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Re: Staff recommendations regarding Lorain County Transit and a dedicated source of funding

It is intentional that LCT has become a department of the Lorain County Board of Commissioners, rather than being run by an appointed board. This action occurred during the time that we were actively involved in the restoration of the New York Central Railroad Station in Downtown Elyria.

At this point in time, Pamela Novak is acting as Interim Transit Director. Additionally, for approximately seven years, the Commissioners have subsidized LCT about \$1M annually. Due to a \$3.5M reduction in Local Government Fund distribution by the State of Ohio, the Commissioners reduced this subsidy to \$500,000; however, there is a ¼ % sales tax issue on the November Ballot which would allow us to return to the \$1M subsidy, if approved.

With respect to a dedicated source, this Board of Commissioners must first address mandated expenses.

Thank you,

The Lorain County Board of Commissioners

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