For Council Meeting of: March 16, 2021

CITY OF SANTA ROSA CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: SHAWN SOSA, ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST

TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE IV AND

STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE ANNUAL FORMULA

ALLOCATION CLAIM SUBMITTAL

AGENDA 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, or designee, to file a claim for the Transit Division's annual drawdown of Transportation Development Act Article IV and State Transit Assistance funds with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for FY 2021-22 in the estimated amount of \$7,100,000 for ongoing Transit Operations and Capital budgetary needs.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This action authorizes the Director of Transportation and Public Works to file a funding claim with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for the City of Santa Rosa's drawdown of an annual allocation of formula funded Transportation Development Act Article IV (TDA) and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds for FY 2021-22. These funds are used to support the ongoing operation of Santa Rosa CityBus and Santa Rosa Paratransit and provide funding for regular capital improvements.

BACKGROUND

- 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 funds divided locally among the cities and the County based on population figures from the California

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Department of Finance (CDOF).

- 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 data from the CDOF, the proportion of revenues collected compared to all other state transit operators, and the support of paratransit services in the North Bay.
- 4. The MTC administers the TDA and STA funds for the San Francisco Bay Area.
- To obtain the City's share of TDA 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 /STA claim for FY 2021-22 includes funding for transit operations, paratransit operations and capital improvements.

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

On June 20, 2017, the City Council, by Resolution No. RES-2017-098, approved the Director of Transportation and Public Works to submit a claim for TDA and STA funds to the MTC for FY 2017-18 in the estimated amount of \$6,753,635.

On August 21, 2018, the City Council, by Resolution No. RES-2018-145, approved the Director of Transportation and Public Works to submit a claim for TDA and STA funds to the MTC for FY 2018-19 in the estimated amount of \$8,897,539.

On August 6, 2019, the City Council, by Resolution No. RES-2019-119, approved the Director of Transportation and Public Works to submit a claim for TDA and STA funds to the MTC for FY 2019-20 in the estimated amount of \$9,627,051.

On March 3,2020, the City Council, by Resolution No. RES-2020-029, approved the Director of Transportation and Public Works to submit a claim for TDA and STA funds to the MTC for FY 2020-21 in the estimated amount of \$8,948,974.

ANALYSIS

- 1. Santa Rosa CityBus relies on TDA funding to provide fixed route service within the City, and to provide paratransit service in areas within ¾ mile of the fixed-route network.
- 2. Santa Rosa CityBus uses STA funding to support fixed-route service.

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3. CityBus also uses TDA funds as local match for federal operating and capital improvement grants.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this action does not have a fiscal impact on the General Fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This action is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Existing Facilities. Specifically, the project consists of the operation of an existing public facility involving no expansion of use.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

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