Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

February 9, 2022

Agenda Item 5a - 22-0065

California Transportation Commission (CTC) and State Funding Programs Update

Subject:

Update on California Transportation Commission (CTC) and state funding programs under the CTC's purview.

Background:

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is responsible for programming and allocating certain state and federal transportation funds for the planning and implementation of highway, passenger rail, non-motorized facilities, and transit improvements throughout California. Among other transportation funding programs, the CTC approves programming and allocations for the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP); State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP); State Active Transportation Program (ATP) and various Senate Bill 1 (SB1) programs including Solutions for Congested Corridors (SCC); Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) and the competitive element of the Local Partnership Program (LPP). The CTC allocates funds for projects in the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP), following project selection by the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA).

The CTC consists of eleven voting members and two non-voting ex-officio members. The San Francisco Bay Area has three (3) CTC members residing in its geographic area: Vice-Chair Bob Alvarado (Executive Officer, Northern California Carpenters Regional Council), Darnell Grisby, and Vice-Chair Elect Carl Guardino (Executive Vice President of Global Government Affairs and Policy for Bloom Energy).

January CTC Meeting (January 26-27, Held Online)

The CTC met and discussed the following items of regional significance.

Active Transportation Program – Draft Fund Estimate and Guidelines

CTC reviewed the draft Active Transportation Program (ATP) Fund Estimate and Guidelines for the upcoming 2023 Cycle 6 round. The draft Fund Estimate identifies about \$50 million in programming capacity for the MTC region as part of the Bay Area's Regional ATP. This Committee will consider adopting MTC's regional ATP Guidelines this month under item 3a.

Applications for the 2023 ATP Cycle 6 round of programming is due to the state and MTC by mid-June 2022.

Caltrans Complete Streets Policy Update

In December 2021, Caltrans adopted a new Director's Policy regarding complete streets, and Caltrans provided an update on the new policy to CTC. Caltrans' Complete Streets Policy requires all transportation projects funded or overseen by Caltrans to provide comfortable, convenient, and connected complete streets facilities for people walking, biking, and taking transit or passenger rail. MTC will continue to work with Caltrans in updating MTC's Complete Streets Policy later this year and continue to encourage safe, equitable, and climate-focused outcomes. These policy updates are aligned with the goals of *Plan Bay Area 2050*.

Allocations, Extensions, and Amendments.

The CTC approved the following:

Allocations. For construction phase allocations, CTC provides a 6-month deadline to award a construction contract.

- Funding allocations for two Active Transportation Program (ATP) projects in Alameda and Solano Counties.
- Funding allocation for one Local Partnership Competitive Program (LPP-C) project in San Francisco County.
- Funding allocation for one Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) project sponsored by AC Transit.

Extensions.

- Project award extension for one State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project in San Mateo County.
- Project expenditure extensions for two Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program
 (TIRCP) projects sponsored by Capitol Corridor and Altamont Corridor Express (ACE).

Amendments.

• Amendments to three SB1 Local Partnership Formulaic Program projects in Contra Costa

(2) and San Mateo Counties.

• Allocation amendment to one ATP project in Contra Costa County.

• Amendment to one SB1 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program project sponsored by

the Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART).

MTC staff continue to work with project sponsors of ATP and other CTC-managed programs to

ensure meeting CTC delivery deadlines and requirements.

CTC Leadership Changes.

At the January meeting, the Commissioners elected Lee Ann Eager (Fresno County) as the next

CTC Chair, and Carl Guardino (Santa Clara County) as the next CTC Vice-Chair. Current Vice-

Chair Bob Alvarado (Contra Costa County) announced he is not seeking reappointment to the

CTC after his term expires in February 2022.

Next Steps:

The next CTC meeting is scheduled for March 16-17, 2022, to be held in San Diego and online.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

Information. No action required.

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