

**REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 25**

**A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region authorizing an interlocal agreement with the Snohomish County Transportation Authority for support and funding of the regional transit project.**

**WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Transportation Authority (SNO-TRAN) is the recipient of grants from the Washington State Department of Transportation for high capacity transportation planning; and**

**WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 81.112 RCW, the Regional Transit Authority (hereinafter referred to as "RTA") has been created to plan for and provide high capacity transportation services within the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region and is responsible for directing the further planning for that effort within the region; and**

**WHEREAS, the RTA anticipates that it will be the recipient of future federal and state grants to continue necessary planning for commuter rail and regional transit project related work as part of developing a high capacity transportation plan for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region and is prepared to seek responsibility for such planning as contemplated by grant agencies as soon as possible; and**

**WHEREAS, the SNO-TRAN Board has offered to assign to the RTA high capacity transportation grants and local match moneys if the RTA assumes responsibility for completing the work and services required under the relevant grant agreements; and**

**WHEREAS, SNO-TRAN recognizes that it is in the best interests of the citizens of this region to support the RTA's planning efforts as it finalizes a plan for voter consideration and determines a schedule and necessary resources for the tasks leading up to a vote;**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority that the Chair of the Authority is hereby authorized to execute and approve an interlocal agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A with SNO-TRAN to provide funding for the RTA.

ADOPTED by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region this 22nd day of April, 1994.

By   
Chair of the Board

ATTEST:  
  
Clerk of the Board

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Agenda Item: \_\_\_\_\_  
Resolution No. 25

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**ACTION:**

Approve Resolution No. 25 authorizing the Chair of the RTA Board to approve an interlocal agreement with SNO-TRAN transferring \$245,000 to the RTA to support its high capacity transportation and North Corridor commuter rail planning programs.

**DISCUSSION:**

Beginning early this year, RTA staff and attorneys have been pursuing the most efficient means of transferring existing high capacity transportation and commuter rail funds to the RTA to support its planning. By Resolution No. 13 adopted February 16, 1994, the RTA Board approved a contract for support services and funding with King County which provided the basic funding and staff support for the RTA's 1994 operations. As one of the conditions in that contract, the RTA agreed to seek proportional and equitable funding contributions from transit agencies in Pierce and Snohomish Counties. The exhibit to the King County contract identified estimated funding sources of \$260,000 from Snohomish County through state HCT grant funds for fiscal year 1994 subject to the availability of those funds and the execution of interlocal agreements between the RTA and local jurisdictions in Snohomish County. This action would result in funds from Snohomish County agencies which closely approximate the RTA's original budget assumptions for 1994.

A more detailed interlocal agreement which is similar in format to the RTA-King County contract is in a final discussion stage with Pierce Transit.

**BUDGET ISSUES:**

The result of this action would be to transfer to the RTA the remaining unexpended state and federal funds granted to SNO-TRAN for high capacity transportation and commuter rail planning. By accepting the funds, the RTA is committed to continuing the development of the high capacity transportation system plan for the region including Snohomish County and analysis of rapid transit alternatives in the Snohomish County portion of the North Corridor.

**SNO-TRAN****SNOHOMISH COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

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March 15, 1994

The Hon. Bruce Laing, Chairman  
 Central Puget Sound  
 Regional Transit Authority  
 821 Second Avenue MS 151  
 Seattle, WA 98104

Dear Chairman  **RE: SNO-TRAN's RTA Funding**

At its January 20, 1994 meeting, the Board of the Snohomish County Transportation Authority (SNO-TRAN) unanimously authorized entering into an interlocal agreement with the Regional Transit Authority. This letter serves as that agreement.

The purpose of this agreement is to assist the RTA in its planning in Snohomish County by providing \$200,000 to the RTA. This amount would be made up of \$160,000 of SNO-TRAN's 1993-94 State High Capacity Transit Account grant and \$40,000 in local match. It was agreed to provide these funds to the RTA to further the high capacity transit planning program, as per SNO-TRAN's Agreement GC-9872 with the Washington State Department of Transportation, as amended. That agreement sets out the following task which SNO-TRAN asks the RTA to continue:

Continue the development of the High Capacity Transportation system plan and analysis of rapid transit alternatives in the Snohomish County portion of the North Corridor in cooperation with the Regional Transit Authority and the transit agencies in the RTA District. Work within this task will include policy support, technical support, and communications. [Amendment 1, dated 11-15-93.]

At its February 17, 1994 meeting, the SNO-TRAN Board approved providing to the RTA an additional \$45,000 for use on the North Corridor Commuter Rail planning program. Of these funds, \$36,000 are from the State High Capacity Transit Account and \$9,000 are local match.

This letter serves as an agreement between SNO-TRAN and the RTA for the provision of a total of \$245,000 to the RTA for the purposes listed above. The RTA is to bill SNO-TRAN for reimbursement prior to July 10, 1994. These funds are to the RTA to perform work on behalf of SNO-TRAN and are not subject to repayment to SNO-TRAN. If these terms are agreeable to the RTA, please co-sign the two copies of this letter and return one to SNO-TRAN.

Sincerely,



Bill Brubaker  
 Chairman, SNO-TRAN

Co-Signed,

Bruce Laing  
 Chairman, Regional Transit Authority