



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: October 6, 2020

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

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**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,
Requesting \$166,459 in Lifeline Transportation Program Funding From The Metropolitan
Transportation Commission To Assist With The Purchase Of One Compressed Natural Gas-
Powered Replacement Bus.**

Whereas, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) has established a Lifeline Transportation Program to assist in funding projects that 1) are intended to result in improved mobility for low-income residents of the nine San Francisco Bay Area counties, 2) are developed through a collaborative and inclusive planning process and 3) are proposed to address transportation needs identified through a substantive community-based transportation plan or are otherwise based on a documented assessment of needs; and

Whereas, MTC has adopted principles, pursuant to MTC Resolution No. 4416, to guide implementation of the Lifeline Transportation Program for the two-year period during Fiscal Year 2018-19 and Fiscal Year 2019-20, and MTC has solicited applications from transit operators (eligible recipients of FTA Section 5307 funds) from each of the nine bay area counties to propose projects for Lifeline Cycle 6 funding; and

Whereas, the County of Sonoma – Sonoma County Transit, through the Sonoma County Transportation Authority, generally conducted a broad, inclusive public involvement process in identifying projects for the Lifeline Transportation Program in Sonoma County; and

Whereas, the County of Sonoma – Sonoma County Transit submitted a project in response to MTC's solicitation of applications/call for projects; and

Whereas, the County of Sonoma – Sonoma County Transit has confirmed that the proposed project to assist with the purchase of one 40-foot compressed natural gas-powered replacement bus is consistent with the Lifeline Transportation Program goals as set out in MTC Resolution No. 4416; and

Whereas, the County of Sonoma – Sonoma County Transit recommends the proposed project to assist with the purchase of one 40-foot compressed natural gas-powered replacement bus be funded in part under the Lifeline Transportation Program; and

Whereas, the County of Sonoma – Sonoma County Transit agrees to meet project delivery and obligation deadlines, comply with funding conditions placed on the receipt of funds allocated

to the Lifeline Transportation Program, provide for the required local matching funds, and satisfy all other conditions set forth in MTC Resolution No. 4416; and

Whereas, the County of Sonoma - Sonoma County Transit certifies that the project and purposes for which funds are being requested are in compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.), and with the State CEQA Guidelines (14 California Code of Regulations Section 15000 et seq.) and if relevant the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 USC Section 4321 et seq. and the applicable regulations thereunder; and

Whereas, there is no legal impediment to the County of Sonoma – Sonoma County Transit making the funding request; and

Whereas, there is no pending or threatened litigation which might in any way adversely affect the ability of the County of Sonoma – Sonoma County Transit to deliver the proposed projects for which funds are being requested.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the County of Sonoma – Sonoma County Transit requests MTC program funds available under MTC’s Lifeline Transportation Program, in the amount of \$166,459 for which the County of Sonoma – Sonoma County Transit is eligible, to assist with the purchase of one 40-foot compressed natural gas-powered replacement bus.

Be it Further Resolved that staff of the County of Sonoma – Sonoma County Transit shall forward a copy of this Resolution, and such other information as may be required, to MTC, Sonoma County Transportation Authority, and such other agencies as may be appropriate.

Supervisors:

Rabbitt:

Zane:

Gore

Hopkins:

Gorin:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.