ORDINANCE NO. 001-135

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY FOR AN ACTIVE TRANSIT STATION SIGN DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, Active Transit Station Signs ("ATSS") are a means of providing real-time "next train" or "next bus" transit service information to Authority customers via Variable Message Signs; and

WHEREAS, The Regional Transportation Authority ("RTA") has completed an ATSS study which focused on regional integration strategies, message content, display and detection technology, hardware, software, and communications requirements; and

WHEREAS, In April 2001, the RTA approved the allocation of \$1.5 million to be used for an ATSS demonstration project; and

WHEREAS, The RTA proposed that the Authority participate in this demonstration project; and

WHEREAS, The ATSS project will enable the Authority to provide additional information to customers at certain test locations; and

WHEREAS, The demonstration project will not require a financial contribution from the Authority; and

WHEREAS, RTA's contractors on the ATSS demonstration project need access to Authority property; and

WHEREAS, Stage I of the demonstration project will be performed at four CTA rapid transit stations: Cumberland, Davis, O'Hare and Midway; and

WHEREAS, Stage II of the demonstration project will be performed at three additional sites using funding from an RTA Technical Assistant grant to the CTA; and

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WHEREAS, Section 54.3-5 of the Regulations Governing Purchase and Sales Transactions provides for contract award in those situations where the Transit Board determines that competitive bidding would be disadvantgeous; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. That based on the statements set forth in the preamble of this ordinance, the Transit Board thereby determines that competitive bidding for this service is disadvantageous.

SECTION 2. The Chairman or her designee is authorized to execute an agreement with the Regional Transportation Authority for an Active Transit Station Sign demonstration project, substantially in conformance with Exhibit A attached hereto.

SECTION 3. The Authority shall not be required to contribute financially to the RTA for this four station demonstration project. Further, staff shall agree to permit the RTA and/or its contractors to enter the Stations to complete the work in question. The contractors shall agree to indemnify the Authority for all claims, actions, demands and lawsuits which result from the ATSS demonstration project.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:	PASSED:
Chairman	Assistant Secretary
August 1, 2001	August 1, 2001