

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

October 14, 2015

Resolution No. 4185, Revised

Subject: Revision to FY2015-16 Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating Program to add new projects.

Background: In May 2015, the Commission approved \$1.8 million in additional funding for the RM2 Operating Program. Projects and sponsors have been identified for most of the additional programming. Staff plans to return later this year to recommend a project for the added funding (\$177,000) in the Owl Service category. The projects proposed with the additional funding are summarized below.

Sponsor	Amount
Golden Gate Transit	\$ 277,800
NCTPA	\$ 36,400
Fairfield	\$ 217,000
Soltrans	\$ 100,000
Solano TA	\$ 250,500
WestCat	\$ 601,600
Total	\$ 1,483,300

Golden Gate Transit (GGT) will consolidate Routes 40 and 42 into one route with increased peak period service. GGT anticipates that improved service can be provided through consolidation at a lower cost. GGT will pilot service between Emeryville/Berkeley, and San Rafael (Route 580). Service between these communities was recommended as part of the Transit Sustainability Project (TSP).

Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency (NCTPA) will use the funding to continue support of existing service.

In Solano, four routes will see expanded service. Additionally, the funds will support county-wide planning and outreach.

- Fairfield and Suisun Transit (FAST) will increase mid-day service on Route 40 (Vacaville/Fairfield to Pleasant Hill and Walnut Creek BART), and to add Sunday service on Route 90 (Fairfield to El Cerrito del Norte BART).
- Solano County Transit (SolTrans) will increase weekday service and add Sunday service on Route 78 (Vallejo/Benicia to Pleasant Hill and Walnut Creek BART), and increase Sunday service to 30 minute headways on Route 80 (Vallejo to El Cerrito del Norte BART).
- Solano Transportation Authority (Solano TA) proposes to overhaul intercity bus service provided by the county. RM2 funds will be used for the implementation costs associated with the service increases listed above and will also be used to supplement Phase 2

of their Express Bus Service Planning including a Transit Corridor Study, public outreach and review, marketing, and the development of a Phase 2 Service Implementation Plan. Expansion services by FAST and Soltrans are consistent with the Phase 1 plan.

Given that the proposed service increases will not span the entire 2015-16 fiscal year, \$170,500 of the funding approved for additional service in the Express Bus North category will be held in reserve.

Western Contra Costa Transit Authority (WestCat) will add 20% more service on the LYNX (service from Hercules to San Francisco) by the end of the year, and 40% more service by the end of next year. Planning work and surveys found that existing and prospective riders wanted more service on the LYNX rather than an additional route. RM2 funds will be used for planning, service start-up costs, operations, and Clipper® updates.

In addition, \$200,000 RM2 Marketing funds were previously approved to support marketing and outreach for RM2 funded services. Staff recommends that \$100,000 of this be programmed to Golden Gate to support marketing of their RM2 funded routes and \$30,000 be programmed to WestCat to publicize its added service.

Issues: None

Recommendation: Refer MTC Resolution No. 4185, Revised to the Commission for approval.

Attachments: MTC Resolution No. 4185, Revised

Date: May 27, 2015
W.I.: 1255
Referred by: PAC
Revised: 10/28/15-C

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4185, Revised

This resolution adopts the Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating Assistance Program for FY2015-16.

This resolution was revised on October 28, 2015 to revise the program of projects and identify projects and sponsors for funds added starting in FY2015-16.

Further discussion of this action is contained in the Programming and Allocations Committee Summary Sheets dated May 13, 2015 and October 14, 2015.

Date: May 27, 2015
W.I.: 1255
Referred by: PAC

RE: Adoption of FY2015-16 RM2 Operating Assistance Program

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 4185

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to California Government Code § 66500 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, Streets and Highways Code Sections 30950 *et seq.* created the Bay Area Toll Authority (“BATA”), which is a public instrumentality governed by the same board as that governing MTC; and

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2004, voters approved Regional Measure 2, which increased the toll for all vehicles on the nine State-owned toll bridges in the San Francisco Bay Area by \$1.00, with this extra dollar funding various transportation projects within the region that have been determined to reduce congestion or to make improvements to travel in the toll bridge corridors, as identified in SB 916 (Chapter 715, Statutes of 2004), commonly referred as Regional Measure 2 (“RM2”); and

WHEREAS, RM2 establishes the Regional Traffic Relief Plan and identifies specific projects eligible to receive RM2 funding for operating assistance as identified in Sections 30914(d)(3) & (4) of the California Streets and Highways Code; and

WHEREAS, BATA shall fund the projects of the Regional Traffic Relief Plan by bonding or transfers to MTC; and

WHEREAS, RM2 assigns administrative duties and responsibilities for the implementation of the Regional Traffic Relief Plan to MTC; and

WHEREAS, MTC has developed guidelines for the programming and use of the RM2 funds for operating support of transit projects, and

WHEREAS, these guidelines state that MTC will adopt a project specific budget for RM2 operating funds prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that MTC adopts a program that establishes RM2 operating subsidy amounts for FY2015-16, as outlined in Attachment A and incorporated herewith as though set forth at length.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



Dave Cortese, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in Oakland, California on May 27, 2015.

FY 2015-16 RM-2 Operating Assistance Program -- Streets and Highways Code 30914(d)

Project #	Project Name	Sponsor	Route	Programmed (1,2)	Notes
1	Richmond Bridge Express Bus	Golden Gate Transit	Route 40/42	2,175,863	
		Golden Gate Transit	Route 580	265,862	
		Golden Gate Transit	Start-up Costs	32,000	
			Total	2,473,725	
2	Napa VINE Service	NCTPA	Vallejo Intermodal Express Bus	390,000	
		NCTPA	Vallejo Intermodal Express Bus	36,400	
			Total	426,400	
3	Express Bus North	SolTrans	Route 78	510,226	
		SolTrans	Route 80	511,873	
		SolTrans	Route 85	201,741	
		ECCTA	Route 300	531,835	
		Fairfield/Suisun Transit	Route 40	184,072	
		Fairfield/Suisun Transit	Route 90	526,963	
		Golden Gate Transit	Route 72x	101,264	
		Golden Gate Transit	Route 101	195,339	
		WestCat	Route JPX	249,294	
		Solano TA	Express Bus Planning	130,500	
		Solano TA	New Service Start-up and Marketing	120,000	
		Fairfield/Suisun Transit	Route 40 Added Service	144,000	
		SolTrans	Route 78 Added Service	60,000	
		SolTrans	Route 80 Added Service	40,000	
		Fairfield/Suisun Transit	Route 90 Added Service	73,000	
		TBD	TBD	170,500	
			Total	3,750,608	
4	Express Bus South (3)	AC Transit	Route F	890,865	
		AC Transit	Route LA	146,761	
		AC Transit	Route NL/BA	2,678,379	
		AC Transit	Route NX1	91,779	
		AC Transit	Route NX2	88,191	
		AC Transit	Route O	779,077	
		AC Transit	Route P	385,034	
		AC Transit	Route U - Dumbarton Corridor	311,238	
		AC Transit	Route W	56,580	
		CCCTA	Route 96X	145,339	
		WestCat	Hercules LYNX/JX	317,950	
		WestCat	LYNX Added Service	386,110	
		WestCat	New Service Planning	45,000	
		WestCat	New Service Start-up	170,490	
			Total	6,492,793	
5	Dumbarton Bus	AC Transit	Routes DB	1,382,828	
			Route DB1	1,284,148	
			Total	2,666,976	
6	Ferry Service	WETA	Alameda Harbor Bay	1,114,450	
		WETA	Alameda/Oakland	4,004,500	
		WETA	Vallejo	7,293,850	
		WETA	South San Francisco	2,887,200	
			Total	15,300,000	
7	Owl Service	AC Transit	Route 800	665,771	
		AC Transit	Route 801	667,852	
		MUNI	Route 14	187,501	
		SamTrans	Route 397	305,876	
		TBD		177,000	
			Total	2,004,000	

8	MUNI Metro 3rd Street	SF MUNI	Metro 3rd Street extension	2,500,000
9	AC Transit Rapid Bus Corridor	AC Transit	Enhanced Bus Service in the Berkeley/Oakland/San Leandro Corridor	3,000,000
11	WETA planning	WETA	Planning and operations	3,000,000
Grand Total				41,614,502

RM2 Marketing Assistance Program (4)

Project Name	Operator	Description	Programmed (4)	Notes
Clipper®	MTC	Public Information and Marketing	2,825,000	
511 Real Time Transit	MTC	Public Information and Marketing	200,000	
Marketing new services	TBD	Marketing new service	70,000	
	Golden Gate Transit	Marketing new and revised service	100,000	
	WestCat	Marketing expanded service	30,000	
Grand Total				3,225,000

- Notes:
1. The amounts listed reflect the RM-2 base subsidy, with certain projects subject to a 1.5% annual escalation rate through FY2015-16. Escalation was suspended starting in FY2008-09 until BATA RM2 receipts surpass the amounts budgeted to fund the legislative operating projects. Escalation was restored in FY2015-16 for eligible projects.
 2. Amounts shown are subject to approval of the FY 2015-16 BATA Budget.
 3. \$580,836 in funding for LAVTA's Rapid service is held in reserve pending adoption by their board of their Comprehensive Operational Analysis and approval of service changes for the route.
 4. Marketing assistance programs are funded with RM2 toll revenue receipts pursuant to Streets and Highways Code 30914(f) and are outside of the 38% limit on operating funding as described in Streets and Highways Code 30914(d).