## **RESOLUTION NO. 1996 - 124**

## ESTABLISHING A POLICY GOVERNING THE SALE OF FOOD AND BEVERAGES AT RTA FACILITIES

WHEREAS, the Authority operates and maintains a variety of transit facilities through the Greater Cleveland area; and

WHEREAS, the Authority wishes to regulate how food and beverage items are sold at RTA facilities in a consistent manner through the entire RTA system.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. A formal policy is necessary to insure the balance of desires of RTA to provide customer amenities and generation of income with the increased maintenance and safety responsibilities created by such activities.

Section 2. That a copy of said policy is attached hereto and shall become a part of this resolution as if fully rewritten herein.

Section 3. The adoption of this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ATTACHMENT A - GCRTA Policy Governing the Sale of Food and Beverages at RTA Facilities

Adopted: September 17, 1996

President

Attest:

General Manager/Sec -Treas

## PROPOSED POLICY GOVERNING THE SALE OF FOOD AND BEVERAGES AT RTA FACILITIES

This policy governs the sale of food and beverages at RTA facilities. It includes all present and future bus and rail passenger facilities such as rapid transit stations, park-n-ride lots and transit centers.

The purpose of this policy is to regulate how food and beverage items are sold at RTA facilities in a consistent manner throughout the entire RTA system, regardless of mode. Additionally, its purpose extends to balancing the desires of RTA to provide customer amenities and generation of income with the increased maintenance and safety responsibilities created by such activities.

The sale of food and beverages at RTA facilities will be governed by the following policy:

- 1) The sale of food and beverages to the general public will only be allowed from lunch counters, restaurants or food service areas inside the facility that are part of the RTA structure.
- 2) The sale of food and beverages from vending machines will be permitted at operating facilities for employee usage. Vending machines will not be permitted at rail stations. The installation of vending machines at other passenger facilities will be permitted on a case-by-case basis.
- 3) All lessees and/or licensees of RTA facilities which operate as a food service must post signs at the point of vending or cash register and exit door(s) that the consumption of food and beverages on RTA vehicles or within posted areas of passenger facilities is prohibited by law.
- 4) The sale of carry-out food items will be discouraged through the Request-for-Proposals for these facilities as well as in leases/licenses to operators/concessionaires.
- 5) The sale of food and beverages to the general public from mobile cars, vans, wagons, movable stands, etc. at RTA passenger facilities is prohibited.
- 6) This policy shall apply to all existing RTA facilities upon the expiration of current leases/licenses as well as to all new facilities.

The policy/law prohibiting the consumption of food and beverage on RTA vehicles, 0.R.C. 291.7.41, and its enforcement in posted areas, is unchanged by this policy.