



RESOLUTION NO. 2020-09

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2020 OMEGA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN CONTAINING THE LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND THE COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Mid-Eastern Governments Association (OMEGA) is an Economic Development District designated by the Economic Development Administration (EDA) serving Belmont, Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Holmes, Jefferson, Muskingum, and Tuscarawas Counties; and

WHEREAS, the EDA provides grant funding for Economic Development Districts to develop and implement a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) and offer a full range of economic development services, including technical assistance; and

WHEREAS, OMEGA is designated as the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) by the Governor for Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Holmes, Muskingum, and Tuscarawas Counties; and

WHEREAS, federal and state directives provide for RTPOs to develop a long-range Regional Transportation Plan, in cooperation with state and local officials; regional and local transit operators; port officials; grant recipients under sections of Title 49, U.S.C., and other affected transportation and regional planning and implementing agencies; and

WHEREAS the OMEGA Regional Transportation and Development Plan outlines the goals and strategies OMEGA staff will undertake to identify the transportation and other development needs of the region, identifies existing and future conditions, and makes policy and project recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that the Executive Board approve the Regional Development Plan; and

WHEREAS, the OMEGA Regional Transportation and Development Plan was developed and reviewed consistent with OMEGA's Public Participation Policy and has been reviewed and accepted by the Transportation Advisory Committee and has been coordinated with regional and local transit operators and local community officials; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF OMEGA:

Section 1: The Executive Board adopts the OMEGA Regional Transportation and Development Plan.

Section 2: The Executive Board affirms that the public had adequate opportunity to comment on the OMEGA Regional Transportation and Development Plan.

Section 3: The Executive Board approves submission of the OMEGA Regional Transportation and Development Plan to the Ohio Department of Transportation.



Section 4: The Executive Board approves submission of the OMEGA Regional Transportation and Development Plan to the Economic Development Administration.

Section 5: If applicable, any final comments regarding the plan that are received from ODOT, EDA, board members, and/or general public will be addressed upon their receipt by OMEGA.

Section 6: If any of these comments result in substantive changes to the OMEGA Transportation and Development Plan, then such changes will be brought forth to the Executive Board for approval.

DATE: June 14, 2020

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Chris Abbuhl
President

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Domenick Mucci, Jr.
Vice-President

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Ray Eyer
Secretary

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Tiffany Swigert
Treasurer