

Date:

December 12, 2018

To:

Board of Directors

From:

Doug Kelsey

Subject:

RESOLUTION 18-12-78 OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT **OF** OREGON (TRIMET) **AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF EIGHT GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR** FY2019 FEDERAL FORMULA AND DISCRETIONARY FUNDS TO THE

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

# 1. Purpose of Item

The purpose of this item is to request that the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) adopt a resolution authorizing the General Manager to submit eight (8) grant applications for FY2019 formula and discretionary funding to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

2.	<b>Type</b>	of.	<u>Agenda</u>	<u>Item</u>

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Other: Board authorization to submit FTA grant applications

#### 3. Reason for Board Action

The Board may authorize TriMet's submittal of FTA grant applications by adoption of a resolution.

### 4. Type of Action

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	Ordinance 1st Reading
	Ordinance 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
	Other

#### 5. Background

Each year, TriMet presents to the Board for their authorization a summary of grant applications to be submitted during the year. Attachment A to this memo lists eight (8) grant applications for FY2019 federal funding, which total \$161.79 million, and shows both the federal and local shares. Grant amounts are high estimates and actual appropriations will most likely be lower.

The FY2019 federally funded grants can be categorized, by use, as follows:

- 1) Grant receipts pledged to debt service;
- 2) Federal formula grants, which are used to offset ongoing maintenance costs; and
- 3) Grants designated for specific purposes, described below.

The applications are for the following amounts and projects:

# Grant Receipts Pledged to Debt Service

- 1. \$11.0 million federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds to pay FY2019 debt service on TriMet's Capital Grant Receipt revenue bonds.
- 2. \$9.38 million federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funds to pay FY2019 debt service on TriMet's Capital Grant Receipt revenue bonds.

As part of the regional funding package for the construction of the light rail projects, TriMet issued revenue bonds secured by future CMAQ and STBG grants allocated to the region. These grants have been pledged and are used to pay the principal and interest on the bonds until fully retired. TriMet contributes the 10.27% local match.

# Federal Formula Grants Used to Offset TriMet Maintenance Costs

- 1. \$24.98 million federal Section 5337 State of Good Repair funds to pay for bus and rail preventive maintenance costs. These are federal formula funds available to bus and rail systems after seven years of operations. TriMet pays the 20% local match.
- 2. \$40.11 million federal Section 5307 Urbanized Area funds for bus and rail preventive maintenance costs. TriMet pays the 20% local match.
- 3. \$3.43 million federal Section 5339(a) Bus & Bus Facilities funds to pay the purchase of fixed route buses. TriMet pays the 20% local match.

# Grants Designated for Specific Purposes

- 1. \$0.518 million federal STBG funds for TriMet's Regional Transportation Options (RTO) program. These funds will be provided through Metro. TriMet pays the 10.27% local match.
- 2. \$4.79 million federal STBG funds to pay for rail preventive maintenance costs. These funds will free up TriMet General Funds for funding exchanges with Metro. There is no cost to TriMet for these fund exchanges.
- 3. \$1.92 million federal Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility and Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program funds for the seventh year of this program. The 5310 program permits "in-kind" match. The Section 5310 program is matched by Ride Connection's on-going volunteer transportation service program so there is no additional cost to TriMet to match this program.
- 4. \$65.66 million federal Section 5309 Capital Investment Program (New Starts) funds to pay for the Portland-Milwaukie Light Rail project.

#### *Notice Requirements:*

A notice of opportunity for public comment on the FY2019 Proposed Program of Projects was published on <a href="www.trimet.org">www.trimet.org</a> on March 21, 2018. TriMet received no requests for a Public Hearing but did receive one public comment. TriMet's Final FY2019 Program of Projects for all FY2019 federally funded grant applications was then published on <a href="www.trimet.org">www.trimet.org</a> on June 6, 2018.

# 6. Financial/Budget Impact

Approval of the Resolution will authorize TriMet to apply for the FTA grants listed. These funds are integral to TriMet's FY2019 Adopted Budget, and the light rail project finance plan. Some of the aforementioned grants have been pledged as security for TriMet bonds and TriMet has covenanted to pursue such grants.

# 7. Impact if Not Approved

The General Manager would not have Board authorization to submit FTA grant applications totaling \$161.79 million FY2019 federally funded dollars, which are integral to the Budget. In addition, debt service payments would have to be made with unbudgeted general fund dollars and projects for which the grant funds are used would have to be put on hold or deferred indefinitely.

## **RESOLUTION 18-12-78**

RESOLUTION OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF EIGHT GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR FY2019 FEDERAL FORMULA AND DISCRETIONARY FUNDS TO THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to award Federal financial assistance for transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the contracts for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant or subrecipient to the applicant, including the provision of the local share of project costs; and

WHEREAS, it is required by the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance under U.S.C Title 49, the applicant gives an assurance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of TriMet that disadvantaged businesses be provided an equal opportunity to receive and participate in U.S. Department of Transportation-assisted contracts, and that a program be established and administered to implement this policy;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. That the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) hereby authorizes the General Manager and his designee(s) to execute and file eight (8) grant applications, which total \$161.79 million, for FY2019 federal formula and discretionary funds on behalf of TriMet with the Federal Transit Administration of the U.S. Department of Transportation and to execute and file with such applications any assurance or other documents required by the U.S. Department of Transportation effectuating the purpose of Title VI of the Civil Rights Amendment of 1964.
- 2. That the General Manager and his designee(s) are further authorized to:
  - a. Furnish such additional information as the U.S. Department of Transportation may require in connection with these applications, agreements or projects.
  - b. Establish disadvantaged business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.
  - c. Execute grant amendments, revisions and agreements on behalf of TriMet with the U.S. Department of Transportation for the financing of these grant applications.

Dated: December 12, 2018	
	Presiding Officer
Attest:	
Recording Secretary	
	Approved as to Legal Sufficiency:  Legal Department
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3. That the local match for the grants will be provided as noted in the Board memorandum accompanying this Resolution.

# Attachment B Board Memo Resolution 18-12-78 Public Comments Received on Grant Applications

Attachment A
Board Memo Resolution 18-12-78
Grant Applications to be Submitted by TriMet

No. Description	Federal	Local Match	Total	FY2019 Sources
1 Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (Debt Service)	\$11,000,000	\$1,258,999	\$12,258,999 FY2019 Congestion Mitig	\$12,258,999 FY2019 Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Program (Debt Service)
1 Surface Transportation Block Grant (Debt Service)	\$9,380,000	\$1,073,583	\$10,453,583 FY2019 Surface Transpo	\$10,453,583 FY2019 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (Debt Service)
2 State of Good Repair Program	\$24,982,326	\$6,245,582	\$31,227,908 FY2019 Section 5337 State of Good Repair Formula	te of Good Repair Formula
3 Bus and Rail Preventive Maintenance	\$40,112,919	\$10,028,230	\$50,141,149 FY2019 Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula	anized Area Formula
4 Bus Purchase	\$3,429,133	\$857,283	\$4,286,416 FY2019 Section 5339(a) Bus & Bus Facilities Formula	3us & Bus Facilities Formula
5 Regional Transportation Options Program	\$517,704	\$59,254	\$576,958 FY2019 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program	tation Block Grant Program
6 Rail Preventive Maintenance (Fund Exchanges)	\$4,786,635	\$547,852	\$5,334,487 FY2019 Surface Transpo	\$5,334,487 FY2019 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (Fund Exchanges)
7 Elderly & Disabled Program	\$1,919,124	\$479,781	\$2,398,905 FY2019 Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors Program	nanced Mobility of Seniors Program
8 Milwaukie Light Rail Project	\$65,665,144	\$51,850,705	144 \$51,850,705 \$117,515,849 FY2019 Section 5309 Capital Investment Program (New Starts)	oital Investment Program (New Starts)
TOTAL	\$161,792,985			