

To: Administration and Finance Committee

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**Subject: FY2013-14 MTC Transit Performance Initiative Grant**

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**Background:**

In October 2012, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) committed \$60 million in regional Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) funds to the Transit Performance Initiative (TPI) Incentive Program.

The TPI is a four-year funding program that provides a financial reward to agencies that improve ridership and productivity. In April 2013, MTC adopted a distribution formula that distributes the initial year's \$15 million based on current ridership and the remaining \$45 million based on the following formula:

- 85% of the annual allocation to the largest seven transit operators and 15% to the remaining transit operators.
- Of the 15% for small operators:
  - 25% is based on annual passenger increase;
  - 25% is based on annual passenger per hour increase; and
  - 50% based on total annual passengers.

Based on the formula above County Connection has been allocated \$103,901 for the first year and \$217,642 for the second year for a total available programming amount of \$321,543. Projects funded from this program are to be focused on improving ridership and productivity.

For this call for projects staff has identified two projects to seek funding for:

- 511 Real-time interface project - \$100,000
- Implementation of Access Improvement Projects - \$200,000

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the Committee approve use of the FY2014 TPI funds in the amount of \$300,000 to complete the projects listed above. The attached resolution is required by MTC as part of the grant process and will be included in the Board packet if approved by the committee.

**Financial Implications:**

An 11.47% match is required amounting to \$38,868. The local match would be funded with TDA funds.