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Subject: Authorizing the General Manager/CEO to Submit FTA Grant Applications for FFY 2017 JARC Funding Prior to Board Adoption of RT's FY 2018 Budget.

ISSUE

Whether or not to authorize the General Manager/CEO to submit FTA grant applications for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017 Section 5307 Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) funding prior to Board adoption of RT's FY 2018 Budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

_____, Authorizing the General Manager/CEO to Submit FTA Adopt Resolution 17-04-Grant Applications for FFY 2017 JARC Funding Prior to Board Adoption of RT's FY 2018 Budget.

FISCAL IMPACT

Will allow RT access to \$600,728, 7/12th of RT's FY 2018 JARC annual budget, in JARC funding for FY 2018 operations when FY 2018 starts on July 1, 2017. RT's FY 2018 annual JARC budget is estimated to be \$1,029,819.

DISCUSSION

While RT's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30, the Federal Fiscal Year runs from October 1 to September 30. As a consequence, the first three months of RT Fiscal Year 2018 are within Federal Fiscal Year 2017. The Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) FFY 2017 partial year funding appropriation has been made available by the Further Continuing and Security Assistance Appropriations Act, 2017 (P.L. 114-254) and provides authority for FTA formula and competitive programs. The partial apportionment is for 7/12th of anticipated FFY 2017 total appropriation.

RT was awarded FFY 2017 Section 5307 funding for RT's FY 2018 JARC program through the Sacramento Area Council of Government's (SACOG) biennial discretionary award program. The JARC program partial-year award is \$600,728. RT uses the JARC Section 5307 funds for operating revenue to fund the cost to provide evening service on ten major connecting bus routes (1, 19, 51, 55, 56, 67, 68, 72, 81, and 87) and weekend/holiday service on nine major connecting bus routes (1, 51, 55, 56, 67, 68, 72, 81, and 87). RT staff is currently in the process of preparing FTA grant applications to formally request this funding.

Under Section 6.3.1.1 of Title VI, Budget Procedures (Resolution No. 09-02-0031), of RT's Administrative Code, the General Manager/CEO may submit grant applications only for projects included in an adopted Capital or Operating Budget.

Approved:

Presented:

Final 04/05/17 General Manager/CEO

Director, Office of Management and Budget J:\Board Meeting Documents\2017\05 April 10, 2017\2017-04-10 Add FY 2018 JARC to FTA Grants mn edits and lv edits.docx

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Due to this limitation and the fact that the Fiscal Year 2018 budget has not yet been approved, the General Manager cannot submit a grant application for FY 2018 JARC service.

Due to the uncertainty of the timing and funding levels of Federal assistance for public transit agencies with the new Presidential administration, Staff would like to request the funding for RT's FY 2018 JARC program in the current FTA grant applications.

Staff recommends Board Authorize the General Manager/CEO to submit federal grant applications for FY 2017 JARC Funding prior to adoption of the Fiscal Year 2018 budget.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-04-____

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Regional Transit District on this date:

<u> April 10, 2017</u>

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER/CEO TO SUBMIT FTA GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR FFY 2017 JARC FUNDING PRIOR TO BOARD ADOPTION OF RT'S FY 2018 BUDGET.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

THAT, the General Manager/CEO is hereby authorized to submit FTA grant applications for Federal Fiscal Year 2017 Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) Funds prior to board adoption of RT's FY 2018 Budget.

ANDREW J. MORIN, Chair

ATTEST:

HENRY LI, Secretary

By:

Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary