

# Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

May 9, 2018

Agenda Item 2e

## MTC Resolution No. 4332

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- Subject:** Adoption of the FY 2018-19 State Transit Assistance (STA) Regional Coordination Program in support of Clipper and other regional transit projects.
- Background:** MTC adopted a new STA Population-Based Consolidated policy, MTC Resolution No. 4321, in February 2018. Based on the policy, a portion of the population-based STA funds are available to support regional coordination projects such as Clipper, 511 Transit, and the Hub Signage project. \$8 million in anticipated FY2018-19 revenue is being reserved for a proposed Regional Means-based Transit Fare Program.
- The Commission annually adopts an STA Regional Coordination Program of projects. The total proposed program for FY2018-19 is \$10.9 million, of which approximately \$9.7 million would be used for Clipper operations. The remaining funding would be used to support other regional transit efforts. Attachment A to MTC Resolution No. 4321 lists the STA projects for FY2018-19. Attachment B provides more detailed information about each of these projects.
- Issues:** The STA Regional Program is expected to receive about \$16 million per year in new revenue. After accounting for the \$8 million set aside for a means-based fare program, about \$8 million would remain for other regional program needs. However the proposed program for this year is \$10.9 million, partially funded by reserves; the reserve funds will run out in 2-3 years if current spending and revenue levels do not change.
- Recommendation:** Refer MTC Resolution No. 4332 to the Commission for approval.
- Attachments:** MTC Resolution No. 4332

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ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4332, Revised

This resolution establishes the FY 2018-19 program for the MTC State Transit Assistance (STA) Regional Coordination Program funds.

The resolution includes the following attachments:

Attachment A – FY 2018-19 STA Regional Coordination Program

Attachment B – Project Descriptions

Further discussion is contained in the MTC Programming and Allocations Committee Summary Sheet dated May 9, 2018.

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RE: FY 2018-19 MTC Regional Coordination Program for State Transit Assistance (STA) Funds

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION NO. 4332

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

WHEREAS, the State Transit Assistance (STA) fund is created pursuant to Public Utilities Code § 99310 et seq., and

WHEREAS, Public Utilities Code § 99313 provides for the allocation by the Controller of State Transit Assistance (STA) funds to MTC based on the ratio of the population of the area under MTC's jurisdiction to the total population of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Public Utilities Code § 99316(a) MTC has created the State Transit Assistance fund with Alameda County for deposit of STA funds received from the State Controller; and

WHEREAS, Public Utilities Code § 99313.6(d) provides that MTC is an eligible claimant for such population-based STA funds for projects to achieve regional transit coordination objectives; and

WHEREAS, MTC has adopted a Transit Coordination Implementation Plan pursuant to Government Code Section 66516.5 which identifies a number of projects to be implemented by MTC and the region's transit agencies to improve coordination of services; and

WHEREAS, the projects listed in Attachment A to this resolution, attached hereto, and incorporated herein as though set forth at length, are consistent with the STA Population-Based Consolidated policy established in MTC Resolution No. 4321; and

WHEREAS, MTC has provided information about the use of STA funds for the projects in FY 2018-19 as shown in Attachment B to this resolution, attached hereto, and incorporated herein as though set forth at length; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of the projects and purposes listed in Attachment B comply with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code § 21000 et seq., and the State EIR Guidelines (14 Cal. Code of Regs. § 15000 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, MTC has complied with the applicable rules and regulations for an allocation of STA funds under 21 Cal. Code of Regs. § 6730 et seq.; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that STA funds are programmed by MTC in the amounts and for the purposes that are specified in Attachment A and described in Attachment B to this resolution, attached hereto and made a part of this resolution.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Jake Mackenzie, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in San Francisco, California on May 23, 2018.

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**STA Regional Coordination Program  
FY 2018-19**

STA Regional Discretionary Funds <sup>(note 1)</sup>	\$ 23,347,895
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Project Name	Claimant	Amount
Clipper <sup>®</sup>	MTC	\$ 9,737,710
Clipper <sup>®</sup>	GGBHTD	\$ 10,000
Regional Transit Mapping	MTC	\$ 400,000
Transit Connectivity	AC Transit	\$ 239,000
Transit Connectivity	MTC	\$ 20,000
Bike Share Education	MTC	\$ 50,000
511 Transit	MTC	\$ 165,000
Regional Paratransit Program	CCCTA	\$ 75,000
ITS Architecture	MTC	\$ 50,000
Transit Projects Contingency	MTC	\$ 200,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 10,946,710</b>

<b>Balance after Programming</b>	<b>\$ 12,401,185</b>
Reserved for Mean-based Fare Project	\$ 8,000,000

<b>Estimated Funds Remaining</b>	<b>\$ 4,401,185</b>
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Notes:

1. This amount is from the FY2018-19 Fund Estimate, MTC Resolution No. 4322, and is comprised of the carryover from FY2017-18 of \$7,226,824 and the estimated revenue of \$16,121,071 for FY2018-19.

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## **STA Regional Coordination Program Summary FY 2018-19**

STA Regional Coordination Program funds have historically supported MTC's regional operations projects as well as other planning and operational efforts to improve coordination of, and access to, transit services in the Bay Area. Specific goals include: (1) improve service to the transit customer, (2) increase system efficiency through coordination of specific functions, and (3) develop sub-regional coordination agreements between connecting agencies.

The FY 2018-19 STA Regional Coordination Program is approximately \$10.9 million and generally focuses on delivering Clipper® with \$1.2 million programmed to implement other MTC regional transit projects such as 511 Transit, and Transit Connectivity consistent with the Commission's Plan Bay Area and other regional planning documents. \$8 million is held in reserve for the Means-based Transit Fare Project. More detail about the specific projects and the amount of STA funds programmed to each follows.

### **Clipper®**

***Programmed to MTC: \$9,737,710***

***Programmed to GGBHTD: \$ 10,000***

Clipper® allows transit riders to pay transit fares with a reloadable Clipper® smart card. Clipper® may be used on most transit systems in the San Francisco Bay Area. MTC's Clipper® responsibilities include oversight of a contract with Cubic Transportation Systems, Inc. to design, build, operate and maintain the Clipper® system and a number of other contracts related to the implementation and operation of the Clipper® system. In 2018-19, \$9.7 million of STA will support operating costs. GGBHTD is programmed \$10,000 for assisting in the administration of Federal Transit Administration funds. Any unspent STA funds will be returned to the STA Program to reallocate in future years.

### **Regional Transit Mapping**

***Programmed to MTC: \$400,000***

The goal of the Regional Transit Mapping project is to create a regional mapping system that will assist transit users in planning transit trips as well as provide last-mile navigation to and from transit hubs and corridors, thereby increasing transit usage. The project is being done in conjunction with SPUR, cities, and transit operators in the region. The funds will be used to advance the planning and design stages of the project.

**Transit Connectivity –**

***Programmed to AC Transit: \$239,000***

***Programmed to MTC: \$ 20,000***

MTC is committed to maintaining the information in transit information displays (TIDs) at 24 regional transit hubs. MTC has an agreement with AC Transit for them to maintain these displays on behalf of the region at a cost of \$239,000 annually. The agreement documents the scope of work in exchange for the direct allocation of STA funds. The agreement extends through FY 2018-19 and identifies the anticipated amounts of STA funds that will be made available to AC Transit, subject to Commission programming and allocation actions.

MTC will use STA funds for ongoing operations, maintenance, and other transit connectivity projects.

**511 Transit**

***Programmed to MTC: \$165,000***

STA funds will be used to supplement federal STP and CMAQ funds for the 511 Transit program. 511 Transit collects, maintains, updates, and distributes region-wide transit service information for the benefit of the traveling public and MTC's transit partners.

**Bike Share Education**

***Programmed to MTC: \$50,000***

The Bike Share program is expanding to three new jurisdictions, including along the SMART corridor. Bike Share serves as an important last-mile connection. Since bike share users tend to increase their use of transit due to improved transit access, the education effort will complement ongoing investments in bike access at transit facilities, and will support the region's mode shift goals.

**Regional Paratransit Program**

***Programmed to CCCTA: \$75,000***

STA funds will support the 'lead agency' for the Regional Paratransit Program. This approach is consistent with the goals of the Transit Coordination and Implementation Plan, which endorses the concept of reimbursement for services provided by a lead agency - currently CCCTA, on behalf of other operators. CCCTA will coordinate paratransit operational activities such as:

- Oversight of the Paratransit Eligibility Program and Regional Eligibility Database, and delivery of the Paratransit Technical Assistance Program through a consultant; and
- Liaison between the Paratransit Technical Coordination Council (PTCC) and MTC, including reporting on the status of activities.

The lead agency will provide progress reports summarizing work performed.

**ITS Architecture**

***Programmed to MTC: \$50,000***

The Bay Area ITS Architecture is the blueprint for Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) project coordination and integration in the San Francisco Bay Area. The purpose of the Architecture is to accurately represent the region's existing and future use of information, technology and automated systems to improve safety and efficiency for travelers and the

agencies providing transportation service across all modes. The Bay Area ITS Architecture is designed to aid the region's agencies in using its information in planning, development and deployment of ITS, as well as supporting the ongoing coordination of ITS activities across jurisdictional boundaries. The ITS Architecture facilitates ITS planning and aids in coordinated ITS project development, procurement, and delivery.

**Transit Project Contingency**

***Programmed to MTC: \$200,000***

These funds would be used in the event of unforeseen project needs or operating shortfalls with respect to MTC's regional operations projects such as Clipper®, 511 Transit, Regional Transit Mapping, and mobility management. These funds would also allow MTC to respond to unexpected regional or sub-regional transit planning needs or requests as they arise. Unspent contingency funds will be returned to the STA Program.

**Reserve for Means-based Transit Fares**

Subject to Commission discussion, this program will be amended to reflect the final program framework. \$8 million is reserved for this project.