



**Ashland Board of Commissioners
Recessed Meeting
Thursday, April 16, 2026
1:00 PM**

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. RECEIVE AND FILE AGENDA

III. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Second reading and final adoption of an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ASHLAND, KENTUCKY, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING CHUCK D. CHARLES, MAYOR, TO SUBMIT THE FY 2026 GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION ON BEHALF OF THE ASHLAND BUS SYSTEM FOR OPERATING COSTS, PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE, PARA TRANSIT SERVICE, MAINTENANCE PAYROLL AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURES; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING CHUCK D. CHARLES, MAYOR, TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS GRANT.

FISCAL NOTE: FY2026 annual funding for operating costs, preventative maintenance, payroll and capital expenditures = \$893,982.00

SUMMARY: Annual split letter for Ashland Bus System funding with Tri-State Transit Authority and Lawrence County Port Authority. Federal 5307/5340 FTA funds are apportioned to the Huntington, WV, Kentucky and Ohio Urbanized Area. These funds are for operating costs, preventative maintenance, payroll and capital expenditures.

IV. FY26-27 BUDGET WORKSESSION

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

VI. ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS

ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2026

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ASHLAND, KENTUCKY:

SECTION 1. That Chuck D. Charles, Mayor of the City of Ashland, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to submit the FY 2026 grant application to the Federal Transit Administration on behalf of the Ashland Bus System for operating costs, preventative maintenance, paratransit service, maintenance payroll and capital expenditures. The sub-regional allocation of Sections 5307 and 5340 funds apportioned to the Huntington, WV-KY-OH Urbanization Area is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference. Said grant application is to be filed electronically pursuant to the guidelines of the Federal Transit Administration.

SECTION 2. That Chuck D. Charles, Mayor of the City of Ashland, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all other documents necessary for the implementation of these grants.

SECTION 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, to the extent of such conflict only, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption, readoption and publication, as required by law.

SECTION 5. It is hereby authorized that publication of this ordinance be in summary form.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: _____
READOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: _____
PUBLISHED: _____

REQUESTED/SPONSORED BY: MICHELLE VEACH
ASSISTANT CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

March 31, 2026

Ms. Terry Garcia Crews
 Regional Administrator, Region III
 Federal Transit Administration
 1760 Market Street Suite 500
 Philadelphia, PA 19103



Ms. Kelley Brookins
 Regional Administrator, Region V
 Federal Transit Administration
 FTA Region 5 Office, 200 West Adams Street, Suite 320
 Chicago, Illinois 60606



Dr. Yvette Taylor, Ph.D.
 Regional Administrator, Region IV
 Federal Transit Administration
 230 Peachtree NW, Suite 800
 Atlanta, Georgia 30303



Dear Ms. Terry Garcia Crews, Ms. Kelley Brookins and Dr. Yvette Taylor, Ph.D.:

We are pleased to inform you that the Tri-State Transit Authority (TTA), the City of Ashland Kentucky (Ashland Bus System (ABS)) and the Lawrence County Port Authority have agreed to a fair and rational sub-regional allocation of the \$3,238,609 in the Fiscal Year 2026 (full year) of Sections 5307 and 5340 funds apportioned to the Huntington, WV-KY-OH Urbanized Area authorized under The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub. L. 117-58). The Section 5339 sub-regional allocation of the \$282,153 is being distributed in a like manner.

The sub-regional allocations for FY 2026 are as follows:

Huntington, WV-KY-OH						
31-Mar-26						
5307/5340 Funds Allowcated to TMA		\$3,238,609				
5339 Funds Allowcated to TMA		\$282,153				
The Sub regional allowcations for FY 2026 are as follows:						
Operator	5307/5340 Full Year	Operating Permitted Table 3a 5307 (a)(2)(A)	Operating Permitted Table 3a 5307 (a)(2)(B)	10% ADA 80/20 Funds	1% Security	5339
Tri-State Transit Authority	\$1,825,695	\$1,667,297	\$1,834,027	\$0	\$18,257	\$155,183
City of Ashland	\$893,982	\$423,639	\$466,003	\$323,861	\$8,940	\$79,003
Lawrence County Port Authority	\$518,932	\$338,022	\$371,824	\$0	\$5,189	\$47,966
Totals	\$3,238,609	\$2,428,958	\$2,671,854	\$323,861	\$32,386	\$282,153
3/31/2026						

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Sub Allocation of 5307, 5340, and 5339

Sincerely,

Paul E. Davis, General Manager and CEO
Tri-State Transit Authority

Chuck D. Charles, Mayor
City of Ashland, KY

Ralph Kline
Lawrence County Port Authority

Cc: Mr. Chris Chiles, KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission