RESOLUTION NO. 2019-116

AUTHORIZING GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP IN ENGAGE! CLEVELAND, A NOT FOR PROFIT 501(c)(3) ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO IMPROVING BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COLLABORATION

WHEREAS, Section 306.35(B) of the Ohio Revised Code provides that a regional transit authority may make contracts in the exercise of the rights, powers, and duties conferred upon it; and

WHEREAS, Section 306.35(E) of the Ohio Revised Code provides that a regional transit authority "may fix, alter, and collect fares, rates, and rentals and other charges for the use of transit facilities under its jurisdiction to be determined exclusively by it for the purpose of providing for the payment of the expenses of the regional transit authority...and to fulfill the terms of any agreements made with...any person or political subdivision"; and

WHEREAS, Engage! Cleveland partners professionals and business/community leaders who are passionate about making Cleveland a lasting home for the next generation; and

WHEREAS, Engage! Cleveland's goal is to attract, engage and retain diverse workforce talent to Greater Cleveland by connecting professionals to people, jobs, organizations, workforce development opportunities, volunteerism, and related community events; and

WHEREAS, Engage! Cleveland and its members are uniquely positioned as partners to promote the use, improvement of, and sustainability of public transportation; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Authority to join Engage! Cleveland to participate in its initiatives with other employers and community agencies to attract new talent to the Authority.

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

Section 1. That the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is hereby authorized to join Engage! Cleveland.

Section 2. That the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute agreements and documents necessary to effectuate membership in Engage! Cleveland, and to represent GCRTA and participate in Engage! Cleveland initiatives.

Section 3. Membership dues in the amount of \$4,000.00 per year shall be payable from the General Fund, Human Resources Division budget.

Section 4. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: December 17, 2019

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Interim Secretary-Treasurer

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH ENGAGE! CLEVELAND, AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO IMPROVING BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND	Resolution No.: 2019- 116
	Date: December 12, 2019
COLLABORATION	Initiator: Human Resources
ACTION REQUEST:	
☑ Approval □ Review/Comment □ Information Only □ Other	

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: To authorize the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") to join and participate in Engage! Cleveland, a not for profit 501(c) (3) organization dedicated to improving business and community engagement and collaboration.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: The Authority has the opportunity to join Engage! Cleveland and partner with professionals and business/community leaders who are passionate about making Cleveland a lasting home for the next generation. Engage! Cleveland's goal is to attract, engage and retain diverse workforce talent to Greater Cleveland by connecting professionals to people, jobs, organizations, workforce development opportunities, volunteerism, and related community events. In addition, Engage! Cleveland and its members are uniquely positioned as partners to promote the use, improvement of, and sustainability of public transportation.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: This will support the Authority's vision to be an employer of choice.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: The membership dues in the amount of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) per year shall be payable from the General Fund, Human Resources Division budget.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Not join. If the Authority does not join, it will miss the opportunity to participate in initiatives to attract, engage and retain diverse workforce talent, and partner with individuals and organizations who desire to promote the use, improvement of, and sustainability of public transportation.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that this resolution be approved.
- 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