

MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
County of Placer

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: January 25, 2011

FROM: KEN GREHM / WILL GARNER *KG* *WG*

SUBJECT: **FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) - AUTHORIZATION**

ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works or his/her designee to:

1. Execute and file applications for FTA assistance on behalf of Placer County;
2. Execute and file the required certifications, assurances and agreements on behalf of the County binding the County to Federal requirements; and
3. Execute grant agreements and cooperative agreements with FTA, the State of California and the State of Nevada on behalf of the County.

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY

Placer County annually receives funding from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), including FTA Sections 5307, 5309 and 5311. Annually, DPW applies for FTA 5311 funds that are passed through from the State of California and the State of Nevada. Occasionally, other types of FTA funds become available for the County on either a formula or competitive basis. FTA funds can be used for capital and operating purposes. In order to receive the funds, the Placer County Board of Supervisors must authorize an official to execute grant agreements. By adopting the attached Resolution, the Board authorizes the Director of Public Works to submit documents necessary to receive federal funding for transit. This Resolution must be periodically updated. The Board of Supervisors last adopted a Resolution of this kind in October of 2006.

ENVIRONMENTAL

The project is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to section 21080(b)(10), as it is a project to provide passenger service. These activities are also categorically exempt pursuant to NEPA requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT

FTA funds are an on-going source of revenue annually for Placer County transit programs.

Attachment: Resolution

Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of : A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO FILE
APPLICATIONS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH
THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION,
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
AND STATE OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE
AUTHORIZED BY 49 U.S.C. CHAPTER 53, TITLE 23
UNITED STATES CODE.

Resol. No:.....

Ord. No:.....

First Reading:.....

The following RESOLUTION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors
of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held _____,
by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Attest:
Clerk of said Board

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to support operating and capital assistance projects for public transportation systems as authorized by 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, Title 23, United States Code ; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation has been designated by the Governor of the State of California to administer grants under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act for public transportation systems in non-urbanized areas; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada Department of Transportation has been designated by the Governor of the State of Nevada to administer grants under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act for public transportation systems in non-urbanized areas; and

WHEREAS, the grant or cooperative agreement for Federal financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the Applicant, and may require the County to provide the local share of the project cost; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Organization programs FTA funds for projects in the Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Planning Agency annually adopts a program of projects for the FTA Section 5311 funding allocation; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY coordinates with other transportation providers and users in the region, including social service agencies capable of purchasing service; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY has sufficient financial capacity to provide adequate matching funding for FTA grants and to operate and maintain capital equipment purchased with FTA grants; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the Federal Transit Administration required for the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California,

- 1. That the Public Works Director or his/her designee is authorized to execute and file applications for Federal assistance on behalf of the Placer County Department of Public Works with the Federal Transit Administration, State of California and State of Nevada for Federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, Title 23, United States Code, or other Federal statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration and as authorized by the Designated Recipient for FTA funding.**
- 2. That the Public Works Director or his/her designee is authorized to execute and file with its applications the annual certifications and assurances and other documents required before awarding a FTA grant or cooperative agreement.**
- 3. That the Public Works Director or his/her designee is authorized to execute grant and cooperative agreements with the Federal Transit Administration, State of California and State of Nevada on behalf of the Placer County Department of Public Works.**

