

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO. C-10

For the meeting of: April 21, 2015

Date: March 24, 2015 To: Board of Supervisors From: Thomas K. Mattson Public Works Director

Subject:

Resolution Authorizing the Public Works Director to Submit Grant Applications for Southern Humboldt Inter-City and Willow Creek Bus Transit Systems

<u>RECOMMENDATION(S)</u>: That the Board of Supervisors adopts a Resolution authorizing the Public Works Director to execute documents necessary to submit grant applications, on behalf of Humboldt Transit Authority (HTA), for operating assistance for Southern Humboldt Inter-City and Willow Creek Bus Transit Systems and publish all public notices, at HTA's expense, required for the submission of such grant applications.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: Transportation Services (1150910) – Transportation Services

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: Local Transportation Fund (LTF) represents ¹/₄ cent of the general sales tax collected state wide, which is returned to Humboldt County and is intended to pay for a variety of transportation needs. These funds are received by HCAOG and are dispersed to the county and the seven incorporated cities based on population. The county's portion was allocated first to the transit operators, with the remainder of the funds being allocated to the bicycle and trailways program and the Road Fund for maintenance. While the annual allocation to the county has in the last few years continued to increase at a steady rate, the estimated increases in

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TYPE OF ITEM: X Consent Departn Public F Other PREVIOUS ACTIC	nental Iearing	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT Upon motion of Supervisor Bohn Seconded by Supervisor Sundang Ayes Sundberg, Covelace, Fernell, Bohn, Be Nays Abstain Absent
Board Order No		and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report. Dated: By: Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

operating expenses for existing transit systems and the identification of new unmet transit needs may eventually deplete annual allocations or create a shortfall of available funds for distribution. It is anticipated that in FY 2015-16, the LTF allocation will be insufficient to completely fund two unmet transit needs. LTF rules provide that when an unmet transit need is not funded in a subject year due to insufficient funds, any excess funds need to be set aside or reserved in a transportation fund and accumulated until such time that the unmet transit need is fulfilled and continuously funded.

If the Public Works Department submits grant applications and these are approved, it may potentially free up Local Transportation Fund monies for use as allocated following a priority funding order namely: transit operations first then unmet transit needs, and providing the bicycle and trailways program and road maintenance the possibility of receiving surplus funds to continue its existing projects.

<u>FINANCIAL IMPACT</u>: There is no financial impact to the General Fund. The bicycle and trails program and Roads may receive leftover allocation after the transit operators and unmet transit needs are funded.

It conforms to the Board of Supervisors' priorities of safeguarding the public trust by managing resources to ensure sustainability of services.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: Humboldt Transit Authority

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Board discretion

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1 Resolution authorizing the Public Works Director to submit grant applications for operating assistance for Southern Humboldt Inter-City and Willow Creek Bus Transit Systems

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA Certified copy of portion of proceedings, Meeting on April 21, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. <u>15-45</u>

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR FTA SECTION 5311(f) GRANT FUNDS WITH CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants to states through the Federal Transit Administration to support capital and operating assistance projects for inter-city bus systems and,

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has been designated by the Governor of the State of California to administer Section 5311(f) grants for public transportation projects; and,

WHEREAS, County of Humboldt desires to apply for said financial assistance to permit operation of inter-city bus service in Humboldt County; and,

WHEREAS, HTA has, to the maximum extent feasible, coordinated with other transportation providers and users in the region (including social service agencies).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the County of Humboldt Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize the Public Works Director, to file and execute applications on behalf of HTA with the Department for operating assistance for intercity bus service pursuant to Section 5311(f).

That the Public Works Director is authorized to execute and file all assurances or any other document required by the Department.

That the Public Works Director is authorized to provide additional information as the Department may require in connection with the application for the Section 5311(f) projects.

That the Public Works Director is authorized to submit and approve requests for reimbursement of funds from the Department for the Section 5311(f) projects (s).

ESTELLE FENNELL, Chair

Adopted on motion by Supervisor Bohn, seconded by Supervisor Sundberg and the following vote:

AYES:Supervisors—Sundberg, Lovelace, Fennell, Bohn, BassNOES:Supervisors--ABSENT:Supervisors--ABSTAIN:Supervisors--

STATE OF CALIFORNIA) County of Humboldt)

I, KATHY HAYES, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of the original made in the above entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California as the same now appears of record in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of/Supervisors

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt, State of California