

SUBJECT

Fiscal Year 2015 Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Call for Projects – Project Readiness Certification (Staff Representative: Debra Johnson)

RECOMMENDATION

To adopt a resolution authorizing the President and CEO to execute a Letter of Agreement and Project Readiness Certification as part of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's 2015 Call for Projects Purchase of Zero-Emission Buses for a total authorization amount not to exceed \$2,111,201.

BACKGROUND

On September 16, 2015, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (LA Metro) Board of Directors authorized the programming of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds to Long Beach Transit (LBT) for its Purchase of Zero-Emission Buses. The CMAQ funds for the Purchase of Zero-Emission Buses are programmed for Fiscal Years (FY) 2018–2019. LA Metro's Board of Directors will be required to approve funds for the subsequent fiscal year.

The total project cost under the Letter of Agreement (LOA) is \$2,672,406. LA Metro is providing \$2,111,201 and LBT is contributing a local match of \$561,205.

The project will support the purchase of up to three 40-foot, zero-emission battery-electric buses that will replace three aged buses that have reached their useful life at a total estimated project cost of \$2,672,406. The existing buses will each have reached their useful life at the time of replacement. The new buses will be low-floor, equipped with voice annunciators and be in compliance with the American Disabilities Act (ADA). The buses will be deployed throughout LBT's service area providing connections to several key activity centers, transit hubs and regional transit services.

With the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) Regulation adopted in December 2018, upon retirement of a bus that has met its useful life, LBT is mandated to replace it with a zero-emission bus. All buses in California will be required to have zero-emission technology by 2040.



ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

LBT considered other funding sources other than the FY 2015 LA Metro Call for Projects program. Upon evaluation, staff concluded there are insufficient viable funding sources at the local, state and regional levels to supplement LBT's capital project implementation. LBT's inability to apply for these funds would substantially delay project delivery.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT

The total Purchase of Zero-Emission Buses cost is estimated at \$2,672,406. CMAQ funds from LA Metro in the amount of \$2,111,201 will be leveraged by local funds from Proposition 1B Bridge funds.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "K. McDonald".

Kenneth A. McDonald
President and Chief Executive Officer

RESOLUTION OF LONG BEACH TRANSIT

Resolution authorizing the execution of a Letter of Agreement and Project Readiness Certification with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro) for the FY 2015 LA Metro Call for Projects – Purchase of Zero-Emission Buses.

WHEREAS, LA Metro’s Board of Directors authorized the programming of funds to Long Beach Transit (LBT) for its Purchase of Zero-Emission Buses through the Call for Projects at LA Metro’s September 16, 2015 Board of Directors meeting; and

WHEREAS, the project was scoped for three 40-foot, zero-emission battery-electric buses; and

WHEREAS, LA Metro requires execution of a Letter of Agreement (LOA), which details the terms and conditions for the funding program; and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the LOA, LA Metro requires LBT to execute a Project Readiness Certificate to assure LA Metro that LBT has taken necessary steps to ensure the project will be appropriately staffed, funded and completed in a timely manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of LBT, that the President and CEO, or his/her designee, is authorized to execute the LOA and Project Readiness Certification and all other required documents on behalf of LBT with LA Metro pursuant to the FY 2015 LA Metro Call for Projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of LBT, that LBT agrees to comply with all conditions of the LOA as set forth in the terms and conditions and subsequent attachments.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned duly appointed Secretary/Treasurer of LBT 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 December 12, 2019.

Adam Carrillo
Secretary/Treasurer, Board of Directors

Date