

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Resolution in Support of Application for FY 22-23 Funding through the State Transit Assistance State of Good Repair Program

FROM: Tamara Edwards, Director of Finance, Interim Executive Director

DATE: October 3, 2022

Action Requested

Staff requests the Board of Directors approve Resolution 38-2022 in support of an allocation request to Caltrans for the State Transit Assistance State of Good Repair (SGR) Program.

Background

Senate Bill 1, also known as the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, augmented the existing State Transit Assistance program with a new State of Good Repair (SGR) program funded from a portion of a new Transportation Improvement Fee on vehicle registrations due on or after January 1, 2018. Funds are distributed by formula on a population basis in the region to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), and on a revenue basis to eligible transit operators for transit maintenance, rehabilitation, and capital projects. The State Controller's Office (SCO) has estimated that \$64,628 in revenue-based SGR funds will be available for allocation to LAVTA in FY 2022-23.

Beginning in Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-20, Caltrans has revised the State of Good Repair (SGR) Program guidelines to require regional agencies like MTC to approve transit operators' revenue-based SGR projects and submit a single region-wide list of projects to Caltrans by September 1 of each year. Furthermore, transit operators in the Bay Area will need to submit a governing board-approved project list for all anticipated SGR Program expenditures to MTC for inclusion in the Regional SGR Program Project List.

The program guidelines state that transit agencies receiving funds from the SGR Program must submit expenditure proposals listing projects that maintain the public transit system in a state of good repair, which are:

- Transit capital projects or services to maintain or repair a transit operator's existing transit vehicle fleet or transit facilities, including the rehabilitation or modernization of the existing vehicles or facilities.
- The design, acquisition and construction of new vehicles or facilities that improve existing transit services.
- Transit services that complement local efforts for repair and improvement of local transportation infrastructure.

Discussion

Staff proposes to use the FY 2022-23 SGR allocation to use as “local match” to our Federal Funds for our FY23 Bus Replacement Purchase.

Attachment 1 is a Board resolution as required by Caltrans and MTC which would authorize the Interim Executive Director to request allocations for specific projects and execute the necessary Certifications and Assurances with Caltrans.

Fiscal Impact

The FY 22-23 SGR allocation is included in the FY 23 agency budget. It is anticipated that SCO will announce final revised estimates for FY23 in October and the first of four quarterly payments will be made in November.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the Board of Directors approve Resolution 38-2022 in support of an allocation request to MTC and Caltrans for the State Transit Assistance State of Good Repair (SGR) Program.

Attachments:

1. Resolution 38-2022

Submitted: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 38-2022

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LIVERMORE
AMADOR VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE
SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATIONS, SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AND
EXECUTION OF FUNDING AGREEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-
2023 STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE STATE OF GOOD REPAIR PROGRAM
FOR THE LIVERMORE TRANSIT CENTER REHABILITATION AND
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority is an eligible project sponsor and may receive State Transit Assistance funding from the State of Good Repair Account (SGR) 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, the State Controller's Office has released the Fiscal Year 2023 SGR apportionments and LAVTA is estimated to receive \$64,628 in SGR funds; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1 (2017) named the Department of Transportation (Department) as the administrative agency for the SGR; and

WHEREAS, the Department has designated the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) as the regional entity responsible for coordinating the administration of all SGR projects and distribution of SGR funds to eligible project sponsors (local agencies) within the nine-county Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority wishes to delegate the submittal of applications, necessary supporting documents, and any amendments thereto to the Executive Director;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Certification and Assurances document and applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all SGR funded transit projects; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director be authorized to execute all required documents of the SGR program and any amendments thereto with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and California Department of Transportation.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the governing body of the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA) this 3rd day of October 2022.

BY _____
David Haubert, Chair

ATTEST _____
Tamara Edwards, Interim Executive Director