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ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4678

This resolution establishes the project selection and programming policies for Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) funds as a component of MTC's Senate Bill 125 Transit Operations Funding Framework (MTC Resolution No. 4619, Revised).

The STP/CMAQ Transit Operations Program resolution includes the following attachments:

- Attachment A – Project Selection and Programming Policies
- Attachment B – Project List

With the adoption of the project selection and programming policies as described in Attachment A, Attachment B programs \$60,000,000 to the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) and \$41,164,422 to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) for various projects.

Further discussion of the project selection criteria and programming policy is contained in a memorandum to the Programming and Allocations Committee dated December 11, 2024.

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RE: Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) Transit Operations Program Project Selection and Programming Policies

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
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WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, MTC is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area region and is required to prepare and endorse a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which includes federal funds; and

WHEREAS, MTC, as the RTPA/MPO for the San Francisco Bay Area, is assigned programming and project selection responsibilities for certain state and federal funds; and

WHEREAS, state and federal funds assigned for RTPA/MPO programming discretion are subject to availability and must be used within prescribed funding deadlines; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Senate Bill 125 (Chapter 54, Statutes of 2023), MTC submitted a Short-Term Financial Plan for regional transit capital and operations to the California State Transportation Agency which included a contribution of regional discretionary funds; and

WHEREAS, MTC Resolution No. 4619, Revised identifies federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) funds as components of the Senate Bill 125 FY 2024-25 and FY 2025-26 Transit Operations Funding Framework and establishes distribution principles and accountability measures for such funds; and

WHEREAS, MTC, in cooperation with Caltrans, transit operators and other interested stakeholders, has developed policies and procedures to be used in the selection of projects to be funded with regional federal funds as set forth in Attachments A and B of this Resolution, incorporated herein as though set forth at length; and Resolution No. 4678, Revised

WHEREAS, using the policies set forth in Attachment A of this Resolution, MTC, in cooperation with interested stakeholders, will develop a program of projects to be funded with these funds for inclusion in the federal TIP, as set forth in Attachment B of this Resolution, incorporated herein as though set forth at length; and

WHEREAS the federal TIP and subsequent TIP revisions and updates are subject to public review and comment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that MTC approves the “Project Selection and Programming Policies” for projects to be funded through the STP/CMAQ Transit Operations Program as set forth in Attachments A and B of this Resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED that the funds assigned to MTC as the RTPA/MPO for programming and project selection shall be pooled and distributed on a regional basis for implementation of project selection criteria, policies, procedures, and programming, consistent with implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP); and be it further

RESOLVED that the projects will be included in the federal TIP subject to final federal approval and requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Executive Director or designee may make technical adjustments and other non-substantial revisions, including changes to project sponsor, updates to fund sources and distributions to reflect final funding criteria and availability; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Executive Director or designee shall make available a copy of this resolution, and attachments as may be required and appropriate.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Alfredo Pedroza, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at the regular meeting of the Commission held in San Francisco, California on December 20, 2024.