

To: James L. App, City Manager
From: Jim Throop, Director of Administrative Services
Subject: Revised Transit Application
DATE: April 5, 2011

Needs: For the Council to consider a revised application for FTA Section 5316 transit operations grant funds.

Facts:

1. The City was awarded FTA Section 5316 funds from the Job Access/Reverse Commute (JARC) program, to fund 50% of the operational costs of the Mid-Day Shuttle for the three year period FY 2010 - 2012
2. The Mid-Day Shuttle began service in November, 2009.
3. The ridership of the Mid-Day Shuttle has been lower than projected, and Caltrans, which administers the 5316 program within the State of California, has indicated that funding would likely not be continued through the 2012 Fiscal Year.
4. To improve the performance of Mid-Day Shuttle service, City staff prepared a revision of the route and schedule, and revised the JARC grant application for FY 2012 to reflect the planned service changes. The revised route would begin operations on July 1, 2011, in tandem with other planned transit service changes to fares, routes and service hours.
5. Caltrans, has requested Council approval of the revised grant application.

Analysis&

Conclusions: In order to maintain the \$70,500 in JARC funding previously awarded to the City for Transit operations during FY 2012, Caltrans approval of the revised application for FTA Section 5316 funds is needed. The approval of the revised grant application by the City Council is required by Caltrans as part of the process.

Fiscal

Impact: Approval of the revised grant application by Caltrans would result in the retention of \$70,500 in JARC funds for City Transit operations, reducing the amount of funding from other sources needed for transit operations. This would enable utilization of transit funds for transit capital purchases, including new vehicles.

Options:

- a. That the Council approve Resolution 11-XXX for the revised application for FTA Section 5316 Grant Funds for transit operational expenses; or
- b. Amend, modify, or reject the above option.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-XXX

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES APPROVING THE REVISED
APPLICATION FOR FTA SECTION 5316 GRANT FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the City is has been awarded 5316 Transit funds for operational expenses of the Mid-Day Shuttle transit service;

WHEREAS, the 5316 program is administered through the State of California (CalTrans), Department of Transportation,

WHEREAS, in order to increase transit productivity, City staff has designed a revised route and schedule for the Mid-Day Shuttle, and prepared a revised grant application for the 2012 Fiscal Year to reflect the planned changes to the service; and

WHEREAS, CalTrans requires approval by the City Council for the revised grant application

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles that the Revised application for FTA 5316 funds for Fiscal Year 2012 is approved.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles this 5th day of April 2011 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Duane Picanco, Mayor

ATTEST:

Caryn Jackson, Deputy City Clerk