Agenda Item13.2 For Council Meeting of: March 29, 2016

CITY OF SANTA ROSA CITY COUNCIL

TO:MAYOR AND CITY COUNCILFROM:JODI FROST, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OFFICER
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTSUBJECT:TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) ARTICLE IV
AND STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE (STA) CLAIM SUBMITTALAGENDA ACTION:RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by resolution, authorize the Director of Transportation and Public Works to submit a claim for TDA Article IV and STA funds to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for Fiscal Year 2016/2017 in the estimated amount of \$7,264,740.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Authorize the Director of Transportation & Public Works Department to file a funding claim with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for the allocation of Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article IV and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds for Fiscal Year 2016/2017. This item relates to Council Goal 3.6 by improving the City's transportation system.

BACKGROUND

- 1. In 1971, the State established two funding programs that have become a primary source of transit funding assistance for systems statewide. The programs referred to as Transportation Development Act (TDA) and State Transit Assistance (STA), provide on-going funding support to transit operators.
- 2. TDA funds are derived from a ¼ cent State sales tax returned to the County of origin on a per-capita basis and are distributed as TDA Article IV funds divided locally among the cities and the County based on population figures from the most recent census.
- 3. STA funds are derived through an excise tax on each gallon of diesel sold in the state and distributed to the various transit operators in the Bay Area through the MTC. The amounts distributed to transit operators are based on population from the most recent census, the proportion of revenues collected compared to all

other state transit operators, and the support of Paratransit services in the North Bay.

- 4. The Metrolpolitan Transportation Commission administers the TDA and STA funds for the San Franciosc Bay Area.
- 5. To obtain the City's share of TDA Article IV and STA funding, the Transit Division must submit an annual claim to the MTC that is based on the fund estimates provided by MTC.
- 6. The TDA Article IV/STA claim for Fiscal Year 2016/2017 includes funding for transit operations and paratransit operations.

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

On December 15, 2015, the City Council, by Resolution No. 28721, approved the Director of Transportation and Public Works to submit a claim for TDA Article IV and STA funds to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for Fiscal Year 2015/2016 in the estimated amount of \$7,359,617.

ANALYSIS

- 1. Santa Rosa CityBus relies on TDA Article IV funding to provide fixed route service within the City and Roseland.
- 2. Santa Rosa Paratransit relies on both TDA Article IV and STA funding to provide Paratransit demand-response service in all those geographic areas covered by fixed-route service.
- 3. CityBus also uses TDA Article IV funds as local match for federal operating grants.
- 4. In FY 2016/2017 an estimated amount of \$5,635,586 in operating funds will come from the TDA Article IV funds,
- 5. In FY 2016/2017an estimated amount of \$1,629,154 in Paratransit operating funds and fixed-route operating funds will come from the three STA funding programs.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will allow for the funds spent to date to be returned to the General Fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 Resolution No. 28721
- Resolution

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