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Eastern Corridor News

REGIONAL PASSENGER RAIL SYSTEM GETS HUGE BOOST *Oasis Rail Transit Track Extension Receives Funding and Park Approval*

Local passenger rail proponents won two major approvals last week setting the stage for the introduction of an operational passenger rail system as early as 2016.

The Oasis Rail Transit project, a key element of the Eastern Corridor Program, was awarded last week \$200K in funding from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)'s House Bill 114 (Transportation Improvement District funding) to help secure right of way for the rail line's missing link-the connection between the Boathouse and Riverfront Transit Center. Also last week, the Cincinnati Board of Park Commissioners unanimously agreed on a preferred track alignment for this link through the northern edge of the Bicentennial Commons/Sawyer Point parking lot. Both actions pave the way for a two county, 17 jurisdiction, passenger rail system to be constructed and completed over the next several years, becoming operational as soon as 2016, if not earlier.

For more information, click the following link:

<http://easterncorridor.org/media/Oasis%20Extension%20Gains%20Funding%20and%20Parks%20Approval%20101912.pdf>

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