

Metropolitan Transportation Commission

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Agenda Item 10b - 26- 0032

Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Resolution No. 4698, Revised – Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Overall Work Program (OWP) Amendment No. 1

Subject:

Staff requests adoption of Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Resolution No. 4698 Revised, amending the fiscal year (FY) 2025-26 Overall Work Program (OWP). This resolution guides the FY 2025-26 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 regional 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, amends, 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 2025-26 OWP is developed in consultation and coordination with the region's transit operators, County Transportation Agencies (CTAs), ABAG, Caltrans, the FHWA, and the FTA. It incorporates Caltrans' Overall Work Program and transportation and air quality related planning activities for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area region for the state fiscal year from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

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 this fiscal year include but are not limited to:

- Adopting *Plan Bay Area 2050+*, including the *Transit 2050+* modal plan, to serve as the new regional blueprint for transportation, housing, the economy and the environment. This includes the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and Implementation Plan as core components, as well as supplemental technical reports.
- Development of white papers related to the regional growth framework, congestion management, and/or other key topics in advance of *Plan Bay Area 2060*, the next regional plan slated to be adopted in 2030.
- Updating financial forecasts related to transit operations to inform policy discussions about a potential 2026 regional transportation measure.
- Delivering additional mapping and wayfinding pilot projects and further advance transit priority policies and regional fare integration consistent with the Transit Transformation Action Plan.
- Reviewing submittals from local jurisdictions to demonstrate compliance with MTC's 2026 deadline for the Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Policy.
- Advancing a major refresh of MTC's Equity Priority Communities (EPCs) framework that is used for the statutorily-required *Plan Bay Area* effort, as well as related planning and funding processes, consistent with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

The FY 2025-26 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.

Financial Impact:

The OWP is subject to periodic adjustments resulting from changes in activities, scope of work, transportation planning tasks and deliverables as well as revisions to revenues and expenses during the fiscal year. The proposed FY 2025-26 OWP Amendment No. 1 reconciles updated revenues and carryover balances across federal and state programs. Total funding increases from \$22,011,788 to \$22,260,078—a net gain of \$248,290. Key changes include:

- Incorporates increases to Federal Highway Administration Planning (FHWA PL) (FY 2025-26) (from \$9,730,065 to \$10,411,817) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303 (FY 2025-26) (from \$4,957,029 to \$5,056,356), and revises FY 2024–25 FHWA PL and FTA 5303 carryover amounts to align with actual unobligated funds. Also includes an increase to FHWA PL (FY 2025–26) Complete Streets (Bipartisan Infrastructure Law) from \$249,489 to \$266,970, and a reduction to FHWA PL (FY 2024–25) Complete Streets (Bipartisan Infrastructure Law) Carryover from \$244,597 to \$3,298.
- Updates carryover revenues for Federal Highway Administration State Planning and Research (FHWA SP&R) (FY 2024-25 Carryover) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5304, including a reduction of FTA 5304 (FY 2022-23 Carryover) from \$500,000 to \$37,269 based on final expenditure reconciliation.
- Adjusts Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) SB1 Sustainable Communities Formula funding, increasing FY 2025-26 from \$2,078,614 to \$2,121,100 and reconciling FY 2024-25 Carryover from \$1,080,082 to \$1,080,133.

The amendment revisions have no impact on the scope of work, tasks, and deliverables of the CPG related work elements.

Attached for your review and consideration for approval is the MTC Resolution No. 4698,
Revised which includes the following actions:

- Approves the FY 2025-26 OWP Amendment No. 1
- Authorizes the programming of approximately \$22.3 million in FY 2025-26 transportation planning funds as follows:

Program	Amount
Federal Highway Administration Planning (FHWA PL) (FY 2025-26)	\$ 10,411,817
Federal Highway Administration Planning (FHWA PL) (FY 2024-25) (Carryover)	2,136,908
Federal Highway Administration Planning (FHWA PL) (FY 2025-26) - Complete Streets Bipartisan Infrastructure Law	266,970
Federal Highway Administration Planning (FHWA PL) (FY 2024-25) - Complete Streets Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (Carryover)	3,298
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303 (FY 2025-26)	5,056,356
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5303 (FY 2024-25) (Carryover)	336,096
Federal Highway Administration State Planning and Research (FHWA SP&R) (FY 2024-25) (Carryover)	460,131
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5304 (FY 2024-25) (Carryover)	350,000
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5304 (FY 2022-23) (Carryover)	37,269
Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Sustainable Communities Formula (FY 2025-26)	2,121,100
Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Sustainable Communities Formula (FY 2024-25) (Carryover)	1,080,133
Total	\$ 22,260,078

- 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 2025-26.

Commission approval is the first step in authorizing the FY 2025-26 OWP and expenditure of federal and state consolidated planning grant (CPG) funds which are included in the MTC FY

2025-26 Operating Budget, Amendment No. 1. Following approval by the Commission, Caltrans, the FHWA, and the FTA will review and approve the OWP.

An electronic version of the FY 2025-26 OWP Amendment No. 1 can be reviewed at the following link: <https://mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/administrative-requirements/overall-work-program-owp>

Issues:

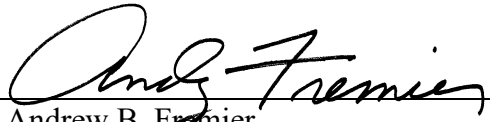
None identified.

Recommendations:

Staff recommends adoption of MTC Resolution No. 4698, Revised – Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Overall Work Program (OWP) Amendment No. 1.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: MTC Resolution No. 4698, Revised FY 2025-26 Overall Work Program (OWP) Amendment No. 1



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