

# GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

RED LINE GREENWAY  
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT  
AND

EASEMENT AGREEMENT

AUDIT, SAFETY COMPLIANCE & REAL ESTATE  
COMMITTEE

JANUARY 8, 2019

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority



# RED LINE GREENWAY AGREEMENT

- Agreement formalizes the property interests necessary for Metroparks to construct, operate, maintain and secure the RLG.
- Creates shared and non-shared trail easement areas.
- Agreement allows for compliance with TIGER Grant requirements and project timetable.
- Additional agreements will follow.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Perpetual surface easements for use as multi-use trail with safe access points to the trail.
- All users subject to Metroparks Regulations.
- Easement areas: 6.33 acres surface, 0.35 acres aerial on Viaduct along a 2.3 mile trail.
- GCRTA will retain ownership of all land.
- Metroparks will design, construct, manage, maintain and secure greenway in perpetuity.



# FUNDING

- Metroparks secured TIGER Grant for \$8,000,000 for various trail projects including the RLG.
- Additional \$8,500,000 by Metroparks for connections, park improvements and bridges.
- GCRTA supports the project contributing staff, professional assets and use of RTA property.

# Justification

- Defines property rights going forward
- Allows final design of RLG to be completed
- Compliance with TIGER Grant requirements
- Allows construction pricing to commence
- Additional agreements will define operating procedures, risk management requirements and safety protocol.

# COLLABORATION

- Principals: GCRTA and Metroparks
- Additional land and easements from: City of Cleveland, ODOT, private property owners.  
90% of the RLG project is on RTA property.
- Funding Sources: USDOT, Metroparks, ODNR, NOACA and GCRTA (in kind).



## PUBLIC SAFETY

- Trail is fully fenced with controlled and gated access points.
- Trail proximity to GCRTA tracks: Varies from 18' at closest point and 120' at furthest.
- Width of paved pathway trail averages 10'.
- With minor exceptions, GCRTA's service road is segregated from RLG pathway and access.
- Metroparks responsible for all safety/security.



# RLG PERSPECTIVE



Existing



Proposed

Rendering provided by Vocon



# RECOMMENDATION

- Staff recommends the Audit, Safety Compliance and Real Estate Committee approval of the Project Development and Easement Agreement with Metroparks for the Red Line Greenway and referral to the full Board of Trustees for action

Questions?

