

To: Administration & Finance Committee

Date: 05/23/2017

From: Ruby Horta, Manager of Planning

Reviewed by:

SUBJECT: FTA 5311 Grant – FY 2018

Background:

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional coordinating agency responsible for approving and adopting the Program of Projects for the FTA Section 5311 Rural and Intercity Bus Program and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the 9-County Bay Area. Consistent with the revised Section 5311 Objectives and Criteria that were adopted by the Commission on October 23, 2013, funds will be distributed to transit operators according to each operator's rural area population and rural area route miles.

Per MTC's 5311 funding formula, County Connection has been allocated \$50,412 with a local match requirement of \$40,700 (or 44.67%). These funds are eligible to cover operating expenses on the fixed route system.

Staff has submitted all required documents to Caltrans, pending the resolution to be approved by the Board in June.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Administration and Finance Committee forward Resolution 2017-020 to the Board of Directors for approval at the June 15th meeting.

Financial Implications:

Using FTA 5311 FY 2018 (\$50,412) to fund fixed route operating costs.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-020

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

**AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL FUNDING UNDER FTA SECTION 5311
(49 U.S.C. SECTION 5311) WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION, AND RELATED ACTIONS**

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 U. S. Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants to states through the Federal Transit Administration to support capital/operating assistance projects for non-urbanized public transportation systems under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act (FTA C 9040.1F and FTA C 9050.1);

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has been designated by the Governor of the State of California to administer Section 5311 grants for transportation projects for the general public for rural transit and intercity bus service;

WHEREAS, County Connection desires to apply for said financial assistance to permit operation of service/purchase of capital equipment in Member Jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the County Connection 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 that the Board of Directors of the Central Contra Costa Transit Authority hereby authorizes the General Manager to file and execute applications on behalf of County Connection with the Department to aid in the financing of capital/operating assistance projects pursuant to Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act (FTA C 9040.1F and FTA C 9050.1), as amended;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Manager is authorized to execute and file all certification of assurances, contracts or agreements or any other document required by the Department, in a form approved by Legal Counsel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Finance is authorized to provide additional information as the Department may require in connection with the application for the Section 5311 projects; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Finance is authorized to submit and approve request for reimbursement of funds from the Department for the Section 5311 project(s).

Regularly passed and adopted this 15th of June, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Laura Hoffmeister, Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Lathina Hill, Clerk to the Board