

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-113

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO ENTER INTO LPA FEDERAL LOCAL-LET PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE WESTLAKE PARK-N-RIDE LOT.

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority controls, maintains, and operates the Park-n-Ride lot in Westlake; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation has budgeted funds in PID Number 78840 to assist in the expansion of this lot as a traffic mitigation measure for the upcoming Innerbelt construction project; and

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

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation will allow GCRTA to implement the design and construction of this project as a (LPA) Federal Local Let Project; and

WHEREAS, the expansion of the Westlake Park-n-Ride Lot will benefit the passengers and operations of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit 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 is hereby authorized to enter into the LPA Federal Local-Let project Agreement for the expansion of the Westlake Park-n-Ride Lot.

Section 2: That the Ohio Department of Transportation will fund the project for the activities and amount specified in Funding Plan of Attachment 2.

Section 3: That, the General Manager/Secretary Treasurer of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is authorized to accept the Federal funds received pursuant to the grant for which this application was made, and to expend such funds.

Section 4: That the Agreement is consistent with all local and federal regulations and statutes and will be implemented accordingly.

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Section 5: That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Attachments: LPA Agreement  
Funding Plan

Adopted: June 20, 2006

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President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority  
**STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS**

<p><b>TITLE/DESCRIPTION:</b> AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO ENTER INTO LPA FEDERAL LOCAL-LET PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE WESTLAKE PARK-N-RIDE LOT.</p>	<p><b>Resolution No.:</b> 2006-113</p> <hr/> <p><b>Date:</b> June 15, 2006</p> <hr/> <p><b>Initiator:</b> Programming &amp; Planning</p>
<p><b>ACTION REQUEST:</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Approval            <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment            <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only            <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p>	

- 1.0 **PURPOSE/SCOPE:** The purpose of this resolution is to authorize the General Manager to sign the agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to fund the design and construction of the Westlake Park-n-Ride Lot expansion. Under this Agreement, GCRTA will be responsible for the design, construction and management of the expansion project. The expansion will increase capacity of the existing lot from 550 parking spaces to approximately 800 parking spaces depending upon the amount of land acquired.
- 2.0 **DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:** ODOT has been engaged in planning for the reconstruction of the Innerbelt for several years. During this planning process, ODOT has identified traffic mitigation measures required to maintain traffic flow during this multi-year construction process. The expansion of the park-n-ride lots at Strongsville, North Olmsted, and Westlake are included in the ODOT budget for traffic mitigation. The same Agreement was approved last year for the Strongsville and North Olmsted Park-n-Ride lot expansions. The Westlake Park-n-Ride Lot expansion will be funded from the State Fiscal Year 2007 budget that begins on July 1, 2006.
- 3.0 **PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:** Does Not Apply.
- 4.0 **DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND:** Per Section 10.3 of the Agreements, ODOT shall supply the percentage goal to the LPA upon review of the Engineer's Estimate.
- 5.0 **POLICY IMPACT:** The completion of the Transit Center/Park-n-Ride Lot network is the first strategic objective of the Long Range Plan. The expansion of these Park-n-Ride lots is a vital component of this project and entirely consistent with GCRTA's service and development objectives. The expansion is included in the 2006 Capital Budget.
- 6.0 **ECONOMIC IMPACT:** This project will be funded through the RTA Development Fund, Programming and Planning Department Budget. The capital cost of the Westlake Park-n-Ride Lot Expansion Project is estimated to be \$2,250,000. ODOT shall provide 80% of the total to a maximum of \$1,800,000.
- 7.0 **ALTERNATIVES:** The expansion of the Westlake Park-n-Ride lot will add capacity to this facility enhancing GCRTA ridership. The expansion would also mitigate traffic during innerbelt construction. ODOT has decided to allow GCRTA to implement the design and construction of this facility. If this resolution is not passed, GCRTA would not receive the federal funding for the project and indefinitely delay the expansion of this park-n-ride lot until funds could be secured.
- 8.0 **RECOMMENDATION:** GCRTA staff recommends that the resolution be approved to proceed with the design and construction of the expansion of Westlake Park-n-Ride Lot.

9.0 ATTACHMENTS: None

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

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CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer