

To: Board of Directors

Date: May 11, 2015

From: Laramie Bowron, Manager of Planning

Reviewed by:

Subject: Lifeline Cycle 4 Grant Funding

Summary:

As part of County Connection's Lifeline Cycle 4 grant application, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) requires the adoption of a resolution of local support.

Background:

The Lifeline Transportation Program funds projects that improve mobility for low-income residents of the Bay Area. It supports community-based transportation projects that improve a range of transportation choices by adding a variety of new or expanded services.

Cycle 4 covers a three-year programming cycle, FY2013-14 to FY2015-16 and is funded with: State Transit Assistance (STA), Proposition 1B, and Section 5307 Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) funds.

The STA and JARC funds are assigned to counties based on their share of the regional low-income population.

Prop. 1B is assigned directly to transit operators based on a formula that distributes half of the funds according to the transit operators' share of the regional low-income ridership, and half of the funds according to the transit operators' share of the regional low-income population.

County Connection was allocated \$255,194 in Prop. 1B funds and the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) was allocated \$5,628,449 in STA and JARC funds, \$1,600,000 of which was subsequently allocated to County Connection.

County Connection submitted the following projects which received concurrence from CCTA and MTC:

Project	Fund Source	Funding Amount	Local Match	Total	Project Description
City of Concord - Bus Stop Access Improvement	Prop. 1B	\$255,194	\$63,798	\$318,992	Improve access to bus stops in the Monument Corridor. Improvements include: Reconstructing Concrete Sidewalks, Reconstructing Driveways, Installing Red Curb, Install Concrete Surfaces (Pedestrian Landings), Reconstructing ADA Ramps, Installing Concrete Bus Pads, Installing Pedestrian Scale Light posts, and adding street furniture including shelters and benches.
Lifeline Service Preservation	Lifeline	\$1,600,000	\$7,998,697	\$9,598,697	Funds will be utilized to continue service to Communities of Concern in the Central portions of Contra Costa County. Funding this project would preserve existing headways and service span on the following routes: 11, 14, 16, 18, 19, 311, 314, and 316

Recommendation:

The Committee recommends the Board approve the use of the Lifeline funds to complete the projects listed above by signing Resolution 2015-029.

Financial Implications:

The required local match would be funded with TDA funds and farebox revenues.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-029

**CENTRAL CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

SUPPORT FOR CYCLE 4 LIFELINE PROJECT FUNDING

WHEREAS, the County of Contra Costa and the Cities of Clayton, Concord, the Town of Danville, Lafayette, Martinez, the Town of Moraga, Orinda, Pleasant Hill, San Ramon and Walnut Creek (hereinafter "Member Jurisdictions") have formed the Central Contra Costa Transit Authority ("County Connection"), a joint exercise of powers agency created under California Government Code Section 6500 et seq., for the joint exercise of certain powers to provide coordinated and integrated public transportation services within the area of its Member Jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) has established a Lifeline Transportation Program to assist in funding projects that 1) are intended to result in improved mobility for low-income residents of the nine San Francisco Bay Area counties, 2) are developed through a collaborative and inclusive planning process and 3) are proposed to address transportation gaps and/or barriers identified through a substantive community-based transportation plan or are otherwise based on a documented assessment of needs; and

WHEREAS, MTC has adopted principles, pursuant to MTC Resolution No. 4159, to guide implementation of the Lifeline Transportation Program for the three year period from Fiscal Year 2013-14 through Fiscal Year 2015-16, and has designated the County Congestion Management Agency in each of the nine bay area counties to help with recommending project selections and project administration; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa Transportation Authority has been designated by MTC to assist with the Lifeline Transportation Program in Contra Costa County on behalf of MTC; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa Transportation Authority conducted a competitive call for projects for the Lifeline Transportation Program in Contra Costa County; and

WHEREAS, Central Contra Costa Transit Authority submitted a project(s) in response to the competitive call for projects; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa Transportation Authority has confirmed that Central Contra Costa Transit Authority's proposed project(s), described more fully on Attachment A to this Resolution, attached to and incorporated herein as though set forth at length, is consistent with the Lifeline Transportation Program goals as set out in MTC Resolution No. 4159; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa Transportation Authority, after review, recommends Central Contra Costa Transit Authority's proposed project(s), described more fully on Attachment A to this Resolution, attached to and incorporated herein as though set forth at length, be funded in part under the Lifeline Transportation Program; and

WHEREAS, Central Contra Costa Transit Authority agrees to meet project delivery and obligation deadlines, comply with funding conditions placed on the receipt of funds allocated to

the Lifeline Transportation Program, provide for the required local matching funds, and satisfy all other conditions set forth in MTC Resolution No. 4159; and

WHEREAS, Central Contra Costa Transit Authority certifies that the project(s) and purpose(s) for which funds are being requested is in compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.), and with the State Environmental Impact Report Guidelines (14 California Code of Regulations Section 1500 et seq.) and if relevant the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 USC Section 4-1 et seq. and the applicable regulations thereunder; and

WHEREAS, there is no legal impediment to Central Contra Costa Transit Authority making the funding request; and

WHEREAS, there is no pending or threatened litigation which might in any way adversely affect the ability of Central Contra Costa Transit Authority to deliver the proposed project(s) for which funds are being requested, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Central Contra Costa Transit Authority requests that MTC program funds available under its Lifeline Transportation Program, in the amounts requested for which Central Contra Costa Transit Authority is eligible, for the project(s) described in Attachment A of this Resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that staff of Central Contra Costa Transit Authority shall forward a copy of this Resolution, and such other information as may be required, to MTC, Contra Costa Transportation Authority, and such other agencies as may be appropriate.

Regularly passed and adopted this 21st day of May 2015, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Chair, A.G. Dessayer
CCCTA Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Lathina Hill, Clerk to the Board

ATTACHMENT A
Lifeline Transportation Program Cycle 4 Projects

Project Name	Project Description	Lifeline Transportation Program Funding Amounts				Local Match Amount	Total Project Cost
		Prop 1B	STA	5307/JA RC	Total Lifeline Funding		
City of Concord - Bus Stop Access Improvement	Insert Project Description	\$255,194	\$	\$	\$255,194	\$63,798	\$318,992
Lifeline Service Preservation	Insert Project Description	\$	\$1,224,038	\$375,962	\$1,600,000	\$7,998,697	\$9,598,697
	Total	\$255,194	\$1,224,038	\$375,962	\$1,855,194	\$8,062,495	\$9,917,689