

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-70

ADOPTING THE TAX BUDGET OF THE GREATER CLEVELAND
REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING
JANUARY 1, 2019 AND SUBMITTING THE SAME TO THE CUYAHOGA
COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER

WHEREAS, a Tax Budget for the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ("Authority") for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019, has been prepared for the purpose of providing an estimate of revenues to be received for such fiscal year, including all taxes, user fees, and other types of revenues, as well as estimates of all expenditures and outlays for such fiscal year to be paid or met from the said revenue, all in conformance with sound financial practices; and

WHEREAS, said Tax Budget is presented with \$3.1 million of State of Ohio assistance to compensate the Authority for the removal of Medicaid MCOs from the tax base. The funding is budgeted in the State of Ohio's budget; and

WHEREAS, said Tax Budget has been made conveniently available for public inspection for at least ten (10) days by having at least two (2) copies thereof on file in the Authority's Office of Management and Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has held a public hearing on July 17, 2018 on said budget, of which public notice was given by publication in the Plain Dealer on July 3, 2018.

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

Section 1. That the Tax Budget of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019, heretofore prepared and submitted to this Board of Trustees, copies of which are on file in the Office of Management and Budget, with any revisions to said tentative budget incorporated therein, is hereby adopted as the official Tax Budget of said Authority for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019.

Section 2. That the Executive Director of the Office of Management and Budget is hereby authorized and directed to transmit to the Cuyahoga County Fiscal Officer a certified copy of said budget and a copy of this resolution.


Section 3. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Attachments: 2019 Tax Budget Assumptions and Fund Statements.

Adopted: July 24, 2018



President

Attest: 

CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

**ATTACHMENT A
General Fund Balance Analysis**

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Tax Budget	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
Beginning Balance	16,822,906	33,324,814	34,869,398	38,769,350	28,914,871	8,011,478	-20,026,489	-48,831,563
Revenue								
Passenger Fares	46,279,344	45,436,326	43,416,080	41,679,437	41,054,245	40,438,432	39,831,855	39,234,377
Advertising & Concessions	2,860,267	2,389,856	2,095,000	2,162,000	2,230,000	2,297,000	2,364,000	2,364,000
Sales & Use Tax	218,749,851	213,718,145	197,892,554	198,882,017	199,876,427	200,875,809	201,880,188	202,889,589
State Aid from MCO Loss	0	10,034,083	15,182,262	3,100,000	0	0	0	0
Federal Operating Assistance - Various	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trolley Sponsorship	0	0	640,000	640,000	640,000	640,000	640,000	640,000
Investment Income	42,156	260,016	829,566	300,000	100,000	70,000	70,000	50,000
Other Revenue	1,888,060	1,990,027	1,550,000	1,450,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000
Reimbursed Expenditures	24,560,024	22,782,104	22,685,000	27,075,000	22,075,000	22,075,000	22,075,000	22,075,000
Total Revenue	294,379,702	296,610,557	284,290,462	275,288,454	267,375,672	267,796,241	268,261,043	268,652,966
Total Resources	311,202,608	329,935,371	319,159,860	314,057,804	296,290,543	275,807,718	248,234,554	219,821,403
Operating Expenditures								
Salaries and Overtime	134,370,739	135,514,105	137,343,320	136,475,479	138,284,256	136,873,373	137,038,173	138,408,555
Fringe Benefits	48,073,828	51,553,465	53,899,354	54,342,082	54,923,727	55,412,376	56,094,836	56,655,784
Diesel Fuel	8,627,383	6,535,532	4,891,857	4,817,020	4,672,509	4,396,334	4,396,364	4,396,364
Natural Gas	1,944,917	1,874,683	1,871,000	1,873,675	1,876,359	1,879,051	1,881,753	1,900,570
Other Expenditures	52,901,306	52,241,152	50,480,689	55,999,087	56,682,463	57,006,184	57,473,406	57,473,406
Total Operating Expenditures	245,918,173	247,718,937	248,486,220	253,507,343	256,439,313	255,703,318	256,884,533	258,834,680
Transfer to the Insurance Fund	500,000	2,400,000	2,250,000	1,500,000	2,200,000	2,350,000	2,200,000	2,450,000
Transfer to the Pension Fund	100,000	75,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	55,000	55,000	50,000
Transfers to Capital								
Bond Retirement Fund	21,887,562	17,045,783	17,292,285	16,603,865	17,891,282	18,249,054	17,621,881	17,661,606
Capital Improvement Fund	9,472,060	10,271,331	9,933,343	12,086,877	10,809,855	13,598,221	14,426,089	14,104,817
Total Transfers to Capital	31,359,622	27,317,114	27,225,628	28,690,742	28,701,137	31,847,275	32,047,970	31,766,423
Transfers to Reserve Fund	0	17,554,922	2,368,662	1,384,849	878,615	5,878,615	5,878,615	5,878,615
Total Expenditures	277,877,794	295,065,973	280,390,510	285,142,933	288,279,065	295,834,207	297,066,118	298,979,718
Ending Balance	33,324,814	34,869,398	38,769,350	28,914,871	8,011,478	-20,026,489	-48,831,563	-79,158,315
Reserved Funds	8,776,432	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Available Ending Balance	24,548,382	34,869,398	38,769,350	28,914,871	8,011,477	-20,026,490	-48,831,564	-79,158,316
Passenger Fare & Sales Tax % Change	4.23%	-2.22%	-6.89%	-0.31%	-0.16%	0.16%	0.16%	0.17%
Operating Expenses % Change	-2.41%	0.73%	0.31%	2.02%	3.20%	-0.29%	0.46%	0.76%
Revenues - Expenses (millions)	\$16.50	\$19.10	\$6.27	(\$8.47)	(\$20.02)	(\$22.16)	(\$22.93)	(\$24.45)

ATTACHMENT B

2019 Tax Budget

Financial Policy Goals

	Goal	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Estimate	2019 Tax Budget	2020 Plan	2021 Plan	2022 Plan	2023 Plan
Operating Efficiency	Operating Ratio	≥ 25%	19.5%	18.7%	17.5%	17.0%	16.8%	16.5%	16.1%
	Cost/Hour of Service		\$132.4	\$136.3	\$142.6	\$148.0	\$151.3	\$155.9	\$161.1
	Growth per Year	≤ Rate of Inflation	-2.0%	2.9%	4.6%	3.8%	2.3%	3.0%	3.3%
	Operating Reserve (Months)	≥ 1 month	1.6	1.7	1.9	1.4	0.4	-0.9	-2.3
Capital Efficiency	Debt Service Coverage	≥ 1.5	4.11	3.29	2.85	1.50	0.22	-1.43	-3.14
	Sales Tax Contribution to Capital	≥ 10%	14.3%	12.2%	12.8%	14.2%	14.4%	15.9%	15.7%
	Capital Maintenance to Expansion	75% - 90%	96.3%	97.3%	94.3%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Reserved Funds	Fuel Reserve Funds	Fuel Budget less Annual Expenditures	\$0.00	\$2.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Compensated Absences Reserve Funds	≤ 25% of Accrued Liability	\$0.00	\$1.90	\$0.94	\$0.69	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Hospitalization Reserve Funds	≤ 10% of Annual Hospitalization Costs	\$0.00	\$1.80	\$0.73	\$0.00	\$0.14	\$0.00	\$0.00
	27th Pay	1/12th of Annual 27th Pay Costs	\$0.00	\$1.40	\$0.69	\$0.69	\$0.88	\$0.88	\$0.88
	Rolling Stock Replacement Funds	≥ \$5,000,000 per year	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5.00	\$5.00

ATTACHMENT C

Capital Improvement Fund Balance Analysis

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Tax Budget	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
Beginning Balance	44,613,977	33,111,619	21,435,743	9,563,386	29,395,181	12,521,241	29,407,261	21,189,626
Revenue								
Transfer from General Fund	9,472,060	10,271,331	9,933,343	12,086,877	10,809,855	13,598,221	14,426,089	14,104,817
Transfer from General Fund	0	0	2,000,000	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Income	286,670	326,189	393,504	860,000	565,000	765,000	565,000	765,000
Federal Capital Grants	47,732,909	48,455,538	52,519,432	39,668,088	49,164,983	51,869,759	52,416,732	48,606,990
State Capital Grants	110,699	0	1,527,365	1,384,658	1,384,658	1,384,658	1,384,658	1,384,658
Debt Service Proceeds	0	0	0	30,000,000	0	25,000,000	0	25,000,000
Other Revenue	0	329,920	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue	57,602,338	59,382,978	66,373,644	83,999,623	61,924,496	92,617,638	68,792,479	89,861,465
Total Resources	102,216,315	92,494,597	87,809,386	93,563,009	91,319,677	105,138,879	98,199,741	111,051,090
Expenditures								
Capital Outlay	69,104,696	71,058,854	78,246,000	64,167,828	78,798,436	75,731,618	77,010,115	71,431,804
Other Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	69,104,696	71,058,854	78,246,000	64,167,828	78,798,436	75,731,618	77,010,115	71,431,804
Available Ending Balance	33,111,619	21,435,743	9,563,386	29,395,181	12,521,241	29,407,261	21,189,626	39,619,286

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RTA Development Fund Balance Analysis

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Tax Budget	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
Beginning Balance	42,499,967	30,037,486	20,136,261	8,426,313	28,235,486	11,330,947	28,174,501	19,850,031
Revenue								
Debt Service Proceeds	0	0	0	30,000,000	0	25,000,000	0	25,000,000
Transfer from RTA Capital Fund	5,334,255	6,844,255	6,934,255	8,984,255	7,684,255	10,434,255	10,684,255	10,684,255
Transfer from the Reserve Fund	0	0	2,000,000	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Income	260,886	284,557	335,000	800,000	500,000	700,000	500,000	700,000
Federal Capital Grants	47,732,909	48,455,538	52,519,432	39,668,088	49,164,983	51,869,759	52,416,732	48,606,990
State Capital Grants	110,699	0	1,527,365	1,384,658	1,384,658	1,384,658	1,384,658	1,384,658
Other Revenue	0	329,920	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue	53,438,749	55,914,270	63,316,052	80,837,001	58,733,896	89,388,672	64,985,645	86,375,903
Total Resources	95,938,716	85,951,756	83,452,313	89,263,314	86,969,383	100,719,619	93,160,146	106,225,934
Expenditures								
Capital Outlay	65,901,230	65,815,495	75,026,000	61,027,828	75,638,436	72,545,118	73,310,115	67,981,804
Other Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	65,901,230	65,815,495	75,026,000	61,027,828	75,638,436	72,545,118	73,310,115	67,981,804
Ending Balance	30,037,486	20,136,261	8,426,313	28,235,486	11,330,947	28,174,501	19,850,031	38,244,130

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RTA Capital Fund Balance Analysis

	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021		2022		2023	
	Actual		Actual	Estimate			Tax Budget		Plan		Plan		Plan		Plan	
Beginning Balance	2,114,010		3,074,133	1,299,482			1,137,073		1,159,695		1,190,295		1,232,760		1,339,594	
Revenue																
Transfer from General Fund	9,472,060		10,271,331	9,933,343			12,086,877		10,809,855		13,598,221		14,426,089		14,104,817	
Investment Income	25,784		41,632	58,504			60,000		65,000		65,000		65,000		65,000	
Other Revenue	0		0	0			0		0		0		0		0	
Total Revenue	9,497,844		10,312,963	9,991,847			12,146,877		10,874,855		13,663,221		14,491,089		14,169,817	
Total Resources	11,611,854		13,387,096	11,291,328			13,283,950		12,034,550		14,853,515		15,723,849		15,509,411	
Expenditures																
Asset Maintenance	1,020,521		2,322,492	1,600,000			1,510,000		1,550,000		1,471,500		1,900,000		1,900,000	
Routine Capital	2,182,945		2,920,867	1,620,000			1,630,000		1,610,000		1,715,000		1,800,000		1,550,000	
Other Expenditures	0		0	0			0		0		0		0		0	
Transfer to RTA Development Fund	5,334,255		6,844,255	6,934,255			8,984,255		7,684,255		10,434,255		10,684,255		10,684,255	
Total Expenditures	8,537,721		12,087,614	10,154,255			12,124,255		10,844,255		13,620,755		14,384,255		14,134,255	
Ending Balance	3,074,133		1,299,482	1,137,073			1,159,695		1,190,295		1,232,760		1,339,594		1,375,156	

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Bond Retirement Fund Balance Analysis

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Tax Budget	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
Beginning Balance	2,273,404	2,112,464	2,299,936	1,945,421	2,243,244	2,368,320	2,489,627	2,518,518
Revenue								
Transfer from General Fund	21,887,562	17,045,783	17,292,285	16,603,865	17,891,282	18,249,054	17,621,881	17,661,606
Investment Income	13,906	58,691	125,000	130,000	135,000	135,000	135,000	135,000
Other Revenue	5,262	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue	21,906,730	17,104,474	17,417,285	16,733,865	18,026,282	18,384,054	17,756,881	17,796,606
Reconciling Journal Entry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Resources	24,180,134	19,216,938	19,717,221	18,679,286	20,269,526	20,752,374	20,246,508	20,315,124
Expenditures								
Debt Service								
Principal	16,430,000	11,615,000	12,196,863	10,697,751	11,584,204	12,396,373	11,461,171	11,461,171
Interest	5,637,670	5,302,002	5,574,937	5,736,791	6,315,502	5,864,874	6,265,319	6,265,319
Other Expenditures	0	0	0	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Total Expenditures	22,067,670	16,917,002	17,771,800	16,436,042	17,901,206	18,262,747	17,727,990	17,727,990
Ending Balance	2,112,464	2,299,936	1,945,421	2,243,244	2,368,320	2,489,627	2,518,518	2,587,134

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Insurance Fund Balance Analysis

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Tax Budget	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
Beginning Balance	6,734,850	5,263,076	6,074,641	5,843,142	5,219,142	5,240,142	5,101,054	5,122,054
Revenue								
Investment Income	62,584	59,172	85,000	90,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
Transfer from General Fund	500,000	2,400,000	2,250,000	1,500,000	2,200,000	2,350,000	2,200,000	2,450,000
Total Revenue	562,584	2,459,172	2,335,000	1,590,000	2,235,000	2,385,000	2,235,000	2,485,000
Total Resources	7,297,434	7,722,248	8,409,641	7,433,142	7,454,142	7,625,142	7,336,054	7,607,054
Expenditures								
Claims and Premium Outlay	2,034,358	1,647,607	2,566,499	2,214,000	2,214,000	2,524,088	2,214,000	2,524,088
Other Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	2,034,358	1,647,607	2,566,499	2,214,000	2,214,000	2,524,088	2,214,000	2,524,088
Ending Balance	5,263,076	6,074,641	5,843,142	5,219,142	5,240,142	5,101,054	5,122,054	5,082,966

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Supplemental Pension Fund Balance Analysis

	2016 Actual	2017 Actual	2018 Estimate	2019 Tax Budget	2020 Plan	2021 Plan	2022 Plan	2023 Plan
Beginning Balance	1,268,518	1,311,956	1,333,767	1,349,394	1,363,394	1,377,394	1,388,394	1,399,394
Revenue								
Investment Income	12,508	10,588	13,704	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
Transfer from General Fund	100,000	75,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	55,000	55,000	50,000
Total Revenue	112,508	85,588	73,704	74,000	74,000	69,000	69,000	64,000
Total Resources	1,381,026	1,397,544	1,407,471	1,423,394	1,437,394	1,446,394	1,457,394	1,463,394
Expenditures								
Benefit Payments	69,070	63,777	58,077	60,000	60,000	58,000	58,000	55,000
Other Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	69,070	63,777	58,077	60,000	60,000	58,000	58,000	55,000
Reconciling Journal Entry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Balance	1,311,956	1,333,767	1,349,394	1,363,394	1,377,394	1,388,394	1,399,394	1,408,394

ATTACHMENT I

Law Enforcement Fund Balance Analysis

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Tax Budget	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
Beginning Balance	257,133	109,110	26,958	45,685	67,485	89,485	111,485	133,485
Revenue								
Law Enforcement Revenue	0	95,945	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Law Enforcement Training Revenue	22,180	27,500	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investment Income	37	815	1,727	1,800	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Other Revenue	50,694	0	55,000	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue	72,911	124,260	76,727	21,800	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000
Total Resources	330,044	233,370	103,685	67,485	89,485	111,485	133,485	155,485
Expenditures								
Capital & Related Items	198,754	146,582	58,000	0	0	0	0	0
Training	22,180	59,830	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	220,934	206,412	58,000	0	0	0	0	0
Reconciling Journal Entry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Balance	109,110	26,958	45,685	67,485	89,485	111,485	133,485	155,485

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Reserve Fund Balance Analysis

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Tax Budget	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
Beginning Balance	0	0	17,624,278	22,772,534	24,607,383	25,960,998	32,464,613	39,093,228
Revenue								
Investment Income	0	69,356	421,000	450,000	475,000	625,000	750,000	900,000
Transfer from General Fund	0	17,554,922	2,368,662	1,384,849	878,615	5,878,615	5,878,615	5,878,615
Other Revenue	0	0	4,358,594	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue	0	17,624,278	7,148,256	1,834,849	1,353,615	6,503,615	6,628,615	6,778,615
Total Resources	0	17,624,278	24,772,534	24,607,383	25,960,998	32,464,613	39,093,228	45,871,843
Expenditures								
Transfer to General Fund (Compensated Absen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfer to General Fund (Fuel)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfer to General Fund (Hospitalization)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfer to RTA Development Fund (Rolling Str	0	0	2,000,000	0	0	0	0	0
Transfer to General Fund (27th Pay - 2024)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	0	0	2,000,000	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Balance	0	17,624,278	22,772,534	24,607,383	25,960,998	32,464,613	39,093,228	45,871,843

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All Funds Balance Analysis

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Tax Budget	Plan	Plan	Plan	Plan
Beginning Balance	71,970,788	75,233,039	83,664,721	80,288,913	91,810,699	55,569,058	50,935,945	20,624,741
Revenue								
Passenger Fares	46,279,344	45,436,326	43,416,080	41,679,437	41,054,245	40,438,432	39,831,855	39,234,377
Sales & Use Tax	218,749,851	213,718,145	197,892,554	198,882,017	199,876,427	200,875,809	201,880,188	202,889,589
Federal	47,732,909	48,455,538	52,519,432	39,668,088	49,164,983	51,869,759	52,416,732	48,606,990
State	110,699	10,034,083	17,349,627	5,124,658	2,024,658	2,024,658	2,024,658	2,024,658
Investment Income	417,861	784,827	1,869,501	1,845,800	1,326,000	1,646,000	1,571,000	1,901,000
Other Revenue	29,386,487	27,615,352	30,763,594	30,707,000	25,725,000	25,792,000	25,859,000	25,859,000
Debt Service Proceeds	0	0	0	30,000,000	0	25,000,000	0	25,000,000
Total Revenue	342,677,151	346,044,271	343,810,788	347,907,000	319,171,314	347,646,658	323,583,433	345,515,614
Total Resources	414,647,939	421,277,310	427,475,509	428,195,912	410,982,013	403,215,715	374,519,378	366,140,355
Expenditures								
Personnel Services	182,444,567	187,067,570	191,242,674	190,817,561	193,207,983	192,285,749	193,133,009	195,064,339
Diesel Fuel	8,627,383	6,535,532	4,891,857	4,817,020	4,672,509	4,532,334	4,396,364	4,396,364
Natural Gas	1,944,917	1,874,683	1,871,000	1,873,675	1,876,359	1,879,051	1,881,753	1,900,570
Other Expenditures	55,225,668	54,158,948	53,163,265	58,274,587	58,957,963	59,589,772	59,746,906	60,053,994
Capital Outlay	69,104,696	71,058,854	78,246,000	64,167,828	78,798,436	75,731,618	77,010,115	71,431,804
Debt Service	22,067,670	16,917,002	17,771,800	16,434,542	17,899,706	18,261,247	17,726,490	17,726,490
Total Expenditures	339,414,901	337,612,589	347,186,596	336,385,213	355,412,955	352,279,771	353,894,638	350,573,562
Available Ending Balance	75,233,039	83,664,721	80,288,913	91,810,699	55,569,058	50,935,945	20,624,741	15,566,793



Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: ADOPTING GCRTA TAX BUDGET FOR THE 2019 FISCAL YEAR	Resolution No.: 2018- 70
	Date: July 19, 2018
	Initiator: Office of Management & Budget
ACTION REQUEST: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will allow the Authority to adopt the Tax Budget of the GCRTA for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2019 and submit the same to the Cuyahoga County Fiscal Officer.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: This action is taken as a matter of recommended policy for reasons cited below in part 8.0.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 DBE/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 5.0 POLICY IMPACT: Although the GCRTA is not legally required to prepare a Tax Budget, it is done as a measure of sound fiscal policy. To not adopt the Tax Budget would demonstrate a lower level of financial responsibility.
- 6.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This establishes the estimates of revenue for the year and defines in very broad terms the limits of expenditures anticipated. The 2019 Tax Budget is presented with \$3.1 million of State assistance due to the removal of Medicaid MCOs from the tax base. This funding is contingent upon the State having a revenue surplus.
- 7.0 ALTERNATIVES: Do not adopt and file the 2019 Tax Budget as chosen by the Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee.
- 8.0 RECOMMENDATION: This budget was reviewed by the Operational Planning and Infrastructure Committee on July 17, 2018 and recommended for approval by the Board of Trustees. It is recommended that the 2019 Tax Budget be adopted and filed for several reasons. The report demonstrates timely budgeting and appropriation procedures. It is an element of financial stability that may bolster the Authority's credit rating. It also fosters communication and is a good preliminary budget exercise.
- 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-Treasurer