

**REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY Meeting: January 14, 1994**

**Agenda Item: 6  
RESOLUTION NO. 10**

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**ACTION:**

Approve Resolution No. 10 authorizing the filing of an application for and the acceptance of a state grant offered by the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for Central Puget Sound Public Transportation Account (CPSPTA) funds. These funds would be used to support the Board's efforts in developing a recommended finance and system plan for a high capacity transportation system within the service area of the Regional Transit Authority.

**BUDGET ISSUES:**

The RTA Finance Committee, in its recent review of a proposed budget for the RTA in 1994, determined the need to obtain funds independent of any local transit authority to support Board activities. The CPSPTA is one possible source of such funding. Staff was asked to prepare a potential grant application for submittal, subject to approval of this action by the RTA Board. This direction was given to staff as the deadline for submitting the grant application is today, Friday January 14, 1994, 5:00 p.m.

This grant request for \$250,000 would be used to reimburse expenditures for staff and consultants hired directly by the Board in developing a recommended finance and system plan for a high capacity transportation system.

**DISCUSSION:**

On September 24, 1993, the RTA Board adopted Resolution No. 2 authorizing the filing of a grant application for CPSPTA grant funds in the amount of \$2.3 million to conduct project level planning for commuter rail service extensions between Everett and Seattle and between Tacoma and Lakewood. That application was submitted prior to the October 1, 1993 deadline indicated in the application guidelines. Due to procedural issues, the request could not be considered at that time.

Subsequently, the RTA received notice of a "Supplemental Grant Application" process for CPSPTA funds. The guidelines for this application process indicated the availability of approximately \$2.7 million in grant funds and gave a deadline of 5:00 p.m. on Friday January 14, 1994. The RTA application for the \$2.3 million authorized by Resolution No. 2 has been resubmitted for consideration.

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RESOLUTION NO. 10

A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties Region authorizing the filing of an application for and the receipt of Central Puget Sound Public Transportation Account grant funds.

WHEREAS, the Washington State Transportation Funding Act of 1990 established the Central Puget Sound Public Transportation Account (CPSPTA) for public transportation programs and projects; and

WHEREAS, during the 1993 legislative session, Substitute House Bill 2036 was passed which further defined the CPSPTA, amended eligible programs and projects, outlined a methodology for distribution of funds, established a Multimodal Transportation Programs and Projects Selection Committee ("Committee") with the responsibility for the final selection of programs and projects to be funded from the CPSPTA for specific public transportation programs and projects; and

WHEREAS, in December of 1993, the Committee provided supplemental grant application guidelines for requesting funds from the CPSPTA; and

WHEREAS, approximately \$2.7 million of CPSPTA grant funds is available in the supplemental grant program for use during the 1993-95 biennium; and

WHEREAS, the RTA is responsible for developing a finalized finance plan and system plan for a recommended high capacity transportation system within the RTA's service area; and

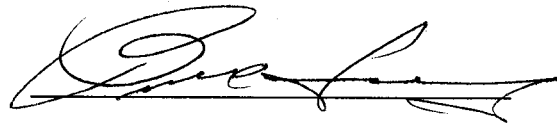
WHEREAS, the RTA does not have sufficient funding to complete the anticipated analyses to develop such plans;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority as follows:

Section 1. The Board of the Regional Transit Authority has determined that it is both appropriate and necessary to submit a grant application for Central Puget Sound Public Transportation Account grant funds to aid in the financing of the Board's public transportation program to develop a finance plan and system plan for a recommended high capacity transportation system within the service area of the Regional Transit Authority.

Section 2. The Chair of the Board is hereby authorized to apply and to accept such grant on behalf of the Board.

ADOPTED by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region at a regular meeting thereof held on the 14 day of January, 1994.



Bruce Laing  
Chair of the Board

ATTEST:



Clerk of the Board