

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Programming and Allocations Committee**

September 11, 2024

Agenda Item 2c-24-1006

MTC Resolution Nos. 3989, Revised and 4505, Revised

Subject:

Revisions to the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG 3) and MTC exchange programs to program \$1.6 million to MTC for bikeshare expansion and outreach, including \$1.3 million in non-federal MTC exchange funds and \$300,000 in STP/CMAQ funds, and program \$240,000 in STP/CMAQ funds to MTC for Mobility Hub and Parking Management technical assistance.

Background:

MTC's OBAG 3 program establishes the policy and programming framework for investing federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement program (CMAQ) funds for FY 2022-23 through FY 2025-26.

MTC's fund exchange program provides greater flexibility to deliver select priority projects within the broader OBAG framework. MTC Resolution No. 3989, Revised, describes the procedures governing MTC's exchange program and details the agreements and commitments that have been made to date. The program facilitates funding agreements with partner agencies to exchange federal STP/CMAQ funds with non-federal local funds. These exchanges do not increase the total amount of funds available to the region, but enable MTC to support key investments within the OBAG policy framework that are ineligible for STP/CMAQ funds.

This month, staff recommend revisions to the OBAG 3 and MTC exchange programs as detailed below.

Bikeshare

In February 2023, the Commission programmed \$20 million in OBAG 3 funding to MTC for Bay Wheels bikeshare e-bike expansion. To align eligible funding with various bikeshare elements, the Commission subsequently changed the fund source for a total of \$16.6 million in STP/CMAQ funds to non-federal MTC exchange funds.

This month, staff recommend reprogramming \$1.6 million in OBAG 3 bikeshare funds currently programmed for e-bike expansion to MTC for the following projects:

- \$1.3 million for Bay Wheels bikeshare expansion in Daly City, for station siting support and capital equipment procurement for planned bikeshare stations in this new service area. As part of this action, staff recommend changing the funds source from STP/CMAQ

to non-federal MTC exchange funds, as this project is not suitable for federal funds. The City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (C/CAG) will provide additional funds for initial operations costs for these new stations, subject to C/CAG Board approval.

- \$300,000 in federal STP/CMAQ funds for bikeshare outreach related to bikeshare expansion, including gathering community input on station siting and educating new and potential riders.

Staff will return to the Commission to recommend programming for the remaining \$1.3 million in unprogrammed OBAG 3 bikeshare expansion funds in late 2024 or early 2025, once additional bikeshare expansion sites have been identified and prioritized.

Mobility Hubs and Parking Management

In October 2022, the Commission set aside \$18.8 million in OBAG 3 funds for the Mobility Hubs and Parking Management Programs, as part of a larger Climate Initiatives funding strategy that included a total of \$112.8 million in OBAG 2, OBAG 3, and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funds. In June 2023, the Commission selected projects for the first round of OBAG 3 Mobility Hub and Parking Management grants, programming \$2.9 million of the \$4 million set aside for MTC-sponsored planning projects in May 2023. As part of these actions, the Commission also programmed \$500,000 to MTC for Mobility Hub and Parking Management technical assistance.

This month, staff recommend programming \$240,000 in OBAG 3 Mobility Hub planning balances to MTC for additional Mobility Hub and Parking Management technical assistance. These funds would support implementation of MTC's Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Policy by providing resources for local agencies to comply with transportation and parking elements of the policy. Technical assistance would be made available to local agencies in conjunction with additional TOC-supportive planning and capital grant opportunities.

Issues:


On September 13, the Regional Network Management (RNM) Committee will consider a term sheet with Lyft, the Bay Wheels bikeshare operator, for bikeshare expansion in Daly City. Staff will bring this term sheet and associated programming recommendations included in this agenda item to the Commission for approval only if both items are referred by the RNM Committee and this Committee, respectively.

Recommendations:

Refer MTC Resolution Nos. 3989, Revised and 4505, Revised to the Commission for approval.

Attachments:

- MTC Resolution No. 3989, Revised
 - Attachment B
- MTC Resolution No. 4505, Revised
 - Attachment B-1



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