



**MEMORANDUM
PUBLIC WORKS
TRANSIT DIVISION**
County of Placer

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors **DATE:** August 10, 2021
FROM: Ken Grehm, Director of Public Works
BY: Jaime Wright
Public Works Manager
SUBJECT: Federal Transit Administration Authorization

ACTION REQUESTED

Adopt a Resolution to authorize the Director of Public Works, or designee, to execute and file applications for Federal Transit Administration assistance on behalf of Placer County, and execute and file the required grant agreements, certifications, assurances and other documents with the Federal Transit Administration and the State of California on behalf of the County.

BACKGROUND

Placer County annually receives FTA funding (sections 5307, 5339 and 5311) directly from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and passed-through from the State of California. 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. Funds are available for a three year period. In order to receive the funds, the Placer County Board of Supervisors must authorize the Director of Public Works or designee, to execute and file applications for assistance, execute the annual certifications and assurances and execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Placer County Department of Public Works. By adopting the attached Resolution the Board authorizes the Director of Public Works, or designee, to submit and execute 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 July of 2018.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

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. The FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget includes Federal Transit Administration funding in the amount of \$2,626,200.

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ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

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

In the matter of: Adopt a Resolution to authorize the Director of Public Works, or designee, to execute and file applications for Federal Transit Administration assistance on behalf of Placer County, and execute and file the required grant agreements, certifications, assurances and other documents with the Federal Transit Administration and the State of California on behalf of the County.

Resolution No.: _____

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held August 10, 2021 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Clerk of said Board

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 and 23 U.S.C.; 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 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

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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 funds 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.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Placer County, State of California,

- a. That the Director of Public Works, or 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 and State of California for Federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, 23 U.S.C., or other Federal Statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration and as authorized by the Designated Recipient for FTA funding.
- b. That the Director of Public Works, or designee is authorized to execute and file with its applications the annual certifications and assurances and other documents required before awarding a FTA grant.
- c. That the Director of Public Works, or designee is authorized to execute grant agreements with the Federal Transit Administration and the State of California on behalf of the Placer County Department of Public Works.