RESOLUTION NO. 2025-43

PERMANENT EASEMENT GRANTED TO THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY ("CEI") FOR THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC AND COMMUNICATIONS CABLES

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") owns a parcel of land located at Canal Road in the City of Cleveland, identified by permanent parcel number 101-31-024 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Bedrock Cleveland ("Bedrock") and the City of Cleveland have partnered in the creation of a unique and dynamic 35-acre transit-oriented development in Downtown Cleveland along the banks of the Cuyahoga River located near the Property and other Authority assets (the "Riverfront Development"), benefiting the Authority through enhanced connections to transit service in Public Square and Tower City, enhanced connections between Tower City Station and the Riverfront Development, upgraded streetscapes that provide space and amenities for transit waiting environments, and incorporating a redeveloped Tower City Walkway; and

WHEREAS, Bedrock and Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company ("CEI") have requested that the Authority grant CEI a permanent subsurface utility easement across the Property to relocate existing utility lines located on the underside of the Eagle Avenue Bridge adjacent to the Property; and

WHEREAS, the proposed utility easement is consistent with the real estate policies of the Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

Section 1. That the General Manager, Chief Executive Officer is hereby authorized to execute a permanent Utility Easement Agreement granting CEI an easement of approximately 2,871 square feet for the installation and maintenance of underground electric lines, communication lines and conduit across the Property.

Section 2. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: MARCH 18, 2025

President

Attest:

Secretary-Treasure

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Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION:				Resolution No.: 2025-43
DISPOSITION: PERMANENT EASEMENT FOR THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC			Date: March 13, 2025	
	AND COMMUNICATIONS CABLES			Initiator: Engineering & Project Management
GRANTEE:	THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY ("CEI")			
TERM:	PERMANENT			
ACTION REQUEST:				
⊠ Approval	Review/Comment	Information Only	Other	

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This resolution authorizes the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") to grant a permanent, subsurface easement to The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company ("CEI") across Authority owned real property for the installation and maintenance of underground electric and communications cables. The purpose of this easement is to allow CEI to relocate existing utility lines that currently cross Authority property.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: Relocation of these utility lines is a small part of the massive, multi-billion-dollar development of the Cuyahoga Riverfront by Bedrock Cleveland. In partnership with the City of Cleveland, Bedrock is developing a 35-acre transit-oriented neighborhood in downtown Cleveland along the banks of the Cuyahoga River.

The utility lines are currently housed within the underside of the Eagle Avenue Bridge, which must be demolished as part of the overall riverfront development. Accordingly, the utility lines must be relocated from the bridge to an underground installation across Authority property.

- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: The grant of the proposed utility easement is consistent with the real estate policies of the Authority.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: The Authority will not incur any costs for this project, and there will be no wear and tear to the Authority's real property or facilities.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: The Authority can decline to approve the utility easement. This would require Bedrock and CEI to redesign the installation resulting in substantial delay and expense for Bedrock.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of the proposed permanent utility easement.

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9.0 ATTACHMENTS: A. Survey

Recommended and certified as appropriate to the availability of funds, legal form and conformance with the Procurement requirements.

General Manager, Chief Executive Officer



