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City of Columbus Reaches Agreement with Downtown Greyhound Bus Station

Greyhound Lines, Inc. Agrees to Increase Security, Enforcement, and Clean Up Property

COLUMBUS, OH –Today, City Attorney Zach Klein announced the City of Columbus reached an agreement with Greyhound Lines, Inc., after negotiation between both parties for a resolution. As a result of this agreement, the preliminary injunction hearing scheduled for today was therefore vacated.

On June 11, the City Attorney's Office and the Columbus Division of Police announced legal action being taken against the crime-plagued Greyhound bus station in downtown Columbus that has been the site of stabbings, assault, overdoses, another recent shooting, and more. Working in coordination with the Columbus Division of Police, Klein filed a complaint for preliminary and permanent injunctive relief in the Franklin County Environmental Court against Greyhound Bus Lines, LLC, located at 111 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio, declaring the property a public nuisance.

Greyhound Lines, Inc. has agreed to implement all required action, policies, and procedures set forth in the agreement, which must remain in practice until further order of the Court.

"We are pleased that we could reach an agreement with Greyhound to implement the necessary changes to make this a safe place for residents and visitors traveling in and out of Columbus," said City Attorney Zach Klein. "Along with the Division of Police, we will continue to work to ensure these safety measures remain in place and enforced."

The agreed upon stipulations can be viewed in the attached order, including, but not limited to immediately retaining or resuming private security at the station with no less than two uniformed security officers on duty 24/7, a security officer stationed at the entrance to allow only entrance to ticketed customers or customers purchasing tickets, maintaining exterior lighting and working security cameras, increased security signage, repairing broken windows, cleaning any debris or trash from the area, and more.

"Our intention with these cases is always to seek a resolution first," said Assistant City Attorney Heidy Carr. "This agreement is a great example of how both parties can come together to accomplish the necessary changes our community members deserve: a safe place for customers and visitors, downtown residents, and nearby businesses."

Attached: Copy of Greyhound Agreement

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