

Item #12

**DATE** May 3, 2017

**TO** GCTD Board of Directors

**FROM** Matt Miller, Transit Planner  $\mathcal{M}\mathcal{M}$ 

SUBJECT Consider Adoption of Resolution 2017-05 for Authorization of the

Certifications and Assurances for the Low Carbon Transit Operations

Program

## SUMMARY

The Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) is one of several programs that are part of the Transit, Affordable Housing, and Sustainable Communities Program established by the California Legislature in 2014 by Senate Bill 862. LCTOP provides formula funds to transit agencies (based on the area's percentage of statewide fare revenue) and to regional transportation planning agencies (based on the area's percentage of statewide population). This year, \$18,786 has been allocated to GCTD. All of these funds will be applied to implement ticket vending machines at the Oxnard Transit Center (OTC), Ventura Transit Center (VTC) and C Street Transfer Center (CTC).

Approved projects in LCTOP will support the installation of ticket vending machines to expand fare purchasing options. Ticket vending machines at the transit centers are a convenient way to purchase passes and increase the incentive to ride transit. This project will reduce greenhouse gases by making it more convenient for passengers to buy passes and alleviate the need for passengers to make a special trip to purchase passes.

For agencies whose service area includes disadvantaged communities, at least 50 percent of the total moneys received shall be expended on projects that will benefit disadvantaged communities. Most of southeastern Oxnard is considered a disadvantaged community, some of which falls within GCTD's service area. GCTD will meet this requirement as the OTC is part of a disadvantaged community and the CTC is adjacent to one.

One of the required elements of this program is a resolution from the governing board authorizing an agency official(s) to execute all necessary documents and enter into an agreement with the California Department of Transportation for these funds. This report recommends that the Board of Directors adopt the attached resolution.

It is recommended that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution 2017-05 authorizing the General Manager to execute all documents for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program with the California Department of Transportation.

## **BACKGROUND**

The LCTOP was created to provide operating and capital assistance for transit agencies to reduce greenhouse gas emission and improve mobility, with a priority on serving disadvantaged communities.

This program will be administered by Caltrans in coordination with Air Resource Board (ARB) and the State Controller's Office (SCO). The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is responsible to ensure that the statutory requirements of the program are met in terms of project eligibility, greenhouse reduction, disadvantaged community benefit, and other requirements of the law.

**Funding of Local Match**: The LCTOP funding does not require a local match. However, because the cost of this project is greater than the grant funds allocated, they will be combined with previous LCTOP funds and Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and the balance will be paid with local funds.

## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution 2017-05 authorizing the General Manager to execute all documents for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program with the California Department of Transportation.

#### GENERAL MANAGER'S CONCURRENCE

Steven P. Brown General Manager

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-05**

# AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE THE LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATIONS PROGRAM (LCTOP) PROJECT:

(Ticket Vending Machine, \$18,786)

WHEREAS, the Gold Coast Transit District is an eligible project sponsor and may receive state funding from the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) now or sometime in the future for transit projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the statutes related to state-funded transit projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 862 (2014) named the Department of Transportation (Department) as the administrative agency for the LCTOP; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department has developed guidelines for the purpose of administering and distributing LCTOP funds to eligible project sponsors (local agencies); and

WHEREAS, the Gold Coast Transit District wishes to implement the LCTOP project(s) listed above.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Gold Coast Transit District that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all LCTOP funded transit projects.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Gold Coast Transit District that it hereby authorizes the submittal of the following project nomination and allocation request to the Department in FY 2015-16 LCTOP funds:

Project Name: Ticket Vending Machines Amount of LCTOP funds requested: \$18,786

Short description of project: This project will install ticket vending machines (TVMs) at three transit centers in the GCTD service area. As two of these transit centers do not currently sell passes, the TVMs will make it easier and more convenient to ride transit.

Passed and approved this 3 <sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2017.
Bryan MacDonald, Board Chair
ATTEST: I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution 2017-05 was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of Gold Coast Transit at a regular meeting thereof held on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> of May, 2017.
Steven P. Brown. Secretary of the Board