



Agenda Item No. 3.b.

To: Finance-Auditing Committee/Committee of the Whole
Meeting of February 22, 2007

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Subject: **AUTHORIZE FILING GRANT APPLICATIONS WITH THE FEDERAL
TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006/2007 SECTION
5307 AND SECTION 5309 CAPITAL ASSISTANCE**

Recommendation

The Finance-Auditing Committee recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to file Section 5307 and Section 5309 grant applications with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for Fiscal Year 2006/2007 federal grant funds available to support various capital projects.

This matter will be presented to the Board of Directors at its February 23, 2007, meeting for appropriate action.

Summary

Federal Urbanized Area Formula Program (Section 5307), Federal Capital Program (Section 5309), Surface Transportation Program (STP), and Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) funds in the amount of \$17,876,001 have been programmed by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) in FY 06/07 to support implementation of 10 District transit capital projects. These projects which are included in the District's 10-year capital plan include 1) Replacement Buses, 2) Bus Radio/Communications System Replacement, 3) Management Information System, 4) Replace 14 Paratransit Vans, 5) Preventive Maintenance, 6) Transit Security, 7) Facilities Rehabilitation, 8) Ferry Channel and Berth Dredging, 9) Ferry Fixed Guideway Connectors, and 10) San Francisco Ferry Terminal Rehabilitation projects. In addition, federal funds in the amount of \$7 million have been programmed for District pass-through to MTC for implementation of the Translink regional electronic fare project. As part of administering the federal pass-through funds to MTC for Translink implementation, it will be necessary to revise the District's pass-through agreement with MTC to add the new \$7 million increment of federal funds to the project. Staff has begun preparation of the required grant materials and requests Board approval to submit the District's

FY 06/07 Section 5307 and Section 5309 grant applications to the FTA which would include the program of projects listed above and described in more detailed in Attachment A.

Federal Urbanized Area Formula Program funds are authorized to support public transit activities pursuant to Section 5307 of Title 49 of the United States Code. Federal Capital Program funds are authorized to support modernization of existing rail systems, new fixed guideway systems and new and replacement buses and facilities pursuant to Section 5309 of Title 49 of the United States Code. Federal STP funds and Federal CMAQ funds are available to support various transportation activities pursuant to Sections 133 and 149 of Title 23, respectively. In the San Francisco Bay Area Region, MTC is responsible for programming these funds.

MTC, in partnership with County Congestion Management Agencies and local transit operators, has developed a multi-modal approach to programming these funds to high-priority transit, bicycle, pedestrian and roadway projects. Once funds are programmed by MTC, individual project sponsors must secure funds through grant application and execution of a grant funding agreement with the FTA.

Fiscal Impact

This item provides \$17,876,001 in federal capital funds to support implementation of 10 District projects and \$7,000,000 to support administration of Translink pass-through funds, requiring \$4,077,270 in District local match and \$906,924 in local match funds to be provided by MTC, for a total local match requirement of \$4,984,194. These projects are all included in the District's 10-year capital plan.

Attachment

ATTACHMENT A

GGBHTD Program of Projects FY 2007 Urbanized Area Formula Program and Capital Program Grant Applications

Project Title/Description	Federal Fund Source	Federal Funds Section 5307	Federal Funds Section 5309	District/Local Match	Total Project	Project Notes
1. Replacement Buses – Replace 1989 TMC coaches that have reached the end of their useful life with 13 – 45' buses.	Section 5307	\$5,222,360	-	\$1,264,260	\$6,486,620	Provide funds to replace 40' buses with 45' buses.
2. Bus Radio/Communications System Replacement - Develop and acquire a comprehensive radio communications system.	Section 5307	\$2,973,845	-	\$743,461	\$3,717,306	Provides partial funds to implement this project.
3. Management Information System - Purchase new integrated transit maintenance management information systems.	Section 5307	\$842,509	-	\$210,627	\$1,053,136	Provides partial funds to implement this project, reducing overall District share.
4. Replace 14 Paratransit Vans - Purchase 14 vans for use in Marin County Transit District local and GGBHTD regional ADA paratransit service.	Section 5307	\$834,292	-	\$209,000	\$1,043,292	Pass through funds to MCTD to implement project. MCTD secures required 17% local match funds.
5. Preventive Maintenance - Provides Federal funds to subsidize transit maintenance activities.	Section 5307	\$807,995	-	\$201,999	\$1,009,994	GGBH&TD will share a portion of these funds with MCTD and will credit MCTD invoices beginning in July 2007.
6. Transit Security - Will support several transit safety and security projects such as surveillance and communications equipment at bus and ferry.	Section 5307	\$665,000	-	\$86,412	\$751,412	Multi-year project.
7. Facilities Rehabilitation - Rehabilitation of bus and ferry facilities.	Section 5307	\$280,000	-	\$70,000	\$350,000	Multi-year projects.
8. Ferry Channel and Berth Dredging - Design and dredging of Larkspur Ferry Terminal berth, turning basin and channel.	Section 5307 and Section 5309	\$489,453	\$1,510,547	\$500,000	\$2,500,000	Funds budgeted in FY 07 will support design and permitting for Larkspur Berth Dredging in FY 08.
9. Ferry Fixed Guideway Connectors - Rehabilitation and replacement of floats and gangway systems that allow passengers to get from the vessels to the terminals.	Section 5309	-	\$2,000,000	\$500,000	\$2,500,000	Multi-year project. Funds will partially support implementation of design.
10. San Francisco Ferry Terminal Rehabilitation – Rehabilitation of San Francisco ferry terminal facilities.	Section 5307	\$2,250,000	-	\$291,511	\$2,541,511	Funds allocated by the San Francisco County Transportation Authority to support this project.
11. Translink – In coordination with MTC, AC Transit, BART, Caltrain, Muni, SamTrans, VTA and all other Bay Area transit agencies, develop more convenient way for transit riders to pay for rides in the Bay Area.	CMAQ	\$7,000,000	-	\$906,924	\$7,906,924	Pass-through funds to MTC. District receives \$10,000 per year to administer grant.
TOTAL		\$21,365,454	\$3,510,547	\$4,984,194	\$29,860,195	

TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS

\$24,876,001