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MAYOR JOINS 21ST CENTURY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Toledo, Ohio - Toledo Mayor Carty Finkbeiner has been appointed to Governor Strickland's 21st Century Transportation Commission effective May 6. He joins fellow Northwest Ohioans Tony Reams, President of the Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments; James H. Hartung, President and CEO of the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority; and Dr. Mark Vonderembse, Professor of Information Operations & Technology Management.

The Commission was created by the Ohio Department of Transportation to promote a multi-modal transportation system in Ohio, maximizing public investment in transportation in Ohio, and generating economic development in the state by fully utilizing our transportation assets.

The Commission is chaired by Ty Marsh, President and CEO of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce.

Mayor Finkbeiner will serve on the Generating Economic Development Subcommittee of the task force. Toledo will host a regional meeting of the commission on June 10 at the University of Toledo.

“I applaud Governor Strickland for having the vision and foresight to invest in Ohio’s transportation infrastructure,” said Mayor Finkbeiner. “Any discussion of transportation and multi-modalism in Ohio starts in Toledo and I’m proud to be a part of the team.”

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