

# **Greater Dayton RTA Board of Trustees**

# **Public Board Meeting Packet**

<u>Tuesday, June 3, 2025 – 3:00 p.m.</u>

# Greater Dayton RTA 4 South Main Street - Dayton, OH 45402 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Board Room

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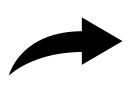
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# AGENDA

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### AGENDA Greater Dayton RTA Board of Trustees Public Board Meeting

Wright Stop Plaza 4 South Main Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Board Meeting Room, Dayton, OH 45402

Tuesday, June 3, 2025 – 3 p.m.

1.	Call to Order	John Lumpkin
2.	Pledge of Allegiance	John Lumpkin
3.	Roll Call	Mary Stanforth
4.	Approval of Consent Agenda	John Lumpkin
5.	Approval of May 6, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes	John Lumpkin
6.	Committees Reports	
	<i>Finance/Personnel Committee</i> Action Item #2 – Local Law Enforcement Agencies Authoriza Action Item #3 – Third-Party Claims Management	Belinda Matthews-Stenson tion
	Report	
	<u>Planning Committee</u> Action Item #4 – Passenger Counting Software	Tom Weckesser
	Report	
7.	Chief Executive Officer's Report	Bob Ruzinsky
8.	Old Business	John Lumpkin
9.	New Business New Business Item #1 – Resolution No. 2025-6-1, Air City Parking Garage Project	John Lumpkin
10.	Public Comment	John Lumpkin
11.	Board Member Comments - Announcements	<b>Board Members</b>

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12. Request for Executive Session – *as needed* John Lumpkin
Reconvene to Regular Session
13. Adjourn John Lumpkin

# Suggested Next Meetings

<u>Committee Meeting</u> June 17, 2025	Jointly Held Finance/Personnel & Planning- 8:30 a.m. **Tentative – May Be Cancelled
July 15, 2025	Jointly Held Finance/Personnel & Planning-8:30 a.m.
July 17, 2025	Investment Advisory- 11:45 a.m. **Tentative – May Be Cancelled
August 19, 2025	Jointly Held Finance/Personnel & Planning- 8:30 a.m.
<b>Board Meeting</b> July 1, 2025	3 p.m. **Tentative – May Be Cancelled
August 5, 2025	3 p.m.
September 2, 2025	3 p.m.

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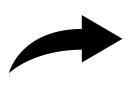
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# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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#### Minutes

## Greater Dayton RTA Board of Trustees Public Board Meeting

May 6, 2025

- Trustees: John A. Lumpkin, Jr., President Sharon D. White, Vice President Ashton S. Dupler (arrived at 3:06 p.m.) Al Fullenkamp Nikol M. Miller Grady L. Mullins Thomas Weckesser David P. Williamson
- Excused: Belinda Matthews-Stenson
- Staff: Bob Ruzinsky, Chief Executive Officer
  Daron Brown, Chief Maintenance Officer
  Roland Caldwell, Chief Transportation Officer
  Christopher R. Conard, Coolidge Wall, Co. LPA
  Cathy Garner, Senior Executive Administrative Assistant
  Brandon Policicchio, Chief Customer and Business Development Officer
  Mary K. Stanforth, Chief Financial Officer
  Robert Stevens, Chief Labor Officer
- Others: Interested citizens (see attached sheet)

#### **Call Meeting to Order**

Mr. Lumpkin called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A quorum was present and proper notice of the meeting had been given.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Lumpkin led attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken:

Mr. Dupler	Yes	Mr. Mullins	Yes
Mr. Fullenkamp	Yes	Mr. Weckesser	Yes
Mr. Lumpkin	Yes	Ms. White	Yes
Ms. Matthews-Stenson			Yes
Ms. Miller	Yes		

## APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Lumpkin stated that the Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority (RTA) By-Laws require Board Trustees' approval of today's Board Meeting Agenda. The Agenda was mailed in advance, and Mr. Lumpkin asked if there were any changes to the Agenda.

Upon hearing no requests or changes, Mr. Lumpkin DECLARED APPROVAL of today's Board Meeting Agenda.

#### **APPROVAL OF APRIL 1, 2025 BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Lumpkin asked if anyone requests a reading of the minutes or are there changes to the minutes.

Upon hearing no requests or changes, Mr. Lumpkin DECLARED APPROVAL of the April 1, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes.

### FINANCE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT (SHARON WHITE)

Ms. White stated the Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees met for a jointly held meeting on April 15<sup>th</sup>, and as a result, the Finance/Personnel Committee is recommending one (1) Action Item for the Board's consideration.

### **ACTION ITEM #2 – GARAGE PROJECT**

Ms. White stated RTA is negotiating a contract/project participation agreement with Model Group of Cincinnati, Ohio to redevelop and revitalize the blighted Air City Garage located at 21 South Jefferson Street, Dayton, Ohio 45402. The current Air City Garage has an exceedingly difficult history of blight and crime and is a deterrent to the well-being and livelihood of all adjacent properties.

The Air City Garage Project is part of a larger project to fully redevelop the Centre City Building, which, when completed, will feature affordable senior housing, marketrate housing, and office/retail tenants. RTA currently owns about 50% of the city block that is home to Wright Stop Plaza (Transit Hub), the American (Conover) Building (which is home to RTA offices), an RTA Parking Lot, the Key Ads building, the vacant Centre City building, and the currently closed Air City Garage. RTA's long-term control and usage rights of the Air City Garage are critical for RTA's future operations on this block

MOTION MADE by Ms. White and SECONDED by Mr. Weckesser to APPROVE the Air City Garage Project with RTA's financial commitment totaling \$10 million dollars. Local capital funds previously set aside for a future RTA parking garage will be used. The Chief Executive Officer seeks Board authorization to finalize CONTRACT details with Model Group of Cincinnati, Ohio, and work with them to complete the purchase of the Air City Garage property and have RTA hold the garage property for project development. In addition, the Chief Executive Officer will have the authority to execute all contract documents necessary as part of RTA's participation in this major development project.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

Ayes: Seven

Nays: None

Other items to mention:

The February 2025 Financial Report as well as Small Purchases Information has been included in today's Board package.

Mr. Dupler arrived at 3:06 p.m.

# PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT (TOM WECKESSER)

Mr. Weckesser stated that the Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees met for a jointly held meeting on April 15<sup>th</sup>. There are no Action Items to bring forth, however we do have informational items to share.

#### **Discussion Items to Mention**

Mr. Weckesser stated at the meeting Mr. Policicchio noted that this month's Customer and Business Development update includes a summary of activities that took place within the RTA. Those highlights were included from various departments. Mr. Policicchio shared the RTA is preparing for the upcoming NATO event and is a key partner in providing transportation services. Mr. Policicchio also shared that this year, the RTA launched a veterans-themed bus to honor RTA veteran employees and those throughout the community who served in our armed forces.

### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT**

Mr. Ruzinsky took a moment to remind everyone that NATO is coming to town. Mr. Ruzinsky shared the RTA staff is fully prepared. Mr. Brandon Policicchio and his planning team have been knocking down every detail. Staff are starting to share some details with the public. Staff did a press release today about the service reroutes affected during this event. The route changes are minor and will not impact RTA operations much.

In addition, Mr. Ruzinsky handed out two different reports, scaled-down versions of a four-page report regarding School Bus Services and RTA Community Projects sent to the Board several weeks ago. Staff have been distributing these documents to various community leaders and organizations. Mr. Ruzinsky commented RTA has made multiple investments downtown over the years, and staff will continue to disseminate these reports after the draft is finalized. Mr. Ruzinsky wanted the Board to see the draft first.

Finally, Mr. Ruzinsky stated that several stakeholders have participated in stakeholder meetings about the student transportation challenges. No resolutions have been reached yet, but there have been some good discussions, and those discussions will continue over the next couple of weeks.

**OLD BUSINESS** 

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Mary E. Miller - 229 Colgate Avenue, Dayton, Ohio 45417. Ms. Matthews stated she is concerned about the worsening transportation situation for Dayton Public School Students. Ms. Miller would like to volunteer on any related committee to assist with this endeavor and wanted to know whom she should contact for further information.

Mr. Ruzinsky directed Ms. Miller to first try contacting the Dayton Public Schools because it's their students and their transportation challenges.

Mr. Lumpkin also stated that Ms. Miller may also want to contact the Mayor's office and the State Legislator.

#### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS** - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Miller reminded everyone that today is Election Day, and there are only a few issues on the ballot. All elections matter, especially local ones, so if you haven't gone out to vote, you have until 7:30 p.m. to cast your vote. Ms. Miller also stated that you can ride the RTA for free.

Ms. White stated, without going into a lot of detail, once again, the "On Main" group officials reached out to RTA for support. Ms. White noted the "On Main" project has been sitting empty and idle on Main Street since right before COVID, and COVID shut it down. Activity on the site has begun. Ms. White stated there will be a community event later this summer, and RTA was contacted to support this endeavor and help shuttle some people around to ensure the community transportation needs were met. Ms. White wanted to thank RTA Staff for stepping up to help. Ms. White stated there will be more to come soon.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Lumpkin stated there is a need to go into an Executive Session to discuss an employee matter. Mr. Lumpkin noted that when we do return from Executive Session, all of today's business will be completed. MOTION MADE by Mr. Lumpkin and SECONDED by Mr. Dupler to RECESS into Executive Session to discuss an employee matter.

Roll call was taken:

Mr. Dupler	Yes	Mr. Mullins	Yes
Mr. Fullenkamp	Yes	Mr. Weckesser	Yes
Mr. Lumpkin	Yes	Ms. White	Yes
Ms. Matthews-Stenson	Excused	Mr. Williamson	Yes
Ms. Miller	Yes		

The meeting recessed at 3:16 p.m.

MOTION MADE by Mr. Williamson and SECONDED by Ms. White to RECONVENE into regular session.

Roll call was taken:

Yes	Mr. Mullins	Yes
Yes	Mr. Weckesser	Yes
Yes	Ms. White	Yes
xcused	Mr. Williamson	Yes
Yes		
	Yes Yes xcused	Yes Mr. Mullins Yes Mr. Weckesser Yes Ms. White xcused Mr. Williamson Yes

The meeting was reconvened at 3:33 p.m.

# ADJOURNMENT

MOTION MADE by Ms. White and SECONDED by Mr. Weckesser to ADJOURN the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

Ayes: Eight

Nays: None

The meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

# ATTEST

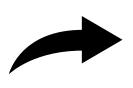
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# **ACTION ITEM #2**

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## Action Item #2 Authorization to Contract with Local Law Enforcement Agencies

The Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority (RTA) recognizes the importance of maintaining a safe and secure environment on our buses and at our facilities for our customers and team members. This is best accomplished by using a combination of up to date technology and well trained internal and external personnel.

Over the years RTA has worked with local law enforcement agencies on an as needed basis to help accomplish our security goals and desires to continue to do so.

Currently, the RTA contracts with the City of Dayton for additional support to continue promoting the safety of operations in and around the Wright Stop Plaza, Downtown Transit Hub and the adjoining areas. The cost to provide these services are \$79.82 per hour for each police officer, \$92.57 per hour each for the police sergeant, and \$107.35 per hour for each police lieutenant. There is an additional cost of \$1.28 per hour for the night differential and \$18.62 per vehicle per hour, when applicable. It is expected that rates of other agencies would be similar.

RTA is seeking the authorization to continue these services, as well as contract for additional services with the Dayton Police, and/or other local law enforcement agencies as needed through calander year 2026. Spending to date for CY2025 has been under CEO authorized spending limits.

The Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees discussed this Action Item on May 20, 2025 and support the Chief Executive Officer's recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

The Chief Executive Officer seeks the approval of the Board of Trustees for authorization in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for contract services with local law enforcement agencies, including the City of Dayton, as needed through December 31, 2026.

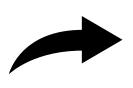
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# **ACTION ITEM #3**

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# Action Item #3

# **Third-Party Claims Management**

Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority (RTA) is seeking a third-party administrator with an on-staff attorney to assist in the proactive management of workers' compensation self-insured claims.

The successful administrator will manage all claim services required. Examples include assistance in determining compensability, coordinating independent medical examinations, legal representation at administrative hearings and assistance with actuarial services.

Proposals were solicited for Third-Party Claims Management Services through the *Dayton Daily News*, *Dayton Weekly News*, and *Transit Talent*. Requests for Proposals were sent to eleven (11) firms.

**Results**: At 2:00 pm on April 17, 2025, four (4) proposals were received. The Evaluation Committee reviewed the proposals to determine and designate the most qualified proposer using the following criteria:

# • Qualification of Firm

Includes the ability to provide the requested scope of services, the proposer's financial capacity, and recent experience conducting work of similar scope. Complexity, and magnitude of work performed for other public agencies.

# • Approach to Providing the Requested Scope of Services

Includes an understanding of the RFP and the project's scope of services, knowledge of any applicable laws and regulations related to the scope of services. An understanding of claims administrative process, technology and customer service is required.

# • Qualification of Key Personnel

Qualifications include staff longevity, experience as an adjuster and actuarial experience.

# References

Includes a focus on the public sector and self-insured experience (3-5 years), and information on the results of self-insured audits, and length of time in business.

# • Reasonableness of Cost

Describe all fees and how those fees will be billed.

# • Quality of Proposal Preparation

The firm's capabilities should be clearly demonstrated in the proposal; the proposal should be organized as requested with a Table of Contents, along with numbered pages.

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Option Year 1	Option Year 2	Grand Total
Hunter Consulting Company	\$50,400	\$50,400	\$50,400	\$52,800	\$52,800	\$256, 800
Cincinnati, OH						
V & A Risk Services	*	*	*	*	*	*
Toledo, OH						
Matrix Claims Management, LLC**	*	*	*	*	*	*
Dublin, OH						
Spooner Incorporated**	*	*	*	*	*	*
Westlake, OH						

\*FTA procurement guidelines require that only the successful proposer's pricing data be disclosed publicly. \*\*Non-responsive; did not provide firm price.

Funding for this procurement is included in the operating budget.

The Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees discussed this Action Item on May 20, 2025 and support the Chief Executive Officer's recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

After reviewing and evaluating the proposals, the Chief Executive Officer recommends a three (3) year Third-Party Claims Management CONTRACT AWARD to Hunter Consulting Company, with an additional two (2) one-year options. Years one (1), two (2), and three (3) are \$50,400 each, for a total of \$151,200. Option years one (1) and two (2) are \$52,800 each, equaling \$105,600. The total contract amount is \$256,800.

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# THIRD PARTY CLAIMS MANAGEMENT BID LIST 2025

Company
Benefit Management Services
Care Works, Inc.
East Coast Risk Management
Frank Gates
Hunter Consulting Company
Matrix Claims Management, Inc.
Professional Health Services, Inc.
Spooner Inc.
Swerdlin & Company
Tristar Insurance Group
V & A Risk Services

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# **ACTION ITEM # 4**

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# ACTION ITEM #4 Automatic Passenger Counters (APC) Software

The purpose of this procurement is to contract with HopThru, Inc. for the implementation and use of its APC software, "Hop Thru Cleanse" and extend the active contract for its "Hop Thru Analyze" solution. Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority (RTA) will use Hop Thru software solutions to collect and validate Automatic Passenger Counters (APC) data.

Hop Thru Cleanse is a specialized software platform that improves the accuracy, reliability, and usability of raw ridership data. In addition to collection of the APC data, the tool detects and corrects anomalies, filters inconsistent records, and applies advanced logic to ensure data quality for reporting and analysis.

RTA's current APC software solution through Clever Devices is being phased out this year, forcing the agency to move to a new solution. RTA currently uses Hop Thru's Analyze software, which serves as an add-on to an APC software, helping parse the data that is collected. Utilizing Hop Thru for both APC software itself and the Analyze add-on would provide RTA with a level of continuity, functionality, and integration that no other system can provide.

Sole Source justification for this unique APC software is because of feedback from other agencies (Palm Tran, DASH, and others) in regard to the software that this "Cleanse" solution will meet all our expected needs, and allow us to drill down on data in a way that is not currently possible-such as looking at ridership, at the stop level, for specific service hours.

One of the capabilities of the Cleanse software that RTA is most excited about is to be able to leverage its ability to switch between system, route, trip, and stop level analysis in a geographical view. That same data can also be used easily for historical comparisons. With previous software, RTA had to leverage multiple employees, and external software to marry those types of data points together, so the time savings to have this "out of the box" will be hugely beneficial.

The introduction of Hop Thru Cleanse represents a significant step forward in data-driven decision-making at RTA and aligns with agency goals. The pricing information for the proposed three-year contract is as follows:

Three-Year Pricing	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Hop Thru Cleanse	*\$45,109.17	\$82,743.10	\$88,535.45	\$216,387.72
Hop Thru Analyze		\$57,405.50	\$61,423.70	\$118,829.20
NTD Certification Services	\$14,075.00	\$14,075.00		\$28,150.00
Total Cost	\$59,184.17	\$154,223.60	\$149,959.15	\$363,366.92

\*Prorated Year 1 cost.

Since this is a Sole Source, a cost analysis was performed by comparing pricing from Hop Thru with a proposal Clever provided, which is a replacement product that no agency is actively using. This pricing was comparable to Hop Thru.

The Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees discussed this Action Item on May 20, 2025 and support the Chief Executive Officer's recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

The Chief Executive Officer recommends a three-year contract award to Hop Thru, Inc. for the use of the Hop Thru Cleanse and Analyze software. The costs of the recommended award include year one costs of \$59,184, year two costs of \$154,224, and year three costs of \$149,959, plus a 10% contingency of \$36,337, for a total not to exceed \$399,704.

## Board Meeting – 6/3/2025

Chief Customer and Business Development Officer

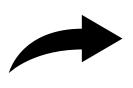
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# **NEW BUSINESS ITEM # 1**

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# New Business Item #1

# Resolution No. 2025-6-1, Air City Parking Garage Project

The Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority's Board of Trustees unanimously approved Action Item #2, Air City Parking Garage Project on May 6, 2025.

The attached Resolution No. 2025-6-1, Air City Parking Garage Project, will be provided as a support document for the real estate closing process.

The Chief Executive Officer recommends APPROVAL of Resolution No. 2025-6-1, Air City Parking Garage Project.

Attachment

Board Meeting – June 3, 2025 Chief Executive Officer

# Resolution No. 2025-6-1

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GREATER DAYTON REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE AIR CITY PARKING GARAGE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority (RTA) is negotiating a contract/project participation agreement with Model Group of Cincinnati, Ohio to redevelop and revitalize the blighted Air City Garage located at 21 South Jefferson Street, Dayton, Ohio 45402. The current Air City Garage has an exceedingly difficult history of blight and crime and is a deterrent to the well-being and livelihood of all adjacent properties:

WHEREAS, the Air City Garage project is part of a larger project to fully redevelop the Centre City Building, which when completed will feature affordable senior housing, market rate housing, and office/retail tenants. RTA currently owns about 50% of the city block that is home to Wright Stop Plaza (Transit Hub), the American (Conover) Building (which is home to RTA offices), an RTA Parking Lot, the Key Ads building, the vacant Centre City building, and the currently closed Air City Garage:

WHEREAS, the Air City Garage Project (Project) consists of a fully renovated parking garage with 390 parking spaces and will be managed by RTA and Model Group through a tax credit partnership. Upon full vesting of the tax credits, the garage ownership will revert to RTA. The redeveloped property will serve as a private garage for RTA, Centre City Building residents/tenants, and a local hotel valet service. The Project includes white-boxed commercial spaces on the ground floor which will be held for future use/management by RTA when market conditions are right:

WHEREAS, RTA previously leased 150 parking spaces in the Air City garage until the structure conditions deteriorated, and RTA moved parking to a City of Dayton owned garage adjacent to the Convention Center:

**WHEREAS,** RTA's Financial Commitment and Protections associated with the Project include:

- 1. RTA will commit a total of \$10 million in the form of a grant or 0% (zero percent) interest loan to the Model Group or relevant tax credit entity,
- 2. RTA will lease 200 spaces to support operating expenses and debt during the tax credit compliance period,
- 3. Construction completion is financially guaranteed by the Model Group,
- 4. RTA will be given Right of First Refusal (ROFR) on the garage should the Project default during the tax credit compliance period,
- 5. Model Group will sell garage to RTA for \$1 (one dollar) at the end of tax credit compliance period,

6. RTA will then own and operate the property with ongoing leases to Centre City residents.

WHEREAS, the estimated timeline for the project is as follows:

- 1. Model Group/RTA will acquire the property for \$2.5 million in May 2025,
- 2. If necessary, RTA will hold the property until transfer to Model Group/Tax Credit Partnership in Fall 2025, subject to reversion of ownership rights to RTA at the end of the tax credit period,
- 3. Model Group will renovate the garage (approximately 20 months),
- 4. A tax credit partnership will own the garage for up to 10 years for tax credit vesting/compliance purposes, and
- 5. RTA will manage or hire a manager during tax credit period. This will help ensure local control of this important site.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority that:

1. The Chief Executive Officer is authorized to bring forth to the appropriate parties, RTA's financial commitment totaling \$10 million dollars. Local capital funds previously set aside for a future RTA parking garage will be used.

2. The Chief Executive Officer is authorized to finalize contract details with Model Group of Cincinnati, Ohio and work with them to complete the purchase of the Air City Garage property and have RTA hold the garage property for project development as outlined above, and

3. The Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute any and all contract documents necessary as part of RTA's participation in this major development project .

**BY ACTION OF** the Board of Trustees of the Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority, June 3, 2025.

Date\_\_\_\_\_

John A. Lumpkin, Jr. President - Board of Trustees

# CERTIFICATION

The undersigned duly qualified Secretary-Treasurer of the Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Authority held on June 3, 2025.

Mary K. Stanforth, Secretary-Treasurer

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# JOINT FINANCE/PERSONNEL AND PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

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# Jointly Held Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2025

Members Present:	Sharon D. White, Chair Ashton Dupler (arrived at 8:32 a.m.) Al Fullenkamp John A. Lumpkin, Jr. Belinda Matthews-Stenson Nikol Miller Grady Mullins Thomas Weckesser David P. Williamson
Staff in Attendance:	Bob Ruzinsky Daron Brown Roland Caldwell Chris Conard, Coolidge Wall Deborah Howard Shanel Kilgore Nathan Owens Mary K. Stanforth

Ms. White called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and roll call was taken:

### Roll Call

Mr. Dupler - Excused Mr. Fullenkamp - Yes	
*	
Mr. Lumpkin Yes	
Ms. Matthews-Stenson - Yes	
Ms. Miller - Yes	
Mr. Mullins - Yes	
Mr. Weckesser- Yes	
Ms. White - Yes	
Mr. Williamson - Yes	

A quorum was present, and proper notice of the meeting had been given.

## <u>Approval of April 15, 2025, Jointly Held Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees Meeting</u> <u>Minutes</u>

Ms. White asked if attendees request a reading of the minutes or have corrections to the minutes?

Upon hearing no requests or corrections, MOTION made by Ms. Matthews-Stenson and SECONDED by Mr. Weckesser to APPROVE the April 15, 2025 Committees meeting minutes.

The MOTION was APPROVED by voice vote 8-0.

Mr. Dupler arrived at the meeting at 8:32 a.m.

### **Future Board Meeting Action Items**

#### Action Item #2 – Local Law Enforcement Agencies Authorization

Mr. Ruzinsky stated the Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority (RTA) recognizes the importance of maintaining a safe and secure environment on our buses and at our facilities for our customers and team members. This is best accomplished by using a combination of up-to-date technology and well-trained internal and external personnel.

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RTA is seeking the authorization to continue these services, as well as contract for additional services with the Dayton Police, and/or other local law enforcement agencies as needed through Calendar Year (CY) 2026. Spending to date for CY2025 has been under the Chief Executive Officer's (CEO) authorized spending limits.

MOTION made by Ms. Matthews-Stenson and SECONDED by Ms. White that the Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees RECOMMEND to the Board of Trustees AUTHORIZATION in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for contract services with local law enforcement agencies, including the City of Dayton, as needed through December 31, 2026.

The MOTION was APPROVED by voice vote 9-0.

## Action Item #3 – Third-Party Claims Management

Ms. Stanforth stated the RTA is seeking a third-party administrator with an on-staff attorney to assist in the proactive management of workers' compensation self-insured claims.

The successful administrator will manage all claim services required. Examples include assistance in determining compensability, coordinating independent medical examinations, legal representation at administrative hearings and assistance with actuarial services.

Proposals were solicited for Third-Party Claims Management Services through the <u>Dayton Daily News</u>, <u>Dayton Weekly News</u>, and <u>Transit Talent</u>. Requests for Proposals were sent to eleven (11) firms.

At 2:00 pm on April 17, 2025, four (4) proposals were received. The Evaluation Committee reviewed the proposals to determine and designate the most qualified proposer using the following criteria:

- **Qualification of Firm** Includes the ability to provide the requested scope of services, the proposer's financial capacity, and recent experience conducting work of similar scope. Complexity, and magnitude of work performed for other public agencies.
- Approach to Providing the Requested Scope of Services Includes an understanding of the Request For Proposal and the project's scope of services, knowledge of any applicable laws and regulations related to the scope of services. An understanding of claims administrative process, technology and customer service is required.
- **Qualification of Key Personnel -** Qualifications include staff longevity, experience as an adjuster and actuarial experience.
- **References** Includes a focus on the public sector and self-insured experience (3-5 years), and information on the results of self-insured audits, and length of time in business.
- **Reasonableness of Cost** Describe all fees and how those fees will be billed.
- **Quality of Proposal Preparation** The firm's capabilities should be clearly demonstrated in the proposal; the proposal should be organized as requested with a Table of Contents, along with numbered pages.

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Option Year 1	Option Year 2	Grand Total
Hunter Consulting Company	\$50,400	\$50,400	\$50,400	\$52,800	\$52,800	\$256, 800
Cincinnati, OH						
V & A Risk Services	*	*	*	*	*	*
Toledo, OH						
Matrix Claims Management,	*	*	*	*	*	*
LLC**						
Dublin, OH						
Spooner Incorporated**	*	*	*	*	*	*
Westlake, OH						

\*FTA procurement guidelines require that only the successful proposer's pricing data be disclosed publicly. \*\*Non-responsive; did not provide firm price. Funding for this procurement is included in the operating budget.

MOTION made by Ms. Matthews-Stenson and SECONDED by Ms. Miller that the Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees RECOMMEND to the Board of Trustees APPROVAL of a three (3) year Third-Party Claims Management CONTRACT AWARD to Hunter Consulting Company, with an additional two (2) one-year options. Years one (1), two (2), and three (3) are \$50,400 each, for a total of \$151,200. Option years one (1) and two (2) are \$52,800 each, equaling \$105,600. The total contract amount is \$256,800.

The MOTION was APPROVED by voice vote 9-0.

# Action Item #4 – Passenger Counting Software

Mr. Owens stated the purpose of this procurement is to contract with HopThru, Inc. for the implementation and use of its Automatic Passenger Counting (APC) software, "Hop Thru Cleanse" and extend the active contract for its "Hop Thru Analyze" solution. The RTA will use Hop Thru software solutions to collect and validate APC data.

Hop Thru Cleanse is a specialized software platform that improves the accuracy, reliability, and usability of raw ridership data. In addition to collection of the APC data, the tool detects and corrects anomalies, filters inconsistent records, and applies advanced logic to ensure data quality for reporting and analysis.

RTA's current APC software solution through Clever Devices is being phased out this year, forcing the Agency to move to a new solution. RTA currently uses Hop Thru's Analyze software, which serves as an add-on to an APC software, helping parse the data that is collected. Utilizing Hop Thru for both APC software itself and the Analyze add-on will provide RTA with a level of continuity, functionality, and integration that no other system can provide.

Sole Source justification for this unique APC software is because of feedback from other Agencies (Palm Tran, DASH, and others) in regard to the software that this "Cleanse" solution will meet all our expected needs, and allow us to drill down on data in a way that is not currently possible-such as looking at ridership, at the stop level, for specific service hours.

One of the capabilities of the Cleanse software that RTA is most excited about is being able to switch between system, route, trip, and stop level analysis in a geographical view. That same data can also be used easily for historical comparisons. With previous software, RTA had to leverage multiple employees, and external software to marry those types of data points together, so the time savings to have this "out of the box" will be hugely beneficial.

Hop Thru Cleanse represents a significant step forward in data-driven decision-making at RTA and aligns with Agency goals. The pricing information for the proposed three-year contract is as follows:

Three-Year Pricing	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Hop Thru Cleanse	*\$45,109.17	\$82,743.10	\$88,535.45	\$216,387.72
Hop Thru Analyze		\$57,405.50	\$61,423.70	\$118,829.20
NTD Certification Services	\$14,075.00	\$14,075.00		\$28,150.00
Total Cost	\$59,184.17	\$154,223.60	\$149,959.15	\$363,366.92

\*Prorated Year 1 cost.

Since this is a Sole Source, a cost analysis was performed by comparing pricing from Hop Thru with a proposal Clever provided, which is a replacement product that no Agency is actively using. This pricing was comparable to Hop Thru.

MOTION made by Mr. Weckesser and SECONDED by Ms. Matthews-Stenson that the Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees RECOMMEND to the Board of Trustees APPROVAL of a three-year contract AWARD to Hop Thru, Inc. for the use of the Hop Thru Cleanse and Analyze software. The recommended award includes year one costs of \$59,184, year two costs of \$154,224, and year three costs of \$149,959, plus a 10% contingency of \$36,337, for a total not to exceed \$399,704.

The MOTION was APPROVED by voice vote 9-0.

# March 2025 Financial Report

Ms. Stanforth stated the March 2025 Financial Report was provided in today's meeting packet. Total revenues are \$2.9 million over budget as a result of higher federal assistance and passenger fares. With the new administration, federal assistance was drawn as soon as possible due to the possibility of changes to grants awarded/approved as well as the potential for a government shutdown. Total expenses are \$1.4 million under budget because of lower wages and benefits, services, materials & supplies, purchased transportation and miscellaneous expense. RTA's service gain after local capital charge is \$2.4 million, which compares to a budgeted loss of \$1.9 million.

### **Small Purchasing Information**

Ms. Howard stated the Small Purchasing Information was included in today's meeting packet.

### **Customer and Business Development Update**

Mr. Owens stated a report was included in today's meeting packet including information regarding RTA's Wellness Week of Events, National Military Appreciation Month, the City of Dayton's upcoming NATO assembly, Engagement with our Community, and several pages related to Employee accomplishments!

### **Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Mr. Ruzinsky provided an update on the upcoming NATO event and discussed various details. Also Mr. Ruzinsky shared that a long time RTA customer, Ms. Saundra Smoothers, passed away recently.

### **Request for Executive Session**

A MOTION was made by Mr. Lumpkin and SECONDED by Ms. Miller to RECESS into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the Evaluation of a Public Employee.

### ROLL CALL was taken:

Ms. White -	Yes
Mr. Dupler -	Yes
Mr. Fullenkamp -	Yes
Mr. Lumpkin -	Yes
Ms. Matthews-Stenson -	Yes
Ms. Miller -	Yes
Mr. Mullins-	Yes
Mr. Weckesser -	Yes

Mr. Williamson - Yes

The MOTION was APPROVED 9-0.

The meeting RECESSED into Executive Session at 9:07 a.m.

#### **Reconvene to Regular Session**

MOTION made by Mr. Weckesser and SECONDED by Ms. Matthews-Stenson to RECONVENE into Regular Session.

#### ROLL CALL was taken:

Ms. White -	Yes
Mr. Dupler -	Yes
Mr. Fullenkamp -	Yes
Mr. Lumpkin -	Yes
Ms. Matthews-Stenson -	Yes
Ms. Miller -	Yes
Mr. Mullins-	Yes
Mr. Weckesser -	Yes
Mr. Williamson -	Yes

The MOTION was APPROVED 9-0.

The regular meeting RECONVENED at 9:45 a.m.

### Next Meeting

The upcoming jointly held Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees meetings are tentatively scheduled for June 17 and July 15, 2025.

#### **Adjournment**

MOTION made by Mr. Lumpkin and SECONDED by Mr. Williamson to ADJOURN the meeting.

The MOTION was APPROVED by voice vote 9-0.

The meeting ADJOURNED at 9:46 a.m.

# ATTEST

Sharon D. White, Chair

Mary Kay Stanforth, Committee Secretary



#### <u>AGENDA</u> Greater Dayton RTA Board of Trustees Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees Meeting

### Wright Stop Plaza 4 South Main Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Dayton OH 45402 <u>Tuesday, May 20, 2025 – 8:30 a.m.</u>

Ca	ll Meeting to Order	Sharon White, Chair
Ro	ll Call/Declare Quorum	White
I.	Approval of April 15, 2025 Jointly Held Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees Meeting Minutes	White
Π.	<ul> <li>Future Board Action Items</li> <li>Finance/Personnel <ul> <li>Action Item #2 – Local Law Enforcement Agencies Authorization</li> <li>Action Item #3 – Third-Party Claims Management</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Matthews-Stenson</b> Ruzinsky Stanforth
	<ul> <li>Planning</li> <li>Action Item #4 – Passenger Counting Software</li> </ul>	Weckesser Owens
III.	Informational / Discussion Items <b>Finance/Personnel</b> • March 2025 Financial Report • Small Purchasing Information	<b>Matthews-Stenson</b> Stanforth Howard
	<ul><li>Planning</li><li>Customer and Business Development Update</li></ul>	Weckesser Policicchio
IV.	Chief Executive Officer Update	Ruzinsky
V.	Request for Executive Session – As Required	White
	Reconvene to Regular Session	
VI.	<u>Next Regular Committees Meetings</u> – June 17, 2025 – optional, may be cancelle July 15, 2025 Adjournment	d White

Interpreters for hearing impaired individuals are available upon request. Requests should be made at least 5 days prior to the date of the meeting. For more information, please call (937) 425-8392. Thank you.



# Jointly Held Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees Meeting Minutes

# April 15, 2025

Members Present:	Sharon D. White, Chair Ashton Dupler John A. Lumpkin, Jr. Belinda Matthews-Stenson Grady Mullins Thomas Weckesser David P. Williamson
Excused:	Al Fullenkamp Nikol Miller
Staff in Attendance:	Bob Ruzinsky Daron Brown Roland Caldwell Chris Conard, Coolidge Wall Noah Greer Shanel Kilgore Brandon Policicchio Mary K. Stanforth Bob Stevens

Ms. White called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and roll call was taken:

### Roll Call

Yes
Yes
Excused
Yes
Excused; Arrived at 8:35A
Excused
Yes
Yes
Yes

A quorum was present, and proper notice of the meeting had been given.

### <u>Approval of February 18, 2025, Jointly Held Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees Meeting</u> <u>Minutes</u>

Ms. White asked if attendees request a reading of the minutes or have corrections to the minutes?

Upon hearing no requests or corrections, a motion was made by Mr. Weckesser, and seconded by Mr. Mullins to approve the February 18, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion was approved by a vote 7-0.

#### <u>Approval of March 18, 2025, Jointly Held Finance/Personnel and Planning Committees Meeting</u> <u>Minutes</u>

Ms. White asked if attendees request a reading of the minutes or have corrections to the minutes?

Upon hearing no requests or corrections, a motion was made by Mr. Weckesser, and seconded by Mr. Lumpkin to approve the March 18, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion was approved by a vote 7-0.

### **Future Board Meeting Action Items**

There were no future board meeting action items to discuss.

### **Capital Presentation**

A presentation was made by staff from the modelgroup. The presentation focused on developments happening with the Centre City Building and Air City Garage.

#### February 2025 Financial Report

Ms. Stanforth stated the February 2025 Financial Report was provided in today's meeting packet. Total revenues are \$2.7 million over budget as a result of higher federal assistance and passenger fares. Total expenses are \$1.0 million under budget because of lower fringe benefits, services, materials & supplies, purchased transportation and miscellaneous expense. RTA's service gain after local capital charge is \$1.8 million, which compares to a budgeted loss of \$2.0 million.

### **Small Purchasing Information**

Mr. Greer stated the Small Purchasing Information was included in today's meeting packet.

### **Customer and Business Development Update**

Mr. Policicchio stated a report was included in today's meeting packet including information regarding honoring RTA veterans, information on the upcoming NATO event downtown, and several other important updates.

### **Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Mr. Ruzinsky had no further updates to provide.

#### **Request for Executive Session**

A MOTION made by Ms. White to RECESS into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing three individual matters pertaining to security, threat of litigation, and the employment of a public official.

#### ROLL CALL was taken:

Ms. White -	Yes
Mr. Dupler -	Yes

Mr. Fullenkamp -	No - Excused
Mr. Lumpkin -	Yes
Ms. Matthews-Stenson -	Yes
Ms. Miller -	No - Excused
Mr. Mullins-	Yes
Mr. Weckesser -	Yes
Mr. Williamson -	Yes

The MOTION was APPROVED 7-0.

The meeting RECESSED into Executive Session at 9:14 a.m.

#### **Reconvene to Regular Session**

MOTION made by Ms. White to RECONVENE into Regular Session.

#### **<u>ROLL CALL was taken</u>**:

Ms. White -	Yes
Mr. Dupler -	Yes
Mr. Fullenkamp -	No - Excused
Mr. Lumpkin -	Yes
Ms. Matthews-Stenson -	Yes
Ms. Miller -	No - Excused
Mr. Mullins-	Yes
Mr. Weckesser -	Yes
Mr. Williamson -	Yes

The MOTION was APPROVED 7-0.

The regular meeting RECONVENED at 10:08 a.m.

#### Next Meeting

The upcoming jointly held Finance/Personnel and Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for May 20, 2025.

#### **Adjournment**

Ms. White declared the meeting ADJOURNED at 10:09 a.m.

# ATTEST

Sharon D. White, Chair

**Brandon Policicchio, Committee Secretary** 

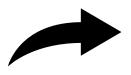
**Greater Dayton RTA Board of Trustees Packet** 

Meeting Date: Tuesday, June 3, 2025 – 3:00 p.m.

Wright Stop Plaza – 4 S. Main Street – Dayton, OH 45402 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Board Room

# JOINT FINANCE/PERSONNEL AND PLANNING COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

# **Next Section**





## **Customer & Business Development Highlights** Finance/Personnel & Planning Committee Meeting – 5/20/2025

# RTA PROMOTES WELLNESS WITH WEEK OF EVENTS



Above left: Capital Accountant Tamara Finch and Senior Purchasing Agent Michelle Collier participate in Heart Smart Jeopardy with representatives from the Health Transit Pool of Ohio. Above right: Communications Specialist Michael Everman gets his free A1-C screening on May 13 in the Wright Stop Plaza gym.

wellbeing to getting moving and ing only their bodyweight. preventing diabetes, RTA employees were able to explore numerous efit Fund (E.B.F.) held a life lessons elements of a healthy lifestyle dur- sessions on financial planning feaing the 2025 RTA wellness week, turing a local tax-prep expert. May 12-16.

Employee Health Month in May.

things off with two webinars on it per qualifying event. "Building a More Confident You" and "Compassion Fatigue."

health with free A1-C screenings. tate sign-ups for the various Plus employees competed in Heart events. Smart Trivia for a chance at prizes.

ployees hitting the gym to learn tured on the right, created by how to build strength with exercis- Graphic Designer Carmen Gaines.

From mental health and financial es they can do from anywhere us-

On Thursday, the Employee Ben-

Friday it was time for a treat with The week coincided with Global the Kona Ice Truck serving up and Fitness shaved ice in the garage.

Active members of the wellness Mental health Monday kicked program earned one wellness cred-

Health and Wellness Coordinator Christine Kaylor planned the week Tuesday's focus was on heart and used the Info Hub app to facili-

All the activities were promoted Workout Wednesday had em- on digital posters like the one pic-



# **RTA CELEBRATES NATIONAL MILITARY APPRECIATION MONTH WITH NEW BUS**

## National Military Appreciation Month

## SCAVENGER HUNT Look for this sign.



Each of six bus stops featured in the veteran-themed scavenger hunt featured a sign like the one above with a QR code to scan and a location code to enter on the website to "check-in" at that location. Clues to each location were posted on social media in early May.

## SCAVENGER HUNT HIGHLIGHTS SPOTS THAT HONOR VETERANS

RTA's military-themed bus, celebrating National Military Appreciation Month began circulating on routes on May 1.

To further celebrate, RTA held a scavenger hunt for riders featuring six locations along RTA routes that highlight veterans. Communications Specialist Michael Everman posted clues about each location on social media. Up for grabs for the first rider to visit each location and enter all six codes was a month of free rides.

The veterans bus will feature a rotation of interior cards each highlighting an RTA employee who is a military veteran. The first four employees to be featured are pictured to the right.

More information about the bus and these employees can be found at https://www.iriderta.org/ military-bus



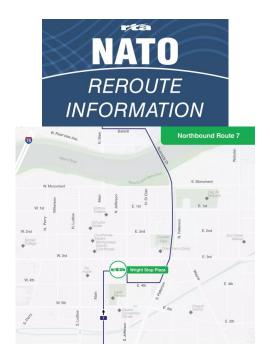
The first four RTA veterans to be featured on bus interior cards, social media and internal posters are pictured above.

# MAY BUS 'STARS' MILITARY, MOMS AND NATO



The May bus was designed by Senior Graphic Designer Cara Wood. It features Star Wars Day (May 4), Cinco de Mayo (May 5), Mother's Day (May 11), Memorial Day (May 26), National Military Appreciation Month with a thank you message to our local service members and veterans, as well as the NATO Parliamentary Assembly coming to Dayton May 22 to 26.

## RTA RELEASES MAPS OF DOWNTOWN REROUTES DURING NATO ASSEMBLY



The Greater Dayton RTA will be rerouting all routes that come through Wright Stop Plaza Transit Center from Tuesday, May 20, through Tuesday, May 27, to accommodate the security perimeter that will be set up in downtown Dayton for the 2025 Spring Session of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly. RTA's downtown transit center will remain open for normal business hours.

Senior Graphic Designer Cara Wood worked closely with the transportation department to create detailed maps for each reroute. They are available on iriderta.org.

Both Wood and Graphic Designer Carmen Gaines also worked on creating signage to help customers navigate in and around Wright Stop Plaza while the NATO security perimeter is in place.

Communications Specialist Katie Wedell worked with them to create internal communications as well about reroutes and access to RTA's building and parking lot during the assembly.

## **ENGAGING WITH OUR COMMUNITY** RTA STAFF HAVE BEEN BUSY PROMOTING OUR SERVICES AT JOB AND RESOURCE FAIRS, COMMUNITY CLEANUPS AND CAREER DAYS.



Human resources specialists Dominique Lynch and Aubrey McDaniel talk with young job seekers at the Montgomery County Youth Job Fair on May 1. Communications Specialist Michael Everman hands out T-shirts to students at Wright State University's April Craze on April 25. Service and Repair Mechanic Chris Cusick shows off a maintenance vehicle at Dayton Public Schools' Career Day on May 8.



Senior Purchasing Agent Noah Greer and Procurement Specialist Angelique Carey participated in the Ohio Business Matchmaker event on April 24. At the April 26 First Bloom event hosted by Downtown Dayton Partnership, procurement team members Michelle Collier and Angelique Carey assisted with a community cleanup ahead of NATO's visit in May.



Fixed-Route Operator Shelia Murrell (purple vest) and Mechanic James O'Neal attended Career Day at Rushmore Elementary in Huber Heights on May 5. They showed off a bus and a maintenance vehicle as well as answering questions about their careers.

# **DENISE FAMERA AND BARBARA JONES RETIRED MAY 1** AFTER COMBINED 70 YEARS OF DRIVING FOR RTA

BOTH SAID IT'S THE RIDERS, THE PEOPLE THEY MET AND MADE AN IMPACT ON IN THE COM-MUNITY, THAT THEY'LL MISS THE MOST.



Denise Famera, left, and Barabara Jones, right.

## **DENISE FAMERA 39 YEARS WITH RTA**

#### How it started

Denise Famera started her career as a fixed-route driver at RTA in 1986, but she was already a familiar face at the garage before then.

"I filled the vending machines for a number of years and every morning would roll down the hallway and meet me at the coffee machine," she said. "And it would be the 'When you going to come work for me?""

She was looking into jobs at the U.S. Postal Ser-

vice, where her sister bonus worked, or at General grandpa. Motors. Her sister convinced her the RTA was the unhoused woman somebody's life." the most recession-proof who frequently sat outjob because people al- side the library and had Best part of the job ways need to get where brushed off attempts at they are going.

"It was with those snowy Christmas words of encouragement I when Denise couldn't just training instructor. She said 'OK, let's do this,'" drive past. never looked back.

parts change from delivering grocery bag of stuff." pop cans.

one. The city has grown you. You're my angel." with the addition of downtown ballpark and the Schuster bus. Center, both in the early 2000s.

#### **Favorite memories**

have to do with the peo- Christmas Day. She'd reple she connected with connected with her sister while driving. Famera re- and gotten a place to stay, called an older couple went back to school and that always brought her a got a job. snack or a pop when they grandma

The biggest initial learn- day and watch her bun-

ence of watching the city bus stop, she was greeted **CONTINUED ON PAGE 6** 

change was mostly a good with a tearful "God bless

Years went by until an destinations unrecognizable woman like the Dayton Dragons went to get on Famera's

"When I opened the door, she said 'Oh, my God, you're my angel."" She filled Famera in on Her favorite stories her journey after that

"We cried all the way got on the bus from the downtown because I just Gospel Mission and who couldn't wrap my head eventually became like a around that whole conand cept," Famera said. "That one little gesture could Famera also remembers have possibly changed

Famera said her favorhelp in the past, until one ite years at RTA were Day when she worked as a loved mentoring young Famera said. And she's "I couldn't do it. I could drivers as they began not sit and drive by her all their careers at RTA. "When I got here, I the transportation guy ing curve was travelling to dled up like an Eskimo," looked up to the older of Montgomery Famera said. "I just people because I was so County she'd never visited stopped at United Dairy young," she said. "I albefore. Working with pas- Farmers, and I went in, ways wanted to know sengers was also a big and I bought her just a how they were going to do their career and stuff When she delivered the and just kind of watch Famera said the experi- bag to the woman at the them to help me grow

#### **RETIREMENT CONTINUED** FROM PAGE 5

and learn from them."

After learning so much from more experienced drivers, she wanted to pass on her knowledge and inspire young people too.

"I loved teaching class. I was a Smith System trainer for years and my goal



Famera receives a commendation from Fixed Route Manager Tom Nichols in 2022 for helping a customer having a medical issue.

was to make it a fun class, Favorite memories and I just enjoyed it. That was probably what I attendance record and pull out with the driver's some of the other drivers would love to continue to remembers making it into window and the bus door from the 90s through sodo is mentor, teach what- work during a big snow- open, the wash started cial media. ever I can," Famera said.

#### What's next?

vice president.

"That allows me to kind even one day. of still hang out with what I consider my family," she gers. They're so sweet. said. "I grew up here. I They're so nice," she said. mean, I just spent more "When I miss a day, 'Barb,

here."



**BARBARA JONES 31 YEARS** 

#### How it started

driving career with Day- have grown to know one year, before moving and they love it!" over to the RTA in 1995.

She's now the last to Funniest memory retire from her class of incoming drivers.

ent supervisors, managers the bus off the washer." and drivers over the years.

storm when the roads up. were impassable.

As for future plans, RTA the job has been interac- nance guys were laughdrivers will continue to tion with longtime riders, ing," she said. "I'm going see Famera around as she many of whom will refulfills her term as union mark when they don't see her behind the wheel for

"It's just the passen-

Community campaign door." after the students and staff at Stepping Stones Learning Center posted about her on their Facebook page. Amanda Griffie wrote, "This woman is amazing she makes our kids day every time she drives... She waves and honks and opens the door to tell them to have Barb Jones started her a good day and the kids ton Public Schools, for when she comes around

Α parting reminder from Jones: "Make sure She said she's enjoyed the windows and doors working with many differ- are shut when you take What's next?

"So much water got on For her the best part of that bus. The mainte-

than half of my life you OK? I didn't see you." through the wash, right. Jones was commended And water is shooting in last year and featured as the bus. And I couldn't part of the Caring for Our find the thing to close the



Jones shows off her Halloween spirit in October 2024.

Jones said she'll proba-She's not sure how it bly find another job after happened, but one time retirement, because she she was told to retrieve doesn't want to just sit her bus from the wash around. She also said Jones is proud of her lane. As she started to she'd like to connect with

> We are Caring for Our Community. "Barbara is amazing and makes our kids' day every time she drives by." - staff at Stepping Stones Learning Center WWW.IRIDERTA.ORG

The billboard design above highlighted Jones' connection to the community including the learning center students who wait for her wave hello every day.

## **DRIVER, MECHANIC AND TRANSIT AMBASSADOR GRADUATES CELEBRATED APRIL 21**

## ADJUSTMENTS MADE TO 7 ROUTES



The latest group of RTA Training Academy graduates was celebrated on April 21. Back row: Connect Operator Ralph Paige, Service and Repair Mechanic Joey Boyd, Connect Operator Antwon Ford.

Front row: Connect Operator Verdell Berry, Connect Operator Latuan Davis, Fixed-Route Operator LaTisha Hunt, and Transit Ambassador Maxine Williams. Not pictured: Fixed-Route Operator Christopher Dailey.



RTA made slight time adjustments in the morning and afternoon hours to routes 2, 4, 7, 8, 9, 12 and 22 beginning May 18.

The changes were announced via press release and social media with future schedules made available on iriderta.org starting a week before the changes took effect.

#### **RTA HOSTS 50 TRANSIT PROFESSIONALS FOR** ABBG PARATRANSIT WORKSHOP



Benchmarking (ABBG) Paratransit Work- resenting 20 of those shop April 28 to May 2. agencies.

The workshop, moder-Strategy Centre (TSC Im- Business

lytics.

The group consists of Woodard, 24 medium sized bus agencies across 16 states. RTA was honored to A total of 50 transit prohost the American Bus fessionals attended the Group workshop in Dayton rep-

Participating from RTA ated by the Transport were Chief Customer and Development perial College London) Officer Brandon Policicfocused on paratransit chio, Director of Mobility

& Customer Service Sally Projects Manager Julie Brown, Capital Account- Hoffman.

ant Tamara Finch, Para-Coordinator Cameron workshop. Capital and

Additional RTA staff services, member best transit Manager Connor provided tours to the practices, and data ana- Briggs, Customer Service group and support to the

CEO Bob Ruzinsky speaks to attendees of the ABBG Paratransit Workshop on April 29.

## LOCAL MEDIA COVERAGE OF **RTA'S INVESTMENT IN** DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION



The RTA's \$10 million plans for the parking garinvestment in the parking age, as seen above. adjacent to garage Wright Stop Plaza gar- partnership nered numerous media Model Group, "a true win mentions the week of -win for downtown de-May 4.

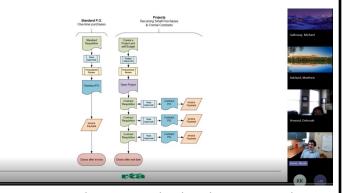
The Dayton Business Journal published a story ported by securing feder-May 7 on how the new al funding over the years, investment fits into a as detailed in the busilarger picture of Dayton's ness journal, include: Rivefforts revitalize erscape, to downtown.

He called the project, a with the velopment."

Projects RTA has supthe Davton Dragons stadium, the CEO Bob Ruzinsky was Schuster Center, and of

interviewed for that story course Wright Stop Plaza. as well as by WDTN, Channel 2, about the

#### **ADMINS TRAINED ON PROCUREMENT SYSTEM UPDATES**



IT Business Analyst Kyra Kaherl and Senior Purchasing Agent Noah Greer conducted a training for all RTA staff who submit purchase orders on recent updates to the ROSS ERP software.



RTA offered free rides all day on Election Day, May 6, so everyone in Montgomery County could exercise their right to vote.

## **CUSTOMER SERVICE HOLDS** FIESTA ON CINCO DE MAYO



The fourth floor at Wright Stop Plaza was the place to be on May 5 for every Ohioans' favorite version of Mexican food, the walking taco bar.

## **INFO HUB APP**

### April

Page views: 2,253 Average: 3,587 Unique hits: 1,603 Average: 1,517 Pages created: 19 Average: 20 Push notifications sent: 12 Average: 14 Total Active Users: 258 Average: 263

\*Averages are from 2024

## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

### **Facebook April**

### **Instagram April**

Reach: 122,344 Avg.: 55,324 Engagement: 13,666 Avg.: 4,286 Minutes Viewed: 32,820 Avg.: 1,313 Total Followers: 7,882 Reach: 2,993 Avg.: 1,463 Accounts engaged: 214 Avg.: 94 Impressions: 6,651 Avg.: 5,483 Total Followers: 1,687

Averages are from 2024 Reach = # unique users Impressions = # times post displays on screen Engagement = # comments, shares, clicks, likes

# UPCOMING INTERNAL EVENTS

June 19: Annual cookout and carwash Outside 601 Longworth St. Time TBD.

## MOST READ CONTENT ON INFO HUB IN APRIL

1. Welcome April new hires: 236 total reads



**2. Photos of April 21 graduation:** 165 total reads See photo on page 7.

**3. EBF's Life Lessons: Funeral and Cremation Planning :** 132 total reads





## Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority Financial Report March 2025

Financial Summary Comparative Data Departmental Detail Balance Sheets Sales Tax Receipts

Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority YTD Financial Report March 31, 2025	Actual Mar-25		
Revenues			
Passenger Fares Contract Service Fares Service Subsidies Interest Other Sales Tax - Net State Assistance Federal Assistance	2,111,734 15,869 10,620 965,843 34,633 11,736,684 12,231 7,769,904	9.3% 0.1% 0.0% 4.3% 0.2% 51.8% 0.1% 34.3%	
Total Revenue	22,657,519	100%	Total Revenues are \$2.9M over budget as a result of higher federal assistance and passenger fare
Expenses			
Wages Paid Absences Fringe Benefits Services Materials & Supplies Utilities & Power Casualty & Liability Costs Taxes Purchased Transportation Miscellaneous Total Expenses	8,527,860 1,329,819 3,497,642 1,646,920 1,664,410 663,482 1,426,119 57,545 206,234 231,143	44.3% 6.9% 18.2% 8.6% 3.4% 7.4% 0.3% 1.1% 1.2%	Total Operating Expenses are \$1.4M under budget as a result of lower wages & benefits, services
Pre Local Capital - Gain (Loss)	3,406,343		materials & supplies, purchased transportation and miscellaneous expenses.
Less - Local Capital Charge	953,746		Local Capital Charge is \$21k under budget.
RTA Service - Gain (Loss)	2,452,597	×	
Audit & GASB Items Less - Market to Market Adjustment Plus - Market to Market Adjustment Less - Federal/State Depreciation Less - GASB 68 & 74 (Pensions) Charge Plus - GASB 68 & 74 (Pensions) Credit	- 996,774 4,331,548 - -		RTA Service Gain after Local Capital Charge reflects a \$4.3M positive variance compared to budge

(882,177)

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Audit	Audit Adjusted - Gain (Loss)								

Plus - Non-RTA Capital Grants Received

**Balance Sheet - Change in Net Position** 

# Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority YTD Financial Report

March 31, 2025	Actual Mar 2025		Budget Mar 2025		Actual Mar 2024	
Revenues						
Passenger Fares	2,111,734	9.3%	1,604,532	8.1%	1,785,500	9.3%
Contract Service Fares	15,869	0.1%	1,251	0.0%	4,234	0.0%
Service Subsidies	10,620	0.0%	6,070	0.0%	-	0.0%
Interest	965,843	4.3%	900,004	4.6%	915,819	4.8%
Other	34,633	0.2%	61,248	0.3%	106,297	0.6%
Sales Tax - Net	11,736,684	51.8%	11,736,684	59.4%	11,452,301	59.6%
State Assistance	12,231	0.1%	12,230	0.1%	181,783	0.9%
Federal Assistance	7,769,904	34.3%	5,449,998	27.6%	4,762,701	24.8%
Total Revenue	22,657,519	100%	19,772,017	100%	19,208,635	100%
Expenses						
Wages	8,527,860	44.3%	8,794,114	42.5%	8,431,651	42.1%
Paid Absences	1,329,819	6.9%	1,350,566	6.5%	1,356,090	6.8%
Fringe Benefits	3,497,642	18.2%	3,754,747	18.2%	3,596,222	17.9%
Services	1,646,920	8.6%	1,843,601	8.9%	1,772,882	8.8%
Materials & Supplies	1,664,410	8.6%	1,898,058	9.2%	1,809,102	9.0%
Utilities & Power	663,482	3.4%	570,636	2.8%	573,561	2.9%
Casualty & Liability Costs	1,426,119	7.4%	1,453,999	7.0%	1,360,207	6.8%
Taxes	57,545	0.3%	58,753	0.3%	53,729	0.3%
Purchased Transportation	206,234	1.1%	550,007	2.7%	827,591	4.1%
Miscellaneous	231,143	1.2%	406,477	2.0%	267,390	1.3%
Total Expenses	19,251,176	100%	20,680,958	100%	20,048,425	100%
Pre Local Capital - Gain (Loss)	3,406,343		(908,941)	-	(839,790)	
Less - Local Capital Charge	953,746		974,331		728,476	
RTA Service - Gain (Loss)	2,452,597		(1,883,272)	-	(1,568,266)	
Audit & GASB Items						
Less - Market to Market Adjustment Plus - Market to Market Adjustment	996,774				179,700	
Less - Federal/State Depreciation Less - GASB 68 & 74 (Pensions) Charge Plus - GASB 68 & 74 (Pensions) Credit	4,331,548		4,431,051		3,520,382	
Audit Adjusted - Gain (Loss)	(882,177)		(6,314,323)	-	(5,268,348)	
Plus - Non-RTA Capital Grants Received			-			
Balance Sheet - Change in Net Position	(882,177)		(6,314,323)	-	(5,268,348)	

#### Greater Dayton RTA

#### Departmental Budget Summary

March 31, 2025	······ <b>,</b>	Current Month			
	Department	#	Actual	Budget	Variance
Board of Trustees	Board	11	5	7	(1)
Chief Executive Officer	CEO	21	49	57	(8)
	Labor Relations	55	87	81	5
	Total CEO		136	139	(2)
Chief Capital Officer	Chief Capital Officer	92	21	57	(37)
	Engineering	24	22	52	(30)
	Corporate Dept.	98	(4)	8	(12)
	Total CCO		39	118	(79)
Chief Financial Officer	Chief Financial Officer	19	52	53	(1)
	Claims	66	206	181	26
	Procurement	77	38	50	(12)
	Accounting & Payroll	91	107	117	(10)
	Total CFO		403	401	2
Transportation	Transportation Administration	60-61	631	634	(3)
	Revenue Vehicle Ops	63	2,533	2,675	(142)
	Security	88	-	1	(1)
	Total Transportation		3,164	3,310	(146)
Maintenance	Maintenance Administration	71	162	176	(14)
	Repair Shops	72	982	1,003	(21)
	Inventory	73	61	93	(32)
	Line Shop	75	169	173	(4)
	Facility Maintenance	76	273	256	18
	Transit Hubs	81-85	99	126	(27)
	Facility Cleaning	89	47	47	(0)
	Total Maintenance		1,792	1,874	(81)
Customer & Business Dev.	CC&BDO	41	31	45	(15)
	Communications	43	82	85	(4)
	Quality Service	44	107	122	(15)
	Planning & Scheduling	45	58	45	13
	Human Resources	31	56	125	(69)
	Information Technology (IT)	58	238	215	23
	Training, Safety & Risk	65	74	94	(20)
	Total CC&BDO		645	732	(86)
RTA Totals			6,185	6,579	(394)
(Dollars in Thousands Brack	eted Variances are Favorable)				

、 、	ear to Date	9	Annual
Actual	Budget	Variance	Budget
16	20	(5)	81
149	168	(19)	679
233	241	(9)	966
382	410	(28)	1,645
105	170	(64)	683
84	153	(69)	618
3	39	(36)	3,600
192	361	(169)	4,901
146	158	(12)	634
1,479	1,541	(62)	3,165
115	146	(31)	590
294	345	(51)	1,390
2,033	2,189	(157)	5,779
1,869	1,851	18	7,491
7,701	8,130	(429)	33,472
-	2	(2)	10
9,570	9,983	(413)	40,972
496	514	(18)	2,081
2,831	2,961	(130)	11,980
222	273	(52)	1,103
337	513	(175)	2,075
768	785	(16)	2,808
352	378	(26)	1,519
135	137	(2)	555
5,141	5,560	(419)	22,122
110	134	(24)	539
195	252	(57)	1,016
334	357	(22)	1,440
171	132	39	532
205	369	(163)	1,486
672	637	35	2,562
229	276	(47)	1,115
1,917	2,157	(240)	8,689
19,251	20,681	(1,430)	84,190

(Dollars in Thousands, Bracketed Variances are Favorable)

alance Sheets arch 2025 and Year Enc	d 2024			As	of 3/31/2025	Pre - Audit As of 12/30/2024	
Assets and Deferred C	Dutflows of Resou	rces					
Current assets:	Cash and cash of Short-term invest Accounts received Materials and su Prepaid expense	tments able, less allowance for doubtful acco pplies, net	ounts Total current assets	\$	32,688,625 20,004,625 15,130,817 9,602,033 2,088,845 79,514,945	\$	15,207,195 19,371,494 18,543,222 9,435,555 2,316,839 64,874,308
Non-current assets:	Long-term inves Net pension/OP				66,828,600 1,903,116		70,880,31
	Capital assets:	Land Revenue producing and service ed Buildings and structures Office furnishings, shop equipment Construction in progress Less accumulated depreciation			7,361,536 145,002,445 165,698,029 31,730,597 28,063,544 (177,422,499)		7,361,536 135,926,206 165,698,029 31,442,763 34,034,209 (172,137,205
			Total capital assets - net Total non-current assets		200,433,652 269,165,368		202,325,533 273,205,854
Deferred outflows of res	-	OPEB d deferred outflows of resources	Total assets	\$	348,680,313 21,413,074 <b>370,093,387</b>	\$	338,080,16 27,333,87 <b>365,414,03</b>
Liabilities, Deferred In	flows of Resource	es and Net Position					
Current liabilities:	Accounts payabl Accrued payroll Accrued self-ins Unearned fares Other accrued e	and related benefits urance	Total compact list Wilco	\$	1,773,652 5,168,414 4,751,490 541,204 1,856,287	\$	5,825,601 5,302,821 4,754,130 272,969 2,088,007
Non-current liabilities:	Accrued comper Net pension/OP	nsated absences EB liabilities	Total current liabilities		14,091,047 1,365,146 56,054,875		18,243,528 1,365,146 58,411,958
Deferred inflows of resc	ources - popoione/C	DER	Total non-current liabilities Total liabilities		57,420,021 71,511,068 2,116,619		59,777,10 78,020,629 4,037,743
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Net position:	Invested in capit Unrestricted	al assets	Total net position		200,433,652 96,032,048 296,465,700		202,325,538 81,030,123 283,355,661
	Total liabilities,	deferred inflows of resources and	-	\$	<b>370,093,387</b>	\$	365,414,032



#### SALES TAX RECEIPTS (NET OF FEE PAID TO STATE OF OHIO)

		MONTHLY					YEAR TO DATE				
SALES PERIOD EARNED	MONTH RECEIVED	2021	2022	2023	Actual 2024	Budget 2024	2021	2022	2023	Actual 2024	Budget 2024
JANUARY	APRIL	3,233,962	3,406,797	3,529,286	3,738,177	3,564,579	3,233,962	3,406,797	3,529,286	3,738,177	3,564,579
FEBRUARY	MAY	3,290,524	3,515,968	3,645,547	3,694,999	3,682,002	6,524,486	6,922,765	7,174,832	7,433,176	7,246,581
MARCH	JUNE	4,200,021	4,207,363	4,164,079	4,280,129	4,205,720	10,724,507	11,130,128	11,338,911	11,713,305	11,452,301
APRIL	JULY	3,960,624	4,023,682	4,096,524	4,090,033	4,137,489	14,685,131	15,153,810	15,435,435	15,803,338	15,589,790
MAY	AUGUST	4,174,409	4,292,382	4,190,742	4,251,263	4,232,649	18,859,540	19,446,192	19,626,177	20,054,601	19,822,439
JUNE	SEPTEMBER	3,995,835	4,073,673	4,340,913	4,303,934	4,384,322	22,855,374	23,519,865	23,967,090	24,358,535	24,206,761
JULY	OCTOBER	3,970,191	4,124,481	4,024,857	4,081,497	4,065,106	26,825,565	27,644,346	27,991,946	28,440,032	28,271,867
AUGUST	NOVEMBER	3,792,316	3,917,771	4,115,287	3,627,343	4,002,089	30,617,881	31,562,117	32,107,233	32,067,375	32,273,956
SEPTEMBER	DECEMBER	3,844,035	4,163,678	4,138,193	4,033,565	3,904,419	34,461,916	35,725,795	36,245,427	36,100,940	36,178,375
OCTOBER	JANUARY	3,771,559	4,075,167	3,945,585	4,158,837	3,930,150	38,233,475	39,800,962	40,191,012	40,259,777	40,108,525
NOVEMBER	FEBRUARY	4,015,563	3,989,588	3,915,474	3,917,951	4,014,320	42,249,038	43,790,550	44,106,486	44,177,728	44,122,845
DECEMBER	MARCH	4,620,756	4,677,163	4,746,305	4,880,246	4,660,762	46,869,794	48,467,713	48,852,790	49,057,974	48,783,607
Totals		\$ 46,869,794 \$	, , .	, ,	\$ 49,057,974	\$ 48,783,607					
% Increase Year	over Year	13.79%	3.41%	0.79%							

PLEASE NOTE THE ABOVE AMOUNTS ARE REPORTED NET OF A 1% ADMINISTRATIVE FEE WHICH IS PAID TO THE STATE OF OHIO.

#### **Small Purchase Report**

\$25,000 to \$100,000 January 01, 2025-April 30, 2025

**Contract Date Requesting Dept** Description Vendor Amount 01/01/25 Human Resources \$87,880 **Employee Assistance Program** Premier Community Health 01/01/25 Human Resources Eyemed Vision Insurance Fidelity Security Life Insurance Company \$59.471 01/07/25 Substation Spare Parts Powell Electrical Systems, Inc. \$50,000 Capital 01/15/25 Capital HVAC in WSP Concourse Osterfeld Champion Service, Inc \$27,250 01/15/25 Maintenance Fire Alarm Monitoring Shiver Security Systems, Inc. \$60,000 01/24/25 600 LW Rolling Garage Door Maintenance Rolling And Sliding Doors Of Dayton Ltd \$34,000 02/01/25 \$60.500 Human Resources Software System Support Personnel Data Systems 02/03/25 Maintenance 600 LW Rolling Garage Door Rolling And Sliding Doors Of Dayton Ltd \$28,500 02/05/25 IT Software Map Upgrade Trapeze Software Group, Inc \$27.958 02/13/25 Kiepe Electric Inc. \$30,813 Maintenance Maintenance 02/15/25 Maintenance Scada Annual Maint, 2025-2026 **QEI LLC** \$30,000 02/25/25 IT CBTS Yr 5 Dell Service Maintenance CBTS Technology Solutions LLC \$47,935 02/26/25 Fire Alarm Monitoring - 5 Yr LW & WSP Johnson Controls Fire \$83,815 Maintenance 03/10/25 Clever Devices Ltd \$59.985 IT System Upgrade 03/13/25 IT Cyber Security Audit Guidepoint Security Holdings LLC \$76,835 03/25/25 Maintenance UD Supervisor Leadership Class University Of Dayton \$63,700 04/01/25 Maintenance **Towing & Recovery Services** Englewood Truck Towing & Recovery \$90.000 CDWG \$35,842 04/01/25 IT Solarwinds Network Monitoring 04/08/25 Maintenance **Overhead Parts for Projects** Power Line Supply \$68.528 04/08/25 IT MS Office Training - Admin New Horizons \$29.500 04/08/25 Capital WSP Concourse Plumbing Osterfeld Champion Service, Inc. \$55,801 04/08/25 Annual Membership Dues Imperial College Projects Ltd \$29.900 Executive \$50,000 04/15/25 Human Resources New Hire Job Posts Indeed, Inc. 04/23/25 Ford Transit Van Montrose Ford LLC \$59,445 Maintenance 04/28/25 Air Compressor Parts Program Maintenance Ingersoll-Rand Company \$50.000 04/30/25 Procurement Office Supplies Staples, Inc. \$40.000 04/30/25 Procurement Office Supplies **River Business Solutions LLC** \$40,000 \$1,377,658 Total

Board Meeting-06/03/25

**Chief Financial Officer**