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Charleston County Council Keeps CARTA Running Through June

Charleston County Council members voted Tuesday night to appropriate funds to Charleston Area Regional Transit Authority (CARTA) that will keep it running through May and June of 2005. According to CARTA's Executive Director, Howard Chapman, the public transportation system would not have had an operational budget after April without the appropriated funds.

The appropriated funds are the first to be allocated from the Transportation (Half-Cent) Sales Tax referendum, which was passed in November of 2004 and will be implemented in Charleston County business establishments beginning May 1.

Council will address additional funds for CARTA during their fiscal year 2006 budget deliberations beginning April 26.