

CITY OF SANTA ROSA  
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) ARTICLE  
IV AND STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE (STA) CLAIM  
SUBMITTAL  
STAFF PRESENTER: JASON PARRISH, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OFFICER  
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

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ISSUE(S)

Shall the City of Santa Rosa authorize the Director of Transportation & Public Works Department to file a funding claim with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for allocation of Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article IV and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds for Fiscal Year 2013/2014?



COUNCIL GOALS AND STRATEGIES

This item relates to Council Goal 3.6: "Improve our transportation system to reduce vehicle miles and promote multi-modal transportation."

BACKGROUND

1. TDA funds are derived from a ¼ cent State sales tax returned to the county of origin. By State law, 98% is distributed as TDA Article IV funds divided locally to cities and the County based on population figures from the most recent census. The remaining 2% of each County's allocation is set aside for bicycle and pedestrian paths as TDA Article III funds.
2. 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.
3. To obtain the City's share of TDA Article IV and STA funding, the Transit Department must submit an annual claim (grant application) to the MTC.

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4. The TDA Article IV/STA State Transit Assistance claim for Fiscal Year 2013/2014 includes funding for transit operations, capital projects and paratransit operations. The claim will reflect the TDA Article IV and STA fund estimates for the City of Santa Rosa provided by the MTC. Filing the claim prior to the end of Fiscal Year 2012-13 ensures the availability of TDA funds at the start of the 2013-14 fiscal year.

## 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 and capital grants.
4. Without these funding sources, public transit service to the community would need to be significantly reduced.

## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that 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 2013/2014.

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Attachments:

- NONE