

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Administration Committee**

April 12, 2023

Agenda Item 3a

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Resolution No. 4577 – Fiscal Year (FY)
2023-24 Overall Work Program (OWP)**

Subject:

A request that the Committee refer MTC Resolution No. 4577 for Commission approval. This resolution guides the FY 2023-24 OWP collaborative metropolitan transportation planning process involving MTC, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Caltrans, and other local transportation partners. The request includes authorization for the Executive Director to enter into and execute required certifications, assurances, and an Overall Work Program Agreement (OWPA) for federal and state transportation planning grants.

Background:

The OWP is an annual or biennial statement of work identifying the planning priorities and activities to be carried out within a metropolitan planning area. At a minimum, an OWP includes a description of the planning work and resulting products, who will perform the work, time frames for completing the work, the cost of the work, and the source(s) of funds. Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) are required to develop an OWP to govern work programs for the expenditure of FHWA, FTA, and State planning funds pursuant to Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 450.308(b). As the federally designated MPO for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area region, the MTC annually develops and maintains the OWP, which is the principal document governing the budget, allocation, and use of federal and state transportation planning funds. Annual funding for the MPO transportation planning activities is primarily provided through the Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) which is awarded by Caltrans, the FHWA, and the FTA.

The FY 2023-24 OWP is developed in consultation and coordination with the region's transit operators, County Transportation Agencies (CTAs), the ABAG, Caltrans, the FHWA, and the FTA. The FY 2023-24 OWP includes Caltrans' Overall Work Program and transportation and air quality related planning activities proposed for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area region for the state fiscal year July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024.

Plan Bay Area 2050, adopted by the MTC in October 2021, guides the regional planning priorities established in the OWP. The Plan Bay Area 2050 Implementation Plan outlines more than 80 specific implementation actions that MTC and ABAG are slated to advance in partnership with other entities over the next five years. High priority actions for next year include but are not limited to:

- Continued policy and planning guidance for local jurisdictions through implementation of the Transit-Oriented Communities (TOC) Policy;
- Advancing transit recovery through implementation of the Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force priorities, including supporting Regional Network Management, evaluating and furthering pilot efforts on regional fare coordination, and initiation of the Transit 2050+ effort, a Connected Network Plan for the Bay Area;
- Continued deep community engagement and technical analysis of potential pathways through the Next-Generation Freeways Study;
- Expanding coordination with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) and CTAs to accelerate the implementation of all climate mitigation strategies, with a focus on funding to support local travel demand management (e.g. mobility hubs and parking policies); support of regional bike share; and electrification of the passenger vehicle and public transit fleets to achieve Plan Bay Area 2050 greenhouse gas reduction targets; and
- Initiation of Plan Bay Area 2050+ — the update to Plan Bay Area 2050 — which will focus on updating financial assumptions and the transportation investment strategy with close coordination with the Transit 2050+ effort.

The FY 2023-24 OWP works to accomplish a set of ten federal planning factors, as well as an additional set of Planning Emphasis Areas (PEAs) released by the FHWA and the FTA to guide MPO activities. The Prospectus chapter at the beginning of the OWP document describes how the various work elements support these priorities.

On December 14, 2022, the MTC held an annual OWP Planning meeting with the FHWA, the FTA, and Caltrans. The meeting attendees discussed the FY 2023-24 OWP highlights which included the following:

- FY 2022-23 activities carried over to FY 2023-24
- FY 2023-24 Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Sustainable Communities grant funded transportation planning activities
- FY 2023-24 milestones to be accomplished
- Performance based planning and programming activities
- Planning Emphasis Areas
- Complete Streets
- National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program
- Carbon Reduction Program

The MTC staff provided the Draft OWP for review to Caltrans, the FHWA, and the FTA in March 2023. The MTC staff will incorporate comments received from the state and federal agencies in the final FY 2023-24 OWP, as appropriate.

Attached for your review and consideration for referral to the Commission is the MTC Resolution No. 4577, which includes the following actions:

- Approves the final OWP for FY 2023-24
- Authorizes the programming of approximately \$24 million in FY 2023-24 transportation planning funds as follows:

Program	Amount
Federal Highway Administration Planning (FHWA PL) (FY 2023-24)	9,796,093
Federal Highway Administration Planning (FHWA PL) (FY 2022-23) (Carryover)	1,504,739
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303 (FY 2023-24)	4,734,683
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303 (FY 2022-23) (Carryover)	3,973,912
Federal Highway Administration State Planning and Research (FHWA SP&R) (FY 2021-22) (Carryover)	292,188
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5304 (FY 2022-23) (Carryover)	500,000
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5304 (FY 2021-22) (Carryover)	246,993
Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Sustainable Communities Formula (FY 2023-24)	2,106,140
Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Sustainable Communities Formula (FY 2022-23) (Carryover)	917,900
Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Sustainable Communities Formula (FY 2021-22) (Carryover)	239,987
Total	\$24,312,635

- Authorizes the Executive Director or designee to apply for grants and execute agreements to secure federal and state funds for transportation planning activities in the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area for FY 2023-24.

Commission approval is the first step in authorizing the FY 2023-24 expenditure of federal and state consolidated planning grant (CPG) funds which are included in the MTC FY 2023-24 Operating Budget. Following approval by the Commission, Caltrans, the FHWA, and the FTA will review and approve the OWP no later than June 30, 2023.

An electronic version of the FY 2023-24 OWP can be reviewed at the following link:

<https://mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/administrative-requirements/overall-work-program-owp>

Issues:

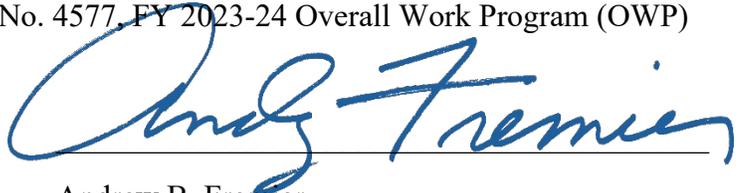
None identified.

Recommendations:

Staff recommends that the Committee refer the MTC Resolution No. 4577 to the Commission for approval.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: MTC Resolution No. 4577, FY 2023-24 Overall Work Program (OWP)



Andrew B. Fremier

Date: April 26, 2023
W.I.: 1121
Referred by: ADMIN

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4577

This resolution approves the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's FY 2023-24 Overall Work Program (OWP) for transportation planning activities in the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area, authorizes the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) to monitor, direct and update the OWP for FY 2023-24, and authorizes MTC's Executive Director or designee to apply for grants and execute agreements to secure federal and state funds for transportation planning activities, execute and file certifications and assurances as requested by the California Department of Transportation (DOT) and to make administrative changes to grant applications.

Further discussion of the OWP is contained in the MTC Administration Committee Summary Sheet dated April 12, 2023, and the Commission Summary Sheet dated April 26, 2023.

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Re: FY 2023-24 Overall Work Program (OWP) Planning Process Self-Certification, Authorization for the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to monitor the OWP and take related actions, and Authorization to the Executive Director for Execution of Agreements for Federal and State Planning Grants, Execution of Amendments to Grant Applications and Filing of Certifications and Assurances.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 4577

WHEREAS, the MTC is the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Bay Area and maintains a continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative metropolitan transportation planning and programming process required to preserve the region's eligibility for federal and state funds for transportation planning, capital improvements, and operations; and

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

WHEREAS, the MTC has articulated goals and objectives for the region's transportation system through its current Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) entitled Plan Bay Area 2050, which was adopted in October 2021; and

WHEREAS, the MTC has developed, in cooperation with the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and with publicly-owned operators of mass transportation services, a work program for carrying out continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation planning; and

WHEREAS, an Overall Work Program (OWP) for planning activities in the Bay Area for FY 2023-24 has been prepared by the MTC, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and public transportation operators; and

WHEREAS, the OWP for Fiscal Year 2023-24 includes Caltrans' Overall Work Program for the fiscal year to achieve the goals and objectives in MTC's Regional Transportation Plan (RTP); and

WHEREAS, MTC's Administration Committee has reviewed and referred approval of the OWP for FY 2023-24; and

WHEREAS, 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 450.308 requires that the designated MPO shall document metropolitan transportation planning activities performed with funds provided under title 23 U.S.C. and title 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 in a unified planning work program; and

WHEREAS, MTC desires to apply for and execute one or more agreements with the California Department of Transportation (DOT) for a grant(s) to aid in the financing of the MTC's Overall Work Program for fiscal year 2023-24; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the MTC does hereby adopt the FY 2023-24 OWP, which authorizes the programming for approximately \$24 million in transportation planning funds and, attached hereto as Attachment A to this Resolution and incorporated herein as though set forth at length; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the MTC's shall monitor, direct, and update the OWP as necessary during Fiscal Year 2023-24 and shall incorporate any amendments into appropriate supplements to the OWP; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or designee is authorized to apply for and execute any agreements with the DOT for grants to aid in the financing of the MTC's Overall Work Program included in Attachment A to this Resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute and file with such application certifications, assurances or other documentation requested by the DOT of the MTC's compliance with applicable federal and state statutory and regulatory requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or designee is authorized to make administrative changes to the grant application(s) for the Overall Work Program included as Attachment A so long as such changes do not affect the total amount of the grant or scope of work.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Alfredo Pedroza, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in San Francisco, California and at other remote locations on April 26, 2023.

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Attachment A is the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Overall Work Program for Planning Activities in the San Francisco Bay Area. Copies are on file at the MTC library.

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In accordance with 23 CFR part 450, the California Department of Transportation and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the San Francisco Bay Area urbanized area(s), hereby certify that the transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable requirements including:

- 1) 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and subpart C of 23 CFR part 450;
- 2) In nonattainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506(c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
- 3) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
- 4) 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, origin in employment or business opportunity;
- 5) Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act (Pub. L. 114-94) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT funded projects;
- 6) 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
- 7) The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37, and 38;
- 8) The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
- 9) Section 324 of title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
- 10) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

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Attachment C includes all amendments and supplements to the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Overall Work Program for Planning Activities in the San Francisco Bay Area. Copies are on file at the MTC offices.