PROCUREMENT – GCRTA TLCI PROJECT CONTRACT

Finance and Audit Committee

July 10, 2026

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ACTION REQUESTED

Recommend this item to the Executive Committee for placement on the September 2026 Board of Directors agenda:

- Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Nelson\Nygaard in an amount not to exceed $125,000 to conduct a TLCI planning study

PREVIOUS ACTION

TLCI Planning Study awards were approved by the Board of Directors at the March 2026 meeting via Resolution 2026-013

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TLCI PROGRAM

- **NOACA's Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative (TLCI)**
- **Provides assistance to communities and public agencies for integrated transportation and land use planning and projects that strengthen community livability**
  - Planning awards
  - Implementation awards

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PROJECT INFORMATION

- TLCI Applicant – Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA)
- Study area – Up to 19 transit stations along the Red, Blue and Green lines of GCRTA's Rapid Transit rail system

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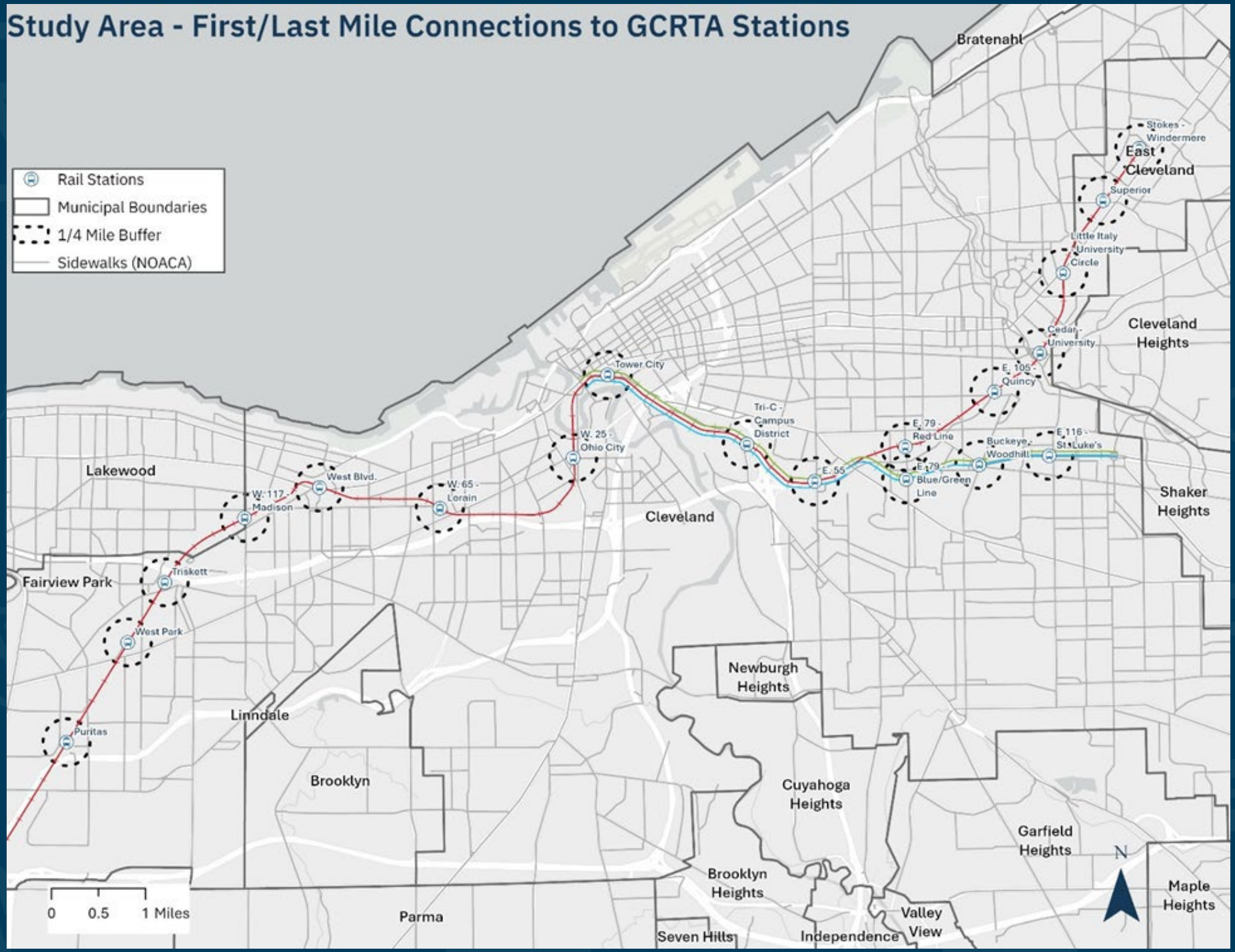
Study Area - First/Last Mile Connections to GCRTA Stations



STUDY GOALS

- **Analyze and assess first- and last-mile connections for identified transit stations in the study area**
- **Develop recommendations for improving pedestrian and cyclist access to stations**
  - Near-term improvements that can be implemented within 5 years
  - Long-term recommendations on a 20-year timeframe

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PROCUREMENT PROCESS

- **Request for Proposals (RFP) issued from April 10 – May 11**
- **Five proposals received**
- **Proposals reviewed by a team comprised of both NOACA and GCRTA staff**
- **Recommended for award of contract – Nelson\Nygaard**
- **Subcontractors**
  - MKSK – planning services
  - Seventh Hill – stakeholder engagement

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FINANCIAL IMPACTS

- Recommended amount of the award is $125,000.
- The source of funding for the TLCI planning studies is the federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program.

NEXT STEPS

Pending Board approval, NOACA will enter into a contract with Nelson\Nygaard and move forward with the project.

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NOACA will **strengthen** regional cohesion, **preserve** existing infrastructure, and **build** a sustainable multimodal transportation system to **support** economic development and **enhance** quality of life in Northeast Ohio.

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