



SUBJECT

***Resolution for Fiscal Year 2020 Federal Transit Administration Grant
(Staff Representative: Debra Johnson)***

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 \$16,856,017 under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act.

BACKGROUND

Long Beach Transit (LBT) finances the majority of its capital assets through annual grants awarded by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). These 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 (FY) 2016 through 2020.

For FY 2020, LBT is eligible to apply for \$16,856,017 in federal capital funds from the FTA and to submit capital grant applications under Section 5307. Section 5307 funding will support the agency's continued efforts to replace its aging fleet, as well as upgrade various bus components, support equipment and technology.

LBT has a 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 move away from diesel and purchased gasoline-hybrid buses.

In 2012, LBT purchased its first Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) buses. Additionally, in the fall of 2017, LBT began battery-electric bus (BEB) service on the Passport route. LBT recently introduced an additional 40 CNG buses equipped with near-zero emission engines into its fleet that replaced 26 diesel buses and 13 gasoline-electric hybrid buses.

With these new CNG buses, LBT's fleet now includes 88 gasoline-electric hybrids, 125 CNGs and 10 BEBs—making LBT's fleet 89 percent alternatively fueled. LBT is committed to having a 100 percent alternatively fueled fleet within the next five years.



ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

LBT considered other funding sources other than the FAST Act. Upon evaluation, staff concluded there are insufficient viable funding sources at the local, state and regional level to supplement LBT's capital project implementation. LBT's inability to apply for these funds would substantially delay project delivery.

BUDGETARY/FISCAL IMPACT

These funds will be used as follows:

Farebox Replacements	\$ 5,167,624
Preventive Maintenance	\$ 5,000,000
Fleet Vehicles	\$ 4,009,893
Bus Hoist Replacement	\$ 1,462,500
Enterprise Resource Planning Software	\$ 1,000,000
<u>Bus Stop Improvements</u>	<u>\$ 216,000</u>
Total	\$ 16,856,017

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "K. McDonald".

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 of the local share of the project costs in the program;

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

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the applicant to ensure nondiscriminatory transportation programs and services in support of the mission to enhance the social and economic quality of life without regard to race, color and national origin; and

WHEREAS, the applicant will include provisions to improve transportation options, redevelop communities and expand opportunities for low income individuals, persons with disabilities and minorities to include disadvantaged business enterprises; and

WHEREAS, the applicant will utilize disadvantaged business enterprises 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 businesses shall have the maximum opportunities to bid on construction, supplies, equipment, consultant and other services contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Long Beach Transit (LBT),

1. That the President and CEO or his/her designee is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of LBT 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 CEO 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 CEO 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 CEO is authorized to set forth and execute Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) policies in connection with the program of projects and budgets procurement needs.
5. That the President and CEO is authorized to execute grant agreements on behalf of LBT 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 certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution, adopted at a legally convened meeting of the LBT Board of Directors held on July 22, 2019.

Adam Carrillo
Secretary/Treasurer, Board of Directors

Date