## RESOLUTION NO. 2011-29

## ADOPTING THE STRATEGIC CAPITAL PLAN OF THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, in April 1993, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority adopted Transit 2010, the Authority's first Long Range Plan; and

WHEREAS, in December 2004, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority adopted an update of that plan; and

WHEREAS, in September 2008, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority awarded a contract for a Strategic Plan update of the Long Range Plan; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority to perform periodic review and update of its planning document to anticipate and respond to the transportation needs of the Greater Cleveland community; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Capital Plan is the product of data analysis, regional trend analysis and engagement of transit officials, committees, internal RTA staff, RTA Board Committee, and the general public, and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Capital Plan provides a realistic vision of the future transit system based upon the trends of the State of Ohio, the Northeast Ohio region, Cuyahoga County, the City of Cleveland, travel trends for the state, region and county; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Capital Plan will help to expand mobility options for residents and visitors of Cuyahoga County by improving access within Greater Cleveland's employment, entertainment, tourist, recreational, and residential areas and will promote more efficient use of land and energy resources; and

WHEREAS, implementing the coordination of long-term, multi-modal improvements to the region's public transit system will help meet clean air mandates and quantifiable benefits to the region's economy; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Capital Plan will guide the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit authority in maximizing the priority of its capital projects leveraging the most benefits to the greatest number of passengers in the most cost-effective manner possible; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Capital Plan reflects the vision of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

Section 1. That the Strategic Capital Plan be adopted and serve as a conceptual guide for short and longer term public transit plans and improvements in Cuyahoga County.

Section 2. That the appropriate project elements of the Strategic Capital Plan be incorporated into the transit element of the region's long range transportation plan maintained by NOACA, the region's Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Section 3. That the Strategic Capital Plan shall continue to receive reviews and updates in order to continue to reflect the Authority's priorities and fiscal condition to continue to meet the changing travel needs of Cuyahoga County's citizens and visitors.

Section 4. That the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to take those steps necessary to carry out the implementation of projects outlined in the Strategic Capital Plan, subject to budgetary appropriations and authorizations required by the Board of Trustees.

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

Adopted: March 22, 2011

President

Attest:

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



## Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: ADOPTING THE STRATEGIC CAPITAL PLAN	Resolution No.: 2011-29
	Date: March 17, 2011
	Initiator: Programming and Planning
ACTION REQUEST:	
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- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow adoption of the Strategic Capital Plan, which updates the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority's Long Range Plan.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: A contract to complete the Strategic Capital Plan was awarded by the Board in September 2008. The purpose of this plan is to update the existing Long Range Plan originally adopted by the Board of Trustees in April 1993 and then updated in December 2004. The existing economic and demographic realities of the service area is the foundation of this plan, which sets forth a priority of projects that maximize the most leverage of capital dollars for the greatest number of transit patrons.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Not Applicable
- 4.0 DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND: Not Applicable
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: This action is compliant with the Board of Trustees Mission Statement and Policy. It is also compliant with Board Resolutions adopted in 1993 and 2004 that adopted and updated the Long Range Plan.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: Projects highlighted in the Strategic Capital Plan will enable the Authority to meet the changing demands of public transportation in a cost-effective and fiscally responsible manner.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: The Board could reject adoption of the Strategic Capital Plan, choosing not to support the Plan's recommendations. This action would allow the existing 2004 Long Range Plan, which is outdated and based upon neither the existing demographic nor fiscal trends faced by the Authority, to remain the governing document for the Authority
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: The Strategic Capital Plan will be reviewed by the Committee of the Whole at their March 22, 2011 meeting. Staff recommends that the Board of Trustees adopt The Strategic Capital Plan.
- 9.0 ATTACHMENTS: None

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

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasure