Proposed Change to Service Availability Standard

Operational Planning & Infrastructure Committee

RTA Board of Trustees

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Our Current Service Availability Standard

- "Route coverage and spacing should be based on demonstrated need or potential demand (ridership)"
- This language has been RTA Board policy since 1990
- During a Nov. 2017 Title VI review, FTA determined that a more specific Service Availability Standard is required to be adopted no later than March 2018
- Staff consulted further with FTA and drafted a revised standard for Board consideration



Our Revised Draft Availability Standard

- "Transit service availability is critical for providing access to opportunities, especially jobs.
- "Ideally, 365-day bus or rapid transit service should be located near every Cuyahoga County resident.
- "Resource limitations and low-density settlement patterns currently preclude realization of the ideal.
- "RTA will provide 365-day public transit service within ¾ mile of at least 60% of county residents."



Next Steps

- Receive comments from Board members
- Present to CAC March 8 and receive comments
- Review all comments, consult FTA again if needed
- Build final language into resolution for consideration by the RTA Board at its March 27 meeting

Questions?

