

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 170221-015

WHEREAS, Fixing America's Surface Transportation (the FAST Act, Public Law 114-94) continues and establishes new Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula programs (23 U.S.C. §53) and continues the Surface Transportation Program (23 U.S.C. § 133); and,

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the FAST Act, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, eligible project sponsors wishing to receive grants for a project under FTA's Section 5307 (Urbanized Area), Section 5337 (State of Good Repair), or Section 5339 (Bus and Bus Facilities) programs (collectively, FTA Formula Programs) or the Surface Transportation Program (STP) shall submit an application first with the appropriate metropolitan transportation planning organization (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 San Francisco Bay region; and,

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Transportation Agency (SFMTA) is an eligible project sponsor for FTA Formula Program and STP funds; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA wishes to submit grant applications to MTC for funds from the FY2016-17 through FY2019-20 FTA Formula Programs and the STP for various transit and transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, The projects include, but are not limited to, the following: Replacement of 40' and 60' Trolley Coaches; Replacement of 30', 40' and 60' Motor Coaches; Replacement of Paratransit Mini Vans; Cable Car Vehicle Renovation Program; Farebox Replacement; Cable Car Infrastructure Rehabilitation; Wayside Fare Collection; Station-Area Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Improvements; Overhead Line Rehabilitation; Rail Replacement and Rehabilitation; Wayside/Central Train Control & Trolley Signal Systems Rehabilitation; ADA Set Aside; Rehabilitation of Historic Streetcars; and 40' and 60' Motor Coach Mid-Life Overhaul; and

WHEREAS, The MTC requires, as part of these applications, a resolution stating the following:

- the sponsor commits to providing the necessary local matching funds (18-50% for FTA Formula Program funds, depending on project type, and 11.47% for STP funds); and
- that the sponsor understands that the FTA Formula Program and STP funding is fixed at the programmed amount, and therefore any cost increase cannot be expected to be funded from FTA Formula Program or STP funds; and
- the assurance of the sponsor to complete the projects as described in the applications, and if approved, as programmed in MTC's TIP; and

- that the sponsor understands that FTA Formula Program funds must be obligated within three years of programming and STP funds must be obligated by January 31 of the year that the projects are programmed for in the TIP, or the projects may be removed from the program; and

WHEREAS, On January 26, 2017, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined that this action is not a “project” under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 15060(c) and 15378(b)(4); and,

WHEREAS, A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA will not proceed with any project until there has been complete compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the City’s Environmental Quality Regulations; specifically, the SFMTA retains the absolute discretion to (1) modify the project to mitigate significant adverse environmental impacts; (2) select feasible alternatives which avoid significant adverse impacts of the project; (3) require the implementation of specific measures to mitigate the significant adverse environmental impacts of the project; (4) reject the project if the economic and social benefits of the project do not outweigh otherwise unavoidable significant adverse environmental impacts; or (5) approve the project upon a finding that the economic and social benefits of the project outweigh otherwise unavoidable significant adverse impacts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation to execute and file applications for funding under the FY2016-17 through FY2019-20 Federal Transportation Administration Formula Program and Surface Transportation Program for various transit and transportation projects; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors, by adopting this resolution, states that:

- 1) The SFMTA will provide the necessary local matching funds (18-50% for FTA Formula Program funds, depending on project type, and 11.47% for STP funds); and
- 2) The SFMTA understands that the FTA Formula Program and STP funding for projects is a fixed amount of funds, and that any cost increases must be funded by the SFMTA from local matching funds, and that the SFMTA does not expect any cost increases to be funded with FTA Formula Program or Surface Transportation Program funds; and
- 3) Subject to completion of any and all required environmental review under CEQA and the City’s Environmental Quality Regulations, as specified above, the SFMTA’s transit and transportation projects will be built as described in the application and, if approved, for the amount shown in the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with obligation occurring within the timeframe established below; and

- 4) FTA Formula Program funds must be obligated within three years of programming and STP funds must be obligated by January 31 of the year that the projects are programmed for in the TIP; and
- 5) The SFMTA will comply with FTA requirements and all other applicable Federal, State and Local laws and regulations with respect to the proposed projects; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA agrees to comply with the requirements of MTC's Transit Coordination Implementation Plan as set forth in MTC Resolution 3866; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution will be transmitted to the MTC in conjunction with the MTC programming the FTA Formula Program and Surface Transportation Program funded projects in the TIP; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the MTC is requested to support the applications for the projects described in the resolution and to program the projects, if approved, in MTC's TIP.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of February 21, 2017.



Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency