

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-65

APPROPRIATING THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT
AUTHORITY'S EXPENDITURES OR OUTLAYS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
("FY") 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET

WHEREAS, there are 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 capital improvement program of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") to be paid or met from said revenues, during each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet those requirements, a Capital Improvement Budget for the Authority for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026 ("FY 2026") has been prepared; and

WHEREAS, said budget has been made available for public inspection for at least ten (10) days by having at least two (2) copies thereof on file in the Authority's Office of Management and Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee of the Board of Trustees discussed the proposed FY 2026 Capital Improvement Budget on May 6, 2025 and one public hearing was held on May 6, 2025 with public notice given by publication in the Cleveland Urban News on April 18, 2025 and April 20, 2025, publication in the Cleveland Plain Dealer on April 16, 2025 and April 20, 2025, and (3) postings in the Authority's Main Office Building, at the Customer Service Center in the Tower City Rotunda, on the Authority's social media pages, and on the Authority's website.

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 expenditures or outlays of the RTA Capital and RTA Development Funds during FY 2026 are as indicated below and the amounts to be expended and encumbered in each classification during FY 2026 are hereby set aside and appropriated:

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS

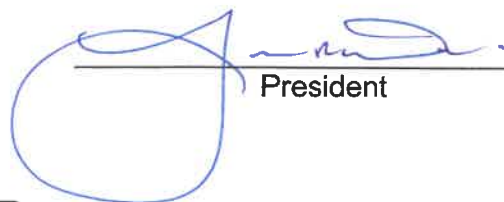
RTA Capital Fund	\$ 4,550,500
RTA Development Fund	<u>163,251,157</u>
Total Capital Appropriation	<u>\$167,801,657</u>

Section 2. That transfers of funds may be made in this capital appropriation budget from one project to another, or from one department to another, or from one line item to another, but not from one fund to another without Board of Trustees approval.

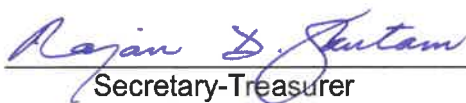
Section 3. That this budget may be amended from time to time in order to appropriate additional capital grant funds that may be received in FY 2026.

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

Adopted: May 20, 2025



President

Attest: 

Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: APPROPRIATING THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY'S EXPENDITURES OR OUTLAYS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET	Resolution No.: 2025-65
	Date: May 15, 2025
	Initiator: Office of Management & Budget
ACTION REQUEST: ☒ Approval ☐ Review/Comment ☐ Information Only ☐ Other _____	

- 1.0 **PURPOSE/SCOPE:** This action will authorize appropriations for Fiscal Year 2026 ("FY 2026") for the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's ("Authority") Capital Improvement Budget covering locally funded and grant-funded projects.
- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** FY 2026 begins January 1, 2026 and ends December 31, 2026. There is a six-month process to incorporate new or revised grant funded capital projects into the Northeast Ohio Area-wide Coordinating Agency's ("NOACA") Transportation Improvement Plan ("TIP") and Ohio's State Transportation Improvement Plan ("STIP") prior to their inclusion in any current and future federal and non-federal grant programs. In order to advance the availability of capital grant funds for the upcoming fiscal year, the development of the FY 2026 Capital Improvement Budget began in September 2024 and involved extensive staff analysis and preparation as well as one meeting of the Board's Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee on May 6, 2025. One public hearing was held on May 6, 2025 to discuss the proposed FY 2026 Capital Improvement Budget. The Capital Improvement Budget proposed for adoption herein represents the Authority's spending plans for capital improvements throughout the transit system in FY 2026.
- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** Does not apply.
- 4.0 **DBE BACKGROUND:** Does not apply.
- 5.0 **POLICY IMPACT:** The FY 2026 Capital Improvement Budget provides for the upkeep of the Authority's existing infrastructure, facilities, equipment, vehicle replacement programs and also provides for the implementation of projects included in the Long-Range Plan.
- 6.0 **ECONOMIC IMPACT:** The proposed FY 2026 Capital Improvement Budget provides the budget authority for the spending of \$167,801,657 for capital improvement projects, of which \$163,251,157 is for the RTA Development Fund and \$4,550,500 is for the RTA Capital Fund.
- 7.0 **ALTERNATIVES:** Modify the proposed FY 2026 Capital Improvement Budget by adding or subtracting expenditures or revenues for specific capital projects, or delay adoption of the proposed Capital Improvement Budget, which would delay the availability of grant funds in the upcoming fiscal year.
- 8.0 **RECOMMENDATION:** The proposed FY 2026 Capital Improvement Budget was reviewed May 6, 2025 by the Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee and is recommended for adoption by the Board of Trustees. It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed FY 2026 Capital Improvement Budget as proposed herein.

9.0 ATTACHMENTS:

- A. 2026 – 2030 Combined Capital Improvement Plan
- B. 2026 – 2030 RTA Development Fund Capital Improvement Plan
- C. 2026 – 2030 RTA Capital Fund Capital Improvement Plan
- D. Capital Improvement Fund Balance Analysis
- E. RTA Development Fund Balance Analysis
- F. RTA Routine Capital 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

2026 - 2030 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

COMBINED BUDGET

PROJECT CATEGORY	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	TOTAL 2026-2030
Bus Garages	\$3,465,000	\$3,950,000	\$250,000	\$2,550,000	\$2,550,000	\$12,765,000
Buses	\$29,989,502	\$24,235,016	\$23,826,750	\$23,826,750	\$23,826,750	\$125,704,768
Equipment & Vehicles	\$16,340,500	\$16,290,000	\$16,354,150	\$5,320,000	\$5,320,000	\$59,624,650
Facilities Improvements	\$36,830,000	\$12,925,000	\$7,985,000	\$19,350,000	\$9,010,000	\$86,100,000
Other Projects	\$18,800,000	\$15,691,576	\$3,191,576	\$3,191,576	\$3,191,576	\$44,066,304
Preventive Maint./Oper. Reimb.	\$2,837,874	\$4,322,249	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$16,144,000	\$37,304,123
Rail Car Program	\$41,063,781	\$29,100,000	\$30,850,000	\$22,902,867	\$6,302,867	\$130,219,515
Rail Projects	\$18,100,000	\$43,575,000	\$19,096,867	\$11,369,000	\$13,025,000	\$105,165,867
Transit Centers	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$1,875,000
TOTALS	\$167,801,657	\$150,463,841	\$108,929,343	\$95,885,193	\$79,745,193	\$602,825,227

Attachment B 2026 - 2030 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND						
PROJECT CATEGORY	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	TOTAL 2026-2030
Bus Garages	\$3,465,000	\$3,950,000	\$250,000	\$2,550,000	\$2,550,000	\$12,765,000
Buses	\$29,989,502	\$24,235,016	\$23,826,750	\$23,826,750	\$23,826,750	\$125,704,768
Equipment & Vehicles	\$14,350,000	\$14,350,000	\$14,350,000	\$3,350,000	\$3,350,000	\$49,750,000
Facilities Improvements	\$34,270,000	\$10,365,000	\$5,425,000	\$16,840,000	\$6,500,000	\$73,400,000
Other Projects	\$18,800,000	\$15,691,576	\$3,191,576	\$3,191,576	\$3,191,576	\$44,066,304
Preventive Maint./Oper. Reimb.	\$2,837,874	\$4,322,249	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$16,144,000	\$37,304,123
Rail Car Program	\$41,063,781	\$29,100,000	\$30,850,000	\$22,902,867	\$6,302,867	\$130,219,515
Rail Projects	\$18,100,000	\$43,575,000	\$19,096,867	\$11,369,000	\$13,025,000	\$105,165,867
Transit Centers	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$375,000	\$1,875,000
TOTALS	\$163,251,157	\$145,963,841	\$104,365,193	\$91,405,193	\$75,265,193	\$580,250,577

Attachment C

2026 - 2030 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN**RTA CAPITAL**

PROJECT CATEGORY	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	TOTAL 2026-2030
Bus Garages	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Buses	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment & Vehicles	\$1,990,500	\$1,940,000	\$2,004,150	\$1,970,000	\$1,970,000	\$9,874,650
Facilities Improvements	\$2,560,000	\$2,560,000	\$2,560,000	\$2,510,000	\$2,510,000	\$12,700,000
Other Projects	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Preventive Maint./Oper. Reimb.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rail Car Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rail Projects	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transit Centers	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTALS	\$4,550,500	\$4,500,000	\$4,564,150	\$4,480,000	\$4,480,000	\$22,574,650

Capital Improvement Fund Balance Analysis

	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Revenues	Budget	Plan	Plan
Federal / State Revenues			
Federal Capital Grants	\$ 102,611,773	\$ 82,547,867	\$ 65,003,000
State Capital Grants	20,000,000	15,000,000	15,000,000
Total Federal / State Revenues	122,611,773	97,547,867	80,003,000
Other Revenue			
Investment Income	1,100,000	1,100,000	1,100,000
Other Revenue	25,000,000	-	-
Total Other Revenue	26,100,000	1,100,000	1,100,000
Transfers			
Transfer from General Fund	20,468,089	24,707,042	26,577,150
Transfer from Reserve Fund	10,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
Total Transfers	30,468,089	29,707,042	31,577,150
Total Revenue	179,179,862	128,354,909	112,680,150
Expenditures			
Capital Outlay			
Capital Outlay - Development Fund	163,251,157	145,963,841	104,365,193
Asset Maintenance	2,560,000	2,560,000	2,560,000
Routine Capital	1,990,500	1,940,000	2,004,150
Total Capital Outlay	167,801,657	150,463,841	108,929,343
Total Expenditures	167,801,657	150,463,841	108,929,343
Excess/(Deficiency) of Total Revenues over Total Expendi	11,378,205	(22,108,932)	3,750,807
Beginning Balance	184,020,501	195,398,706	173,289,774
Projected Ending Balance	\$ 195,398,706	\$ 173,289,774	\$ 177,040,581

RTA Development Fund Balance Analysis

	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Revenues	Budget	Plan	Plan
Federal / State Revenues			
Federal Capital Grants	\$ 102,611,773	\$ 82,547,867	\$ 65,003,000
State Capital Grants	20,000,000	15,000,000	15,000,000
Total Federal / State Revenues	122,611,773	97,547,867	80,003,000
Other Revenue			
Investment Income	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Other Revenue	25,000,000	-	-
Total Other Revenue	26,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Transfers			
Transfer from RTA Routine Capital Fund	16,000,000	21,000,000	22,000,000
Transfer from Reserve Fund	10,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
Total Transfers	26,000,000	26,000,000	27,000,000
Total Revenue	174,611,773	124,547,867	108,003,000
Expenditures			
Capital Outlay			
Capital Outlay - Development Fund	163,251,157	145,963,841	104,365,193
Total Capital Outlay	163,251,157	145,963,841	104,365,193
Total Expenditures	163,251,157	145,963,841	104,365,193
Excess/(Deficiency) of Total Revenues over Total Expendi	11,360,616	(21,415,974)	3,637,807
Beginning Balance	178,991,826	190,352,442	168,936,468
Projected Ending Balance	\$ 190,352,442	\$ 168,936,468	\$ 172,574,275

RTA Routine Capital Balance Analysis

	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
	Budget	Plan	Plan
Revenues			
Investment Income	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Transfer from General Fund	20,468,089	24,707,042	26,577,150
Total Revenue	20,568,089	24,807,042	26,677,150
Expenditures			
Capital Outlay			
Asset Maintenance	2,560,000	2,560,000	2,560,000
Routine Capital	1,990,500	1,940,000	2,004,150
Total Capital Outlay	4,550,500	4,500,000	4,564,150
Other Capital Expenditures			
Transfer to RTA Development Fund	16,000,000	21,000,000	22,000,000
Total Other Capital Expenditures	16,000,000	21,000,000	22,000,000
Total Expenditures	20,550,500	25,500,000	26,564,150
Excess/(Deficiency) of Total Revenues over Total Expenditures	17,589	(692,958)	113,000
Beginning Balance	5,028,675	5,046,264	4,353,306
Projected Ending Balance	\$ 5,046,264	\$ 4,353,306	\$ 4,466,306