

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Amendment #1 to Measure K Cooperative Agreement C-15-23 with RTD

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorize the Executive Director to Amend the Measure K Renewal Cooperative Agreement C-15-23 with RTD

SUMMARY:

OVERVIEW:

The San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) is requesting an amendment to their Measure K cooperative agreement C-15-23 for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Passenger Amenities. RTD is currently in the process of implementing two new BRT routes and needs additional time to complete all project expenditures. The existing contract will expire on June 30, 2017, and RTD has requested to extend the term date to June 30, 2018.

In addition, RTD is seeking to amend the scope of work to identify bus purchases as an eligible expenditure. SJCOG staff have communicated to RTD staff that any expenditures for bus purchases prior to SJCOG Board approval of this contract amendment would be ineligible for reimbursement.

RECOMMENDATION:

SJCOG staff recommends the Executive Director be authorized to amend the Measure K cooperative agreements with RTD to extend the term to June 30, 2018 and amend the scope of work to identify bus purchases as an eligible expenditure.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None. The proposed amendment does not change the Measure K contract amount, \$2,661,362.

BACKGROUND:

The adoption of the Measure K Renewal (MKR) Strategic Plan is the enabling mechanism allowing the San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) and local agencies to enter into cooperative funding agreements for eligible projects. The MKR program passed by voters in November 2006 extends the specialized transit services such as intercity, interregional, commuter bus service, bus rapid transit service, and specialized transit service for the elderly and disabled. Transit services are funded under the Passenger Rail and Bus Transit category that receives 30% of the Measure K Renewal (MKR) revenue. This category is further split into four subcategories: Passenger Rail

(39%), Bus Transit (49%), Pedestrian/Bicycle Facilities and Safety (7%), and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Capital (5%) projects.

BRT Passenger Amenities

The BRT Passenger Amenities project includes, but are not limited to fare vending machines, bus bench, shelter, signage, way finding, digital information displays, poles, sidewalk repair and construction, roadway repair and construction, transit signal priority, bus queue jump lanes, associated right of way, and facilities improvements that enhance the passenger experience.

The existing term of this agreement is three (3) years and the funding is available from the Bus Rapid Transit subcategory of the Passenger Rail and Bus Transit Category. Measure K provides for 50% of the capital costs not to exceed \$2,661,362 during the term of the contract. RTD is providing a 50% match to these funds using other funding sources.

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