4, 2025

III. Internal Audit Report – Presentation of 3rd Quarter 2025 Internal Audit Report.

Presenter:

- Anthony Garofoli, Executive Director, Internal Audit

IV. Adjourn

Committee of the Whole

November 4, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

Committee Members: Mayor Koomar (Chair), Ms. Pacetti (Vice Hair), Ms. Elder, Mayor Gallo, Mr. Love, Ms. McPherson, Mr. Sleasman, Mayor Weiss

Staff/Other: Shawn Becker, Nick Biggar, India Birdsong Terry, Janet Burney, Floun'say Caver, Brent Charnigo, Scott Ferraro, George Fields, Bob Fleig, Joel Freilich, Anthony Garofoli, Mabry Harris, Carl Kirkland, Jonathan Laule, Kathleen McGervey, Sheila Miller, Charles Morgan, Holly Mothes, Mike Schipper, John Sulik, Kay Sutula, Wendy Talley, John Togher, Eric Vukmanic, Natoya Walker-Minor, Carolyn Young

Public: Kesley Finucan, Ryan Fogliano, Brian Gibson, Lori Ingram

I. Roll Call

Mayor Koomar called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. with roll call. A quorum was present.

II. Approval of Minutes – October 7, 2025

Ms. McPherson moved, and Mr. Sleasman seconded to approve the minutes; the motion carried.

III. Appointment of Jonathan England and Michael Blake to the Civilian Oversight Committee

Floun'say Caver, Chief Operating Officer, stated that the purpose of the Civilian Oversight Committee (COC) is to review and investigate public complaints filed against GCRTA transit police employees and make recommendations to the Chief of Police. The recommendations must be consistent with GCRTA and transit police rules, policies, procedures, and any applicable collective bargaining agreements.

Five members were initially appointed to the COC on September 26, 2023, and two additional members were appointed on June 25, 2024.

The COC is composed of seven (7) individuals from diverse communities within Cuyahoga County. At least one member must be a retired police officer with OPOTA certification and training, as well as investigative experience. Members are selected by application to the COC by the Board of Trustees and serve a three (3) year term. The initial COC members' terms were staggered so everyone would not come off of the Board at the same time.

Two members are requesting reappointment.

Jonathan England has served in numerous managerial and supervisory roles over the last seventeen (17) years. Mr. England has experience and expertise with safety programs, policies and regulations with a focus on the transportation industry. Mr. England served as the chair of the COC and if reappointed would serve through December 31, 2028.

Michael Blake has served as a military police officer for the United States Army and dedicated thirty-five (35) years of his life serving as a firefighter for the City of Cleveland. During his tenure as a firefighter, Mr. Blake worked his way through the ranks from firefighter to Lieutenant and Battalion Chief. Mr. Blake would also serve a three (3) year term that will expire on December 31, 2028.

Mayor Weiss moved to approve the nominations and Mr. Love seconded; the motion carried.

IV. Adjournment

There being no further business to bring before this Committee, Mayor Koomar moved to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Ms. Welch. The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

Rajan D. Gautam
Secretary/Treasurer

Brent Charnigo
Board Administrator

AGENDA

RTA Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

9:00 a.m.

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Certification Regarding Notice of Meeting

IV. Approval of Minutes
   a. October 21, 2025, Board Meeting

V. Public Comment **(2 minutes)** on **Agenda and Non-Agenda items:**

   Please state your name and city of residence
   a. In-Person
   b. Phone: 440-276-4600
   c. Web Form (1-Comment Limit) Comments will be Forwarded to Board and Staff

VI. Board Governance Committee Report
   - Mayor Paul Koomar, President

VII. Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee Report
   - Chair: Mr. Jeffrey Sleasman

VIII. Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee Report
   - Chair: Ms. Emily Pacetti

IX. Audit, Safety Compliance and Real Estate Committee Report
   - Chair: Mayor David E. Weiss

X. External & Stakeholder Relations & Advocacy Committee Report
   - Chair: Ms. Emily Pacetti

XI. Committee of the Whole
   - Chair: Mayor Paul Koomar

XII. Civilian Oversight Committee (COC)
   - Board Liaison: Mayor Marie Gallo

XIII. Community Advisory Committee (CAC)
   - Board Liaison: Ms. Deidre McPherson

XIV. Ad-Hoc Committee reports
   a. Ad-Hoc Compensation Committee
      - Chair: Mayor David Weiss
   b. Ad-Hoc Nominating
      - Chair: Mr. Stephen M. Love

XV. Introduction of New Employees and Announcement of Promotions - Ida Marshall, Senior Manager of Talent Acquisition

XVI. Introduction of Resolutions:

A. 2025-105 – In Tribute to Board Trustee Reverend Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. for His Unwavering Public Service and Dedication to the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority and this Community, and Extending Condolences to His Family at His Passing

B. 2025-106 – Authorizing Contract No. 2025-124 with Railworks Track Services, LLC for the Reconstruction of Shaker Junction and Shaker Square Grade Crossings – Phase II in an Amount Not to Exceed $2,438,863.00 (RTA Development Fund, Engineering & Project Development Department Budget)

C. 2025-107 – Authorizing Contract No. 2025-111 with Michelin North America, Inc. for the Furnishing of Tire and Wheel Maintenance Services and for the Leasing of Radial Tires, as Specified and as Required, for a Period of Five (5) Years, in a Total Contract Amount Not to Exceed $8,782,484.85 (General Fund, Fleet Management Department Budget)

D. 2025-108 – Authoring the Sale of Puritas Hotel Ground Lease Area, an Approximately Two-Acre Portion of Permanent Parcel Numbers 027-19-002, 027-21-002 and 027-24-019, located at 4222 West 150th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, to CA Five, LLC, an Ohio Limited Liability Company, with an Easement for Ingress and Egress

E. 2025-109 – Amending the Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations, as Adopted in Resolution No. 2024-107, to Provide for an Increase in the Appropriation for the General Fund in the Amount of $9,000,000

F. 2025-110 – Re-Appointment of Jonathan England and Michael Blake to the Civilian Oversight Committee

Secretary-Treasurer's Report – Rajan Gautam, Deputy General Manager, Finance
   a. General Fund Revenue – October 2025 compared to October 2024
   b. General Fund Revenue – period ending October 2025 compared to budget
   c. Sales & Tax Receipts Report budgeted during 2025, actual receipts through October 31, 2025
   d. Inventory of Treasury Investments as of October 31, 2025
   e. Debt Service Schedule and Status of Bond Retirement Fund (cash basis) as of September 30, 2025
   f. Summary of Investment Performance, Year to Date through October 31, 2025
   g. Report on Investment Earnings (cash basis) as of October 31, 2025
   h. Composition of Investment Portfolio as of October 31, 2025

i. Banking and Financial Relationships as of October 31, 2025

XVII. General Manager's Report – India L. Birdsong Terry, General Manager, Chief Executive Officer

XVIII. President's Report

XIX. Old Business

XX. New Business

XXI. The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for **December 16, 2025,** in the Board Room of the Authority, Root-McBride Building, 1240 West Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44113. This meeting will be live-streamed on RTA's Board page (www.RideRTA.com/board) by clicking the meeting date. The public is welcome to attend in person.

XXII. Adjournment

RTA Board of Trustees Meeting

October 21, 2025

MEETING MINUTES

Board Members: Mayor Koomar (President), Ms. Elder, Mayor Gallo, Mr. Love, Ms. McPherson, Ms. Pacetti, Mr. Sleasman, Mayor Weiss

Not Present: Rev. Lucas

Staff/Other: Shawn Becker, Nick Biggar, India Birdsong Terry, Janet Burney, Floun'say Caver, Nick Davidson, George Fields, Bob Fleig, Ida Ford Marshall, Joel Freilich, Anthony Garofoli, Rajan Gautam, Fiona Gibbons, Lawrence Jupina, Carl Kirkland, Sheila Miller, Charles Morgan, Holly Mothes, Tariq Muhammed, Mike Schipper, Kay Sutula, John Togher, Carolyn Young

Public: Kevin Hinkle, Adam Rossi, Leslie Smith, Eme Torlai, Carren Woods

I. Call to Order

Mayor Koomar called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Eight (8) Board members were present, representing a quorum.

III. Certification regarding Notice of Meeting

It was advised that the notice of this meeting had been posted more than twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting, that the usual notification had been given to the news media and other interested persons, and that all requirements of the Ohio Revised Code and Rules and Bylaws of this Board regarding notice of meeting had been complied with.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Mr. Sleasman moved, and Ms. Elder seconded to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2025, Board Meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

V. Public Comments – Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Members of the public addressed the Board regarding both agenda and non-agenda items. Public comments submitted through the webform will appear in their original form and have not been edited for grammar or content. GCRTA reserves the right not to publish any explicit language, derogatory remarks, or personal attacks against individuals.

1. Kevin Hinkle – Cleveland (in person)

Mr. Hinkle stated that he was a long-time resident and that sometimes the GPS system on coaches is too loud when calling out stops and requested changing the volume, if possible. He also advised that the stop requests are not working on some buses. The operator should place some kind of sign to let commuters know that the stop request signal is out of order.

2. Carren Woods -- Cleveland (in-person)

Ms. Woods thanked GCRTA for their service and stated that she appreciated the kindness paratransit staff showed her.

3. Adam Rossi -- Cleveland Heights (in-person)

Mr. Rossi thanked GCRTA for providing a tremendous service to the community. He was also appreciative of the vision of a Cleveland area that is more connected by public transit. Specifically, he was excited about the bus rapid transit improvements on West 25th Street through Ohio City. He thinks GCRTA can be even better in the next 50 years and provided staff with an executive report regarding bus rapid transit from a study in New York City.

4. Airric Stewart – Cleveland, OH (caller) –

Mr. Stewart suggested adding a shelter between the blocks of East 153rd and East 154th Streets and Bartlett on the north side of the street, closer to East 153rd and East 154th Streets.

Mr. Stewart stated that he had raised a number of issues and gotten no response from GCRTA staff. He stated that RTA is a taxpayer-funded agency for the well-being of the public and the lack of a response to his questions is concerning.

5. Airric Stewart – Cleveland (webform)

Post this verbatim. This is in reference to CEO Terry's response to my public phone comment 8-19.

1. Disparage--to belittle the importance or value of (someone or something).
2. Expletive--an exclamatory word or phrase especially one that is obscene or profane.
3. Respect--high or special regard: esteem
4. Imagery--mental images: especially the products of imagination

Your statement implied that I was being disparaging and disrespectful. My suggestion that your salary be reduced by $100,000 would still secure you 6 figures twice over. This can make space for more bus, rail, and shelter cleaners to be hired. I have a healthy appreciation for the existence of RTA. The fact that it has not reached the level of respect for leadership does not mean that I'm being disrespectful. A healthy appreciation is fair since you have not proven yourselves to earn my respect. I never used an expletive against RTA. This is an example of you leading through imagery while misleading the public. RTA is responsible for the socioeconomic well-being of the public through the implementation of public transit. Respect the accurate assessment of the facts--correct your errors.

I have posed questions in multiple webform responses. I've also posed questions to the BOT

and CAC through email multiple times. I have posed questions through my phone appearances at BOT meetings. They have all been directly related to services you are duty-bound to provide. Little to no respectful responses from RTA.

6. Daniel Kirchner – Cleveland (webform)

Mr. Kirchner stated that I am an Ohio City resident and homeowner (1435 W. 38th St.) and I am strongly in favor of the proposed W. 25th BRT project INCLUDING dedicated bus lanes through the W. 25th business corridor.

I see only positives:

- increased transit accessibility and use
- increased pedestrian traffic
- little to no impact on parking (large surface parking behind West Side Market, distributed street parking across neighborhood)
- better streetscaping and pedestrian/bike safety and accessibility.

Again, I am an Ohio City resident and homeowner and I very strongly support the full scope of this project and the benefits it will bring to my neighborhood and city. Thank you.

7. La Queta Worley (webform)

I wanna know how is going with the rapid repairs and how soon will it be for the upgrade of rail cars? I am really looking forward to it all

Who did RTA get to help sponsor this funding since I have always heard we need additional funds

It's also really interesting to see and hear on both sides of the spectrum
Plus I really hope this process isn't caught up with the government shutdown

8. Micah Ely (webform)

We should extend the Cuyahoga valley scenic railroad to downtown Cleveland at bedrocks riverfront development. GCRTA should be the project sponsor. this would better connect Akron to Cleveland with passenger rail. NOACA did a feasibility study for extending the Cuyahoga valley scenic railroad north to downtown Cleveland. GCRTA should become the project sponsor for this project. This would be good for the Cleveland region.

Responding to the public comment, CEO Terry stated that for the record, GCRTA is on schedule with the rail car replacement program, and the first cars are expected to arrive in late summer 2026. The program will continue for the next couple years.

VI. Board Governance Committee Report

Mayor Koomar stated that this Committee intends to meet on a quarterly basis.

VII. Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee Report

No report

VIII. Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee Report

No committee report

IX. Audit, Safety Compliance and Real Estate Committee Report

The Committee plans to work on final changes to the Internal Audit Charter and complete it before the end of the year. The next meeting will take place on November 12, 2025.

X. External and Stakeholder Relations and Advocacy Committee Report

No committee report

XI. Committee of the Whole

No committee report

XII. Civilian Oversight Committee (COC) Report

No committee report

XIII. Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

No committee report

XIV. Ad Hoc Committee Reports
a. No committee reports.
b. Ad-Hoc Compensation Committee
c. Ad-Hoc Nominating Committee

Mr. Love advised that the committee received one letter expressing interest in the position of Vice President from Trustee Pacetti.

Ms. Pacetti stated that she thought this was a great opportunity to build on Trustee Koomar and Trustee Welch's leadership and continue working on communication both as a Board and agency. She looks forward to continuing to focus on keeping the Board aware of short- and long-term trends that might affect the health of the agency.

Mayor Gallo moved to nominate Ms. Pacetti as Board Vice President and seconded by Ms. Elder. The motion was unanimously approved.

XV. Introduction of New Employees/Promotions

Ms. Marshall, Senior Manager, Talent Acquisition provided an update on new hires and promotions for September. She noted that this month’s additions are primarily in operations, including a group of new bus operators. Ms. Marshall welcomed the new employees, emphasizing their role in ensuring safety and reliability for riders.

XVI. Introduction of Resolutions

A. 2025-102 – Authorizing Contract No. 2025-095 with Richard L. Bowen & Associates, Inc. for Project 31G – Architect/Engineer Services for Blue Line Stations Reconstruction in an Amount Not to Exceed $1,239,711.92 (RTA Development Funds, Engineering & Project Development Department Budget), the adoption of which was moved by Mr. Sleasman, seconded by Ms. McPherson and approved by majority vote.

B. 2025-103 – Approving Amendments to Community Advisory Committee ("CAC") Operating Guidelines, the adoption of which was moved by Ms. McPherson, seconded by Ms. Elder and approved by majority vote.

C. 2025-104 – Expressing Congratulations to the Employees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority Who Retired During the Third Quarter of 2025, the adoption of which was moved by Ms. McPherson, seconded by Ms. Elder and approved by majority vote.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Rajan Gautam, Deputy General Manager of Finance and Secretary-Treasurer, presented the Secretary-Treasurer's report. The economic conditions remain stable, with interest rates decreasing to 4.25% in September and inflation at 2.9%. Consumer sentiment remained stable on a monthly basis, though year-over-year measures showed modest declines. Year-to-date ridership was slightly below 2024 levels and 23.7% below 2019 pre-COVID 2019, with fare revenue reflecting similar trends. September sales tax receipts rose 10.5% compared to September 2024. Long-term debt remained steady at $22.3 million, and investment yields averaged 4.8%. Total cash and investments were $356.1 million, of which $326.4 million is in restricted funds. The unrestricted or General Fund cash and investments amount is $29.7 million. Total long-term debt as of the end of 2024 was $22.3 million, with payment on debt due in December 2025.

Moving to the 2025 budget, Mr. Gautam stated that staff budgeted a transfer of $50.5 million from the Revenue Stabilization Fund to support operations. To date, $25 million has been transferred. The current balance in the Revenue Stabilization Fund is $100.8 million. Staff expects to transfer the remaining $25.5 million by year end. 2025 revenues stood at $273.3 million with budgeted expenses of $323.8 million.

During the November Board Meeting, staff will request the approval of an amendment to the 2025 budget for an increase in appropriations largely due to an increase in healthcare costs, which have increased roughly 30% from 2024 levels.

Two public hearings will be held to present the 2026 budget leading to the request for Board approval during the December meeting.

Mayor Weiss questioned whether ridership has been impacted by a structural change to work habits. Dr. Floun'say Caver, Chief Operating Officer, advised that the downtown central business district has about 80% of its pre-COVID activity. Weekend and post-rush hour recovery has been strong, but not enough to offset the central business district decline.

CEO Terry stated that monthly fluctuation in ridership is due to seasonal activities such as weather, schools and holidays, but downtown activity during business hours have been impacted by COVID.

Ms. Pacetti stated that ridership levels have stagnated after increasing each year since 2020 and may not recover to pre-COVID levels.

XVII. General Manager, CEO Report

India L. Birdsong Terry, General Manager, CEO, began the report by stating that on October 15 the semi-annual staff meeting, or Town Hall, was held, which included a Fireside Chat and audience questions, during which major projects were discussed.

Moving to the legislative update, CEO Terry advised that the federal government shutdown continues. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA), which is a major funder of GCRTA capital projects, is deemed essential and therefore continues with operations without a significant impact on the budget. There are no service cuts or employee furloughs due to the government shutdown. All projects are continuing as planned.

CEO Terry stated that a hiring freeze had been immediately implemented as a proactive measure to contain costs and be good financial stewards. Staff understands how important GCRTA services are to the community and will be aggressive. The hiring freeze protects current employees; the hiring of operators and mechanics continues because service has not changed.

Moving to the month in review, CEO Terry reported that she and staff attended a Cleveland Leadership Center meeting as well as the 2025 NOACA Annual Meeting.

Multiple public meetings were held regarding the MetroHealth Line or the West 25th BRT. GCRTA wanted to respond to questions from the community regarding parking availability while supporting the business community and increasing mobility and reliability for customers. Over $500,000 in safety enhancements were added to that program based on community feedback. Another open house will take place later during the month. The goal is to make it safer and more reliable for customers -- and especially ambulances that need to get through that corridor.

CEO Terry acknowledged Tariq Mohammed, who is a Business Operations Administrator and was named a global ambassador for the 2025-2026 cohort. He will represent RTA locally and internationally.

CEO Terry stated that GCRTA has requested $16.7 million in Transportation Review Advisory Committee (TRAC) funding to advance the next phase of light rail. More is coming with preparedness programs as new rail cars are embraced and make it a safer overall ride. Regarding a timeline, Mr. Schipper stated that the final decision will be made in March, but staff will have a preliminary indication in January.

External Affairs staff traveled to Columbus for a policy summit regarding Asset Limited Income Constrained and Employed (ALICE) during which the business community and others collaborate about how to support those that may be economically in need of support. The submit is hosted through The United Way to support folks that utilize RTA service.

The GCRTA street team with 80 volunteers and staff conducted a customer experience day that started at Public Square and went around the system to seek customer feedback.

XVIII. President's Report

Mayor Koomar stated that the 2026 Board & Committee Meetings calendar had been finalized and distributed.

XIX. Old Business

No items.

XX. New Business

No items.

XXI. Upcoming Meetings

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 18, 2025,** in the Board Room of the Authority, Root-McBride Building, 1240 West Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44113. This meeting will be live streamed on RTA's Board page (www.RideRTA.com/board) by selecting the meeting date. The public is welcome to attend in person.

XXII. Adjournment

There being no further business to bring before this Board, a motion to adjourn the meeting by Ms. Pacetti and seconded by Mr. Love was approved by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

Attest: _____ _____
Secretary-Treasurer President

Greater Cleveland
Regional Transit Authority

Interoffice Memo

To: Mayor Paul A. Koomar, President
and Members, Board of Trustees

From: India L. Birdsong Terry
General Manager, Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 13, 2025

Subject: November Resolutions – Information Regarding Committee Presentations

At the November 18, 2025 meeting of the Board of Trustees, the Authority will seek approval of the six (6) resolutions listed below. For at least the past five (5) years, our practice has generally been to prepare a committee presentation when the total dollar request exceeds $500,000.00 or if the resolution could be a matter of significance to the Board of Trustees.

This month, staff presented five (5) of the six (6) resolutions that are scheduled for approval. The one (1) resolution which was not presented before Committee was for offering tribute to Board Trustee Reverend Dr., Charles P. Lucas, Jr., at his passing.

Title	Amount	Presentation
Re-Appointment of Jonathan England and Michael Blake to the Civilian Oversight Committee	NA	Y
Reconstruction of Shaker Junction and Shaker Square Grade Crossings – Phase II	$2,438,863.00	Y
Tire and Wheel Maintenance Services and Leasing of Radial Tires	$ 8,782,484.85	Y
Sale of Puritas Hotel Ground Lease Area, an Approximately Two Acre Portion of Permanent Parcel Numbers 027-19-002, 027-21-002 and 027-24-019, Located at 4222 W. 150th Street, Cleveland, Ohio	NA	Y
Amending the Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations, as Adopted in Resolution No. 2024-107, to Provide for an Increase in the Appropriation for the General Fund in the Amount of $9,000,000	NA	Y
In Tribute to Board Trustee Reverend Dr., Charles P. Lucas, Jr., for His Unwavering Public Service and Dedication to the Greater Cleveland Regional Authority and this Community, and Extending Condolences to His Family at His Passing	NA	N

Please call me if you have any questions or require additional information prior to Tuesday's meeting.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-105

IN TRIBUTE TO BOARD TRUSTEE REVEREND DR. CHARLES P. LUCAS, JR., FOR HIS UNWAVERING PUBLIC SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY AND THIS COMMUNITY, AND EXTENDING CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY AT HIS PASSING

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. was appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Authority ("GCRTA") by the City of Cleveland on February 16, 2016, and served with dedication and commitment for over nine (9) years until his passing on November 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. performed admirably in many Board of Trustees roles, including as President of the Board from March 2021 to March 2024, Vice President from June 2018 to March 2021, Past Chair, Organizational Services and Performance Monitoring Committee, and Past Chair, External & Stakeholder Relations & Advocacy Committee; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. served with distinction as Chair of the Board's Ad Hoc Paratransit Committee, using his personal experiences, compassion and sensitivity, particularly for the elderly and disabled, to effectively advocate for paratransit riders as well as for all regional customers; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. was Pastor Emeritus of St. James African Methodist Episcopal Church; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. was also past President and member of the Cleveland branch of the NAACP.

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

Section 1. That the GCRTA Board of Trustees, General Manager, Chief Executive Officer, and staff hereby extend tribute and honor to Rev. Dr. Charles P. Lucas, Jr. in recognition and in memory of the life he lived and the unwavering public service he gave, and further publicly express their sorrow upon his death and extend condolences to his family.

Section 2. That the GCRTA Board of Trustees, General Manager, Chief Executive Officer, and staff hereby express their appreciation for his dedication to meeting the needs of all residents of Cuyahoga County.

Section 3. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: _____
President

Attest: _____
Secretary-Treasurer

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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION:	Resolution No.: 2025-106
CONTRACT: RECONSTRUCTION OF SHAKER JUNCTION AND SHAKER SQUARE GRADE CROSSINGS – PHASE II VENDOR: RAILWORKS TRACK SERVICES, LLC AMOUNT: $2,438,863.00	Date: November 13, 2025 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 23V4, Reconstruction of Shaker Junction and Shaker Square Grade Crossings – Phase II.

2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: This project involves replacing the existing grade crossings at Shaker Junction on the light rail system. The work will include reconstruction of the two crossings where Shaker Boulevard intersects the Blue Line and where Van Aken Boulevard intersects the Green Line.

3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: The Invitation for Bid ("IFB") was posted on the Authority's website and advertised in the local newspapers. Twelve (12) interested parties, including potential subcontractors, downloaded the solicitation. Two (2) bids were received and opened on October 22, 2025, as follows:

Company Name	Total Base Bid
RailWorks Track Services, LLC	$2,438,863.00
Delta Railroad Construction, Inc.	$2,871,353.00

The bid from RailWorks Track Services, LLC ("RailWorks") 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 negotiated price is approximately 11.52% below the engineer's estimate.

4.0 DBE BACKGROUND: Pursuant to USDOT's Interim Final Rule effective October 3, 2025, the DBE goal for this project was revised to 0%.

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-2023-042-307; OH-2023-042-337; and OH-2024-011-337; in an amount not to exceed $2,438,863.00 ($1,951,090.40 in federal funds which represents 80% of the total cost).

7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this bid. Rejection of this bid would delay bringing the Shaker Junction and Shaker Square grade crossings to a state of good repair.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was discussed by the Board of Trustees at the November 4, 2025 Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee meeting. It is recommended that the bid from RailWorks 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. 2025-106

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2025-124 WITH RAILWORKS TRACK SERVICES, LLC FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF SHAKER JUNCTION AND SHAKER SQUARE GRADE CROSSINGS – PHASE II IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $2,438,863.00 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, ENGINEERING & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") deems it necessary to reconstruct the grade crossings at Shaker Boulevard crossing the Blue Line and Van Aken Boulevard crossing the Green Line; and

WHEREAS, the bid from RailWorks Track Services, LLC ("RailWorks"), located at 2101 S. Carpenter Street, Chicago, Illinois 60608, was received on October 22, 2025; and

WHEREAS, RailWorks has agreed to perform the required services for an amount not to exceed $2,438,863.00; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer deems the offer from RailWorks to be the most advantageous to the Authority 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 offer from RailWorks for the Reconstruction of Shaker Junction and Shaker Square Grade Crossings – Phase II 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 RailWorks for the Reconstruction of Shaker Junction and Shaker Square Grade Crossings – Phase II.

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-2023-042-307; OH-2023-042-337; and OH-2024-011-337; in an amount not to exceed $2,438,863.00 ($1,951,090.40 in federal funds which represents 80% of the total cost).

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon compliance by the contractor to 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 the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's Board of Trustees acknowledges that all DBE goal-setting has been suspended, per USDOT Interim Final Rule issued October 3, 2025.

Section 6. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: _____ _____
President

Attest: _____
Secretary-Treasurer

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01-12-22

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION:	Resolution No.: 2025-107
CONTRACT: TIRE AND WHEEL MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND LEASING OF RADIAL TIRES	Date: November 13, 2025
VENDOR: MICHELIN NORTH AMERICA, INC.	Initiator: Fleet Management Department
AMOUNT: NOT TO EXCEED $8,782,484.85 FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS	

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 tire and wheel maintenance services and leasing of radial tires for a five (5) year period, as specified and as required, for the Authority's revenue vehicles.

2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: A lease versus purchase analysis has been performed in accordance with Procurement Department Policies and Procedures, and the Authority has determined it to be cost effective to contract for the leasing and servicing of the radial tires. In addition, the Authority surveyed the industry and found that most transit authorities have similar lease arrangements for their revenue tire needs.

Contracting out the maintenance and leasing of tires has proven to be beneficial to the Authority. The contractor maintains a sufficient tire inventory to support the Authority's radial tire needs and provides on-site service at each of the Authority's district garages. The leasing arrangement requires that the contractor maintain title to the tires which relieves the Authority of any EPA responsibility for their disposal

3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: The Request for Proposals (RFP) for the procurement of Tire and Wheel Maintenance Services and Leasing of Radial Tires, as specified and as required, for the five (5) year term of the contract was posted on the Authority's website and advertised in the local newspapers. Five (5) interested parties downloaded the solicitation. Two (2) proposals were received on July 27, 2025. After evaluation by a panel of Authority employees in accordance with established Procurement Department Policies and Procedures, the proposal of Michelin North America Inc. ("Michelin"), as negotiated, was determined to be most advantageous to the Authority.

A cost analysis was performed by the Procurement Department, and it was determined that the negotiated price is fair and reasonable to the Authority.

4.0 DBE BACKGROUND: As a result of the USDOT Interim Final Rule published in the Federal Register and made effective October 3, 2025, there is a 0% DBE goal on GCRTA projects until further notice.

5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.

6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This procurement will be funded through the General Fund, Fleet Management Department budget, in an amount not to exceed $8,782,484.85 for a period of five (5) years.

7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Reject this offer. Rejection of this offer would impact the Authority's ability to replace worn tires and wheels, which could impact safety and service.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This procurement was discussed at the November 4, 2025 Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee meeting. It is recommended that the negotiated offer from Michelin 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. 2025-107

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT NO. 2025-111 WITH MICHELIN NORTH AMERICA INC. FOR THE FURNISHING OF TIRE AND WHEEL MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND FOR THE LEASING OF RADIAL TIRES, AS SPECIFIED AND AS REQUIRED, FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS, IN A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $8,782,484.85 (GENERAL FUND, FLEET MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") has a need to service and provide wheel maintenance and radial tires on all of its revenue vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the proposal of Michelin North America Inc. ("Michelin"), with an office at One Parkway South, Greenville SC 29615, for tire and wheel maintenance services and leasing of radial tires for a period of five (5) years, as specified and as required, was received on July 27, 2025; and

WHEREAS, after negotiations Michelin has offered to provide such services in an amount not to exceed $8,782,484.85 for a period of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer deems the offer from Michelin, as negotiated, to be the most advantageous to the Authority, cost and other factors considered, 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 offer from Michelin for tire and wheel maintenance services and leasing of radial tires, for a period of five (5) years, as specified and as required, be and the same is hereby accepted.

Section 2. That the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer of the Authority be and she is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Michelin for tire and wheel maintenance services and leasing of radial tires for a period of five (5) years, as specified and as required.

Section 3. That said contract shall be payable from the General Fund, Fleet Management Department Budget in an amount not to exceed $8,782,484.85 for a period of five (5) years.

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

Section 5. That the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's Board of Trustees acknowledges that all DBE goal-setting has been suspended, per USDOT Interim Final Rule issued October 3, 2025.

Section 6. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: _____, 2025 _____
President

Attest: _____
Secretary-Treasurer

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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION:		Resolution No.: 2025-108
TRANSACTION:	SALE OF PURITAS HOTEL GROUND LEASE AREA, AN APPROXIMATELY TWO ACRE PORTION OF PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBERS 027-19-002, 027-21-002 AND 027-24-019, LOCATED AT 4222 W. 150TH STREET, CLEVELAND, OHIO	Date: November 13, 2025
PURCHASER:	CA FIVE, LLC, AN OHIO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	Initiator: Programming and Planning
PURCHASE PRICE:	$875,000	

ACTION REQUEST:

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

1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: The resolution seeks approval from the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") for the sale of an approximately two acre portion of land owned by the Authority which is adjacent to its Puritas Station. The subject land is located at 4222 W. 150th Street, Cleveland, Ohio and is that portion of Cuyahoga County Permanent Parcel Numbers 027-19-002, 027-21-002 and 027-24-019 where the La Quinta Inn by Wyndham is located (the "Property" or the "Ground Lease Area").

2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: The Authority acquired its property in the vicinity of the Puritas Station as part of the 1975 Mass Transit System Transfer Agreement with the City of Cleveland (the "Transfer Agreement"). No federal funds have been invested in the Property through the Authority at any time that it has been owned by the Authority. The Transfer Agreement also resulted in the Authority, as successor to the City of Cleveland, becoming the lessor in an existing long-term ground lease to effectuate the joint development of the Property. That ground lease required the lessee, a private developer, to construct and operate a hotel on the Property, which would then provide the developer with options to extend the lease for the land, potentially all the way to the year 2089. The developer built the hotel in the early 1990s, which now operates as a La Quinta Inn. However, the rent that the developer is required to pay the Authority under the ground lease ($35,000 annually) is now well below the current market rate for a ground lease of the Property ($78,750 annually per MAI appraisal).

In 2023, the Authority began negotiating with the developer to increase the ground lease rent. The Developer and the Authority could not reach an agreement on a lease rent increase, but the developer offered to purchase the land that was subject to the ground lease. Over the course of negotiations, the Authority obtained two MAI appraisals of the Property. The appraisals support an $875,000 fair market value for the land. The Authority determined that the sale is preferable to the continued below-market ground lease or to the uncertainty and cost entailed in litigation over the ground lease. Accordingly, the Authority negotiated to sell the land for $875,000 and to also include restrictions on future uses of the Property and the first right to purchase the Property if it is to be sold in the future. On September 2, 2025, the parties signed a non-binding letter of intent to sell the land to CA Five, LLC (an affiliate of the developer), including an easement for ingress and egress to the Property.

3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.

4.0 DBE BACKGROUND: Does not apply.

5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Pursuant to Section 470.02 of the Codified Rules and Regulations of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Code Book"), the Authority's Board of Trustees must approve the disposition of real property. Further, Section 470.05 of the Code Book requires the Authority's Boad of Trustees' approval to grant a permanent easement if the property value is in excess of $2,500.00.

6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: The proposed sale would provide the Authority with nearly $875,000 in sale proceeds (the net proceeds will be slightly less than the purchase price, due to closing costs) in one lump sum. This could be most impactful for the Authority's future if it is retained in a restricted account to be used for future transit oriented development projects which can significantly advance the Authority's transit oriented development goals.

7.0 ALTERNATIVES: The Authority can refuse to sell the Property. This would forego $875,000 in proceeds from the sale and instead result in the continued receipt of only $35,000 per year under the terms of the ground lease.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: The proposed sale was discussed at the June 3, 2025 meeting of the Audit, Safety Compliance and Real Estate Committee. Staff recommends that the proposed sale be authorized and that the proceeds be restricted for use for future transit oriented development purposes.

9.0 ATTACHMENTS: A. September 2, 2025 Letter of Intent

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

General Manager, Chief Executive Officer

ATTACHMENT A

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September 2, 2025

VIA EMAIL:

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
Attn: Michael Fesler -and- James Reed
1240 West 6th Street
Cleveland, OH 44113
(michael.fesler@gcrta.org -and- James.Reed@gcrta.org)

RE: Letter of Intent to purchase fee simple interest in the land located at 4222 West 150th Street, Cleveland, OH, (Parcel No.027-24-019 and a portion of Parcel No. 027-19-002, as further depicted on Schedule A, attached hereto and incorporated herein) (the "Property") which is subject to and inclusive of a ground lease by and between Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("GCRTA") and Puritas Hotel II, LLC, which is further subject to and inclusive of a sublease by and between Puritas and CPLG Properties L.L.C.

The following are the basic terms upon which CA Five, LLC ("**Buyer**") will negotiate the purchase of the Property from the current owner ("**GCRTA**"):

1. **Purchase Price**: Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars ($875,000.00).

2. **Earnest Money**: Buyer shall deposit Twenty Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($25,000.00) (the "**Earnest Money**") in escrow with Madison Title Agency, L.L.C. located at 25825 Science Park Drive, Suite 100, Beachwood, Ohio 44122, attention: Aaron Sonnenschein (asonnenschein@madisoncres.com) (the "**Title Company**"), as follows: Twenty-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($25,000.00) within five (5) business days of the parties' execution of a definitive purchase agreement (the "**Purchase Agreement**"); and if the Buyer does not terminate the Purchase Agreement prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period (defined below), the Earnest Money shall be forfeitable to GCRTA in the event Buyer does not close, except where such failure is due to GCRTA's default. The Earnest Money shall be invested by the Title Company in an interest-bearing account selected by Buyer with all interest accruing there on paid to Buyer upon demand, or at Buyer's election, credited to the Purchase Price together with Earnest Money at closing. The balance of the Purchase Price will be paid at closing.

3. **Inspection Contingencies**: Usual and customary due diligence contingencies to Buyer's satisfaction, including but not limited to: review of corporate records, organizational structure, ownership information, and, with respect to the Property, environmental and soil testing, zoning, obtaining all required governmental approvals and

permits, satisfactory survey and title and related matters. Buyer shall have Sixty (60) 0) days from the date of execution of the Purchase Agreement (the "**Due Diligence Period**") during which to complete its due diligence inspections, investigations and related activities. In the event Buyer is not satisfied with the condition of the Property for any reason or no reason at all, then Buyer may, on or before the last day of the Due Diligence Period, notify GCRTA in writing that it elects to terminate the Purchase Agreement. In such event, the Purchase Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force and effect whatsoever to either party and all Earnest Money will be returned to Buyer.

4. **Title Insurance**: GCRTA will provide Buyer a commitment from the Title Company to issue an owner's leasehold policy of title insurance to Buyer at closing for the Property in the full amount of the Purchase Price (collectively, the "**Owner's Policy of Title Insurance**"). The cost of the Owner's Policy of Title Insurance will be charged to Buyer. The Owner's Policy of Title Insurance will be subject only to those matters approved by Buyer.

5. **Closing**: Closing shall be such date as may be selected by Buyer, which date shall be no later than forty-five (45) days from the expiration of the Due Diligence Period.

6. **Brokers**: No third-party brokers were used by Buyer or GCRTA in this transaction. Buyer shall have no obligation to pay commissions or fees to any party with respect to acquisition of the Property.

7. **Right of First Offer**: Provided that GCRTA is operating a transit station within 1/3 of a mile from the Property, in the event that Buyer shall determine, in its sole and absolute discretion, that it desires to sell all of the Property, Buyer shall provide GCRTA written notice of such desire (the "First Offer Notice"), which First Offer Notice shall contain the terms and conditions for which Buyer will sell the First Offer Property. GCRTA shall have the right to purchase the Property, upon written notice received by Buyer within sixty (60) days after GCRTA's receipt of the First Offer Notice, which purchase shall be upon the same terms and conditions contained in the First Offer Notice or as otherwise mutually agreed. In the event that GCRTA shall decline to purchase the Property, or if GCRTA shall fail to provide the requisite notice within the aforementioned sixty (60) day period, Buyer shall be free to sell the Property without further obligation to GCRTA, on whatever terms and conditions Buyer shall determine in its sole and absolute discretion.

8. **Use Restriction**: Provided that GCRTA is operating a transit station within 1/3 of a mile of the Property, Buyer agrees that: the Property shall not be operated as a self-storage facility, vehicle sales or rental facility,

open sales lot, , medical hospital, medical laboratory, research and development facility, gambling facility, warehouse, gun range, adult bookstore, adult entertainment, funeral parlor, car wash, a central laundry dry cleaning plant, laundromat, mobile home park, trailer court, junkyard or stockyard (except that this provision shall not prohibit the temporary use of construction trailers during periods of construction, reconstruction or maintenance). If or when the existing hotel building is to be replaced or substantially modified, and provided that GCRTA is operating a transit station within 1/3 of a mile of the Property at that time, then any future new construction and site modifications shall be designed in a manner that is pedestrian-friendly and consistent with the surrounding area usage.

9. **Purchase Agreement**: Upon Buyer's delivery of a draft of the Purchase Agreement to GCRTA, Buyer and GCRTA agree to work in good faith for a period of thirty (30) days from the date that this letter of intent is executed by Buyer and GCRTA (the "**Negotiation Period**") to agree upon the terms of the Purchase Agreement, which shall contain standard representations, warranties, and indemnities for a transaction of this nature, including without limitation, ownership, encumbrances, litigation, defaults and title.

10. **Exclusivity**: During the Negotiation Period and thereafter until a party terminates discussions upon written notice to the other, GCRTA agrees for itself and those under its control not to negotiate with or take any action with respect to the sale of the Property to anyone other than Buyer. GCRTA shall not disclose the existence of or terms of this letter of intent or Purchase Agreement to any third party. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this letter, the provisions of this paragraph shall be binding upon GCRTA, provided however that the parties acknowledge that GCRTA is a public entity which is required to comply with Ohio's Sunshine Laws, including the Public Records Act (O.R.C. Section 149.43) and the Open Meetings Act (O.R.C. Section 121.22.

11. **Confidentiality**: GCRTA shall at all times keep this letter and the negotiations and subsequent agreements between Buyer and GCRTA relating to the Property confidential, except (a) to the extent necessary to comply with applicable laws and regulations, and (b) for consultation with legal counsel or accountants. Any such disclosure to the above permitted third parties by GCRTA shall indicate that the information is confidential and should be so treated by such third parties. No press release or other public disclosure may be made by GCRTA or any of its agents concerning this letter or the negotiations and subsequent agreements regarding the Property without the prior written consent of the Buyer. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this letter, the provisions of this paragraph shall be binding upon GCRTA, provided however

that the parties acknowledge that GCRTA is a public entity which is required to comply with Ohio's Sunshine Laws, including the Public Records Act (O.R.C. Section 149.43) and the Open Meetings Act (O.R.C. Section 121.22.

12. **Closing Costs**: GCRTA will pay one-half of the escrow fees of Title Company, all of GCRTA's attorney's fees incurred in connection with the negotiation of this transaction. Buyer will pay the cost of the Owner's Policy of Title Insurance, the cost of the survey, the cost of any lot split and consolidation, one-half of the escrow fees of Title Company, the cost of recording the deed, all transfer and conveyance taxes and/or documentary stamps and fees and all of Buyer's attorney's fees incurred in connection with the negotiation of this transaction. All other costs will be allocated between Buyer and GCRTA in accordance with customary practice in the County where the Property is located. Real Property taxes and any other matters to be prorated will be prorated as of the close of escrow. Rollback taxes, if any, shall be paid by GCRTA.

13. Easement for Road Access: Seller shall grant Buyer the rights of ingress and egress over and through the roadway area generally depicted on Schedule A for vehicular purposes. The parties shall enter into an easement agreement formalizing the respective parties' rights and obligations for said area no later than the Closing date. Seller reserves the right to relocate the easement if desired for future development of Seller's property. Any relocated easement will provide reasonably equivalent access to the Property.

This is a letter of intent only and is not intended to create any legal commitments or obligations binding upon Buyer or GCRTA with respect to the purchase or sale of the Property, except *for Sections 9, 10 and 11 above, which the parties hereby agree are binding*. Please acknowledge GCRTA's acceptance and approval of the terms of this letter by signing and dating a counterpart of this letter where indicated below and return a signed copy via email to Steven Coven at scoven@starkenterprises.com. Once the signed letter is received, we will have our counsel prepare a draft of the Purchase Agreement for your review.

Very truly yours,

CA FIVE, LLC

By: _____

Name: Steven Coven

Title: Secretary

Accepted and approved this 2nd day of September 2025:

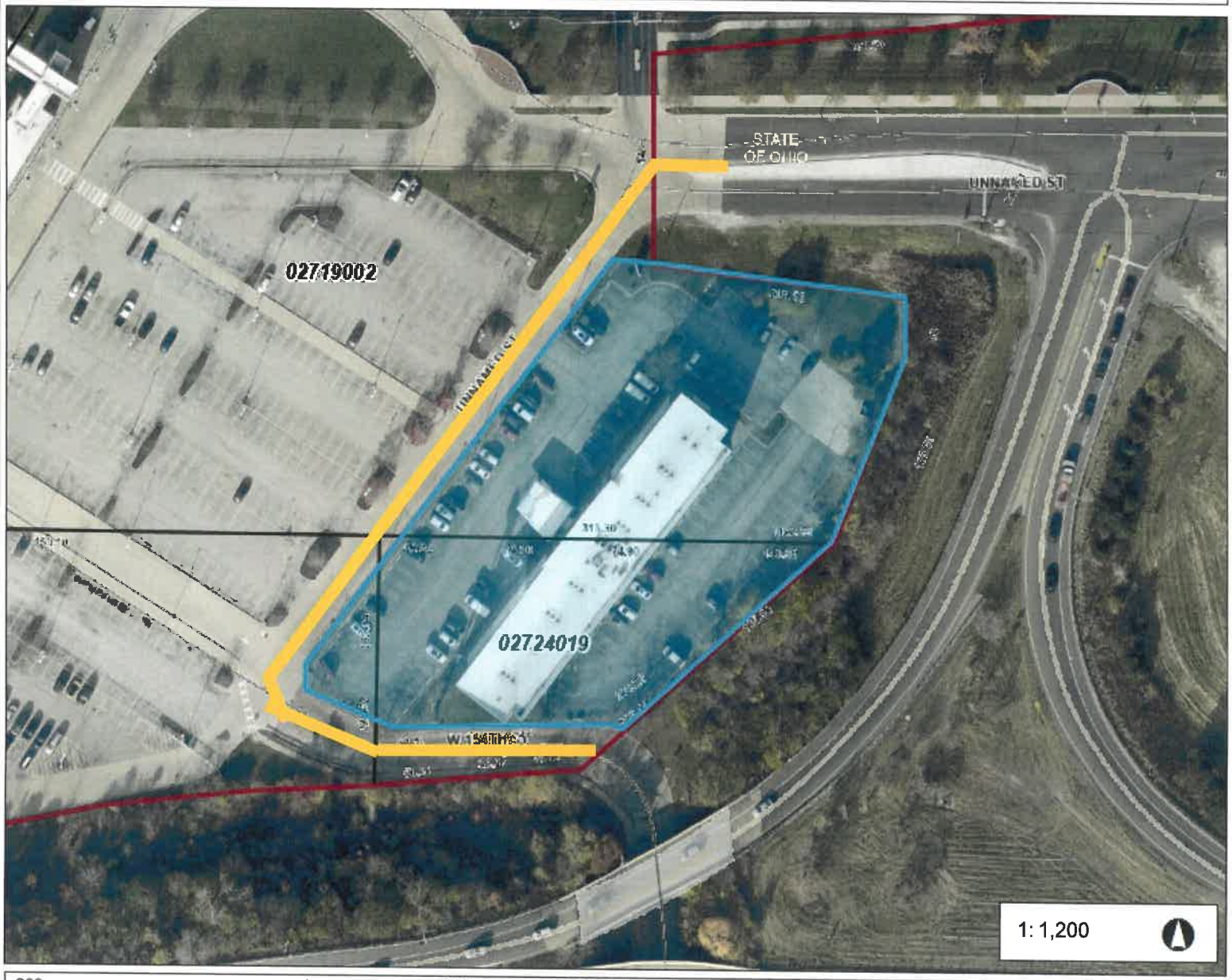
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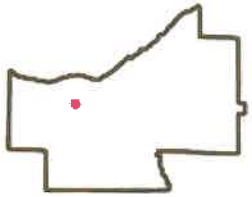
Name: James Reed

Title: Property Manager

SCHEDULE A
Property and Easement Depiction

SCHEDULE A Puritas Hotel Ground Lease Area (overlayed on parcels)





Date Created: 10/21/2024

Legend

- Municipalities
- Right Of Way
- Platted Centerline
- Parcel
- Private Road

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-108

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PURITAS HOTEL GROUND LEASE AREA, AN APPROXIMATELY TWO ACRE PORTION OF PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBERS 027-19-002, 027-21-002 AND 027-24-019, LOCATED AT 4222 W. 150TH STREET, CLEVELAND, OHIO, TO CA FIVE, LLC, AN OHIO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, WITH AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") owns several parcels of land in and around its Puritas Station in the City of Cleveland, including land now known as Permanent Parcel Numbers 027-19-002, 027-21-002 and 027-24-019 on the records of Cuyahoga County, which the Authority acquired as part of the assets transferred in the 1975 Mass Transit System Transfer Agreement between the City of Cleveland and the Authority (the "Transfer Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Transfer Agreement, the Authority also became the lessor, as successor to the City of Cleveland, in an existing ground lease agreement with a private developer as the lessee which was intended to effectuate the joint development of an approximately two acre portion of parcel numbers 027-19-002, 027-21-002 and 027-24-019 located at 4222 W. 150th Street (the "Property") through the construction and operation of a hotel thereon; and

WHEREAS, the developer constructed a hotel on the Property in the 1990s, which has remained in operation and is presently operated as La Quinta Inn by Wyndham; and

WHEREAS, the developer has the right to exercise options to extend the ground lease, potentially until 2089; and

WHEREAS, in 2023, a dispute arose between the Authority and developer over the lease rental amount;

WHEREAS, the Authority obtained an MAI appraisal from Smith & Nedjedlak, Inc. which determined the fair market value of the Property to be eight hundred seventy-five thousand dollars ($875,000.00); and

WHEREAS, although the parties were unable to reach an agreement on an increased lease rental amount, the developer and the Authority reached agreement on terms for the sale of the Property to the developer, or its affiliate, for its fair market value, along with an easement for ingress and egress to the Property, certain restrictions on future uses of the Property, and a "right of first offer" for the Authority to purchase the property back if it is offered for sale in the future; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer has determined that the resolution which will most benefit the Authority's transit system is to sell the Property to the developer for the fair market value.

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

Section 1. That the sale of the two acre portion of Cuyahoga County Permanent Parcel Numbers 027-19-002, 027-21-002 and 027-24-019 located at 4222 W. 150th Street (the "Property") for its fair market value will benefit the Authority's transit system more than continuation of the ground lease at a below market rate.

Section 2. That the purchase price of eight hundred seventy-five thousand dollars ($875,000) is the fair market value, as determined by MAI property appraisal.

Section 3. That the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer is hereby authorized to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with CA Five, LLC that includes restrictions on use of the property and the Authority's right of first offer in the event the Property is offered for sale in the future, and to execute all other documents required to effectuate the sale and transfer of the Property, as well as an easement for ingress and egress, in exchange for the purchase price of $875,000.

Section 4. That the sale proceeds will be restricted for use for future transit-oriented development purposes.

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

Adopted: _____
President

Attest: _____
Secretary-Treasurer

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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION:	Resolution No.: 2025-109
AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 APPROPRIATIONS, AS ADOPTED IN RESOLUTION NO. 2024-107, TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE IN THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE GENERAL FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF $9,000,000	Date: November 13, 2025
	Initiator: Office of Management & Budget

ACTION REQUEST:
☒ Approval ☐ Review/Comment ☐ Information Only ☐ Other _____

1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will authorize an amendment to increase the appropriation in the General Fund.

2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: The proposed amendment will authorize an increase in the General Fund appropriations budget for fiscal year ("FY") 2025 by $9,000,000.

3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.

4.0 DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND: Does not apply.

5.0 POLICY IMPACT: The FY 2025 Budget provides for the revenues and expenditures of the Authority. The increased appropriation in the General Fund of $9,000,000 will enable the Authority to cover increased operating expenses for healthcare and prescription costs.

Through October 2025, healthcare and prescription costs have increased by 34.0%, and the number of stop-loss claims have doubled, when compared to 2024.

6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This amendment will increase the General Fund budget for operating expenses by $9,000,000.

7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Modify or not approve the budget amendment as proposed. This would impact the Authority's ability to cover expenses in the General Fund.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: The proposed FY 2025 Amended Budget was reviewed by the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee on November 4, 2025 and was recommended for consideration by the full board. It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed FY 2025 Amended Budget as proposed herein.

9.0 ATTACHMENTS: General Fund Balance Analysis

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

General Manager, Chief Executive Officer

General Fund Balance Analysis

	FY 2025 Budget	FY 2025 Amended Budget
Revenues		
Operating Revenues		
Passenger Fares	$ 32,000,000	$ 32,000,000
Advertising & Concessions	2,062,000	2,062,000
Naming Rights	485,300	485,300
Investment Income	1,000,000	1,000,000
Total Operating Revenues	**35,547,300**	**35,547,300**
Non-Operating Revenues		
Sales & Use Tax	267,500,000	267,500,000
Reimbursed Expenditures	5,000,000	5,000,000
Other Non-Operating Revenue	1,500,000	1,500,000
Transfers from the Reserve Fund - Other Sub-Funds	4,500,000	4,500,000
Transfer from Reserve Fund - Revenue Stabilization	50,500,000	50,500,000
Total Non-Operating Revenues	**329,000,000**	**329,000,000**
Total Revenues	**364,547,300**	**364,547,300**
Expenditures		
Operating Expenditures		
Salaries & Overtime	181,582,000	181,582,000
Payroll Taxes & Fringes	66,164,000	75,164,000
Fuel (Diesel, CNG, Propulsion Power, Propane, Gasoline)	9,867,000	9,867,000
Utilities	4,286,000	4,286,000
Inventory	13,000,000	13,000,000
Services, Materials & Supplies	25,528,000	25,528,000
Purchased Transportation	16,697,000	16,697,000
Other Expenditures	6,678,000	6,678,000
Total Operating Expenditures	**323,802,000**	**332,802,000**
Revenues less Operating Expenses	**40,745,300**	**31,745,300**
Transfers to Other Funds		
Transfers to/from Insurance Fund	3,000,000	3,000,000
Transfers to/from Reserve Fund	10,878,615	10,878,615
Transfers to/from Capital		
Transfers to/from Bond Retirement Fund	9,184,042	9,184,042
Transfers to/from Capital Improvement Fund	18,074,438	18,074,438
Total Transfes to/from Capital	**27,258,480**	**27,258,480**
Total Transfers to/from Other Funds	**41,137,095**	**41,137,095**
Total Expenditures	**364,939,095**	**373,939,095**
Excess/(Deficiency) of Total Revenues over Total Expenditures	(391,795)	(9,391,795)
Beginning Balance	33,023,402	33,023,402
Projected Ending Balance	**$ 32,631,607**	**$ 23,631,607**
# Months Reserves - Estimated	**1.2**	**0.9**

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-109

AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 APPROPRIATIONS, AS ADOPTED IN RESOLUTION NO. 2024-107, TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE IN THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE GENERAL FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF $9,000,000

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") has both legal and managerial requirements to establish the revenues to be received for the upcoming fiscal year, including all taxes, user fees, and other types of revenues, as well as estimates of all expenditures or outlays for the operation of its public transportation system in the fiscal year ("FY") to be paid or met from said revenue; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet those requirements, a budget for the Authority's operations for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025 ("FY 2025 Budget") was adopted by the Board of Trustees on December 17, 2024 through Resolution No. 2024-107; and

WHEREAS, the General Fund is the general operating fund of the Authority and accounts for all operating expenditures and transfers to other funds; and

WHEREAS, the General Fund budget has been closely monitored throughout the year and has experienced significant increases in healthcare and prescription costs; and

WHEREAS, healthcare and prescription costs have increased by 34.0%, compared to 2024 levels; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Authority to increase the General Fund operating budget by $9,000,000 to cover the healthcare and prescription costs through the end of the year; and

WHEREAS, the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee of the Board of Trustees discussed the FY 2025 Amended Budget on November 4, 2025.

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

Section 1. That the appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the Authority, during the period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 ("Fiscal Year 2025"), as set forth in Resolution 2024-107, adopted by the Board on December 17, 2024, are hereby amended as follows:

General Fund Balance Analysis

	FY 2025 Budget	FY 2025 Amended Budget	Change
Operating Expenditures			
Salaries & Overtime	$ 181,582,000	$ 181,582,000	-
Payroll Taxes & Fringes	66,164,000	75,164,000	**$ 9,000,000**
Fuel (Diesel, CNG, Propulsion Power, Propane, Gasoline)	9,867,000	9,867,000	-
Utilities	4,286,000	4,286,000	-
Inventory	13,000,000	13,000,000	-
Services, Materials & Supplies	25,528,000	25,528,000	-
Purchased Transportation	16,697,000	16,697,000	-
Other Expenditures	6,678,000	6,678,000	-
Total Operating Expenditures	**$ 323,802,000**	**$ 332,802,000**	**$ 9,000,000**

Section 2. That all other provisions of the appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the Authority during Fiscal Year 2025, as set forth in Resolution No. 2024-107, not otherwise amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: November 18, 2025

_____
President

Attest:_____
Secretary-Treasurer

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

Section 1. That current COC members Jonathan England and Michael Blake shall be re-appointed as members to new three-year terms expiring December 31, 2028.

Section 2. That Jonathan England and Michael Blake shall receive the compensation granted to COC members in accordance with Section 222.05(e) of the Code Book, which shall be paid from the Secretary/Treasurer - Board of Trustees department budget.

Section 3. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: _____
President

Attest: _____
Secretary-Treasurer

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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION:	Resolution No.: 2025-110
RE-APPOINTMENT OF JONATHAN ENGLAND AND MICHAEL BLAKE TO THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE	Date: November 13, 2025
	Initiator: Board of Trustees

ACTION REQUEST:

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

1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This resolution will authorize the re-appointment of two members to the Civilian Oversight Committee ("COC") for new three-year terms.

2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: The COC is intended to give voice to the community and enhance transparency and accountability through an independent review and investigation of complaints of excessive use of force incidents and public complaints regarding GCRTA's Transit Police ("TP") employees. Jonathan England and Michael Blake have been active and engaged members of the COC during their first partial terms on the COC. Re-appointment of these two COC members will maintain full membership of the COC.

3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.

4.0 DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND: Does not apply.

5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Under Section 222.05(b)(1) of the Codified Rules and Regulations of the Authority ("Code Book"), the Board of Trustees shall maintain seven (7) members on the COC who are representative of the diverse communities within Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: Members of the COC will receive unlimited transit privileges during their service. They will also be compensated in the amount of one thousand eight hundred dollars ($1,800.00) per year, paid at a rate of one hundred fifty dollars ($150.00) per month. Compensation for COC members is paid from the Secretary/Treasurer – Board of Trustees department budget.

7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Not adopt this resolution. The COC will not have full membership.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION: The two candidates for re-appointment to the COC were reviewed and considered at the November 4, 2025 meeting of the Committee of the Whole. It is recommended that this resolution be passed re-appointing Jonathan England and Michael Blake for full three-year terms to the COC.

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. 2025-110

RE-APPOINTMENT OF JONATHAN ENGLAND AND MICHAEL BLAKE TO THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, under Article VI, Section 4 of the Bylaws of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority"), the Board of Trustees is authorized to establish special advisory committees; and

WHEREAS, in its efforts to provide greater transparency, to seek community input, and to improve relationships between the community and the Authority in the modern policing environment, the Board of Trustees adopted Resolution 2022-82 on August 23, 2022, creating an independent Civilian Oversight Committee ("COC"); and

WHEREAS, the COC's purpose is to review public complaints filed against the Authority's Transit Police Department employees; and

WHEREAS, the COC receives, reviews, investigates, and makes recommendations for the resolution of public complaints regarding alleged misconduct by Transit Police Department employees; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 222.05(e) of the Codified Rules and Regulations of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Code Book"), COC members receive unlimited transit privileges during their service and will be compensated in the amount of one thousand, eight hundred dollars ($1,800.00) per year, paid at a rate of one hundred fifty dollars ($150.00) per month; and

WHEREAS, under Section 222.05(b)(1) of the Code Book, the Board of Trustees is required to maintain seven (7) members on the COC; and

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Whole for the Board of Trustees reviewed and considered the following two members of the COC for re-appointment:

Jonathan England: Jonathan has served in numerous managerial and supervisory roles over the last 17 years. Jonathan has experience and expertise with safety programs, policies, and regulations, with a focus on the transportation industry.

Michael Blake: Michael served time as a Military Police Officer for the United States Army and dedicated 35 years of his life serving as a firefighter for the City of Cleveland. During his tenure as a firefighter, Michael worked his way through the ranks from Firefighter, to Lieutenant, to Captain, and finally to Battalion Chief.

Greater Cleveland
Regional Transit Authority

Interoffice Memo

DATE: November 12, 2025

TO: Distribution

FROM: Carolyn Young, Director of Grants Management & Treasury

RE: Treasury Reports for October 2025

Please find attached the following monthly treasury reports:

1. Report on Investment Earnings
2. Inventory of Treasury Investments and Accrued Interest
3. Debt Service Schedule and Status of Bond Retirement Fund
4. Composition of Investment Portfolio
5. Summary of Investment Performance
6. Banking and Financial Relationships

Sales tax revenue in the amount of $23.2 million was received in October. The month closed with a cash and investment balance of $356.1 million. The Authority's average investment balance for the month was $345.5 million, compared to $375.0 million in October 2024.

The Authority's average yield on investments was 4.01% during the month of October.

The average yield on the portfolio year to date is 4.07%, which is 0.08 basis points below the performance standard yield of 4.15% and 0.23 basis points below the money market average yield of 4.31%. The following table summarizes key economic indicators reported in August/September/October 2025:

Economic Indicator	Period	Previous Report Actual/Revised	Current Report Actual
Consumer Price Index	September	3.0	3.0 All items increased
Consumer Confidence	October	94.6	1.6 -points decline Consumers' confidence
Leading Economic Indicators *	August	98.4	0.5% decline in LEI No release since Aug.
Unemployment Rate	August	4.3	The unemployment rate No release

*October 2025 CPI, LEI, Unemployment information has not been reported

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GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
REPORT ON INVESTMENT EARNINGS (CASH BASIS)
AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2025

BOND RETIREMENT FUND		
ARGENT INST. TRUST MONEY MARKET	$	24,483
TOTAL OCTOBER	$	24,483
2025 YEAR TO DATE	$	144,475
2024 YEAR TO DATE	$	193,936
GENERAL FUND		
ARGENT INST. TRUST-SALES TAX ACCOUNT	$	7,461
STAROHIO	$	57,949
KEY BANK SWEEP ACCOUNT	$	8,974
PNC CUSTODY ACCOUNT	$	27,210
MERCHANT ACCOUNT-KEY BANK SWEEP ACCOUNT	$	387
TOTAL OCTOBER	$	101,981
2025 YEAR TO DATE	$	1,114,254
2024 YEAR TO DATE	$	1,183,616
INSURANCE FUND		
STAROHIO	$	17,493
TOTAL OCTOBER	$	17,493
2025 YEAR TO DATE	$	252,635
2024 YEAR TO DATE	$	360,493
LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND		
KEY BANK SWEEP ACCOUNT	$	244
STAROHIO	$	287
TOTAL OCTOBER	$	531
2025 YEAR TO DATE	$	5,107
2024 YEAR TO DATE	$	4,132
LOCAL MATCH FUND		
STAROHIO-LOCAL MATCH	$	299,398
KEY BANK SWEEP ACCOUNT	$	1,701
PNC CUSTODY ACCOUNT	$	167,140
TOTAL OCTOBER	$	468,239
2025 YEAR TO DATE	$	5,424,538
2024 YEAR TO DATE	$	5,239,718
PENSION FUND		
STAROHIO	$	5,475
KEY BANK SWEEP ACCOUNT	$	7
TOTAL OCTOBER	$	5,482
2025 YEAR TO DATE	$	55,157
2024 YEAR TO DATE	$	63,918
EMPLOYEE ACTIVITY ACCOUNT		
KEY BANK MONEY MARKET	$	482
TOTAL OCTOBER	$	482
2025 YEAR TO DATE	$	4,707
2024 YEAR TO DATE	$	5,173
RTA CAPITAL FUND		
KEY BANK SWEEP ACCOUNT	$	7,960
PNC CUSTODY ACCOUNT	$	74,154
TOTAL OCTOBER	$	82,114
2025 YEAR TO DATE	$	609,205
2024 YEAR TO DATE	$	301,509

GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
REPORT ON INVESTMENT EARNINGS (CASH BASIS)
AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2025

RESERVE FUND		
STAROHIO	$	284,093
PNC CUSTODY ACCOUNT	$	244,461
KEY BANK SWEEP ACCOUNT	$	6,793
TOTAL OCTOBER	$	535,347
2025 YEAR TO DATE	$	4,311,314
2024 YEAR TO DATE	$	6,470,892
TOTAL ALL FUNDS		
OCTOBER 2025	**$**	**1,236,152**
2025 YEAR TO DATE	**$**	**11,921,392**
2024 YEAR TO DATE	**$**	**13,823,387**

		OCTOBER		2025 YEAR TO DATE
INTEREST RECEIVED (CASH BASIS)	$	1,236,152	$	11,921,392
ACCRUED INTEREST:				
BEGINNING:	$	(427,821)	$	(458,951)
ENDING	$	669,508	$	669,508
TOTAL INTEREST INCOME EARNED	$	1,477,839	$	12,131,949
AVERAGE INVESTMENT BALANCE (COST BASIS):	$	345,537,525	$	357,586,112
AVERAGE YIELD ON INVESTMENTS:		4.01%		4.07%

GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
INVENTORY OF TREASURY INVESTMENTS
AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2025

FUND	PURCHASE DATE	MATURITY DATE	INSTRUMENT	INSTITUTION	TERM DAYS	TOTAL PRINCIPAL	ACCRUED INTEREST	AVERAGE DAYS TO MATURITY	AVERAGE YIELD
BOND RETIREMENT FUND									
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	MONEY MARKET	ARGENT INST. TRUST	3	$ 8,966,761	-	3	3.78%
TOTAL BOND RETIREMENT FUND						**$ 8,966,761**	**$ -**		**3.78%**
GENERAL FUND									
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	MERCHANT ACCT-KEY MMKT	KEY BANK	3	$ 220,820	$ -	3	1.46%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	STAR OHIO	STATE OF OHIO	3	19,170,419		3	4.28%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	EMPLOYEE ACTIVITY FUND	KEY BANK	3	395,742	-	3	1.45%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	PNC CUSTODY ACCOUNT	PNC BANK	3	1,912,967	-	3	4.05%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	SALES TAX ACCOUNT	ARGENT INST. TRUST	3	41,102	-	3	3.78%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	KEY ECR	KEY BANK	3	8,068,522	-	3	1.45%
TOTAL GENERAL FUND						**$ 29,809,572**	**$ -**		**3.44%**
INSURANCE FUND									
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	STAR OHIO	STATE OF OHIO	3	$ 4,747,005	$ -	3	4.28%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	KEY ECR	KEY BANK	3	3,025,474	-	3	0.00%
TOTAL INSURANCE FUND						**$ 7,772,479**	**$ -**		**2.61%**
LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND									
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	KEY ECR	KEY BANK-SWEEP	3	$ 275,575	$ -	3	1.06%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	STAR OHIO	STATE OF OHIO	3	$ 79,245	$ -	3	4.28%
TOTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND						**$ 354,820**			**1.78%**
LOCAL MATCH FUND									
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	LOCAL MATCH-STAR OHIO	STATE OF OHIO	3	$ 101,191,284	$ -	3	4.28%
	7/28/2025	7/28/2027	FHLB	KeyBANC CAP MKT	730	30,000,000	324,300	635	4.23%
	7/28/2025	7/28/2027	FFCB	KeyBANC CAP MKT	730	10,000,000	105,417	635	4.13%
	9/11/2025	9/11/2028	FNMA	KeyBANC CAP MKT	1096	15,000,000	81,667	1046	4.00%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	PNC CUSTODY ACCOUNT	PNC BANK	3	20,904,442	-	3	4.05%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	LOCAL MATCH-KEY ECR	KEY BANK-SWEEP	3	1,936,481	-	3	1.45%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	GRANT-ECR	KEY BANK	3	1,995,238	-	3	0.00%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	CATCH BASIN-KEY ECR	KEY BANK	3	106,327	-	3	1.45%
TOTAL LOCAL MATCH FUND						**$ 181,133,772**	**$ 511,383**		**4.13%**

GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
INVENTORY OF TREASURY INVESTMENTS
AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2025

FUND	PURCHASE DATE	MATURITY DATE	INSTRUMENT	INSTITUTION	TERM DAYS	TOTAL PRINCIPAL	ACCRUED INTEREST	AVERAGE DAYS TO MATURITY	AVERAGE YIELD
PENSION FUND									
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	KEY ECR	KEY BANK	3	$ 5,049	$ -	3	1.45%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	STAR OHIO	STATE OF OHIO	3	1,510,029	-	3	4.28%
TOTAL PENSION FUND						**$ 1,515,078**	**$ -**		**4.27%**
RTA CAPITAL FUND									
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	KEY ECR	KEY BANK	3	$ 1,815,117	$ -	3	1.46%
	7/28/2025	7/28/2027	FFCB	KeyBANC CAP MKT	730	5,000,000	52,708	635	4.13%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	PNC CUSTODY ACCOUNT	PNC BANK	3	1,894,154	-	3	4.05%
TOTAL RTA CAPITAL FUND						**$ 8,709,271**	**$ 52,708**		**3.55%**
RESERVE FUND									
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	PNC CUSTODY ACCOUNT	PNC BANK	3	13,679,513	-	3	4.05%
	7/28/2025	7/28/2027	FFCB	KeyBANC CAP MKT	730	10,000,000	105,417	635	4.13%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	KEY ECR	KEY BANK	3	5,543,879	-	3	1.45%
	10/31/2025	11/3/2025	STAR OHIO	STATE OF OHIO	3	88,620,357	-	3	4.28%
TOTAL RESERVE FUND						**$ 117,843,749**	**$ 105,417**		**4.11%**
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS						**$ 356,105,502**	**$ 669,508**		**4.01%**

GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE AND STATUS
AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2025

Bonds	Final Maturity Date	Total Principal Outstanding 12/1/2024	Interest Payable/ 6/1/2025	Principal Payable/ 6/1/2025	Debt Service Requirement/ 6/1/2025	Interest Payable/ 12/1/2025	Principal Payable/ 12/1/2025	Debt Service Requirement/ 12/1/2025	Total Debt Requirement 2025
Series 2014A-Sales Tax Rev.	Dec. 2025	$ 1,740,000	$ 43,500	$ -	$ 43,500	$ 43,500	$ 1,740,000	$ 1,783,500	$ 1,827,000
Series 2015-Sales Tax Rev.		8,350,000	208,750	-	208,750	208,750	4,075,000	4,283,750	4,492,500
Series 2016-Sales Tax Rev.	Dec. 2027	4,345,000	108,625	-	108,625	108,625	1,380,000	1,488,625	1,597,250
Series 2019-Sales Tax Rev.	Dec. 2030	7,875,000	196,875	-	196,875	196,875	1,160,000	1,356,875	1,553,750
Total Bonds		**$ 22,310,000**	**$ 557,750**	**$ -**	**$ 557,750**	**$ 557,750**	**$ 8,355,000**	**$ 8,912,750**	**$ 9,470,500**

	Bond Retirement
Current Balance (Set Aside for 2025)	**$8,966,761**
Monthly Set Aside Required	**$789,208**

COMPOSITION OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO
AS OCTOBER 31, 2025

Instrument:	PRINCIPAL	FACE AMOUNT	PERCENT OF TOTAL	AVERAGE YIELD	AVERAGE MATURITY
Money Market Account	$ 47,619,759	$ 47,619,759	13.37%	4.12%	3
Key Bank Sweep Account	2,212,056	2,212,056	0.62%	1.06%	3
Star Ohio	215,318,339	215,318,339	60.46%	4.28%	3
Earnings Credit Rate Account	20,955,348	20,955,348	5.88%	1.45%	3
U.S. Government Securities	70,000,000	70,000,000	19.66%	4.14%	717
Total Investment Portfolio	**$ 356,105,502**	**$ 356,105,502**	**100.00%**	**4.01%**	

GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE
YEAR TO DATE THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2025

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	2025					2024				
MONTH	AVERAGE BALANCE	INTEREST EARNED	AVERAGE YIELD	STANDARD YIELD #	MONEYMKT YIELD #	AVERAGE BALANCE	INTEREST EARNED	AVERAGE YIELD	STANDARD YIELD #	MONEYMKT YIELD #
JANUARY	$ 370,860,178	$ 1,185,266	4.09%	4.16%	4.46%	$ 385,508,048	$ 1,735,498	4.39%	5.36%	5.22%
FEBRUARY	$ 369,824,059	$ 1,231,179	4.06%	4.16%	4.40%	380,226,311	1,215,231	4.43%	5.32%	5.16%
MARCH	$ 367,862,225	$ 1,165,944	4.06%	4.21%	4.38%	385,500,913	1,349,459	4.50%	5.33%	5.12%
APRIL	$ 363,641,320	$ 1,183,349	4.05%	4.25%	4.31%	392,386,644	1,396,057	4.57%	5.42%	5.21%
MAY	$ 359,279,719	$ 1,009,474	4.02%	4.26%	4.30%	380,149,184	1,426,995	4.49%	5.42%	5.21%
JUNE	$ 350,249,378	$ 1,162,584	4.08%	4.31%	4.30%	379,341,823	1,117,872	4.44%	5.33%	4.88%
JULY (Revised)	$ 349,445,307	$ 1,117,548	4.14%	4.27%	4.29%	385,760,857	1,395,601	4.45%	5.14%	4.88%
AUGUST	$ 350,081,389	$ 1,412,542	4.19%	4.15%	4.31%	382,269,871	1,368,567	4.56%	4.89%	4.88%
SEPTEMBER	$ 349,080,023	$ 962,691	4.05%	3.93%	4.19%	376,958,299	1,414,144	4.55%	4.38%	4.52%
OCTOBER	$ 345,537,525	$ 1,236,152	4.01%	3.80%	4.12%	374,899,152	1,086,953	4.38%	4.43%	4.44%
NOVEMBER						370,321,341	1,180,465	4.34%	4.42%	4.05%
DECEMBER						370,555,288	1,185,650	4.09%	4.13%	4.10%
YEAR TO DATE	$357,586,112	$ 11,666,728	4.07%	4.15%	4.31%	$ 380,392,595	$ 15,872,491	4.43%	4.96%	4.81%
RTA AVERAGE YIELDS OVER (UNDER) INDEX				**-0.08%**	**-0.23%**				**-0.53%**	**-0.37%**

Moving average coupon equivalent yields for 6 month Treasury Bills,

Market Yield equals US Treasury Money Fund 7 Day Yield

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
Banking and Financial Relationships
As of October 31, 2025

Bank/Financial Insititution	Nature of relationship
Key Bank	Main banking services
PNC Bank	Custodial Account and Credit card
Fifth Third	Escrow Account
Argent Institutional Trust Company ("AITC"), Effective September 2025	Bond Retirement and Sales Tax Account Underwriter STAR Ohio-Investments
Bank of New York Mellon	Bond Registrar
BMO Harris Bank	Fuel Hedge

NOTE:
This information is being provided for applicable individuals to be in compliance with:
Ohio Revised Code Sections 102.03(D) and (E)
Ohio Ethics Commission Informal Opinion Number 2003-INF-0224-1
Ohio Ethics Commission Staff Advisory Opinion to Sheryl King Benford (DGM - Legal Affairs) dated May 6, 2020
Ohio Ethics Commission Opinion Number 2011-08
Ohio Ethics CommissionStaff Advisory Opinion to R. Brent Minney dated March 27, 2012

Please refer to Chapter 656 of the Codified Rules and Regulations of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (Travel Policy), Administrative Procedure 024 and Board of Trustees Resolution No. 2020-80 for additional information.