



Greater Cleveland
Regional Transit Authority

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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, February 6, 2024** 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 via 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. External And Stakeholder Relations & Advocacy Committee
- State of Ohio Advocacy Update – Update from state advocacy partner Dickinson Wright on the current Ohio landscape concerning the Authority and our strategic priorities.
- Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee
- RFP Procurement - a presentation of a recurring competitive negotiated procurement for On-Call Bridge Engineering Services for a two-year period.
 - Baby on Board - Update on the Baby on Board program.
- Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee
- Paratransit Update - Update on Paratransit Service.
- Committee of The Whole
- Rail Car Update – Update on the Railcar Replacement Program and on a proposed increase to the Consultant Services for Safety and Security Certification for the New Railcar Fleet contract.

India L. Birdsong Terry
General Manager, Chief Executive Officer

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AGENDA

RTA EXTERNAL & STAKEHOLDER RELATIONS & ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Committee Members: TBD, Chair
 Mayor Paul A. Koomar, Vice Chair
 Mayor Anthony D. Biasiotta
 Ms. Deidre Y. McPherson
 Ms. Lauren R. Welch

- I. Roll Call

- II. State of Ohio Advocacy Update – Update from state advocacy partner Dickinson Wright on the current Ohio landscape concerning the Authority and our strategic priorities.

 Presenter(s):
 - Terrence O'Donnell, Government Relations Practice Group Chair, Dickinson Wright


- III. Adjourn



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Interoffice Memo

To: Rev. Charles P. Lucas, President
and Members, Board of Trustees

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

Date: February 1, 2024

Subject: State of Ohio Advocacy Update

At the February 6, 2024, External and Stakeholder Relations & Advocacy Committee meeting, staff will receive an update from our state advocacy partner Dickinson Wright on the current Ohio Landscape concerning the Authority and our strategic priorities.

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

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RTA OPERATIONAL PLANNING & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Committee Members: Ms. Lauren R. Welch, Chair
 Mayor Paul A. Koomar, Vice Chair
 Mr. Stephen M. Love
 Mr. Jeffrey W. Sleasman

- I. Roll Call
- II. RFP Procurement – a presentation of a recurring competitive negotiated procurement for On-Call Bridge Engineering Services for a two-year period.

Presenters:

- Kirk Dimmick - Engineer Project Manager, Bridges
- Lou Catalusci, Contract Administrator II - Procurement

- III. Baby on Board – Update on the Baby on Board program.

Presenters:

- Maribeth Feke, Director - Programming & Planning
- Michele Benko, Supervisor - Cuyahoga County Board of Health
- Tatyana Khaled, Data Analyst - Cuyahoga County Board of Health
- Chiqueita Yarbrough, Director - Northeast Ohio Neighborhood Health Services Inc.

- IV. Adjourn



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To: Rev. Charles P. Lucas, President
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From: India L. Birdsong Terry
General Manager, Chief Executive Officer 

Date: February 1, 2024

Subject: Competitive Negotiated Procurement Project 20.01
Engineering Services for On-Call Bridge Engineering Services III

At the February 6, 2024, Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee meeting, staff will present a Summary of the Proposed Award of Engineering Services for On-Call Bridge Engineering Services III.

Utilization of On-Call services may occur when staff capacity is exceeded or specialized technical knowledge is required for bridge and/or structural projects.

The purpose of this project is to prepare design studies and develop construction documents for bridge and structural projects. Examples could include design of repairs to the Track Bridge over Brookpark Road, load rating of various bridges and work related to ODOT/external agencies.

The Summary of Proposed Award is attached.

Staff will request that the Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee recommend advancing the Proposed Award to the full Board for approval at the February 27, 2024, meeting.


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

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To: Rev. Charles P. Lucas, President
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From: India L. Birdsong Terry
General Manager, Chief Executive Officer 

Date: February 1, 2024

Subject: Presentation by Cuyahoga County Board of Health on Baby on Board Program

At the February 6, 2024, Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee meeting, staff from the Cuyahoga Board of Health will join GCRTA staff in presenting an update of the Baby on Board Program. This program is funded by ODOT OTP2 funds as a partnership between the Cuyahoga County Board of Health and GCRTA. Its goal is to reduce infant mortality rates.

Infant mortality rates in black and brown communities in Cuyahoga County are staggeringly high. One of the primary reasons for this is poor maternal care during pregnancy. The most common reason cited for missing important pre-natal medical appointments is lack of transportation. This program addresses that issue and also the perception of safety at GCRTA bus stops.

The Baby on Board program began in May 2021. It included the improvement of bus waiting areas and the provision of free RTA bus fare media to clients enrolled in pre-natal programs. The program began in targeted areas of the County but expanded to cover all of Cuyahoga County.

Cuyahoga County staff presenting include the following:

Michele Benko, MS, RD, LD
Supervisor, Maternal & Child Health (MCH) Programs
Population Health Service Area
Cuyahoga County Board of Health

Tatyana Khaled, MBA
Data Analyst
Epidemiology, Surveillance, & Informatics
Cuyahoga County Board of Health

Chiqueita Yarbrough, MBA (She/Her)
Northeast Ohio Neighborhood Health Services Inc.,
Director of Social Services & Special Programs

No action is required from the Committee. This is an informational presentation. Please call me if you have any questions or require additional information prior to Tuesday's meeting.

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RTA ORGANIZATIONAL, SERVICES & PERFORMANCE MONITORING COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Committee Members: Mayor Anthony D. Biasiotta, Chair
Mayor Paul A. Koomar, Vice Chair
Ms. Emily Garr Pacetti
Mr. Jeffrey W. Sleasman
Mayor David E. Weiss
Ms. Lauren R. Welch


- I. Roll Call
- II. Paratransit Update - Update on Paratransit Service. (*Nick Davidson*)
Presenter(s):
 - Nick Davidson, Director, Paratransit District
- III. Adjourn



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From: India L. Birdsong Terry
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Date: February 1, 2024

Subject: Paratransit Update

At the February 6, 2024, Organizational, Services & Performance Monitoring Committee Meeting, Nick Davidson will provide an update on Paratransit Operations.

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RTA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD

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Committee Members: President Charles P. Lucas, Chair
 Mayor Paul A. Koomar, Vice Chair
 Mayor Anthony D. Biasiotta
 Mr. Stephen M. Love
 Ms. Deidre Y. McPherson
 Ms. Calley Mersmann
 Ms. Emily Garr Pacetti
 Mr. Jeffrey W. Sleasman
 Mayor David E. Weiss
 Ms. Lauren R. Welch

- I. Roll Call
- II. Rail Car Update - Update on the Railcar Replacement Program and on a proposed increase to the Consultant Services for Safety and Security Certification for the New Railcar Fleet contract.

Presenter(s):

- Bryan Moore, Railcar Project Lead Manager
- Joe Shaffer, Director, Engineering & Project Development
- Jonathan Laule, Program Contract Manager


- III. Adjourn



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General Manager, Chief Executive Officer 

Date: February 1, 2024

Subject: Update on Railcar Replacement Program and Proposed Change Order to Safety
and Security Certification – New Railcar Fleet Contract

At the February 6, 2024, Committee of the Whole meeting, we will provide our quarterly update on the Railcar Replacement Program. In addition to the Railcar contract, we will provide an overview of each of the other projects and contracts that are part of the overall program.

In addition, we will present a proposed change order to Contract No. 2020-079 with K&J Safety and Security Consulting Services, Inc. to provide additional safety and security certification services related to the new railcar fleet for an additional 14 months and also request reinstatement of the General Manager's change order authority, as authorized under the Delegation of Authority policy. We will be requesting that the Committee of the Whole recommend this request be moved for approval to the February 27, 2024, meeting of the Board of Trustees.

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