

# Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

June 12, 2019

Agenda Item 2c

## MTC Resolution No. 4333, Revised

**Subject:** Amends the FY2018-19 RM2 Operating and Marketing Program to shift funds between Solano Express Routes and provide an update on WETA's use of Bay Bridge Forward funds.

**Background:** As the fiscal year draws to a close, Solano Transportation Authority (STA) and the transit operators in Solano have evaluated the performance of the Phase I implementation of revised Solano Express service. Based on their review, STA, with concurrence from the operators, requests that \$150,000 in RM2 operating be moved from the Green Express route to the Blue Line.

This fiscal year, the Blue Line underwent a large service increase while the Green Express had a small reduction in service. The Green Express has a farebox recovery of almost 60%, and the service reduction made the service even more productive, therefore, not all the RM2 operating revenue that was programmed to the route will be needed. Shifting the funds to the Blue Line will help support the service changes on the Solano Express which is intended to provide better intra- and inter-county express bus service.

STA has requested that this shift in funds be made permanent going forward. Staff recommends that Solano Transportation Authority provide an update on the performance of the express service before moving the funds in FY2019-20 and beyond. Therefore, the programming recommendation for these routes in FY2019-20 (Agenda Item 3a) will be the same as the original amounts for this year.

WETA has been programmed \$1.2 million in Bay Bridge Forward Funding since FY2016-17, however their costs have remained less than their original RM2 programming amount of \$15.3 million even with their added Bay Bridge Forward service. This year, WETA has requested that \$675,000 in RM2 operating funds be shifted from Alameda/Oakland and Vallejo to Harbor Bay. Significant budget savings in both the Alameda/Oakland and Vallejo services has prompted WETA to make this request in order to preserve other funds that do not expire. Staff recommends allowing WETA to use Bay Bridge Forward funds to support expanded Harbor Bay service for this fiscal year. No programming changes are necessary.

**Issues:** None

**Recommendation:** Refer MTC Resolution No. 4333, Revised to the Commission for approval.

**Attachments:** MTC Resolution No. 4333, Revised

  
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Date: May 23, 2018  
W.I.: 1255  
Referred by: PAC  
Revised: 11/28/18-C 02/27/19-ED  
03/27/19-C 05/22/19-ED  
06/26/19-C

### ABSTRACT

#### Resolution No. 4333, Revised

This resolution adopts the Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating Assistance Program for FY2018-19.

This resolution was revised on November 28, 2018 to program RM2 marketing funds to WETA, AC Transit, and MTC.

This resolution was revised on February 27, 2019 by Executive Director's Administrative Action to rescind marketing funds from 511 Real Time and reallocate those funds plus the unprogrammed marketing balance to four projects—Solano Express, NVRTA's Route 29, AC Transit Transbay Service, and regional campaign for Bike to Work, Trails, and Transit Week.

This resolution was revised on March 27, 2019 to program \$2 million in marketing funds for a carpool incentive program.

This resolution was revised on May 22, 2019 by Executive Director's Administrative Action to reprogram \$30,000 in marketing funds from the Seamless Transit Map to the Blue Line.

This resolution was revised on June 26, 2019 to make move operating funds from the Solano Green Express to the Blue Line.

Further discussion of this action is contained in the Programming and Allocations Committee Summary Sheet dated May 9, 2018 November 14, 2018, March 6, 2019, and June 12, 2019.

Date: May 23, 2018  
W.I.: 1255  
Referred by: PAC

RE: Adoption of FY2018-19 RM2 Operating Assistance Program

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION NO. 4333

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 seven 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 Section 30914(d) 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

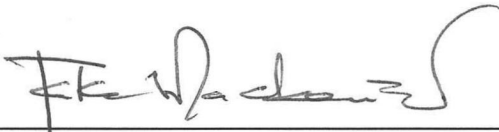
WHEREAS, MTC has developed guidelines for the programming and use of the RM2 funds for operating support of transit projects, and

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 FY2018-19, as outlined in Attachment A and incorporated herewith as though set forth at length; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is authorized to make programming changes to Attachment A, up to \$100,000 for each project, in consultation with the affected sponsor.

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.

**FY 2018-19 RM-2 Operating Assistance Program -- Streets and Highways Code 30914(d)**

| <b>Project #</b> | <b>Project Name</b>           | <b>Sponsor</b>           | <b>Route</b>  | <b>Programmed<br/>(notes 1,2)</b> |
|------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1                | Richmond Bridge Express       | Golden Gate Transit      | Route 40  | 2,473,725                         |
|                  |                               |                          | <b>Total</b>  | <b>2,473,725</b>                  |
| 2                | Napa VINE Service             | NCTPA                    | Route 29  | 426,400                           |
|                  |                               |                          | <b>Total</b>  | <b>426,400</b>                    |
| 3                | Express Bus North             | SolTrans                 | Yellow Line   | 762,567                           |
|                  |                               | SolTrans                 | Route 80  | 578,000                           |
|                  |                               | SolTrans                 | Route 85  | 201,741                           |
|                  |                               | ECCTA                    | Route 300   | 531,835                           |
|                  |                               | Fairfield/Suisun Transit | Blue Line   | <del>463,967</del>                |
|                  |                               |                          |   | 613,967                           |
|                  |                               | Fairfield/Suisun Transit | Green Express   | <del>636,600</del>                |
|                  |                               |                          |   | 486,600                           |
|                  |                               | Golden Gate Transit      | Route 72x   | 101,264                           |
|                  |                               | Golden Gate Transit      | Route 101   | 195,339                           |
|                  |                               | WestCat                  | Route JPX   | 249,294                           |
|                  |                               | SolTrans                 | Route 82 Pilot  | 30,000                            |
|                  |                               |                          | <b>Total</b>  | <b>3,750,608</b>                  |
| 4                | Express Bus South             | 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  | 869,550                           |
|                  |                               | WestCat                  | Bay Bridge Forward Service Start-up                               | 50,000                            |
|                  |                               | LAVTA                    | Rapid   | 580,836                           |
|                  |                               |                          | <b>Total</b>  | <b>7,073,629</b>                  |
| 5                | Dumbarton Bus                 | AC Transit               | Routes DB   | 1,432,828                         |
|                  |                               | AC Transit               | Route DB1   | 1,534,148                         |
|                  |                               |                          | <b>Total</b>  | <b>2,966,976</b>                  |
| 6                | Ferry Service                 | WETA                     | Alameda Harbor Bay  | 1,325,000                         |
|                  |                               | WETA                     | Alameda/Oakland   | 4,732,000                         |
|                  |                               | WETA                     | Vallejo   | 6,975,000                         |
|                  |                               | WETA                     | South San Francisco   | 2,268,000                         |
|                  |                               | WETA                     | Bay Bridge Forward Service Expansion                              | 1,200,000                         |
|                  |                               |                          | <b>Total</b>  | <b>16,500,000</b>                 |
| 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                           |
|                  |                               | AC Transit               | Route 800 Service Enhancements                                    | 177,000                           |
|                  |                               | TBD                      | Owl Service   | 50,000                            |
|                  |                               |                          | <b>Total</b>  | <b>2,054,000</b>                  |
| 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                         |
| 12               | Clipper                       | MTC                      | Operations  | 2,000,000                         |
| 13               | Transbay Transit Center       | TJPA                     | Terminal Operations   | 3,000,000                         |
|                  |                               |                          | <b>Grand Total</b>  | <b>48,745,338</b>                 |

**RM2 Marketing Assistance Program (note 3)**

| <b>Project Name</b>                              | <b>Operator</b>           | <b>Description</b>               | <b>Programmed</b> |
|--|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Clipper®   | MTC                       | Public Information and Marketing | 2,600,000         |
| Seamless Transit Map                             | MTC                       | Public Information               | 680,000           |
| The Hub Regional Resource Center                 | MTC                       | Center Operations                | 178,439           |
| AC Transit Services                              | AC Transit                | Public Information and Marketing | 500,000           |
| Transbay Service                                 | AC Transit                | Public Information and Marketing | 101,561           |
| Richmond Service Outreach                        | WETA                      | Public Information and Marketing | 200,000           |
| Solano Express                                   | FAST, Solano TA, Soltrans | Public Information and Marketing | 80,000            |
| Route 29   | NVTA                      | Public Information and Marketing | 20,000            |
| Bike to Work, Trails, and Transit Week Awareness | MTC                       | Public Information and Marketing | 100,000           |
| Carpool Incentive Program                        | MTC                       | Public Information and Marketing | 2,000,000         |
| <b>Grand Total</b>                               |                           |                                  | <b>6,460,000</b>  |

- 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 2018-19 BATA Budget.
  3. 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).