



SORTA/Metro
Board Meeting
January 28, 2025
9:00 am-10:00 am Eastern Time

SORTA BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 28th, 2025 – 9:00 A.M
SORTA BOARD ROOM 6th FLOOR
525 VINE STREET,
CINCINNATI, OHIO, 45202

General Items:

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Hearings from citizens

CEO Star Awards: Frank Harper, Charles Heard, James Henderson and Inga McGlothlin

Chair Update

Action Items:

- 1 Approval of Board Minutes December 17th, 2024

Finance Committee (Blake Ethridge)

Planning & Operations Committee (Dan Driehaus)

Procurement Consent Agenda:

- 2 Proposed Resolution: Contract Modification for 099-2024 Masabi Mobility Rewards Program (Steve Anderson)
 - 2.1 Action Item:
- 3 Proposed Resolution: Contract Award for 167-2024 Diesel Fuel (Jeff Mundstock)
 - 3.1 Action Item:
- 4 Proposed Resolution: Contract Award for 168-2024 Gasoline (Jeff Mundstock)
 - 4.1 Action Item:
- 5 Proposed Resolution: Contract Award for 172-2024 Kings Island Family Day (Adriene Hairston)
 - 5.1 Action Item:

Infrastructure, Bike and ROW (Sara Sheets)

Action Item:

- 6 MTIF Guideline Changes (Khaled Shammout)

Governance and Nominating Committee (Dan Driehaus)

- 7 Election of Officers- 2025 Chair and Vice Chair of the SORTA Board of Trustees (Dan Driehaus)

Briefing Items:

- 8 Financial Results for December 31st, 2024 (Tim Walker)
- 9 Metro on the Move (Darryl Haley)
- 10 New Business

Other Items:

Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees is scheduled for

Tuesday, February 25th, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

CEO STAR Awards



Frank Harper,
President



Inga McGlothin,
Financial Secretary



James Henderson,
Vice President



Chuck Heard,
Recording Secretary

Presented to ATU Local 627 leaders For your exemplary leadership and unwavering dedication to Metro's customers, employees, and the Cincinnati community, as well as your relentless commitment to fostering strong partnerships with Metro leadership. Your efforts have significantly contributed to cultivating a collaborative and positive culture that benefits both Metro and the broader community. Additionally, your leadership serves as a model of what an effective Union-management partnership should be, working together to achieve shared goals and uphold common values.

SORTA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
SORTA/METRO AT HUNTINGTON CENTER
SORTA BOARD ROOM-6th FLOOR
525 VINE STREET, CINCINNATI OHIO 45202

MINUTES OF: Regular Meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees

DATE: Tuesday, December 17th 2024, 6:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Tianay Amat, Tony Brice, Chelsea Clark, Dan Driehaus, Trent Emeneker, Blake Ethridge, Kala Gibson, Neil Kelly, Pete Metz, Briana Moss, Sara Sheets, Greg Simpson and KZ Smith

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Jay Bedi Gwen Robinson and Sonja Taylor

STAFF MEMBERS: Andy Aiello, Steve Anderson, John Edmondson, Joe Ferguson, Darryl Haley, Adriene Hairston, Chuck Heard, James Henderson, James Hubbard, Bret Isaacs, Brandy Jones, Natalie Krusling, Bradley Mason, James McClothin, John Ravasio, Jason Roe, Tony Russo, Bill Spraul, Tim Walker and Mike Weil

LEGAL COUNSEL: Kim Schaefer (Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP)

GUEST/PUBLIC PRESENT: Doug McClintock (Red Bike), Maxwell Brown (AECOM), Dave Wormald (AECOM), Frank Harper (ATU), James Henderson (ATU), Chuck Heard (ATU), Kevin Shaw (Chizm), Mariel Null and Clarisza Null

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Ethridge SORTA Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

HEARING FROM CITIZENS

Kevin Shaw (Chizm)

CHAIRMAN UPDATE

Discussed the favorable vote in regards to the collective bargaining agreement for access.

He also discussed APTA that took place in Cincinnati last week. APTA came to Cincinnati because of what was achieved in Cincinnati.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 19th, 2024 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Driehaus made a motion that the minutes from the November 19th, 2024, board meeting be approved as previously mailed and Ms. Clark seconded the motion.

By voice vote, the SORTA Board approved the minutes.

TRANSIT IN HAMILTON COUNTY: THE NEW HORIZON

Mr. Shammout presented Transit in Hamilton County: The New Horizon to the board. He reviewed the past, present and the future. The future included regionalism, innovation, monitoring and beyond all of that.

The SORTA Board accepted the report as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORTS AS OF NOVEMBER 30th, 2024

Mr. Walker presented the November financial results. Total revenues were \$12.3 million, which was unfavorable to budget by \$1,219k. Total expenses were \$13.2 million, which was unfavorable to budget by \$128k. Surplus/Deficit was \$0.9 million, which was unfavorable to budget by \$1,347k. Ridership was 1,148k, which was unfavorable to budget by 33k. Mr. Walker presented the Investment of Funds Reserve Summary with a total All Securities at \$162,014,898, Net Unrestricted Securities Available at \$1,450,189 and Net Unrestricted Securities and 2024 Operating Budget Surplus at \$917,979. Mr. Walker then reviewed the contributing factors to these variances.

The SORTA Board accepted the report as presented.

METRO ON THE MOVE

Mr. Ravasio presented the Metro on the Move report. He shared the small business expo & holiday toy drive, organization realignments, merry merry metro bus + holiday give away, old saint nick, stuff the buss, brt public meetings, award of excellence, updating city council and success at the ballot.

LABOR COMMITTEE

Mr. Ethridge reported on the labor committee and that the collective bargaining agreement for the Access Operating Division passed.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT FOR THE ACCESS OPERATING DIVISION

Mr. Metz moved for adoption and Ms. Moss seconded the motion. The resolution approves the Access Operating Division Collective Bargaining Agreement.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the resolution.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR 042-2024 DRIVER PROTECTIVE BARRIERS

Ms. Ethridge moved for adoption and Mr. Metz seconded the motion. The resolution approves the Contract Award for 042-2024 Driver Protective Barriers.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the resolution.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR 067-2024 A&E SERVICES FOR WALNUT HILLS TRANSIT CENTER DESIGN

Ms. Ethridge moved for adoption and Mr. Metz seconded the motion. The resolution approves A&E services for Walnut Hills Transit Center Design.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the resolution.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR 137-2024 QUEENSGATE FUEL FACILITIES REPAIR

Ms. Ethridge moved for adoption and Mr. Metz seconded the motion. The resolution approves Queensgate Fuel Facilities Repair.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the resolution.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR 150-2024 NON-REVENUE CARGO VANS

Ms. Ethridge moved for adoption and Mr. Metz seconded the motion. The resolution approves Non-Revenue Cargo Vans.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the resolution.

PROPOSED MOTION: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR 165-2024 GENERAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR 2025

Ms. Ethridge moved for adoption and Mr. Metz seconded the motion. The motion approves General Legal Services for 2025.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the motion.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR 169-2024 HASTUS-TRAPEZE MIGRATION UPGRADE

Ms. Ethridge moved for adoption and Mr. Metz seconded the motion. The resolution approves Hastus-Trapeze Migration Upgrade.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the resolution.

PROPOSED MOTION: APPROVAL AGENCY EXECUTIVE RECORDS MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

Mr. Metz moved for adoption and Ms. Clark seconded the motion. The resolution approves the Agencies Executive Records Management Commission.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the resolution.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF RED BIKE

Mr. Metz moved for adoption and Ms. Moss seconded the motion. The resolution approves the Red Bike resolution.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the resolution.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR EXCESS WORKERS COMPENSATION

Mr. Brice moved for adoption and Ms. Clark seconded the motion. The resolution approves the Contract for Excess Workers Compensation.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the resolution.

PROPOSED MOTION: ERM ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

Mr. Driehaus moved for adoption and Mr. Kelly seconded the motion. The resolution approves ERM moving to an advisory committee.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the motion.

NEW BUSINESS

N/A

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees has been scheduled for
January 28th, 2025, at 9:00 A.M.
the SORTA/Metro Board Room, at 525 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

APPROVED:



Blake Ethridge
Chair, SORTA Board

ATTESTED:



Darryl Haley
CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

Project	Method	Vendor	Award	Term	Funding
099-2024* Mobility Rewards Program	Sole Source Award	NEORide	\$140,533 (o) \$314,500 (m) \$455,022	1 year Feb 2025 – Jan 2026	Budgeted Local Operating
167-2024 Diesel Fuel Contract	Invitation for Bid (IFB)	Colonial Oil Industries, Inc.	\$7,219,000	11 months Feb 2025 – Dec 2025	Budgeted Local Operating
168-2024 Gasoline Fuel Contract	Invitation for Bid (IFB)	Colonial Oil Industries, Inc.	\$823,742	11 months Feb 2025 – Dec 2025	Budgeted Local Operating
172-2024* Kings Island Family Day	Sole Source Award	Kings Island	\$310,904	10 months Feb 2025 – Oct 2025	Budgeted Local Operating

*denotes non-competitive or non-negotiable award

Supplier Diversity Summary

Total Awards for Month	\$8,668,146
Total Diversity Spend for Month	\$--
Addressable Awards	\$8,042,742
Effective Participation Rate	\$--
2024 Total Spend	\$101,756,326
2024 Diversity Spend	\$8,691,434 (8.5%)
2024 Total Addressable Spend	\$61,883,484
2024 Effective Participation Rate	14.0%



BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-1

APPROVAL OF 099-2024 RIDER REWARDS PROGRAM (EZFARE MOBILE TICKETING)

WHEREAS:

1. In alignment with its goals of 20 million riders by 2026, Metro needs a transit ridership rewards software.
2. Metro has a current contract with Masabi that includes options for additional services, one of which is the software needed to support the rider incentive program.
3. A contract modification would provide the solution most advantageous to Metro.
4. SORTA staff recommends approval to execute modified Contract No. 099-2024, on behalf of Metro and Neoride increasing the total not to exceed value from \$140,522 to \$455,022, an increase of \$314,500.
5. The expenditures have been budgeted with local operating funds.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

6. The Board authorizes the CEO/General Manager/ Secretary-Treasurer or the CFO to execute modified Contract No. 099-2024, on behalf of Metro and Neoride increasing the total not to exceed value from \$140,522 to \$455,022, an increase of \$314,500.

MOVED TO
TABLE TO
NEXT MONTH
BY:

Pete Metz

SECOND BY:

Tony Brice

VOTE Aye: Ms. Amat, Mr. Brice, Ms. Clark, Mr. Driehaus, Mr. Ethridge, Kala Gibson, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Metz, Ms. Moss and Ms. Sheets

Nay: None

Abstain: None

ABSENT AT
THE TIME: Ms. Robinson, Mr. Smith and Ms. Taylor

PRESENT
NON-VOTING
MEMBERS: Greg Simpson

ABSENT NON-
VOTING
MEMBERS AT
THE TIME: Jay Bedi and Trent Emeneker

APPROVED: January 28th, 2025



BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION ITEM

DATE: January 21, 2025

FROM: John Edmondson, Sr. Director of Procurement
Steve Anderson, Sr. Director of Transit Development & Innovation

PROJECT NO.: 099-2024 Rider Rewards Program (EZfare Mobile Ticketing)

REQUEST: Contract Award

BACKGROUND

In alignment with its goal of 20 million riders by 2026, Metro needs a transit ridership rewards software that incentivizes current and potential riders to use public transit more frequently, promoting sustainable mobility and addressing environmental and congestion concerns. The software should incentivize riders to take extra rides based on their demographic and/or usage patterns with discounted Metro fares, discounted mobility options (Uber, Lime, etc.) and/or discounted offers for everyday products such as coffee or fast food, etc.

BUSINESS PURPOSE

Metro has a current contract with Masabi that includes options for additional services, one of which is the software needed to support the rider incentive program. A contract modification would provide the solution most advantageous to Metro.

PROJECT FINANCING

The budget for the project is \$314,500 and is included in the approved FY2025 Operating budget.

The contract is structured as an indefinite delivery / indefinite quantity ("IDIQ") contract since the exact amount to be purchased and the exact unit price is based on variables such as campaign options, ridership, and consumption. As such, the final project of cost \$314,500 is flat to budget.

PROJECT PROCUREMENT

This is a sole source award. No market competition is available for this item.

PROJECT DIVERSITY

This project is a sole source award with no subcontracting opportunities. As such, no vendor diversity goal has been established.

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION

Staff recommends the Board of Trustees approve a resolution authorizing the CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer or the Senior Director of Procurement to execute a modification to Contract No. 099-2024, on behalf of Metro with NEORide, increasing the total not to exceed value from \$140,522 to \$455,022, an increase of \$314,500.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-2

APPROVAL OF 167-2024 DIESEL FUEL SUPPLY

WHEREAS:

1. Metro operates more than 300 buses and 20 paratransit vehicles in revenue service.
2. The vehicles require diesel fuel and consume approximately 280,000 gallons per month.
3. Metro is shifting from a quarterly solicitation and award to an annual award to increase purchasing power and lower pricing.
4. SORTA staff recommends approval to execute Contract No. 167-2024, on behalf of Metro and Colonial Oil Industries, Inc., with a not to exceed value of \$7,219,000.
5. The expenditures have been budgeted with local operating funds.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

6. The Board authorizes the CEO/General Manager/ Secretary-Treasurer or the CFO to execute Contract No. 167-2024, on behalf of Metro and Colonial Oil Industries, Inc., with a not to exceed value of \$7,219,000.

MOVED TO
TABLE TO
NEXT MONTH
BY:

Pete Metz

SECOND BY: Tony Brice

VOTE Aye: Ms. Amat, Mr. Brice, Ms. Clark, Mr. Driehaus, Mr. Ethridge, Kala Gibson, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Metz, Ms. Moss and Ms. Sheets

Nay: None

Abstain: None

ABSENT AT
THE TIME: Ms. Robinson, Mr. Smith and Ms. Taylor

PRESENT
NON-VOTING
MEMBERS: Greg Simpson

ABSENT NON-
VOTING
MEMBERS AT
THE TIME: Jay Bedi and Trent Emeneker

APPROVED: January 28th, 2025



BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION ITEM

DATE: January 21, 2025
FROM: John Edmondson, Sr. Director of Procurement
 Jeff Mundstock, Director of Fleet & Facilities
PROJECT NO.: 167-2024 Diesel Fuel Supply
REQUEST: Contract Award

BACKGROUND

Metro operates more than 300 buses and 20 paratransit vehicles in revenue service that require diesel fuel, consuming approximately 280,000 gallons per month.

BUSINESS PURPOSE

Metro is shifting from a quarterly solicitation and award to an annual award to increase purchasing power and lower pricing.

PROJECT FINANCING

The budget for this project is \$7,219,000 and is included in the approved FY2025 Operating budget.

The contract is structured as an indefinite delivery / indefinite quantity ("IDIQ") contract since the exact amount to be purchased and the exact unit price is based on fluctuating variables (e.g., price per gallon at the time of delivery, number of revenue vehicles in service, changes to routes, etc.). As such, the final project of cost \$7,219,000 is flat to budget.

Diesel fuel prices will vary daily. The contract price is structured such that Metro will pay a fee, referred to as a differential, above the price per gallon at the time of delivery. The unit price (i.e., differential fee) for the project is \$0.0125 per gallon delivered, **a savings of 70.3% per gallon.**

PROJECT PROCUREMENT

Based on the exact specifications and limited variables to consider, Procurement staff determined that an Invitation for Bid ("IFB") was the appropriate method of procurement. Under this method, the contract is awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

Staff targeted 10 specific vendors known to have the capacity to deliver on the requirements of the contract in addition to those notified through Metro's e-procurement platform. 24 firms downloaded solicitation materials, and 8 vendors submitted responses. All bids were determined to be responsive. Below is a tabulated table of the responses:

Line Item	Description	Unit of Measure	Colonial Oil Industries, Inc.	Mansfield Oil Company of Gainesville, Inc.	Petroleum Traders Corporation	Pinnacle Petroleum, Inc.	Ports Petroleum	Santmyer Energy	Sunoco LP	Tartan Oil LLC
			Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost
1	Queensgate Garage (120,000 - 150,000 gallons)	\$ Diff per Gallon	\$.0125	\$.0412	\$.0229	\$.0505	\$.0693	\$.0388	\$.0806	\$.033
2	Bond Hill Garage (90,000 - 120,000 gallons)	\$ Diff per Gallon	\$.0125	\$.0408	\$.0229	\$.0482	\$.0693	\$.0388	\$.0806	\$.033
3	Access (7,500 - 10,000 gallons)	\$ Diff per Gallon	\$.0125	\$.044	\$.0229	\$.0482	\$.0693	\$.0388	\$.0806	\$.033



The contract is an indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity contract ("IDIQ") with a firm fixed unit cost and an 11-month period of performance (February 2025 – December 2025).

PROJECT DIVERSITY

Staff determined that the nature of the work to be performed did not present ample subcontracting opportunities. As a result, no diverse vendor participation goal was established for the award.

No XBE vendors responded to the solicitation.

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION

Staff recommends the Board of Trustees approve a resolution authorizing the CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer or the Senior Director of Procurement to execute Contract No. 167-2024, on behalf of Metro with Colonial Oil Industries, Inc., with a not to exceed value of \$7,219,000.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-3

APPROVAL OF 168-2024 GASOLINE FUEL CONTRACT

WHEREAS:

1. Metro operates more than 60 revenue service (Paratransit, MetroNOW) and support vehicles that require gasoline for operating.
2. A new fueling station has recently been installed at the Access facility that allows for refueling of gasoline-powered vehicles.
3. Metro is shifting from a quarterly solicitation and award to an annual award to increase purchasing power and lower pricing.
4. SORTA staff recommends approval to execute Contract No. 168-2024, on behalf of Metro and Colonial Oil Industries, Inc., with a not to exceed value of \$823,742.
5. The expenditures have been budgeted with local operating funds.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

6. The Board authorizes the CEO/General Manager/ Secretary-Treasurer or the CFO to execute Contract No. 167-2024, on behalf of Metro and Colonial Oil Industries, Inc., with a not to exceed value of \$823,742.

MOVED TO
TABLE TO
NEXT MONTH
BY:

Pete Metz

SECOND BY:

Tony Brice

VOTE Aye:

Ms. Amat, Mr. Brice, Ms. Clark, Mr. Driehaus, Mr. Ethridge, Kala Gibson, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Metz, Ms. Moss and Ms. Sheets

Nay:

None

Abstain:

None

ABSENT AT
THE TIME:

Ms. Robinson, Mr. Smith and Ms. Taylor

PRESENT
NON-VOTING
MEMBERS:

Greg Simpson

ABSENT NON-
VOTING
MEMBERS AT
THE TIME:

Jay Bedi and Trent Emeneker

APPROVED:

January 28th, 2025



BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION ITEM

DATE: January 21, 2025
FROM: John Edmondson, Sr. Director of Procurement
 Jeff Mundstock, Director of Fleet & Facilities
PROJECT NO.: 168-2024 Gasoline Fuel Contract
REQUEST: Contract Award

BACKGROUND

Metro operates more than 60 revenue service (Paratransit, MetroNOW) and support vehicles that require gasoline fuel for operating. A new fueling station has recently been installed at the Access facility that allows for refueling of gasoline-powered vehicles.

BUSINESS PURPOSE

Metro is shifting from a quarterly solicitation and award to an annual award to increase purchasing power and lower pricing.

PROJECT FINANCING

The budget for the project is \$823,742 and is included in the approved FY2025 Operating budget.

The contract is structured as an indefinite delivery / indefinite quantity ("IDIQ") contract since the exact amount to be purchased and the exact unit price is based on fluctuating variables (e.g., price per gallon at the time of delivery, number of revenue vehicles in service, changes to routes, etc.). As such, the final project of cost \$823,742 is flat to budget.

Gasoline fuel prices will vary daily. The contract price is structured such that Metro will pay a fee, referred to as a differential, above the price per gallon at the time of delivery. The unit price (i.e., differential fee) for the project is \$0.0253 per gallon delivered, **a savings of 50% per gallon.**

PROJECT PROCUREMENT

Based on the exact specifications and limited variables to consider, Procurement staff determined that an Invitation for Bid ("IFB") was the appropriate method of procurement. Under this method, the contract is awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder.

Staff targeted 10 specific vendors known to have the capacity to deliver on the requirements of the contract in addition to those notified through Metro's e-procurement platform. 24 firms downloaded solicitation materials, and 8 vendors submitted responses. All bids were determined to be responsive. Below is a tabulated table of the responses:

Gasoline - E10 87 Octane - 2025			Colonial Oil Industries, Inc.	Indigo Energy Partners	Mansfield Oil Company of Gainesville, Inc	Petroleum Traders Corporation	Ports Petroleum	Sunoco LP	Tartan Oil LLC
Selected	Line Item	Unit of Measure	Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost	Unit Cost
X	1	\$ Diff per Gallon	\$.0253	\$.0325	\$.0679	\$.0325	\$.0668	\$.056	\$.0469



The contract is an indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity contract ("IDIQ") with a firm fixed unit cost and an 11-month period of performance (February 2025 – December 2025).

PROJECT DIVERSITY

Staff determined that the nature of the work to be performed did not present ample subcontracting opportunities. As a result, no diverse vendor participation goal was established for the award.

No XBE vendors responded to the solicitation.

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION

Staff recommends the Board of Trustees approve a resolution authorizing the CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer or the Senior Director of Procurement to execute Contract No. 168-2024, on behalf of Metro with Colonial Oil Industries, Inc., with a not to exceed value of \$823,742.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-4

APPROVAL OF 172-2024 KINGS ISLAND FAMILY DAY

WHEREAS:

1. Metro has received consistent feedback related to under-developed employee appreciation efforts.
2. Senior leaders have generated several ideas designed to enhance the employee appreciation program at Metro.
3. A purchase agreement is needed to secure reduced ticket pricing and catering services for the event.
4. SORTA staff recommends approval to execute Contract No. 172-2024, on behalf of Metro and Kings Island, with a not to exceed value of \$310,904.
5. The expenditures have been budgeted with local operating funds.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

6. The Board authorizes the CEO/General Manager/ Secretary-Treasurer or the CFO to execute Contract No. 172-2024, on behalf of Metro and Kings Island, with a not to exceed value of \$310,904.

MOVED TO
TABLE TO
NEXT MONTH
BY:

Pete Metz

SECOND BY:

Tony Brice

VOTE Aye: Ms. Amat, Mr. Brice, Ms. Clark, Mr. Driehaus, Mr. Ethridge, Kala Gibson, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Metz, Ms. Moss and Ms. Sheets

Nay: None

Abstain: None

ABSENT AT
THE TIME: Ms. Robinson, Mr. Smith and Ms. Taylor

PRESENT
NON-VOTING
MEMBERS: Greg Simpson

ABSENT NON-
VOTING
MEMBERS AT
THE TIME: Jay Bedi and Trent Emeneker

APPROVED: January 28th, 2025



BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION ITEM

DATE: January 21, 2025
FROM: John Edmondson, Sr. Director of Procurement
 Adriene Hairston, Chief Human Resources Officer
PROJECT NO.: 172-2024 Kings Island Family Day
REQUEST: Contract Award

BACKGROUND

Metro has received consistent feedback related to under-developed employee appreciation efforts. As a result, senior leaders have generated several ideas designed to enhance the employee appreciation program at Metro. One such idea is a family day at a local amusement park.

BUSINESS PURPOSE

Metro's Family Day will take place at Kings Island and will include tickets to the park, a meal, and parking. A purchase agreement is needed to secure reduced ticket pricing and catering services for the event. The Family Day will be on August 9 and 10, 2025.

PROJECT FINANCING

The budget for this project is \$310,904 and is included in the approved 2025 Operating Budget. The itemized ticket price is below:

Year	No. of Employees	Admission	Meal	Parking Fee	Total per Employee	No. Tickets per Employee	Total Cost
2025	1,100	\$35.00	\$34.16	\$1.50	\$70.66	4	\$310,904
2024	1,100	\$35.00	\$28.83	\$1.50	\$65.33	4	\$288,332
2023	1,118	\$33.00	\$21.75	\$3.00	\$57.57	4	\$257,454

The 2025 cost per person is 7.6% higher than 2024 prices, due primarily to annual price increases from the vendor and additional meal options for employees.

The final project cost of \$310,904 is flat to budget.

The project will be financed with local operating funds.

PROJECT PROCUREMENT

This is a sole source award. No market competition is available for this item.

PROJECT DIVERSITY

This project is a sole source award with no subcontracting opportunities. As such, no vendor diversity goal has been established.

**RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION**

Staff recommends the Board of Trustees approve a resolution authorizing the CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer or the Senior Director of Procurement to execute Contract No. 172-2024, on behalf of Metro with Kings Island, with a not to exceed value of \$310,904.



INFRASTRUCTURE, BIKE, AND ROW
Committee Meeting: Jan 21, 2025

Transit Infrastructure Fund Update

Round 4 Applications

Municipality	Count of Applications	Municipality	Count of Applications
City of Cheviot	1	Springfield Township	3
City of Cincinnati	5	Sycamore Township	2
City of Forest Park	1	Symmes Township	1
City of Harrison	1	Village of Addyston	1
City of Madeira	1	Village of Glendale	2
City of Mt. Healthy	1	Village of Greenhills	1
City of Norwood	2	Village of Lincoln Heights	1
City of Reading	1	Village of Lockland	1
City of Sharonville	1	Village of Mariemont	3
City of Springdale	1	Village of Silverton	2
City of Wyoming	1	Village of St. Bernard	1
Colerain Township	1	Village of Woodlawn	1
Hamilton County	3	Grand Total	39

- Applications submitted by 25 different municipalities
- 8 municipalities submitted 2 or more proposals

Recommended Awards Round 4



Municipality	Project Name	Project Type	Total Cost	Funding Requested	Weighted Score
City of Cincinnati	Victory Parkway Safety Improvements	Bridge/Tunnels	\$12,000,000.00	\$6,000,000.00	6.47
City of Norwood	Montgomery Road North Improvements	Road	\$1,473,000.00	\$736,500.00	6.35
City of Cincinnati	Central Parkway Bikeway Ph. 3	Road	\$4,200,000.00	\$2,500,000.00	6.26
City of Cheviot	Bridgetown Road & Nolan Avenue Improvements	Road	\$570,304.00	\$285,152.00	6.18
City of Cincinnati	Ridge Avenue Rehabilitation	Road	\$5,900,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	5.94
City of Springdale	E. Kemper Road Improvements, Phase I	Road	\$2,481,940.00	\$2,232,000.00	5.90
Symmes Township	Montgomery Road Sidewalk	Sidewalks	\$1,095,367.00	\$766,756.00	5.68
City of Sharonville	Cornell Road Improvements	Road	\$1,304,333.00	\$913,033.00	5.65
Sycamore Township	Sycamore Township North Connectivity Project	Sidewalks	\$6,827,193.00	\$5,461,754.00	5.39
Village of Woodlawn	Wayne Avenue Sidewalk	Sidewalks	\$499,599.00	\$374,699.00	5.28
City of Cincinnati	2nd & 3rd Street Crosswalks	Road	\$3,000,000.00	\$2,700,000.00	5.26
Village of Addyston	Church Street Extension & Dining Lane Improvements	Road	\$1,029,122.00	\$729,122.00	4.95
Hamilton County	North Bend, West Seymour & Caldwell	Road	\$4,235,000.00	\$3,811,500.00	4.80
Colerain Township	HAM CR 96 5.25 Springdale Road Sidewalk	Sidewalks	\$1,027,795.00	\$513,897.00	4.78
City of Cincinnati	Streetcar Trench Drain Improvements	Road	\$624,800.00	\$562,320.00	4.77
Hamilton County	Delhi Pike & Bender Road	Road	\$4,103,000.00	\$3,692,700.00	4.77
City of Harrison	Dry Fork Corridor Improvements	Bridge/Tunnels	\$10,100,000.00	\$4,242,000.00	4.68
Village of St. Bernard	Tower & Washington Ave Improvements	Road	\$1,757,000.00	\$1,405,600.00	4.51
Hamilton County	Salem Road	Road	\$1,793,000.00	\$1,613,700.00	4.45
Village of Mariemont	Miami and Remold Intersection Improvements	Road	\$727,150.00	\$654,435.00	4.36
City of Norwood	Wayland Avenue Reconstruction	Road	\$1,002,000.00	\$701,400.00	4.31
City of Reading	Elizabeth, Anna, & Roth Rehabilitation	Road	\$324,000.00	\$194,400.00	4.31
Village of Lockland	Cooper, Westview, Bacon Improvements	Road	\$514,000.00	\$411,200.00	4.21
Village of Lincoln Heights	Van Buren Street Improvements	Road	\$650,000.00	\$585,000.00	4.15
Springfield Township	Kirkland, Burgundy & Colette Improvements	Road	\$1,300,000.00	\$1,170,000.00	4.15
City of Mt. Healthy	Sewerd Ave Rehabilitation	Road	\$884,000.00	\$707,200.00	4.08
Springfield Township	Springdew Drive and Butterfly Court Improvements	Road	\$900,000.00	\$810,000.00	4.05
Sycamore Township	Marievew Court and Frane Lane Project	Road	\$1,860,336.00	\$930,168.00	4.05
City of Madeira	Dawson Road Promenade	Sidewalks	\$1,394,000.00	\$546,237.00	3.95
Village of Silverton	Superior Avenue Reconstruction	Road	\$617,000.00	\$555,300.00	3.88
Springfield Township	Seven Hills Improvements	Road	\$1,610,000.00	\$1,449,000.00	3.87
City of Forest Park	Bus Route Sidewalk Improvements	Sidewalks	\$754,600.00	\$565,950.00	3.81
Village of Glendale	Congress at Coral/Washington Intersection Improvements	Road	\$450,000.00	\$360,000.00	3.79
Village of Greenhills	Damon, Cromwell, & Springdale Roads	Road	\$695,000.00	\$556,000.00	3.66
Village of Silverton	Siebern Avenue Improvements	Road	\$702,000.00	\$631,800.00	3.56
Village of Glendale	Congress Avenue at Sharon Road Intersection Improvements	Road	\$500,000.00	\$450,000.00	3.53
City of Wyoming	Wyoming Avenue Improvements	Road	\$543,000.00	\$271,500.00	3.46
Village of Mariemont	West Street Rehabilitation	Road	\$260,000.00	\$234,000.00	3.16
Village of Mariemont	Pleasant Street Rehabilitation	Road	\$330,000.00	\$297,000.00	3.01
		Total	\$80,038,539.00	\$52,121,323.00	

October 10th Roundtable

36 Jurisdictions were invited to discuss the program and provide municipality feedback.

Items addressed included:

- Purpose of Transit Infrastructure Funding
- Key Aspects of Program
- Program Report
- Project Progress
- Metro Questions
- Municipality Feedback



Consultant Review

- Roundtable Feedback Consideration
- General Program Review
- Potential Improvements
- Analysis Program Progress

Year	Total Applications	Total Awards	Application to Award %	Total Awarded (with WHV)	Total Awarded (without WHV)
2021	30	30	100%	\$36,964,725	\$22,464,725
2022	40	36	90%	\$53,329,018	\$38,829,018
2023	37	29	78%	\$42,361,563	\$27,861,563
2024	39	9	23%	\$32,514,634	\$18,014,634
Total	144	104	73%	\$165,169,939	\$107,169,939

Disbursement of Grants

MTIF Program has funded 70% of the program applications

Year	Average Project Cost	Average Project Request	Average Project Award
2021	\$1,539,586	\$821,998	\$802,312
2022	\$1,891,928	\$1,121,807	\$1,078,584
2023	\$2,318,375	\$1,252,884	\$960,744
2024	\$2,052,270	\$1,415,976	\$2,251,829

- Avg Project Request has increased 72.3% from R1 to R4
- Avg Project Award has increased 180.6%



Municipality	Projects Submitted/ Awarded	Projects Awarded	Award per Program Year	Average Project Cost	Average Project Request	Average Project Award
Sycamore Township	6/5	\$9,815,356	\$2,453,839	\$2,636,367	\$2,021,040	\$1,963,071
Cincinnati	35/23	\$40,811,966	\$10,202,992	\$3,352,282	\$1,833,644	\$1,774,433
Madeira	5/4	\$6,800,348	\$1,700,087	\$2,824,135	\$1,886,771	\$1,700,087
Springdale	3/3	\$4,489,486	\$1,122,372	\$4,015,286	\$1,496,495	\$1,496,495
Springfield Township	5/2	\$2,684,617	\$671,154	\$1,870,762	\$1,222,723	\$1,342,309
Hamilton County	10/6	\$7,783,529	\$1,945,882	\$2,371,037	\$2,027,733	\$1,297,255
Norwood	4/3	\$3,820,225	\$955,056	\$2,160,613	\$1,130,406	\$1,273,408
Lincoln Heights	6/4	\$4,102,313	\$1,025,578	\$1,648,202	\$1,198,451	\$1,025,578
Deer Park	3/3	\$2,932,000	\$733,000	\$1,138,333	\$977,333	\$977,333
Woodlawn	3/2	\$1,691,740	\$422,935	\$871,425	\$688,813	\$845,870
North College Hill	2/2	\$1,677,045	\$419,261	\$1,177,045	\$829,815	\$838,523
Wyoming	4/2	\$1,625,360	\$406,340	\$1,089,575	\$672,703	\$812,680
Green Township	2/2	\$1,398,879	\$349,720	\$1,686,379	\$699,440	\$699,440
Mt. Healthy	4/3	\$2,007,200	\$501,800	\$848,250	\$678,600	\$669,067
Forest Park	4/3	\$1,951,883	\$487,971	\$924,291	\$644,572	\$650,628
Symmes Township	2/2	\$1,212,526	\$303,132	\$993,454	\$606,263	\$606,263
Blue Ash	2/1	\$602,660	\$150,665	\$848,460	\$440,140	\$602,660
Sharonville	4/4	\$2,402,633	\$600,658	\$2,525,177	\$600,658	\$600,658
Colerain Township	4/3	\$1,699,811	\$424,953	\$1,112,590	\$554,615	\$566,604
Elmwood Place	1/1	\$504,000	\$126,000	\$720,000	\$504,000	\$504,000
Greenhills	3/2	\$926,360	\$231,590	\$632,000	\$494,467	\$463,180
Silverton	4/2	\$913,000	\$228,250	\$631,000	\$525,025	\$456,500
Golf Manor	3/3	\$1,138,975	\$284,744	\$657,983	\$379,658	\$379,658
Lockland	2/1	\$304,000	\$76,000	\$902,000	\$357,600	\$304,000
Glendale	3/1	\$297,000	\$74,250	\$426,667	\$369,000	\$297,000
Cheviot	2/2	\$512,797	\$128,199	\$512,797	\$256,399	\$256,399
Anderson Township	3/3	\$684,295	\$171,074	\$264,374	\$228,098	\$228,098
Addyston	2/1	\$227,295	\$56,824	\$741,856	\$478,209	\$227,295
Harrison	2/2	\$222,500	\$55,625	\$5,272,500	\$2,232,250	\$222,500
Delhi Township	3/3	\$581,064	\$145,266	\$242,110	\$193,688	\$193,688
Mariemont	6/3	\$572,000	\$143,000	\$331,192	\$292,906	\$190,667
Montgomery	1/1	\$184,730	\$46,183	\$263,900	\$184,730	\$184,730
Reading	4/3	\$466,850	\$116,713	\$249,750	\$165,563	\$155,617
Columbia Township	1/1	\$125,497	\$31,374	\$156,871	\$125,497	\$125,497
St. Bernard	1/0	\$0	\$0	\$1,757,000	\$1,405,600	\$0

Project Signs



Project Sign Template

The sign shall be in place through the duration of the project construction.



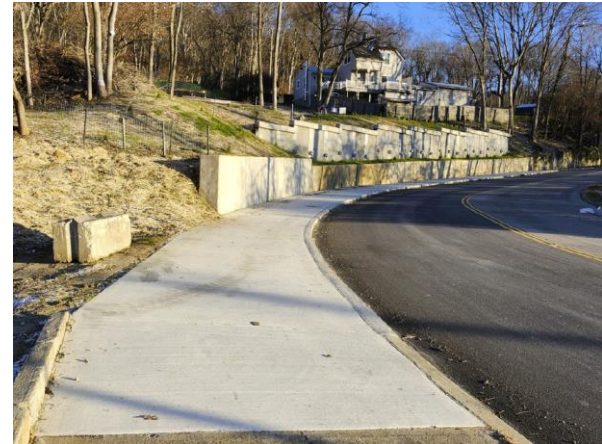
Construction Status



Round	Year	Total # of Projects	100% Complete	>50% Complete	<50% Complete	Overall Completion %
1	2021	30	23	3	4	87%
2	2022	36	10	8	18	50%
3	2023	29	3	2	24	18%
	Total	96	26	18	52	52%



Cincinnati Art Museum Drive

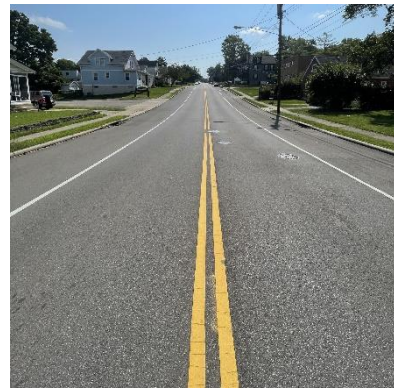


Anderson Ferry Road

Cheviot - Applegate Ave



Round 2
Project
Award
\$227,645



Cincinnati - Paxton Ave



Round 1
Project Award \$900,000

Colerain Township – Bus Pull Off Bays



Round 1
Project Award \$400,000

Forest Park – Winton & Kemper



Round 1
Project Award
\$1,206,049



Hamilton Co – Simpson Ave



Round 1
Project Award \$292,644



Lincoln Heights - Douglas Ave



Round 2
Project Award \$798,400



Sharonville – Hauck Rd.



Round 1
Project Award \$268,000



Round 1
Project Award \$80,000



Elmwood Place - Township & Vine

Round 2
Project Award
\$504,000



Golf Manor - Wiehe Drive



Round 1
Project Award \$510,975

Harrison - Harrison Ave



Round 1
Project Award \$222,500

Lockland - Shepherd & Smalley



Round 2
Project Award \$304,000

Mt. Healthy - Harrison Ave



Round 2
Project Award \$552,000

North College Hill - Hamilton Ave



Round 1
Project Award \$552,045

Reading - West Columbia Ave



Round 2
Project Award \$530,000

Wyoming - Compton Road



Round 1
Project Award \$1,003,310

Delhi Township – Neeb Rd.



Round 1
Project Award \$356,893



Action Items

- Ability to Proceed - In many cases applicants' projects are contingent upon receiving MTIF funds.
 - *Staff recommends revising the Ability to Proceed requirement from 1 year to 18 months.*
- Online digital tool for receiving program applications and grant administration.
 - *Staff recommends investing in an online software tool to facilitate the MTIF program.*
- Economic Growth Criteria - "Provide a statement detailing how the project will enhance economic growth. It is highly recommended to include how it will help transit service to provide access to employment, residential or commercial developments."
 - *Staff recommends revising the criteria to include considerations of community impact*

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- Staff recommends dividing project awards into large and small category pools

Scenario 3 - MTIF Project Funds Split 67/33

17 Projects Funded

14 Jurisdictions Receive Funds

Pool

67%

33%

Large \$ 12,933,333.20

Small \$ 6,466,666.66

Available Funds \$ 19,399,999.86

Funding Category

Large*	Project Name	Total Funding	Amount Requested	Weighted Score				
Cincinnati	Victory Parkway Safety Improvements	\$ 12,000,000	\$ 6,000,000	6.47	2024	>=\$1M		\$ 6,000,000
Cincinnati	Central Parkway Bikeway Ph. 3	\$ 4,200,000	\$ 2,500,000	6.26	2024	>=\$1M		\$ 8,500,000
Cincinnati	Ridge Avenue Rehabilitation	\$ 5,900,000	\$ 1,500,000	5.94	2024	>=\$1M		\$ 10,000,000
Springdale	E. Kemper Road Improvements, Phase I	\$ 2,481,940	\$ 2,232,000	5.9	2024	>=\$1M		\$ 12,232,000
Sycamore	Sycamore North Connectivity Project	\$ 6,827,193.00	\$ 701,333.00	5.39	2024	<\$1M		\$ 12,933,333.00
	* Sycamore Requested \$4.4							
\$ 12,933,333								

Funding Category

Small*	Project Name	Total Funding	Amount Requested	Weighted Score				
Norwood	Montgomery Road North Improvements	\$ 1,473,000	\$ 736,500	6.35	2024	<\$1M		\$ 736,500
Cheviot	Bridgetown Road & Nolan Avenue Improvements	\$ 570,304	\$ 285,152	6.18	2024	<\$1M		\$ 1,021,652
Symmes	Montgomery Road Sidewalk	\$ 1,095,367	\$ 766,756	5.68	2024	<\$1M		\$ 1,788,408
Sharonville	Cornell Road Improvements	\$ 1,304,333	\$ 913,033	5.65	2024	<\$1M		\$ 2,701,441
Woodlawn	Wayne Avenue Sidewalk	\$ 499,599	\$ 374,699	5.28	2024	<\$1M		\$ 3,076,140
Addyston	Church Street Extension & Dining Lane Improvements	\$ 1,029,122	\$ 729,122	4.95	2024	<\$1M		\$ 3,805,262
Coletrain	HAM CR 96 5.25 Springdale Road Sidewalk	\$ 1,027,795	\$ 513,897	4.78	2024	<\$1M		\$ 4,319,159
Marionmont	Miami and Remold Intersection Improvements	\$ 727,150	\$ 654,435	4.36	2024	<\$1M		\$ 4,973,594
Norwood	Wayland Avenue Reconstruction	\$ 1,002,000	\$ 701,400	4.31	2024	<\$1M		\$ 5,674,994
Reading	Elizabeth, Anna, & Roth Rehabilitation	\$ 324,000	\$ 194,400	4.31	2024	<\$1M		\$ 5,869,394
Lockland	Cooper, Westview, Bacon Improvements	\$ 514,000	\$ 411,200	4.21	2024	<\$1M		\$ 6,280,594
Lincoln Heights	Van Buren Street Improvements	\$ 650,000	\$ 186,072	4.15	2024	<\$1M		\$ 6,466,666
	* Lincoln Heights Requested \$585,000							
\$ 6,466,666								

Large* Request over \$1M
 Small* Request under \$1M
 Additional Projects Funded
 Funding reduced/Dropped

Score Range Receiving Funds
 6.47 - 4.15
 GAP - 7 "Small" projects are awarded funds over
 higher scoring "Large" projects

- Small Pool – Application request less than \$1M
- Large Pool – Application request greater than \$1M



Thank You!



Financial Summary - December 2024

Report Out Date – January 21, 2025

Agenda – Financial Summary

- Statement of Operations for December '24
 - Key Drivers
 - Detail Profit & Loss Statement
 - Revenue Chart
 - Sales Tax Trend
 - Expense Chart
- Investment Funds Reserve Summary
- Investment Balance Update (separate attachment)



Statement of Operations

Summary

- Total Revenue \$17.1M - favorable to Budget \$1,433k
- Total Expense \$14.2M - unfavorable to Budget (\$881k) or (6.6%)
- Operating Capital Contribution \$2.9M - favorable to Budget \$552k
- Note: Ridership total is 985k – unfavorable to Budget (70k) or (6.6%)

Revenue

- Total Operating Revenue \$1.8M - favorable to Budget \$447k or 31.9%; CPS Fares favorable to budget \$361k
- Non-Transportation \$1.9M - favorable to Budget \$392k or 25.8%; ODOT PM favorable \$250k
- County Sales Tax \$12.5M – favorable to Budget \$594k; see additional slide on county sales tax
- Federal Grants \$0.8M - on Budget

Expense

- Wages & Benefits \$10.3M - unfavorable to budget (\$151k) or (1.5%)
- Fuel and Lubricants \$676k - favorable to budget \$58k or 7.9%
- Parts & Supplies \$1.3M – unfavorable to Budget (\$465k) or (56.6%); driven by \$332k inventory write-off
- All Other \$1.9M – unfavorable to Budget (\$317k) driven by timing of outside services and other spend

Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority

2024 Profit & Loss Statement

12 Mo Ending December 31, 2024 (\$ In Thousands)	Month				Year to Date				
	Actual	Budget	Fav(Unfav)		Actual	Budget	Fav(Unfav)		Prior Year
Ridership									
Regular	823,510	926,139	(102,629)	(11.1%)	11,716,148	12,300,000	(583,852)	(4.7%)	11,445,647
CPS	138,601	108,817	29,784	27.4%	1,577,632	1,450,000	127,632	8.8%	1,456,476
Subtotal Fixed Route	962,111	1,034,956	(72,845)	(7.0%)	13,293,780	13,750,000	(456,220)	(3.3%)	12,902,123
Access	13,774	14,307	(533)	(3.7%)	179,086	191,309	(12,223)	(6.4%)	181,712
MetroNow!	8,600	5,126	3,474	67.8%	84,008	58,699	25,309	43.1%	20,804
Total Ridership	984,485	1,054,389	(69,904)	(6.6%)	13,556,874	14,000,008	(443,134)	(3.2%)	13,104,639
Operating Revenue									
Metro Fares	\$ 1,097	\$ 1,003	\$ 94	9.4%	\$ 13,810	\$ 13,434	\$ 376	2.8%	\$ 12,826
Access Fares	72	54	18	33.3%	701	721	(20)	(2.8%)	686
MetroNow! Fares	17	10	7	70.0%	170	117	53	45.3%	42
CPS Fares	487	126	361	286.5%	3,423	1,982	1,441	72.7%	2,004
Other	174	207	(33)	(15.9%)	2,220	2,456	(236)	(9.6%)	2,688
Total Operating Revenue	1,847	1,400	447	31.9%	20,324	18,710	1,614	8.6%	18,246
Non-Operating Revenue									
County Sales Tax	12,522	11,928	594	5.0%	119,332	124,201	(4,869)	(3.9%)	117,487
ARP	-	-	-	n/a	-	-	-	n/a	24,032
ARP Comp	-	-	-	n/a	-	-	-	n/a	28,500
Federal Subsidies	843	843	-	-	10,112	10,112	-	-	14,506
Non Transportation	1,911	1,519	392	25.8%	11,731	9,478	2,253	23.8%	10,601
Total Non-Operating Revenue	15,276	14,290	986	6.9%	141,175	143,791	(2,616)	(1.8%)	195,126
Total Revenue	17,123	15,690	1,433	9.1%	161,499	162,501	(1,002)	(0.6%)	213,372
Expenses									
Employee Wages & Benefits	10,286	10,135	(151)	(1.5%)	118,606	119,739	1,133	0.9%	107,937
Fuel & Lubricants	676	734	58	7.9%	8,220	8,131	(89)	(1.1%)	7,834
Parts & Supplies	1,287	822	(465)	(56.6%)	10,159	10,121	(38)	(0.4%)	9,376
Everybody Rides Metro Fund	41	35	(6)	(17.1%)	114	105	(9)	(8.6%)	500
Other	1,914	1,597	(317)	(19.8%)	20,772	22,071	1,299	5.9%	19,045
Total Expenses	14,204	13,323	(881)	(6.6%)	157,871	160,167	2,296	1.4%	144,692
Operating Capital Contribution	\$ 2,919	\$ 2,367	\$ 552		\$ 3,628	\$ 2,334	\$ 1,294		\$ 68,680

DECEMBER 2024 – FARE REVENUE SOURCES

3 MONTH TREND – OCTOBER 2024 THRU DECEMBER 2024

In Thousands



Month	Days per Month	Avg Rev per Day
Oct-24	31	\$40
Nov-24	30	\$37
Dec-24	31	\$35

Note: Number of Weekdays within each corresponding month as follows: Oct 23, Nov 21, Dec 22

County Sales Tax – Year to Date October

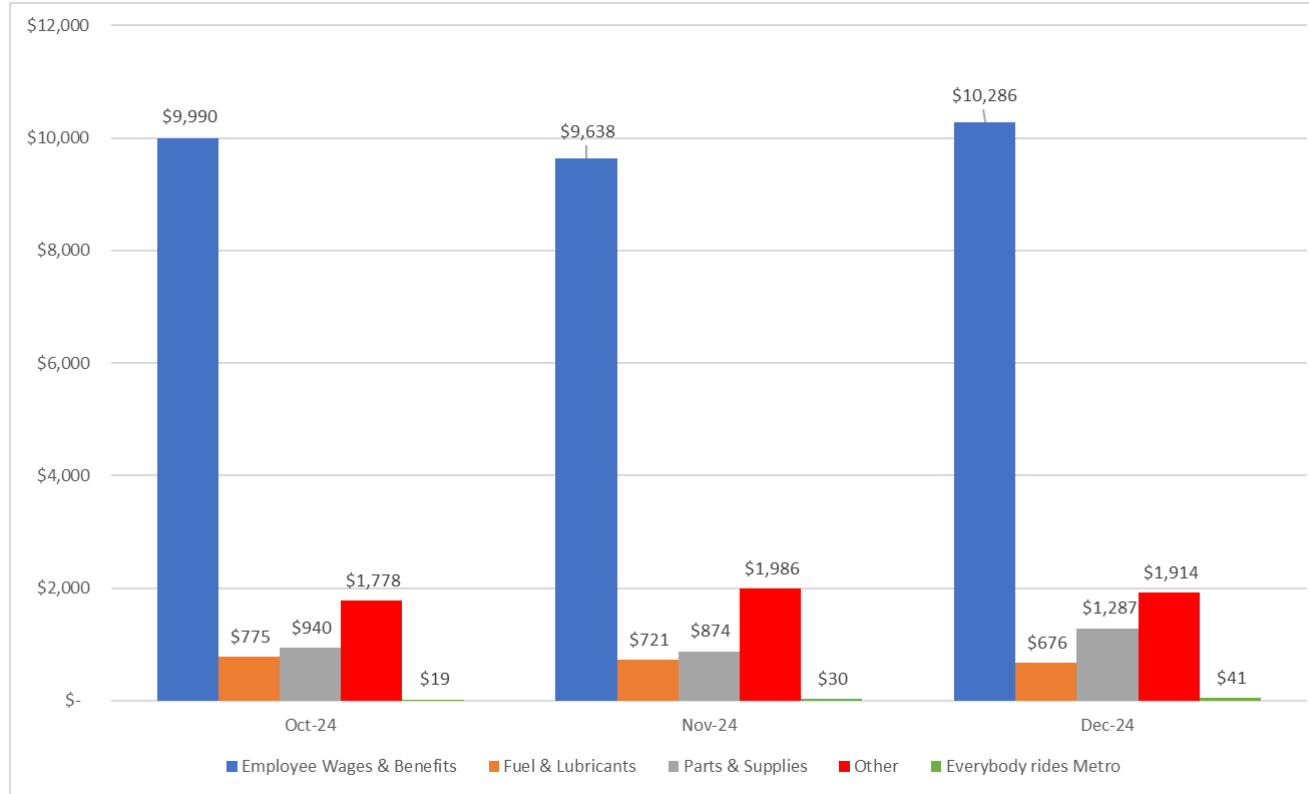
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	YTD
CY Actual	\$8,781	\$8,683	\$9,963	\$9,366	\$9,875	\$10,636	\$9,551	\$10,149	\$9,696	\$10,160	\$96,860
Budget	\$9,987	\$9,327	\$10,480	\$9,273	\$9,931	\$11,128	\$10,652	\$10,288	\$10,473	\$10,191	\$101,729
Var \$	(1,206)	(644)	(517)	93	(56)	(492)	(1,101)	(139)	(777)	(31)	(4,869)
Var %	-12.1%	-6.9%	-4.9%	1.0%	-0.6%	-4.4%	-10.3%	-1.3%	-7.4%	-0.3%	-4.8%
PY Actual	\$8,907	\$8,659	\$10,010	\$9,465	\$9,761	\$10,375	\$9,906	\$9,869	\$9,762	\$9,336	\$96,050
Var	(126)	24	(47)	(99)	114	261	(355)	280	(66)	824	810
Var %	-1.4%	0.3%	-0.5%	-1.0%	1.2%	2.5%	-3.6%	2.8%	-0.7%	8.8%	0.8%

- Year to Date thru October Hamilton County Sales Tax is (\$4.9m) unfavorable to budget and favorable to prior year \$810k or 0.8%
- Sales tax is only two months behind as we have now received October results earlier than previous cadence
- Received \$1.4M payment related to sales tax holiday

DECEMBER 2024 – OPERATING EXPENSE SOURCES

3 MONTH TREND – OCTOBER 2024 THRU DECEMBER 2024

In Thousands





Investment Funds Reserve Summary

Overnight Investments	\$28,088,917
Securities & CD's	\$130,213,904

Total All Securities (12/31/2024)	\$158,302,821
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Current Capital Reserve Obligations

<i>BRT Project Development (Hamilton & Reading Corridors) - Amts Pd</i>	\$33,973,492
<i>Future BRT Capital Match (Fed 70% & Local 30%)</i>	\$54,000,000

Total BRT	\$87,973,492
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Local Match - FTA and ODOT Grants	\$5,821,246
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100% Local Projects (Prior Years Open + Current Year)	\$31,351,222
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2 Months of Operating Expenses	\$26,000,000
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All Other Obligations	\$6,500,000
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Total Current Capital Reserve Obligations	\$157,645,960
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Net Unrestricted Securities Available	\$656,861
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2024 Remaining Operating Budget Surplus (Deficit)	\$0
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Net Unrestricted Securities + '24 Operating Budget Surplus	\$656,861
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From Darryl Haley, Metro CEO
& General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer



January 2025

Happy New Year! We finished 2024 strong and look forward to a busy and fruitful 2025 year ahead.

Metro receives Ohio EPA grant: Metro is one of five transit agencies statewide to receive a Diesel Emission Reduction Grant (DERG) from the Ohio EPA. We were awarded \$4.8M to cover 61% of the cost to replace eight 2013 model year buses in our fleet with eight new diesel-electric hybrid powered transit buses. We are thankful to ODOT and the Ohio EPA for these funds to modernize our fleet.

Ohio Loves Transit Week: Did you know that every \$1 invested in Ohio public transit generates \$4 of economic return? In celebration of the economic development impact of public transit in Ohio, Metro is joining systems across the state along with the Ohio Public Transit Association to celebrate Ohio Loves Transit Week, Feb. 9-15. We'll be sharing the love with our customers on Government Square on Tuesday, Feb. 11 and we will be making a visit to Columbus to connect with several of our state representatives and senators to highlight the impact of our work here in Southwest Ohio.

Visit Cincy Award: Kudos to our Procurement and DEI teams for all of their efforts to grow our DBE vendor participation and to ensure that Metro is a workplace that values diversity and inclusion and reflect the communities we serve. Those efforts have resulted in numerous accolades these past few years and most recently we were celebrated by Visit Cincy with their Horace Sudduth Progressive Business Award during their annual meeting earlier this month.

BRT Outreach continues: The next phase of our Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) engagement will continue in accordance with the below schedule. The open house format will provide project updates, draft route maps and the opportunity to talk with project team members as we continue working to gather community input to design the new service.

- Feb. 24, 3-7 p.m. at the Avondale Town Center – Center for Social Justice
- Feb, 25, 3-7 p.m. (location pending)
- Feb. 26, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. & 4-7 p.m. at the Downtown Library

We'll also be testing out a few articulated vehicle styles in February for selection consideration along with announcing the name and brand for the new service. Stay tuned for more information on this exciting project and visit MetroBRTProject.com.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Darryl Haley".

Darryl Haley
CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer