

**SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY**

DIVISION: Finance and Information Technology

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

Authorizing the Director of Transportation (or his designee) to execute any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining \$7,070,567 in financial assistance for various projects from the California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGP), administered by the California Office of Emergency Services, and to ensure continued compliance with CTSGP assurances and state and federal laws.

SUMMARY:

- The SFMTA has applied for \$7,070,567 in FY 2015-16 funds from the CTSGP, administered by the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES).
- The funds will be used for the following projects: Blue Light Emergency Telephone Replacement Project (\$5,157,714); Radio Communications System and CAD Replacement Project (\$1,912,853).
- Cal OES requires the SFMTA to submit a governing body resolution identifying the authorized agent(s) to act on behalf of the SFMTA to execute any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining the financial assistance provided by Cal OES.

ENCLOSURES:

1. SFMTAB Resolution

APPROVALS:

DATE

DIRECTOR

7/12/16

SECRETARY

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ASSIGNED SFMTAB CALENDAR DATE: July 19, 2016

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PURPOSE

The SFMTA Board approval of this resolution would authorize the Director of Transportation (or his designee) to execute any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining \$7,070,567 in financial assistance for various projects from the California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGP), administered by the California Office of Emergency Services, and to ensure continued compliance with CTSGP assurances and state and federal laws.

GOAL

The SFMTA will further the Strategic Plan through acceptance of these funds:

Goal 1: Create a safer transportation experience for everyone

Objective 1.1: Improve security for transportation system users

Objective 1.2: Improve workplace safety and security

Objective 1.3: Improve the safety of the transportation system

DESCRIPTION

The Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, approved by California voters as Proposition 1B in the November 7, 2006 General Election, authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds for specified purposes, including grants for transit system safety, security and disaster response projects. Cal OES administers such funds under the CTSGP. Cal OES allocates CTSGP funding to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, which sub-allocates the funds to transit operators within its jurisdiction on a formula basis pursuant to Section 99314 of the Public Utilities Code.

The SFMTA has applied for \$7,070,567 in FY 2015-2016 CTSGP funds for two security projects.

- The Radio Communications System and CAD Replacement Project will replace the antiquated radio communications system for both revenue and non-revenue fleets with a modern radio and data communications system.
- The Blue Light Emergency Telephone Replacement Project replaces the current phone system, which was installed in the early 1980s and covers the Metro Subway, Muni Metro Tunnel and Twin Peaks Tunnels. These phones have a useful life of 20-25 years and are therefore overdue for replacement. Because of the age of the system and deficiency in its original design, significant resources are currently required to keep the system operational. This Board awarded Contract No. 1268 on November 19, 2013, to replace and upgrade the blue light telephone system in the Muni Metro and the Twin Peaks Tunnel, and to install such a system in the Sunset Tunnel.

Cal OES requires the SFMTA to submit a governing body resolution for the purposes of identifying the authorized agent(s) to act on behalf of the SFMTA to execute any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining the financial assistance provided by Cal OES.

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PUBLIC OUTREACH

Due to the sensitive nature of the security enhancements and to protect the security of these investments, there has not been any public outreach to discuss these projects. However, these projects are a part of the SFMTA capital budget which has been shared with various stakeholders during the budget outreach process

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

There are no alternatives to replacing the antiquated radio system and blue light emergency communication system because the existing systems are outdated and parts are no longer available. Should the Board choose not to pursue these grant funds, other sources of funding will need to be identified in order to replace the systems.

FUNDING IMPACT

The CTSGP grant will be allocated as follows:

- Blue Light Emergency Telephone Replacement Project (\$5,157,714);
- Radio Communications System and CAD Replacement Project (\$1,912,853);

The funding for the Blue Light Emergency Telephone Replacement Project comprises part of the overall current budget (\$26,745,136), of which \$7,497,550 will come from State Proposition 1B Bonds. The funding for the Radio Communications System Project comprises part of the overall current budget (\$127,188,964), of which \$25,913,120 will come from State Proposition 1B Bonds.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The proposed projects are subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). CEQA provides a categorical exemption from environmental review for the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond what currently exists as defined in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301 (14 CCR § 15301).

On December 15, 2011, the Planning Department determined that the Radio Communications System and CAD Replacement Project is categorically exempt from CEQA as defined in 14 CCR § 15301.

On February 6, 2012, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined that the proposed Bluelight Emergency Telephone Replacement Project is categorically exempt from CEQA as defined in 14 CCR § 15301.

The CEQA determinations are on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference.

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OTHER APPROVALS RECEIVED OR STILL REQUIRED

No other approvals are required.

The City Attorney's Office has reviewed this calendar item.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that this Board authorize the Director of Transportation (or his designee) to execute any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining \$7,070,567 in financial assistance for various projects from the California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGBP), administered by the California Office of Emergency Services, and to ensure continued compliance with CTSGBP assurances and state and federal laws.

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. _____

WHEREAS, The Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006 authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds for specified purposes, including, but not limited to, funding made available for capital projects that provide increased protection against security and safety threats, and for capital expenditures to increase the capacity of transit operators to develop disaster response transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) administers such funds deposited in the Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response Account under the California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGP); and

WHEREAS, Cal OES allocates CTSGP funding to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, which sub-allocates the funds to transit operators within its jurisdiction on a formula basis pursuant to Section 99314 of the Public Utilities Code; and

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) is eligible to receive CTSGP funds; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA has applied for \$7,070,567 in FY2015-2016 CTSGP funds for the Blue Light Emergency Telephone Replacement Project and the Radio Communications System and Computer Aided Dispatch Replacement Project; and

WHEREAS, SFMTA recognizes that it is responsible for compliance with all Cal OES CTSGP grant assurances, and state and federal laws, including, but not limited to, laws governing the use of bond funds; and

WHEREAS, On December 15, 2011, the Planning Department determined that the Radio Communications System and CAD Replacement Project is categorically exempt from CEQA as defined in Section 15301 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing mechanical equipment involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond what currently exists); and,

WHEREAS, On February 6, 2012, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined that the proposed Bluelight Emergency Telephone Replacement Project is categorically exempt from CEQA as defined in Section 15301 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations; and,

WHEREAS, The CEQA determinations are on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and may be found in the records of the Planning Department at 1650 Mission Street in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference; and,

WHEREAS, Cal OES requires SFMTA to complete and submit a governing body resolution for the purposes of identifying agent(s) authorized to act on behalf of SFMTA to execute actions necessary to obtain CTSGP funds from Cal OES and ensure continued compliance with Cal OES CTSGP assurances, and state and federal laws; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors authorizes the Director of Transportation (or his designee) to execute any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining \$7,070,567 in financial assistance for various projects from the California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGP), administered by the California Office of Emergency Services, and to ensure continued compliance with CTSGP assurances and state and federal laws.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of July 19, 2016.

Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency