

Meeting of the RTA Board of Directors

March 16, 2023

Welcome! Meeting Starts at 9 a.m.

Meeting Agenda: rtachicago.org



1. Call to order

Pledge of allegiance



RTA Board of Directors meeting

2. Roll call

3. Approval of minutes

4. Public comment

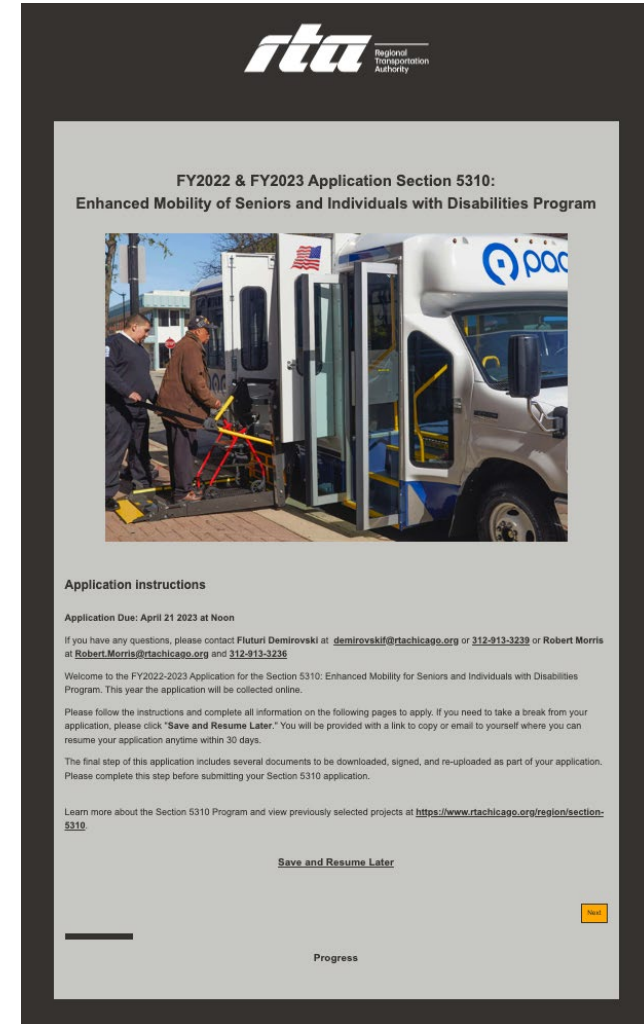


5. Executive Director's report



Section 5310 Call for Projects

- Call for Projects opens March 20
- Applications due April 21
- Total funding available for FY2022 & FY2023 is \$13,776,009
- Funding available for local governments, private non-profits and operators of public transportation
- Online application available at <https://www.rtachicago.org/region/section-5310>
- Will bring Program of Projects to the Board in September 2023



The screenshot shows the RTA website's application page for the Section 5310 program. At the top is the RTA logo. Below it, the text reads "FY2022 & FY2023 Application Section 5310: Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program". A photograph of a white RTA bus with its rear door open and a person using a wheelchair boarding is displayed. The page includes "Application Instructions", the "Application Due" date of April 21, 2023, and contact information for Fluturi Demirovski and Robert Morris. It also contains a "Save and Resume Later" button, a "Next" button, and a progress bar.

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FY2022 & FY2023 Application Section 5310:
Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program



Application Instructions

Application Due: April 21 2023 at Noon

If you have any questions, please contact Fluturi Demirovski at demirovskif@rtachicago.org or 312-913-3232 or Robert Morris at Robert.Morris@rtachicago.org and 312-913-3236

Welcome to the FY2022-2023 Application for the Section 5310: Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program. This year the application will be collected online.

Please follow the instructions and complete all information on the following pages to apply. If you need to take a break from your application, please click "Save and Resume Later." You will be provided with a link to copy or email to yourself where you can resume your application anytime within 30 days.

The final step of this application includes several documents to be downloaded, signed, and re-uploaded as part of your application. Please complete this step before submitting your Section 5310 application.

Learn more about the Section 5310 Program and view previously selected projects at <https://www.rtachicago.org/region/section-5310>

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Progress

Today's agenda

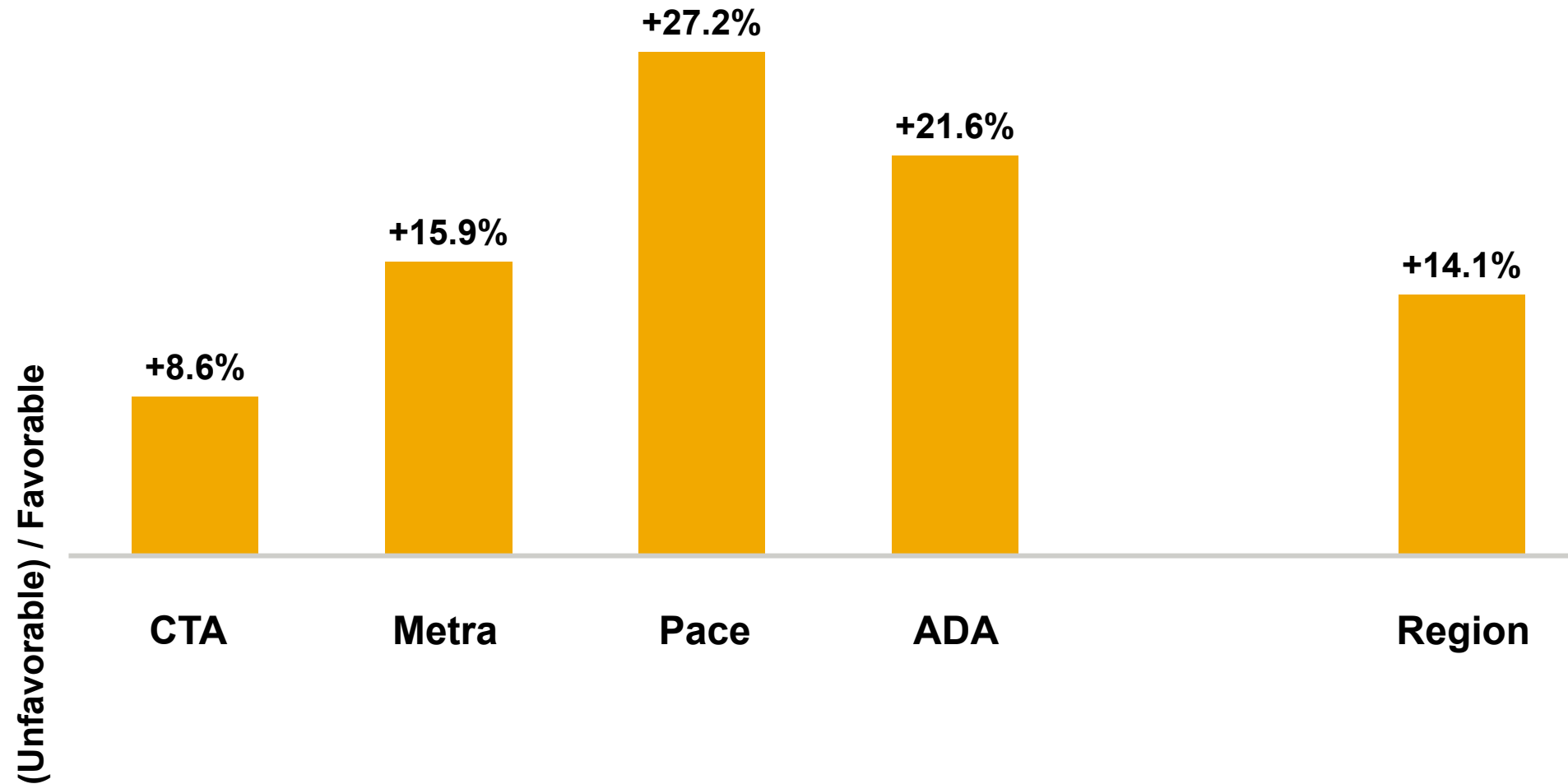


6. Information items

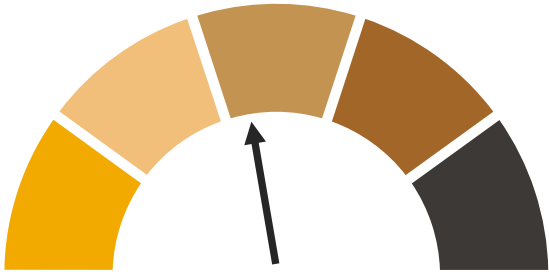
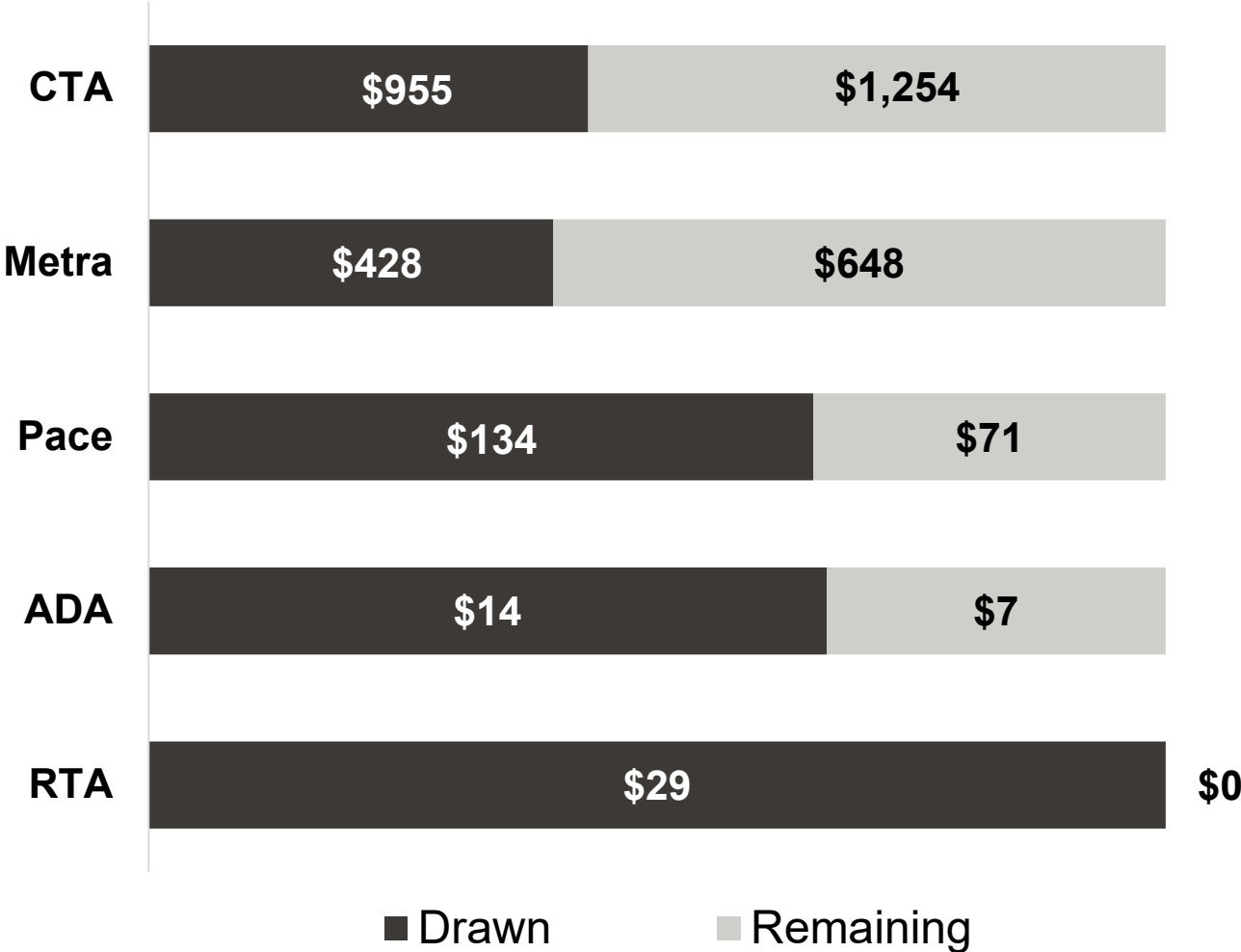
6a. Report on monthly financial results – January 2023



Operating deficit variances from budget – YTD through January



Relief funding drawn (in millions)



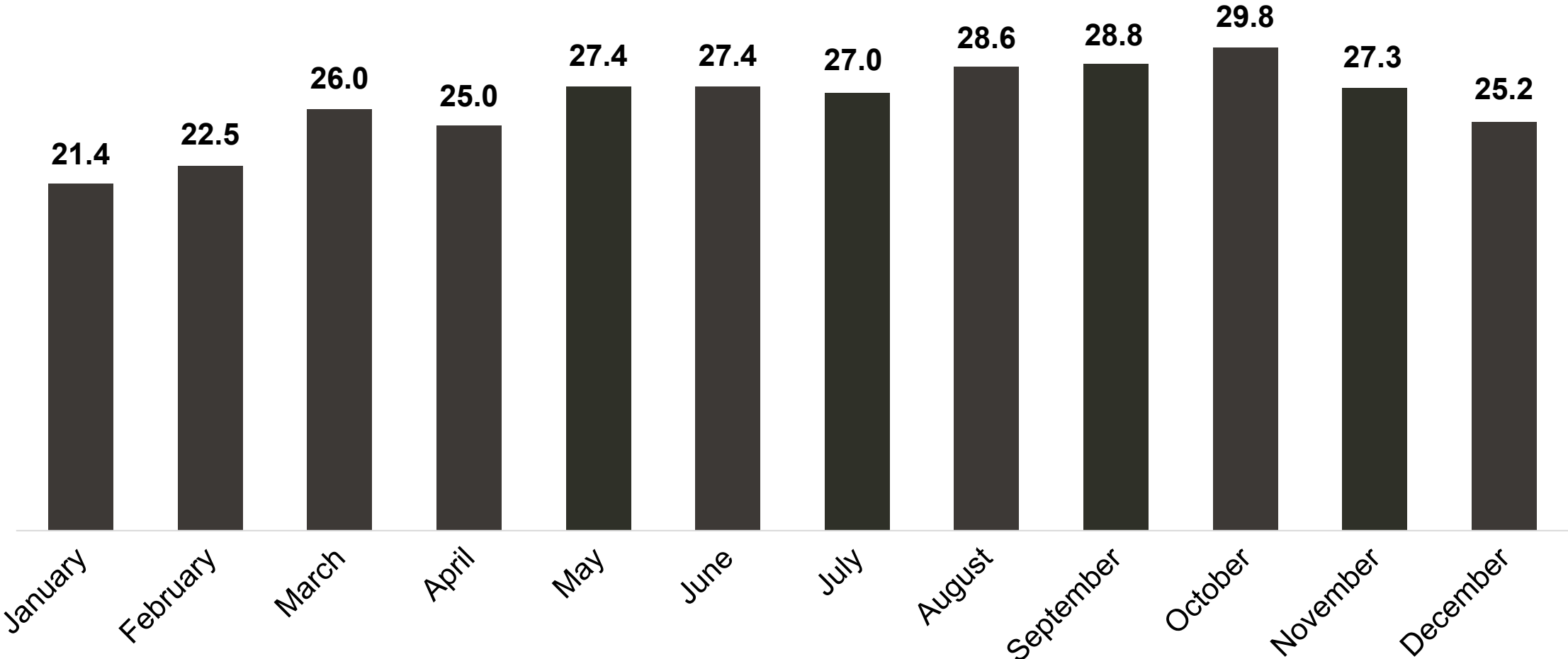
Region Total
Drawn = 44.1%

\$1.560B
of
\$3.540B



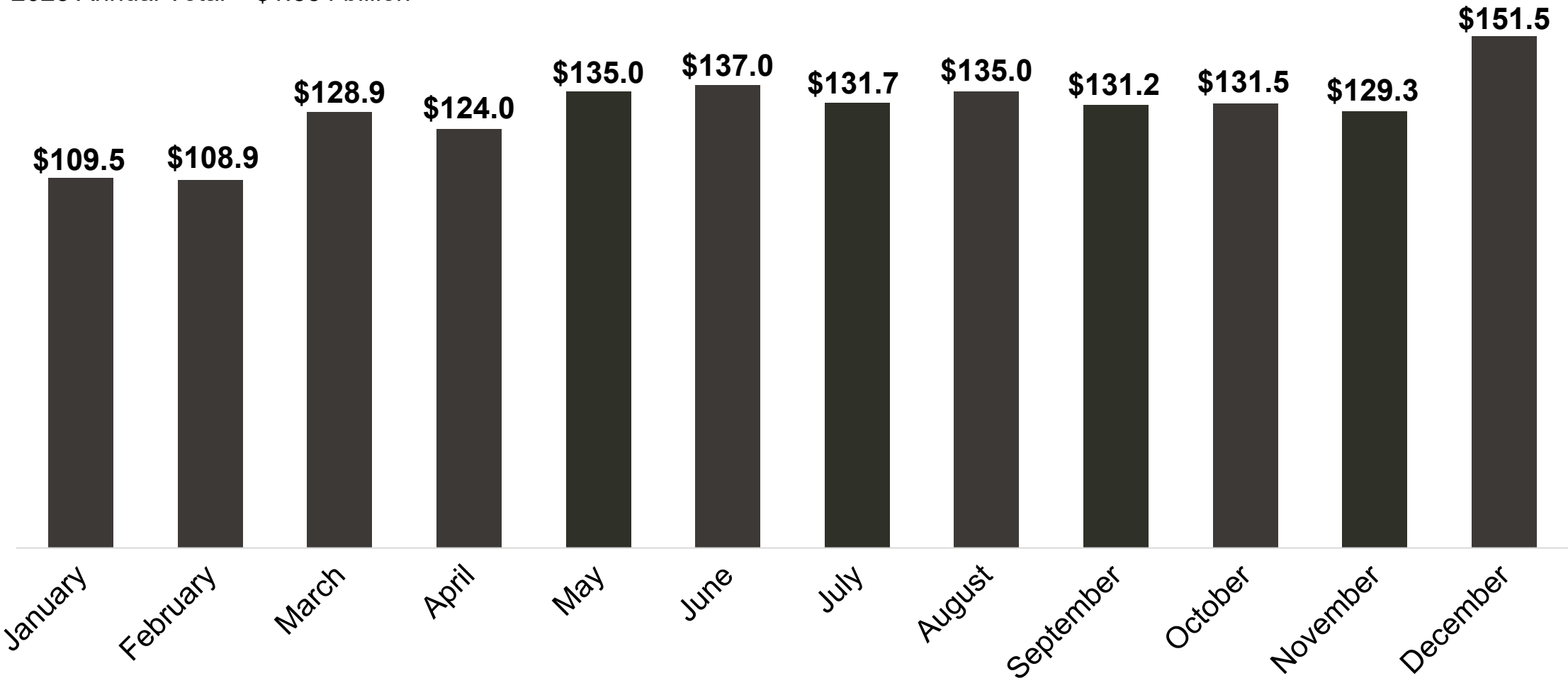
2023 budgeted RTA ridership by month (in millions)

2023 annual total = 316.3 million
Percent of pre-COVID ridership: 56%



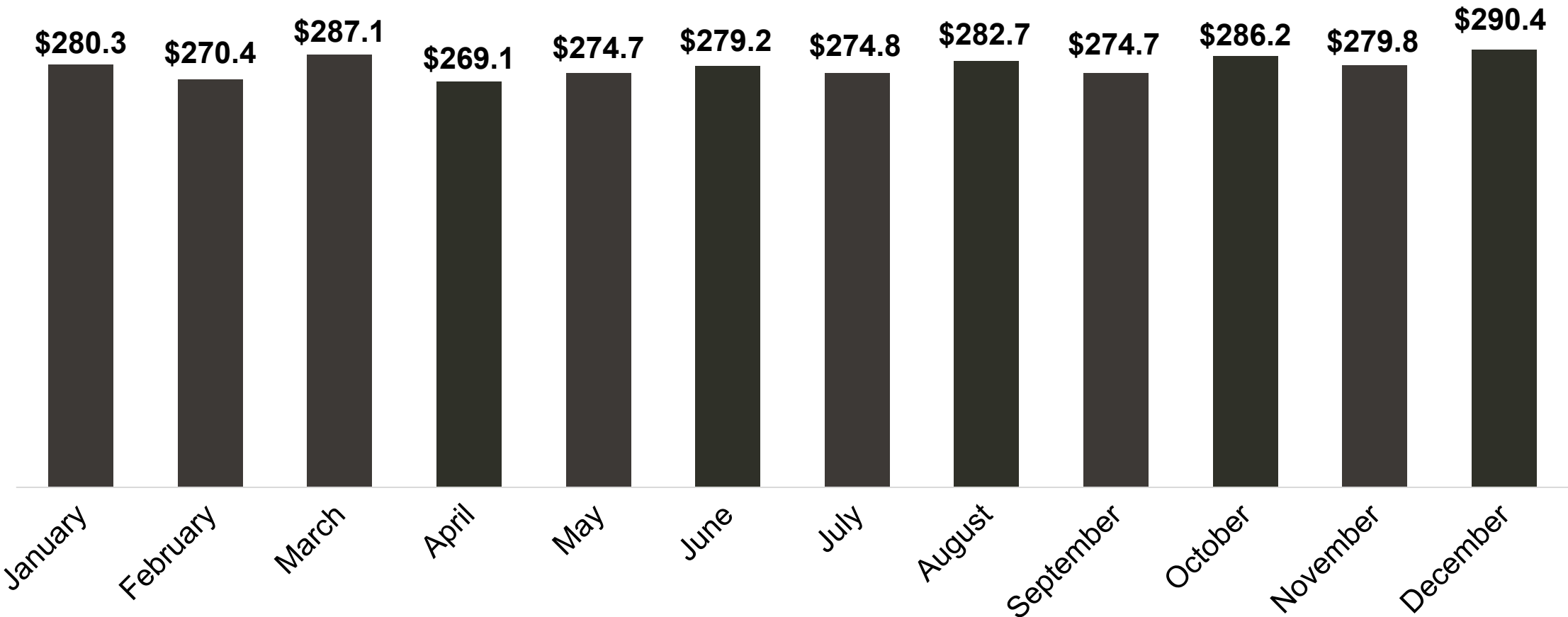
2023 budgeted RTA sales tax by month (in millions)

2023 Annual Total = \$1.554 billion



2023 budgeted operating expense by month (in millions)

2023 Annual Total = \$3.349 billion



7. Action items

**7a. Amendment of the
2023-2027 Capital
Program, extensions
to ICE funded projects,
and approval of 2023
Federal Funding
Allocation
Agreements**



2023-2027 Funding changes (in millions)

2023-2027 Capital Program Funding Changes	Current	Change	Proposed
Chicago Transit Authority	\$2,443.82	\$493.27	\$2,937.09
Metra	\$1,886.59	\$141.52	\$2,028.11
Pace	\$381.73	\$0.00	\$381.73
2023-2027 Capital Program Total Available	\$4,712.13	\$634.79	\$5,346.92

New Capital Funds Added (in millions)

2023-2027 Capital Program	New Funds
Chicago Transit Authority	\$118.48
Metra	\$0.02
Pace	\$0.00
2023-2027 Capital Program Total New Funds	\$118.50



CTA: ASAP Projects

CTA has received a \$118.5 million federal discretionary grant to upgrade:

- Belmont – Blue Line O'Hare Branch
- Irving Park – Blue Line O'Hare Branch
- Pulaski – Blue Line Forest Park Branch



Reprogrammed funds

2023-2027 Capital Program	Reprogrammed Funds
Chicago Transit Authority	\$374.79
Metra	\$141.50
Pace	\$0.00
2023-2027 Capital Program Total Reprogrammed Funds	\$516.29



Percent of capital funds spent

Percent of Funds Spent	2019	2020	2021	3-year average
CTA with Debt Payments	48.5%	19.4%	18.8%	28.9%
CTA without Debt Payment	36.6%	10.5%	11.5%	19.5%
Metra	27.7%	15.1%	14.6%	19.1%
Pace	19.2%	22.4%	10.4%	17.4%

CTA: New Training & Control Center Operation

- Using Rebuild Illinois Bonds to fund the new Control and Training Center instead of CTA bonds
- Contains:
 - Control center, which oversees the operation of buses, trains and power on the rail system
 - Training center for operating, maintenance and customer-facing personnel



CTA: Forest Park Phase 1

- Additional funding is being added to fully fund the Forest Park phase 1 projects
- Work includes:
 - Reconstruction of Racine station including ADA accessibility enhancements
 - Reconstruction of track from Illinois Medical District and UIC-Halsted
 - A new substation and upgrades at an existing substation to provide additional power along the line



Metra 79th, 87th, and 103rd stations on the Metra Electric

- Full station rehabs of Metra Electric stations:
 - 79th Street – Chatham
 - 87th Street – Woodruff
 - 103rd Street – Rosemoor
- Work includes:
 - Platform reconstruction
 - Stair replacement
 - New enclosed, ADA-accessible entrances



Metra: Ticket Vending Machines

- Purchase of 650 ticket vending machines
- System Benefits:
 - Eliminate cash collection onboard
 - Provide greater convenience to customers
 - Allow for more flexibility of fare offerings



ICE project extensions

- 1-year extensions to 5 projects
 - CTA – Ventra improvements
 - Metra – Blue Island transfer facility
 - Metra – Hybrid vehicle purchase
 - Metra – Terminal information displays
 - Metra – GPS train tracking



Regional Federal Formula Allocations (in millions)

2023 Regional Federal Formula Funds	Funding	Percent
Regional Transportation Authority	\$751.12	94.6%
Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission	\$42.04	5.3%
Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission	\$0.30	0.1%
Total 2023 Regional Federal Formula Funds	\$793.46	100.0%

Proposed ordinances for approval

- Amendment to the 2023-2027 Capital Program
- ICE extensions
- 2023 Federal formula funds split between:
 - RTA/NIRPC
 - RTA/SEWRPC



7b. Ordinance authorizing a consultant contract for the Richton Park TOD Plan



7c. Approval of travel expense reimbursement(s)



8. New business

9. Executive session

Adjournment

The next meeting of the RTA Board of Directors is scheduled for Thursday, April 16.

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