RESOLUTION NO. 2004 - 158

AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF GRANT APPLICATIONS WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR GRANTS TO PROVIDE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR GCRTA'S 2005 GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to make grants for mass transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the contracts for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, including the provision by it of the local share of project costs.

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/Secretary-Treasurer of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is hereby authorized to file and execute grant applications on behalf of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority with the U. S. Department of Transportation for financial assistance (including by transfer of highway funds) under all transportation funding programs, including the following:

Section 5307 Section 5309 Section 3037

Section 2. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is authorized to furnish such additional information as the U. S. Department of Transportation may require in connection with the applications or the projects.

Section 3. That, the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is authorized to accept the Federal funds from the Federal Transit Administration, received pursuant to grants for which these applications are made, and to expend such funds.

Section 4. That, in the absence of the General Manager, the Acting General Manager of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is hereby authorized to perform any or all of the above-described functions.

Section 6. That this resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

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Adopted:	December	21	,2004	_ / J Mix III		
				President		

Attest: CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS



TITLE/DESCRIPTION: AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF GRANT APPLICATIONS WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR GRANTS TO PROVIDE	Resolution No.: 2004-158 Date: December 16, 2004	
FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR GCRTA'S CY 2005 GRANT PROGRAM.		
	Initiator: Finance & Administration	
Agtion Request:		
Approval Review/Comment Information Only Other		

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to submit grant applications to, and execute grant agreements with the Federal Transit Administration for GCRTA's CY 2005 Grant Program.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: As a component of the CY 2005 budget development process, the Authority has developed a grant program to receive grant funds for Federal Fiscal year 2005. GCRTA will seek Federal Funding for capital assistance. Capital projects have been identified for formula and discretionary funds based on reasonable expectation of FFY 2005 Program funds. The 2005 Grant Program reflects discretionary earmarks for specific projects as provided in approved legislation. Specific earmarks have been authorized for East Side Transit Center (\$500,000), Brooklyn Facility Modifications for Paratransit District/Senior Call Center (\$2,000,000), ECTP (\$25,000,000), and Job Access (\$750,000).

The final budget has not been implemented on the Federal level. Once appropriations and allocations are published in the Federal Register, GCRTA's FFY 2005 Grant Program will be finalized. Projects contained in the Grant Program are taken directly from the CY 2005 Capital Improvement Plan.

- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/DBE BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: This action is consistent with Board Policy to take advantage of all available State and Federal Grant programs for capital improvements, including State of Ohio public transportation grants and Federal Highway Administration Programs as well as the programs of the Federal Transit Administration.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT:

	<u>Total</u>	Federal	Local
Section 5307 (formula)	\$27,206,619	\$21,765,295	\$5,441,324
Section 5307 (CMAQ)	4,500,000	3,600,000	900,000
Section 5309 (rail)	15,964,826	12,771,861	3,192,965
Section 5309 (bus)	3,125,000	2,500,000	625,000
Section 5309 (new start)	31,250,000	25,000,000	6,250,000
Section 3037 (Job Access)	1,500,000	750,000	750,000
Total	\$83,546,445	\$66,387,156	\$17,159,289

- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Do Not Submit Grant Applications This would not allow the Authority to utilize Federal funding available to the Cleveland Urbanized Area for transportation improvements.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Resolution for Federal financial assistance be approved.
- 9.0 ATTACHMENTS:

CY 2005 Grant Program

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

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer