RESOLUTION NO. 2006-150

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH MURASE STUDIO (ARTIST SCOTT MURASE) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.00 FOR PUBLIC ARTWORK ASSOCIATED WITH THE EUCLID CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECT (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, EUCLID CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA) has proposed the design, fabrication and installation of an independent artwork for the Euclid Corridor Transportation Project (ECTP) located between Sterns Road and East Boulevard in the medians along Euclid Avenue in Cleveland; and

WHEREAS, the GCRTA conducted a Call to Artists competitive selection process resulting in the selection of the MURASE STUDIO (ARTIST); and

WHEREAS, ARTIST will execute the management of the art contract to carry out scope of work, and construction coordination with ECTP Contracts C-04 and C-05B as required in the agreement and in accordance with the construction schedule for final art installation; and

WHEREAS, the sum of all the costs, expenses related to design, fabrication and installation for a total price not to exceed two hundred fifty thousand & 00/100 dollars (\$250,000.00).

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 Authority be and he is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with ARTIST Scott Murase of MURASE STUDIO to design, fabricate and install artwork at said location at a price not to exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00).

Section 2. That said contract shall be payable from the RTA Development Fund, Euclid Corridor Transportation Project Department Budget, including but not limited to Capital Grant OH-03-0247-02 in the amount of \$50,000.00 and Capital Grant OH-03-0001 in the amount of \$200,000.00 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 (\$200,000.00 in Federal funds which represents 80% of the total cost.) This contract is contingent upon FTA approval and release of Federal Funds.

Section 3. That contract shall be binding upon and an obligation of the Authority contingent on all Arts in Transit policies and federal requirements, and if any, the Affirmative Action Plan adopted by the Board of Trustees in Resolution 2006-077, insurance requirements and all applicable laws relating to contractual obligations of the Authority.

Section 4. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: August 15, 2006	
	President
Attest:	
CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treas	urer



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH MURASE STUDIO (ARTIST SCOTT	Resolution No.: 2006-150	
MURASE) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.00 FOR PUBLIC ARTWORK ASSOCIATED WITH THE EUCLID CORRIDOR	Date: August 10, 2006	
TRANSPORTATION PROJECT (RTA DEVELOPMENT FUND, EUCLID CORRIDOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECT DEPARTMENT BUDGET)	Initiator: Euclid Corridor Transportation Project	
ACTION REQUEST:		
Approval Review/Comment Information Only Other		

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to enter into a contract with Murase Studio for a public art installation to be located between Stearns Road and East Boulevard in the median along Euclid Avenue.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: This contract will allow GCRTA to fund a sandstone wall and mound landscape within the University Circle medians between Sterns Road and East Boulevard. The landscape architecture will be created with a universal and serpentine form to capture its contrasting materials and positions as a zen-like approach to create a tranquil presence. The wall will include steel foundations to bring a more modern approach to the artwork as it connects the University Circle's current classical environment. The artwork is part of the Euclid Corridor Transportation Project's design improvement plan to install independent and integrated artwork within the newly streetscape and landscape corridor.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: This contract included a competitive process with a Call to Artist announcement being advertised to solicit artists to submit proposals for review and evaluation by the Arts and Transit/RTA Selection Committee. The Committee selected Murase Studio as the top submission based on its best use of space and art contribution to the area. Award amount was determined to be fair and reasonable to the Authority and commensurate with other art projects of its size and scale.
- 4.0 DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND: The Office of Business Development does not conduct Affirmative Action reviews or establish goals on procurements involving the Arts in Transit Program.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Does not apply.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This contract will be funded through the RTA Development Fund, Euclid Corridor Transportation Project Department budget, including but not limited to Capital Grant OH-03-0247-02 line item13.92.04 in the amount of \$50,000.00 and Capital Grant OH-03-0001 line item 13.92.04 in the amount of \$200,000.00 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 (\$200,000.00 in Federal funds which represents 80% of the total cost.) This contract is contingent upon FTA approval and release of Federal Funds.

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- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Call to Artist announcements would have to be re-advertised causing delays in schedule and costs where foundations and electrical conduit placements from C-04 and C-05B contractors would be coordinated.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: The public artwork was reviewed and approved by the Board of Trustees Planning and Development Committee at their May 2, 2006 meeting and recommended to the Board for approval. Staff recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the resolution to authorize funding award for the development of artwork.
- 9.0 ATTACHMENTS: None.

Recommended	d and	certified	as	appropriate	to	the
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CEO, (General	Manager/	Secr	etary-Treasur	er	