

# Procurement of 35ft Trolleys

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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority



## Procurement of 35-foot Trolleys

- Allows for the purchase of up to 8 Trolleys
- Funding has been identified (ODOT to fund 4)
- Includes spare parts and training
- Clean diesel propulsion
- Delivery before RNC
- Option to purchase up to 14 additional over the next 5 years

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- RTA currently operates 17, 30-Foot Trolleys
  - 11 original units purchased in 2006
  - 6 retrofitted 2004 community circulator buses
    - Reached end of useful life
    - Less than the picture of reliability
    - One door operation is inefficient

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- Advertisement
  - RFP Advertised on January 12, 2015
  - RFP downloaded by (18) interested parties
- Evaluation Panel Members
  - Fleet Management
  - Procurement

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- Evaluation Criteria
  - Product Design and Performance
  - Manufacturer's Reputation & Performance
  - Delivery
  - Cost

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## Recommended Vendor:

- Gillig LLC  
Haywood, California

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## ○ Strengths and Experience

- These Trolleys share the same advantages as the Gillig 40ft CNG coaches currently being delivered:
  - lighter weight chassis
  - stainless steel & aluminum structure
  - low repair cost, stable ownership
  - highly regarded customer support
- Common parts inventory and mechanic/operator training.

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- Current Gillig Trolley Customers:
  - Valley Transit – 12 Trolley Coaches
  - Rhode Island PTA – 10 Trolley Coaches
  - Suncoast Transit – 10 Trolley Coaches
  - Knoxville Area Transit – 7 Trolley Coaches
  - Manatee Area Transit – 5 Trolley Coaches
  - Erie Metro Transit – 6 Trolley Coaches

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- Delivery of the first eight (8) Trolley coaches completed by May 15, 2016
- Delivery of up to eleven (11) Trolley coaches probable in 2018

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- Recommended vendor:
  - Staff is currently in negotiations and plans to bring their award recommendation to the Board of Trustees at the April 21, 2015 meeting.