

SUBJECT**Resolution for FY 2018 Federal Transit Administration Grant****RECOMMENDATION**

To adopt a resolution authorizing the President and CEO to file an application and execute a grant agreement with the Federal Transit Administration for \$14,238,186 under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act.

BACKGROUND

Long Beach Transit (LBT) finances the majority of its capital assets through annual grants awarded through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The federal grants are allocated by region under Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grant Funds of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act. LBT is eligible to receive funds based on a formula allocation.

The FAST Act, enacted on December 4, 2015, established funding levels and federal policy for the nation's highways and public transit systems for fiscal years 2016 through 2020.

For FY 2018, LBT is eligible to apply for \$14,238,186 in federal capital funds from the FTA and to submit capital grants under Section 5307.

This grant will support the agency's long history of using innovative technologies to promote clean air in its service area. In the mid-2000s, LBT was an innovator when it began to step away from diesel and purchased gasoline-hybrid buses.

In 2012, LBT purchased its first CNG buses. In March 2017, LBT began battery-electric bus service on the Passport Route.

With 89 gasoline-hybrid electric buses, 85 CNG buses in service and 10 battery-electric buses, 74 percent of LBT's fleet is alternatively fueled. LBT is committed to having an all-alternative fuel fleet by FY 2021.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board could opt to not approve the resolution. However, staff does not recommend this option as LBT would be unable to apply for these federal funds and thus implement planned capital projects.



BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT

These funds will be used as follows:

Fleet Vehicles	\$10,648,186
Preventive Maintenance	\$3,590,000
TOTAL	\$14,238,186

Any procurement over \$100,000 will be brought to the Board for review and approval.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'K. McDonald', written over a horizontal line.

Kenneth A. McDonald
President and Chief Executive Officer

RESOLUTION OF LONG BEACH TRANSIT

Resolution authorizing the filing of applications with the U.S. Department of Transportation, for grants under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to make grants for a mass transportation program of projects and budget;

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provision by it of the local share of the project costs in the program;

WHEREAS, it is required by the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended, the applicant give an assurance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the applicant that disadvantaged business enterprises be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this/these project(s), and that definite procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that disadvantaged business shall have the maximum construction contracts, supplies, equipment contracts, or consultant and other services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Long Beach Transit Board of Directors,

1. That the President and Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Long Beach Transit with the U.S. Department of Transportation to aid in the financing of planning, capital and/or operating assistance projects pursuant to the FAST Act.
2. That the President and Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute and file with such applications an assurance or any other document required by the U.S. Department of Transportation effectuating the purpose of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
3. That the President and Chief Executive Officer is authorized to furnish such additional information as the U.S. Department of Transportation may require in connection with the application for the program of projects and budget.
4. That the President and Chief Executive Officer is authorized to set forth and execute affirmative disadvantaged business policies in connection with the program of projects and budgets procurement needs.

5. That the President and Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute grant agreements on behalf of Long Beach Transit with the U.S. Department of Transportation for aid in the financing of the planning, capital and/or operating assistance program of projects and budget.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned duly appointed Secretary/Treasurer of Long Beach Transit certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution, adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Long Beach Transit Board of Directors held on September 25, 2017.

Colleen Bentley
Secretary/Treasurer, Board of Directors

Date