

SUBJECT

FY 2018–19 Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program Authorizing Resolutions

RECOMMENDED ACTION

To adopt two resolutions to enable Long Beach Transit (LBT) to receive funding under the Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP):

- 1) A resolution authorizing the President and CEO to execute the Certifications and Assurances and Authorized Agent Forms, along with all subsequent documents for the FY 2018–19 State LCTOP***
- 2) A resolution authorizing the execution of the Route 22 Extension Continuation Project with \$732,217 provided under LCTOP***

BACKGROUND

The Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) is one of several programs that are part of the Transit Affordable Housing, and Sustainable Communities Program established by the California Legislature in 2014 in Senate Bill (SB) 862. The program is designed to provide operating and capital assistance for transit agencies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve mobility, with a priority of serving designated disadvantaged communities (DAC) as identified by the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) under SB 535.

In 2016, Assembly Bill (AB) 1550 revised investments within DACs requiring administering agencies to allocate: 1) A minimum of 25 percent of Greenhouse Gas Reduction Funds (GGRF) to be invested in projects that are located within and benefiting individuals living in DACs; 2) a minimum of 5 percent of GGRF to benefit individuals living in low-income communities or benefiting low income households statewide, and; 3) a minimum of 5 percent benefiting individuals living in low-income communities, or benefiting low-income households, that are within a ½ mile of a DAC.

The LCTOP is funded by auction proceeds from the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Cap-and-Trade Program. LBT is eligible to receive \$732,217 under this program for FY 2018–19.

To complete the application process and receive the funds, LBT is required to submit a resolution authorizing the President and CEO or his designee to act on behalf of the Board of Directors and LBT for the purposes of this program. A resolution is also required to approve the project and project request under LCTOP.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION



LBT has more than 23.8 million annual boardings across its 100-square-mile service area, covering 13 cities in southeastern Los Angeles County and northwestern Orange County. LBT also connects with a number of transit systems within its service area.

LBT is seeking funding assistance through the FY2018–19 LCTOP in the amount of \$732,217 for the Route 22 Extension Continuation Project. Funding will support the continuation of service implemented in February 2018 under the initial FY2016–17 LCTOP award. That award provided funds to extend LBT’s Route 22, previously operated from the Transit Gallery in downtown Long Beach to Alondra Boulevard at Downey Avenue in Paramount, an additional 2.2 miles to the Metro Green Line Lakewood Station in Downey. This service was continued for a second year with FY2017-18 LCTOP funding. The FY2018-19 LCTOP funding will provide a third year of service for the route.

This project continues to have the support of the cities of Paramount and Downey which Route 22

serves. LBT had a 25-day public comment period as well as a community meeting in fall 2017 to garner feedback from customers. Feedback received was supportive of the project. Moreover, LBT continues to receive customer and stakeholder support for this route extension.

LCTOP funding through the FY2018–19 allocation will continue the extension of Route 22 as follows:

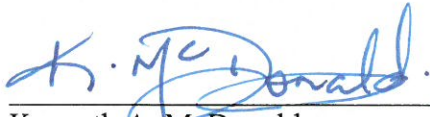
- direct connection to Metro rail lines
- access to downtown Los Angeles and job opportunities and
- reduction of automobile usage

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board may choose not to adopt the resolutions. However, staff does not recommend this option as LBT would be unable to meet the specified requirements to receive these funds.

BUDGETARY/FISCAL IMPACT

The total overall Route 22 Extension Continuation Project is estimated at \$898,446. LCTOP funds in the amount of \$732,217 for this project will be leveraged. The remainder of the project will be funded through Measure M revenues.



Kenneth A. McDonald
President and CEO

RESOLUTION OF LONG BEACH TRANSIT

Resolution authorizing the execution of the certifications and assurances and authorized agent forms for the Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program for the following projects:
Route 22 Extension Continuation Project in the amount of \$732,217

WHEREAS, Long Beach Transit, is an eligible project sponsor and may receive state funding from the Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) for transit projects; and

WHEREAS, the statutes related to state-funded transit projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 862 (2014) named the California Department of Transportation (Department) as the administrative agency for the LCTOP; and

WHEREAS, the Department has developed guidelines for the purpose of administering and distributing LCTOP funds to eligible project sponsors; and

WHEREAS, Long Beach Transit wishes to delegate authorization to execute these documents and any amendments thereto to Long Beach Transit President and CEO or his/her designee; and

WHEREAS, Long Beach Transit wishes to implement the following LCTOP project listed above; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Long Beach Transit that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Certification and Assurances and the Authorized Agent documents and applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all LCTOP-funded transit projects; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Long Beach Transit President and CEO or his/her designee, be authorized to execute all required documents of the LCTOP and any Amendments thereto with the California Department of Transportation.

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 March 25, 2019.

Adam Carrillo
Secretary/Treasurer, Board of Directors

Date

RESOLUTION OF LONG BEACH TRANSIT

Resolution authorizing the execution of the Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program Project:
Long Beach Transit Route 22 Extension Continuation Project in the amount of \$732,217

WHEREAS, Long Beach Transit is an eligible project sponsor and may receive state funding from the Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) now or sometime in the future for transit projects; and

WHEREAS, the statutes related to state-funded transit projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 862 (2014) named the California Department of Transportation (Department) as the administrative agency for the LCTOP; and

WHEREAS, the Department has developed guidelines for the purpose of administering and distributing LCTOP funds to eligible project sponsors; and

WHEREAS, Long Beach Transit wishes to implement the LCTOP project listed above; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Long Beach Transit that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all LCTOP-funded transit projects; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Long Beach Transit that it hereby authorizes the submittal of the following project nomination and allocation request to the Department in FY 2018–19 LCTOP funds:

Long Beach Transit Route 22 Extension Continuation Project in the amount of \$732,217

The Long Beach Transit Route 22 Extension Continuation Project is seeking LCTOP funding assistance in the amount of \$732,217 to continue the extension of the existing route, within designated disadvantaged communities and low income communities to connect to Metro's Green Line Lakewood Station. The route extension continuation would ensure an important link between Long Beach and the regional connectivity of Metro's Green Line remains.



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 March 25, 2019.

Adam Carrillo
Secretary/Treasurer, Board of Directors

Date