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**SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY**

DIVISION: Finance and Information Technology

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

Authorizing the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), through its Director of Transportation or his designee, to accept and expend \$9,123,591 in FY 2012 and FY 2014 Transit Performance Initiative Investment Grant Program funds from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for several projects; and to adopt a Resolution of Support for the projects.

SUMMARY:

- On March 13, 2014, the MTC issued a Call for Projects for \$19 million of federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) federal funds for its Transit Performance Initiative (TPI) Investment Grant Program.
- The funds are for transit agencies to make low-cost capital investments that improve operations and customer experience on major transit corridors and systems.
- For FY 2014, the SFMTA will receive \$4,990,560 under the TPI Investment Grant Program for Colored Lanes on the SFMTA Rapid Network and Muni Forward Capital Transit Enhancements.
- The MTC had held in reserve \$4,133,031 in FY 2012 TPI Investment Funds for the SFMTA for TEP improvements pending approval of the TEP Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The SFMTA will use the \$4,133,031 for the following project: 9 San Bruno: Potrero Avenue Fast Track Transit and Streetscape Improvements.
- The MTC requires that the grantee adopt a Resolution of Local Support that stipulates the SFMTA will comply with the MTC's policies governing project delivery and cost overruns.

ENCLOSURES:

1. SFMTAB Resolution

APPROVALS:

DATE

DIRECTOR _____

1/9/15 _____

SECRETARY _____

1/9/15 _____

ASSIGNED SFMTAB CALENDAR DATE: January 20, 2015

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this calendar item is to authorize the SFMTA, through its Director of Transportation or his designee, to accept and expend \$9,123,591 in FY 2012 and FY 2014 TPI Investment Grant Program funding from the MTC; and to adopt a Resolution of Local Support. The \$9,123,591 is proposed to be used for colored lanes on the SFMTA Rapid Network, Muni Forward Capital Transit Enhancements, and the project known as 9 San Bruno: Potrero Avenue Fast Track Transit and Streetscape Improvements.

GOAL

This action supports the following SFMTA Strategic Plan Goal and Objectives:

Goal 3 Improve the environment and quality of life in San Francisco:

Objective 3.3: Allocate capital resources effectively

Objective 3.5: Reduce capital and operating structural deficits

DESCRIPTION

The Transit Performance Initiative Investment Grant Program (TPI) funds low-cost capital investments that can improve operations and customer experience on major transit corridors and systems, and that can be implemented rapidly. So far, there have been two rounds of TPI funding.

In May 2012, the MTC recommended programming \$4,133,031 of Round 1 TPI funds to the SFMTA for TEP improvements, conditioning the release of these funds for implementation of bus or light rail stop consolidation and roadway modifications consistent with the TEP. The MTC has not yet disbursed these funds.

In March 2014, the MTC authorized a call for projects for \$19 Million in TPI funds for Round 2. Project sponsors are responsible for submitting projects to the MTC with their rationale for funding, and a monitoring plan to track the project's effectiveness in increasing ridership and/or productivity.

As part of the call for projects for Round 2, the SFMTA proposes to use the \$4,133,031 in TPI funds from Round 1 for the 9 San Bruno: Potrero Avenue Fast Track Transit and Streetscape Enhancements project. This project will construct traffic engineering changes to reduce travel times for the 9 San Bruno and 9L San Bruno Limited, including transit bulbs, pedestrian bulb-outs, increased bus stop spacing to every two blocks for local service, and a red-painted transit-only lane in the southbound direction.

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The SFMTA proposes to use \$4,990,560 in Round 2 TPI funds for the following projects:

- 1) \$1,784,880 for colored lanes on the SFMTA Rapid Network. This project will colorize transit-only lanes in order to increase visibility, thereby limiting encroachment and reducing congestion within the lanes.
- 2) \$3,205,680 for Muni Forward capital transit enhancements affecting the following lines:
 - 9-San Bruno: bus bulbs and optimized transit stop locations in two corridors;
 - 10-Townsend: extension of southbound transit-only lane on Sansome Street, including roadway restriping, signage, and signal modification;
 - 14-Mission: new transit lanes, bus bulbs, signalized transit queue-jump lanes and turn pockets, and optimized transit stop locations.

The MTC requires that the SFMTA Board of Directors approve a Resolution of Local Support for these projects. The Board is requested to approve in the Resolution that:

1. The SFMTA will provide the 11.47% local match in non-federal funds;
2. Any cost increases must be funded by the SFMTA, and the SFMTA does not expect any cost increases to be funded with additional regional discretionary funds;
3. Because the funds originate with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the SFMTA understands the funding deadlines associated with these funds and will comply with the provisions and requirements of the Regional Project Funding Delivery Policy (MTC Resolution No. 3606, as revised); the SFMTA has, and will retain the expertise, knowledge and resources necessary to deliver federally funded transportation projects; and has assigned, and will maintain, a single point of contact for all FHWA-funded transportation projects to coordinate within the agency and with its Congestion Management Agency, MTC, Caltrans and FHWA on all communications, inquiries or issues that may arise during the federal programming and delivery process for all FHWA-funded transportation projects implemented by the SFMTA;
4. The projects will be implemented as described in the submitted application and in the attached resolution and, if approved, for the amount programmed in the MTC federal Transportation Improvement Program (TIP);
5. The SFMTA and the project will comply with the requirements as set forth in the MTC programming guidelines and project selection procedures for the Program; and
6. The SFMTA agrees to comply with the requirements of the MTC's Transit Coordination Implementation Plan as set forth in MTC Resolution No. 3866, as revised.

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ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The TPI funds can be used by transit operators to fund projects focused on increasing ridership and/or productivity. The Colored Lanes on the SFMTA Rapid Network, Muni Forward Capital Transit Enhancements, and 9 San Bruno: Potrero Avenue Fast Track Transit and Streetscape Enhancements are determined to be the highest priority SFMTA projects that best meet the criteria of the program. The projects would be delayed if the SFMTA chooses not to take this action.

FUNDING IMPACT

The acceptance and expenditure of the \$9,123,591 in proposed federal funds requires a non-federal match of at least 11.47% (\$1,182,058) of the total project cost. The match will be provided by San Francisco Prop K local sales tax funds, SFMTA Revenue Bond funds, other local fund sources, and/or State Transportation Bonds.

OTHER APPROVALS RECEIVED OR STILL REQUIRED

The MTC approved the SFMTA's proposed projects for the TPI Investment Grant Program.

The City Attorney has reviewed this report.

All three projects that will receive TPI funds have been cleared as part of the TEP EIR. Federal environmental (NEPA) clearance will need to be secured before the Federal Transit Administration will allow the SFMTA to begin construction using federal TPI funds.

RECOMMENDATION

SFMTA staff recommends that the SFMTA Board authorize the SFMTA, through its Director of Transportation or his designee, to accept and expend \$9.12 million in FY 2012 and FY 2014 TPI Investment Grant Program funds for Colored Lanes on the SFMTA Rapid Network, Muni Forward Capital Transit Enhancements, and 9 San Bruno: Potrero Avenue Fast Track Transit and Streetscape Enhancements, and to approve the attached Resolution of Local Support.

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. _____

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) is submitting an application to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for \$9.12 million in funding assigned to MTC for programming discretion, including, but not limited to, federal funding administered by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), such as Surface Transportation Program (STP) funding, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) funding and/or Transportation Alternatives (TA) funding (collectively referred to as REGIONAL DISCRETIONARY FUNDING) for the following projects: Colored Lanes on the SFMTA Rapid Network, Muni Forward Capital Transit Enhancements, and 9 San Bruno: Potrero Avenue Fast Track Transit and Streetscape Enhancements (PROJECTS) for the TPI Investment Grant Program (PROGRAM); and

WHEREAS, The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (Public Law 112-141, July 6, 2012) and any extensions or successor legislation for continued funding (collectively, MAP 21) authorize various federal funding programs, including, but not limited to, the STP program (23 U.S.C. § 133), the CMAQ program (23 U.S.C. § 149) and the TA Program (23 U.S.C. § 213); and

WHEREAS, State statutes, including California Streets and Highways Code Sections 182.6 and 182.7, provide various funding programs for the programming discretion of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA); and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to MAP-21, and any regulations promulgated thereunder, eligible project sponsors wishing to receive federal funds for a project shall submit an application first with the appropriate MPO for review and inclusion in the MPO's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

WHEREAS, The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the MPO for the nine counties in the San Francisco Bay Area region; and

WHEREAS, The MTC has adopted a Regional Project Funding Delivery Policy (MTC Resolution No. 3606, revised) that sets out procedures governing the application and use of CMAQ funds; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA is an eligible project sponsor for Regional Discretionary Funding; and

WHEREAS, As part of the application for Regional Discretionary Funding, MTC requires a Resolution of Local Support be adopted stating that the SFMTA Board understands that:

1. the SFMTA commits to provide local matching funds of at least 11.47% (\$1,182,058); and
2. the Regional Discretionary Funding is fixed at the programmed amount, and any cost increases must be funded by the SFMTA, and the SFMTA does not expect any cost increases to be funded with Regional Discretionary Funding; and
3. the projects will comply with the procedures, delivery milestones and funding deadlines specified in the Regional Project Funding Delivery Policy (MTC Resolution No. 3606, revised); and
4. the SFMTA will complete the projects as described in the applications, and if approved, as included in the MTC's federal TIP; and
5. the projects will comply with all project-specific requirements as set forth in the program; and
6. the projects will comply with MTC Resolution No. 3866, revised, which sets forth the requirements of MTC's Transit Coordination Implementation Plan to more efficiently deliver transit projects in the region; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes the SFMTA, through its Director of Transportation or his designee, to accept and expend \$9,123,591 in FY 2012 and FY 2014 Transit Performance Initiative Investment Grant Program from the MTC, to be used for Colored Lanes on the SFMTA Rapid Network, Muni Forward Capital Transit Enhancements, and 9 San Bruno: Potrero Avenue Fast Track Transit and Streetscape Enhancements; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors adopts a Resolution of Support for the Colored Lanes on the SFMTA Rapid Network, Muni Forward Capital Transit Enhancements, and 9 San Bruno: Potrero Avenue Fast Track Transit and Streetscape Enhancements under the STP/CMAQ programs of MAP-21, any extensions of MAP-21, or any successor legislation for continued funding; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors, by adopting this Resolution of Support, states that:

1. The SFMTA will provide at least \$1,182,058 in local, non-federal matching funds; and
2. The SFMTA understands that the Regional Discretionary Funding for the projects is fixed at the MTC-approved programmed amount, and that any cost increases must be funded by the SFMTA from other funds, and that the SFMTA does not expect any cost increases to be funded with additional Regional Discretionary Funding; and
3. The SFMTA understands the funding deadlines associated with these funds and will comply with the provisions and requirements of the Regional Project Funding Delivery Policy (MTC Resolution No. 3606, revised); and the SFMTA has, and will retain the expertise, knowledge and resources necessary to deliver federally funded transportation projects; and has assigned, and will maintain, a single point of contact for all FHWA-funded transportation projects to coordinate within the agency and with the respective Congestion Management Agency, MTC, Caltrans and FHWA on

- all communications, inquiries or issues that may arise during the federal programming and delivery process for all FHWA-funded transportation projects implemented by the SFMTA; and
4. The projects will be implemented as described in the complete application and in this resolution and, if approved, for the amount approved by MTC and programmed in the federal TIP; and
 5. The SFMTA and the projects will comply with the requirements as set forth in MTC programming guidelines and project selection procedures for the Program; and
 6. The SFMTA agrees to comply with the requirements of MTC's Transit Coordination Implementation Plan as set forth in MTC Resolution No. 3866, as revised; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the SFMTA is an eligible sponsor of Regional Discretionary Funding funded projects; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes its Director of Transportation to transmit a copy of this resolution to the MTC in conjunction with the filing of the applications; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the SFMTA requests MTC to support the applications for the projects described in the resolution and to include the projects, if approved, in MTC's federal TIP.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of January 20, 2015.

Secretary, Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors