

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201



Agenda Item Number: B 351-14

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: November 17, 2014

Re: Obtaining Transit Grant Application and Execution Authority for 2015 Federal and State Operating Assistance, Planning, and Capital Assistance

Documents Included With This Agenda Item

Council memo, Resolution/Ordinance

Supporting documentation includes: None

Executive Summary

Authorizing the City Manager to make application and execute all necessary documents related to transit planning, operating and capital assistance grants with both the United States Department of Transportation (FTA) and the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission (MHTC) throughout 2015.

Discussion

This legislation is an annual renewal of the City Manager's authorization to make application and execute documents for acceptance of, and compliance with, the various Federal and State planning, operating and capital grants available to the city each year for the transit system. This legislation also authorizes the Public Works Director, or his appointed designee, to furnish additional grant related information required by the FTA and MHTC, and to review and submit electronically to the FTA and MHTC grant applications, quarterly reports and other required information, on behalf of the City of Columbia and Columbia Transit.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Any matching funds required for the grants will either be appropriated in the annual budget or will be appropriated by separate ordinance.

Long-Term Impact: Any matching funds required for the grants will either be appropriated in the annual budget or will be appropriated by separate ordinance.

Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impact: Not Applicable

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Suggested Council Action

Approve the legislation authorizing the City Manager to make application and execute all necessary documents related to transit planning, operating and capital assistance grants with both the United States Department of Transportation and the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission throughout calendar year 2015.

Legislative History

This legislation is passed by Council on an annual basis.


Department Approved


City Manager Approved

Introduced by _____

First Reading _____

Second Reading _____

Ordinance No. _____

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AN ORDINANCE

authorizing the filing of applications with the Federal Transit Administration, an operating administration of the United States Department of Transportation, for Federal transportation assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53; and any other Federal statutes administered by the Federal Transit Administration; authorizing the City Manager and City Counselor to execute certifications and assurances; authorizing grant agreements; authorizing electronic filings; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administrator has been delegated authority to award Federal financial assistance for a transportation project; and

WHEREAS, the grant or cooperative agreement for Federal financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the Applicant, and may require the Applicant to provide the local share of the project cost; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the Federal Transit Administration required for the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee, the Multi-Modal Manager or Transportation Superintendent, are authorized to execute and file applications for Federal assistance on behalf of the City of Columbia, Missouri with the Federal Transit Administration for Federal assistance (including planning, operating and capital assistance grants for public transit) authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 or any other Federal statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration. The City of Columbia is a small urbanized area for which the State of Missouri, acting through Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission/Missouri Department of Transportation ("MODOT"), is the Designated Recipient as defined by 49 U.S.C. Section 5302(4). MODOT has authorized the City of Columbia to apply for Urbanized Area Formula Program assistance as a "Direct Recipient." The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is also authorized to execute any supplemental agreement necessary to fulfill the role of Designated Recipient.

SECTION 2. The City Manager, City Counselor, Multi-Modal Manager or the Transportation Superintendent are authorized to execute and file with any application the annual certifications and assurances together with any such other documents the Federal Transit Administration may require before awarding a Federal assistance grant or cooperative agreement.

SECTION 3. The City Manager, Multi-Modal Manager or the Transportation Superintendent is authorized to execute the grant and cooperative agreements with the Federal Transit Administration on behalf of the City of Columbia, Missouri.

SECTION 4. The Public Works Director, or the Director's appointed designee, is authorized to draw against available grant funding using the ECHO web system.

SECTION 5. The Public Works Director, or the Director's appointed designee, is authorized to review and submit electronically to the Federal Transit Administration quarterly reports and ECHO systems reports and any other required information as requested by Federal Transit Administration.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2014.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor