

RESOLUTION NO. 2000 – 181

AUTHORIZING AN INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT WITH SEVERAL AREA PUBLIC SECTOR AND QUASI-PUBLIC SECTOR AGENCIES TO PARTICIPATE IN A MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL DISPARITY STUDY FOR CUYAHOGA COUNTY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000 (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND)

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation has established a program for the establishment of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation goals on Federally-funded transit procurements; and

WHEREAS, said program does not apply to locally funded procurements; and

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to continue to establish Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goals on procurements that utilize local funds; and

WHEREAS, to legally establish goals on locally funded contracts or purchases the Authority must demonstrate that DBEs have suffered discrimination by the Authority, other governments and/or private businesses in the marketplace; and

WHEREAS, a statistical analysis must be conducted to provide empirical data to define patterns of discrimination as a basis for setting DBE goals; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Administrator's Office has taken the lead in investigating, identifying and securing the services necessary to conduct a Disparity Study for the Cuyahoga County area to determine if inequality exists in such contracting practices; and

WHEREAS, the City Of Cleveland, Cleveland-Cuyahoga Port Authority, Cleveland Municipal School District, Cuyahoga Community College District, and the Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority have also expressed an interest in participating in the Study through an Interagency Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Administrator's Office has received proposals for a Multi-Jurisdictional Disparity Study and related services for a total of nine hundred ninety-eight thousand five hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$998,500); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the proposed Interagency Agreement, the Authority's proportional share is an amount not to exceed two hundred thousand & 00/100 (\$200,000); and

WHEREAS, the General Manager deems the participation to be most advantageous to the Authority, price and all other factors considered and recommends acceptance thereof by the Board of Trustees.

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 of the Authority be and he hereby is authorized to participate in a Multi-Jurisdictional Disparity Study for the Cuyahoga County area and enter into an Interagency Agreement therefor.

Section 2. That the Study services to be rendered shall be in accordance with said Agreement.

Section 3. The payment of the Authority's proportionate share of the Multi-Jurisdictional Disparity Study will be made from the Authority's fiscal year 2001 budget from the RTA Development Fund in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00.

Section 4. That said contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent upon acceptance by the General Manager of the terms and conditions and scope of work as defined in the Interagency Agreement; funding for future years; and all applicable laws relating to the contractual obligations of the Authority.

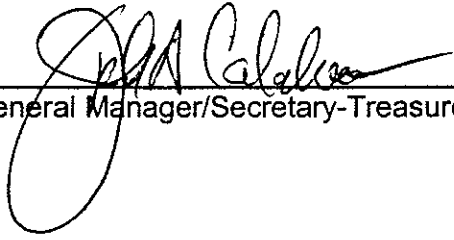
Section 5. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: December 19, 2000

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President



Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

  
General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer