RTA Annual Meeting,
Committees and
Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, March 29, 2022
Annual Meeting
Chair: Rev. Charles P. Lucas
Committee of the Whole

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Public Square Collaboration with the Group Plan Commission

Committee of the Whole
March 29, 2022
Public Square Overview

• The perimeter and internal roadways were reconstructed by GCRTA as part of the HealthLine project in 2006.
• Superior Avenue was reconstructed by the Group Plan Commission as part of the Public Square Reconstruction in 2016.
• In 2017 temporary barriers and planters were placed in the square to mitigate safety and security concerns and remain in place today.
Public Square Significant Transit Use
Public Square Existing Condition
Public Square Existing Conditions
TIMELINE

- SQUARE OPENED JUNE 30, 2016 AFTER 15 MONTH (AND 16 YEAR) PROCESS
- SUPERIOR REMAINED CLOSED FOR CONTINUITY BEFORE, DURING + AFTER RNC
- POSITIVE FEEDBACK KEPT SUPERIOR CLOSED
- DISCUSSIONS ENSUED
- BARRIERS + TEMPORARY MEASURES PLACED IN THE SQUARE MARCH 2017
- MARCH 2017, TEAM CALLED TO MAYOR'S OFFICE
- MARCH 2017-JAN 2022 PROPOSAL WAS PRESENTED TO MAYOR, HOMELAND SECURITY, TRAFFIC, CITY DEPARTMENTS, FUNDERS, STAKEHOLDERS, TEAM REENGAGED BY GPC
- POST ELECTION, ENGAGED FOR INPUT
- JAN 2022-TODAY DISCUSSIONS ABOUT NEXT STEPS
LEGISTLATION
CONTRACT UPDATES
  DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT
  BERTOVICH
  DONLEY'S + OSBORN (JFCO)
BUDGET REVIEW/VALUE MANAGEMENT (VE)
DESIGN + ENGINEERING – UPDATED DRAWINGS*
UTILITY COORDINATION
SITE COORDINATION
SCOPE PRIORITIES
  SUPERIOR BOLLARD + CURB (REMOVABLE NOT RETRACTABLE)
  SUPERIOR HARDSCAPE REPAIR
  RAPTOR INSTALL
  ALL OTHER ENTRIES
  HARD + SOFT COSTS
FUNDRAISING + FUNDRAISING MATERIALS
ASSUMPTIONS: DESIGN, BIKES, TIMELINE, 24>26
*ORIGINAL DRAWINGS DONE AS A MEANS TO CONVEY CONCEPTS AND WERE NOT UPDATED REGULARLY AS FUNDING WAS NOT AVAILABLE
PROPOSED
BARRIER REMOVAL
SIGNAL REMOVAL + REPLACEMENT
CROSSWALK REMOVAL + REPLACEMENT
AND
NEXT STEPS
Audit, Safety Compliance & Real Estate Committee
Chair: Karen Gabriel Moss
Public Comments – Agenda Items

• In person

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Committee Reports

Ad Hoc Committee Reports
March 2022 New Hires

Malik Bacon
Operator

Lauren Bell
Hostler

Reginald Black
Hostler

Ashile Burks
Operator

Kameron Clipps-Shelton
Operator

Erica Curry
Operator

Gary Echols
Operator

Erik Ferrell
Hostler

Destie Fred Del-Valle
Transit Police Officer

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
March 2022 New Hires

Jacob Gorbey
Transit Police Officer

Stanford Hicks
Operator

Cesar Irizarry III
Transit Police Officer

Tenisha Jones
Operator

Andrae Kincaid
Operator

Toby Lesofski
Operator

Sowan Lockridge
Operator

Valerie McDowell
Operator

Isaiah Mitchell
Operator

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
March 2022 New Hires

Bossawn Wagner
Operator

Laquita Watson
Operator

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
March 2022 Promotions

SheaRon Daniels
District Business Analyst

Margaret Swetel
Contract Administrator

Darren Garlock
Staff Auditor

John Tiell
Lead Maintenance Planner

Samantha Harper
Supervisor – Tower Control

James Waken
Lead Maintenance Planner

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
March 2022 Transit Police Promotions

From Left to Right (shown with Chief Deirdre Jones):
Deputy Chief Michael Gettings
Sergeant Clay Saylor
Commander Robert Flachbart
Commander Orlando Hudson
Commander Ronald Darden

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
Resolutions
Economic Conditions

Unemployment Rate (%)

Percentage

0 5 10 15 20 25


Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority

Cuyahoga County Ohio US
Ridership

YTD Ridership
Through February
(in millions)
Feb 2019: 5.03
Feb 2020: 4.79
Feb 2021: 2.25
Feb 2022: 2.51
Passenger Fares

Passenger Fares
2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022

YTD Variance
(2022 v. 2021)
57.2%

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority

10.1% 106.5%
Sales Tax

Sales & Use Tax
2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022

YTD through March:
Motor vehicles/water craft
+26.6%
On-Line sales
+38.8%
Regular/State wide sales
+18.7%
Questions
APTA Racial Equity Commitment Program
RTA is one of 30 transit authorities signatory to participate in a 2-year pilot program. This program is designed to assist APTA members with a tangible roadmap to advance racial equity in a DEI framework. This pilot is set to begin in May 2022.
On Thursday, March 24, 2022, GCRTA welcomed an in-person gathering of newly-elected officials and designees (Council Members, Mayors, and Ohio Representatives) to share and discuss how GCRTA connects their communities.

- CEO India Birdsong provided an overview of the organization and outlook for future endeavors.
- GCRTA staff was on hand for “rapid fire” information sessions to highlight specific items by topic.
- Each participant received an RTA 101 Booklet.
GCRTA Awarded a $4 Million Grant

• U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH) announced on March 11, 2022, that the U.S. Department of Transportation’s (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has awarded five Buses and Bus Facilities Grants totaling $32,639,029 to Transit Authorities across Ohio.

• A grant of $4,000,000 was awarded to the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA).

• That grant money along with additional funds will be used to replace the nearly 200,000 square-foot Hayden District garage roof, where our buses are stored adjacent to the Louis Stokes/Windermere Rapid Station in East Cleveland.

• Receiving the grant will allow GCRTA to bid the project later this year and complete the new roof construction in 2023.
Delivery Update
New 40’ Gillig CNG Transit Bus
Delivery Update

• 20 buses are delivered
• Post Delivery Process underway
• Service Phase-in to start over next 30 days
Purchase Update

Features
• Powered Compressed Natural Gas
• Passenger Information System
  • Next Stop, RTA Info, Safety Alerts and Camera Views
• Telematics – Realtime Maintenance Diagnostics
• 4k Security Camera System (360°)
• Contoured Plastic Seats
• Vented tip-in windows
Contoured Plastic Seats
ADA Station
Tip-in Windows
360° Camera
Driver Shield
Passenger Info

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
2021 Annual Report Video

https://youtu.be/kT_xU1FUFtg
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