











RTA Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, July 30, 2024

<u>Public Comments – Agenda Items</u>

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Committee Reports

Ad Hoc Committee Reports















New Hires and Promotions

July 2024

July New Hires



Marcus Lovelace Operator



Sherita Griffin Operator



Brittany King Operator



Naadia Alderson Operator



Isaiah Godfrey Operator



Yasmine Blakenship Operator



Emma Shannon Operator



Abdurrahim Saafir Operator



Rose Taylor Operator



July New Hires



Brenda Banks Operator



Kashmere Cheairs Operator



Morghan Stokes Operator



Rafeal Tarrant Operator



Shrika Crawford Operator



Lonnell Bolden Operator



Derek Hodge Operator



Michael Reyes Operator



Sherman Fluellen Operator



July New Hires



Luis Correa Department Intern



Nadia Walker Department Intern



Jason Flood Department Intern



Canon Drake
Department Intern



Devon Marti Internal Communications Specialist



Muriel Bowen Planner II



Marc Still Supervisor -Janitorial Services

RTA

July Promotions



John D. Bednar Facilities Maintenance Crew Leader



George Morris Jr. Laborer



Anthony Baldassar Equipment Mechanic



Resolutions



GCRTA – Retirees 2nd QTR. 2024



Claudia Thompkins Bus Operator



April Thompson Bus Operator



Katina Harris Bus Operator



Ronnie Moore Bus Operator



Gregory Vena Facilities Maintenance Crew Leader



Kenneteh Glover Equipment Mechanic



Craig Wiehe
Cash Manager/
Investment Officer



Margaret Cavanaugh Laborer



Scottie Sanders Laborer



GCRTA – Retirees 2nd QTR. 2024



Thomas Harris Janitor



Resolutions











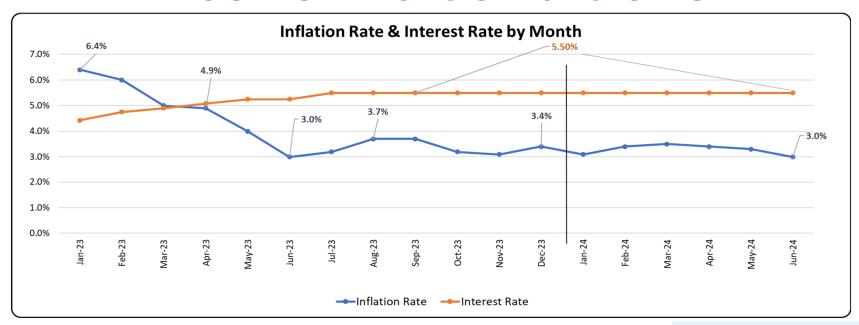




Secretary/Treasurer Update

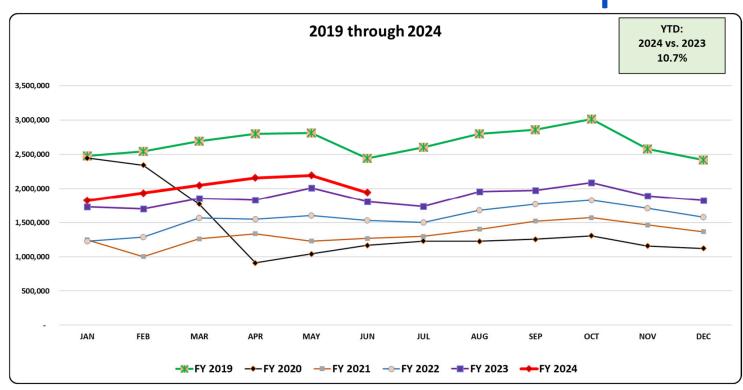
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Economic Conditions





Ridership



YTD Ridership (in millions)

2019: 15.8

2020: 9.7 (38.7%)

2021: 7.3 (24.2%)

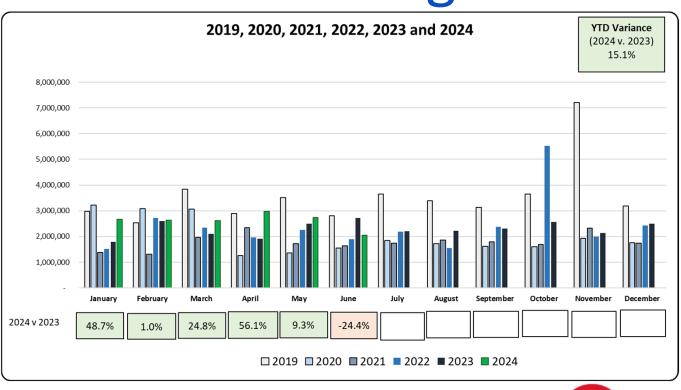
2022: 8.8 19.4%

2023: 10.9 24.9%

2024: 12.1 10.7%



Passenger Fares



YTD Passenger Fares (in millions)

2019: \$18.6

2020: 13.6 (26.9%)

2021: 10.4 (23.4%)

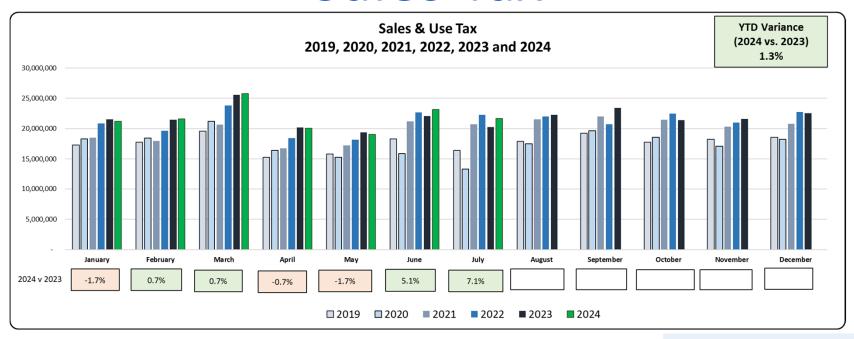
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2024: 15.7 15.2%



Sales Tax





Selected Data

Total Long-Term Debt – 12/31/2023

Average Investment Yield – YTD

Cash and Investments

Unrestricted (General Fund)

Restricted

TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS

\$ 30.3 million

4.47%

\$ 28.6 million

364.1 million

\$392.7 million



Questions

















General Manager, CEO Report

India L. Birdsong Terry July 30, 2024

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Grant Award - \$10.6 Million

Electric Vehicle Pilot Program

- Replace buses in our current fleet with up to ten electric vehicles
- Support the installation of up to three electric charging stations
- Grant provided via the U.S. Department of Transportation's Fiscal Year 2024
 Buses & Bus Facilities, and Low & No Emission grant programs



City of Cleveland – DOT Grant Award



July 24, 2024 | City of Cleveland

Enhancements to the Airport Station:

The grant will fund the rehabilitation of the terminal building, including:

- Installing a new drainage system at the intermodal terminus of Greater Cleveland RTA's Red Line rail service
- · Waterproofing above the tunnel ceiling
- Waterproofing the membrane in the tunnel tramway
- Performing structural repairs

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State Senator Jerry C. Cirino Visit



July 19, 2024 | Rail District

Tour of the rail shop and presentation on RTA's Railcar Replacement program provided to State Senator Jerry C. Cirino (18th District)

- Workforce Development and Training discussed during visit
- Demonstrated to Senator Cirino the vital role we play as an economic development engine for Northeast Ohio

RTA

Waterfront Line Resumes Service

Waterfront Line service will operate during Cleveland Browns home games in 2024 and for special events such as:

- WWE SummerSlam Aug. 3, 2024
 Waterfront Line hours: 4:00pm to 11:57pm
- Rod Stewart/Billy Joel Concert Sep. 13, 2024
 Waterfront Line hours: 4:00pm to 11:57pm

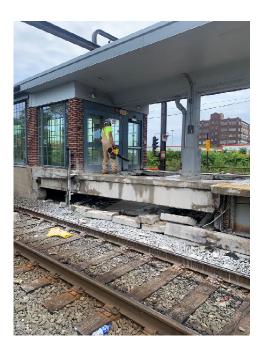
On Sunday, August 4, 2024, Waterfront Line rail service will be added to RTA's Saturday and Sunday/Holiday schedules

Sat./Sun./Holidays hours: 9am to 7pm*

*Waterfront Line stations will not be served on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day

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Red Line W.117-Madison Station





Closed until further notice due to needed rehabilitation work of the station's platform and track bridges constructed in 1953

- All other Red Line stations in service during this project
- Bus service at the station continues



MetroHealth Line BRT Community Open House



June 27, 2024 | The Pivot Center, Cleveland, Ohio

- Opportunity to present our BRT plan and get public feedback
- Full schematic plan of the MetroHealth Line BRT displayed
- Multiple stations established to learn about Bus Lanes & Parking, Mobility & Accessibility, Mapping & Destinations and Overall Project Information

In attendance: (over 200 participants)

- GCRTA Transit Police Operation Community Watch
- Young Latino Network
- GCRTA Board Trustees
- Community Advisory Committee Members



Heart of Phe'be Award



July 27, 2024 | Steps of City Hall

GCRTA Transit Police was presented with the Heart of Phe'be Award for:

- Community engagement
 - Bike donations, school supplies, holiday toys, etc.

Phe'be Foundation:

Teaches financial empowerment to members of various communities, serving more than 1,300 residents

RTA

Restored 1965 RTA Bus



July 30, 2024 | RTA Main Office Building

1965 General Motors (GM) 2nd Generation "New Look" Bus

- Cleveland Transit System (CTS) bus, then used for GCRTA revenue service
- Bus was in service in 1974, 50 years ago, when GCRTA was formed
- Restored by GCRTA employees as part of our 50th Anniversary celebration

RTA

Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) National Meeting Training Conference



July 9-12, 2024 | Houston, Texas

"Transportation Equity: Meeting the Moment"

The transportation industry is experiencing increased momentum around investments in infrastructure, design, and new technologies, coupled with a renewed focus on community engagement and meeting the needs of all users.

GCRTA leadership attended in representation of the COMTO Cleveland Chapter



U.S. Department of Transportation Transportation and Climate Symposium



July 11-12, 2024 | Washington, D.C.

Natoya Walker Minor, DGM, Administration & External Affairs attended for GCRTA

Emphasis on America's All-In Strategy for Climate Action Topics for discussion:

- America's All In Strategy for Climate Action
- Rethinking land use (TOD)
- Promote smart growth



American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Transit Board Members Seminar



Transit Board
Members & Board
Administrators
SEMINAR

JULY 13-16, 2024 SAN JOSE, CA July 13-16, 2024 | San Jose, CA

Jeffrey W. Sleasman, GCRTA Board member attended Transit Board Members Seminar topics included:

- National and Regional Transit Advocacy
- Workforce Development and Labor Relations
- Safety and Security
- Mobility Innovation
- Procurement Practices
- CEO-Board Relationship



National Urban League Conference



July 24-27, 2024 | New Orleans, Louisiana

India Birdsong Terry, General Manager & CEO participated on behalf of GCRTA & Urban League of Greater Cleveland (Board Member)

Conference focus on bringing together leaders from various sectors, including business, government, and social advocacy, dedicated to civil rights and urban advocacy

*Announcement: National Conference will be in Cleveland in 2025



Welcome New Board Member Anastasia A. Elder



July 30, 2024 | GCRTA Main Office Building

- Appointed by City of Cleveland Mayor Justin M. Bibb to replace Board Trustee Calley Mersmann
- Associate at UB Greensfelder L.L.P.
- Serving the remainder of Ms. Mersmann's term ending in March 2026



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Ad Hoc Compensation Committee

Chair: Mayor David E. Weiss



Executive Session

