

## **REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 33**

A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region authorizing additional work program elements for the Commuter Rail Project, amending the Authority's adopted Budget for the Calendar Year 1994, adopting a Six-Month Preliminary Budget for January through June of 1995, and authorizing the Executive Director to take the necessary steps to implement these additional work program elements.

WHEREAS, a Regional Transit Authority ("RTA") has been created for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region by action of their respective county councils pursuant to RCW 81.112.030; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 2, adopted September 24, 1993, the RTA Board authorized the filing of an application for state Central Puget Sound Public Transportation Account grant funds for the purpose of conducting project level planning for commuter rail service between Seattle and Everett and between Tacoma and Lakewood, contingent upon a determination by the RTA to proceed with such project level planning; and

WHEREAS, the RTA received notice from the Washington State Department of Transportation that there were insufficient funds available to fund such grant request from the RTA; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 3, adopted October 8, 1993, the RTA Board authorized the performance of feasibility studies for commuter rail services between Seattle and Everett and between Tacoma and Lakewood in support of the Regional Transit Project; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 4, adopted October 8, 1993, the RTA Board authorized project level planning and preparation of an environmental assessment for the South Corridor Commuter Rail Project, including service between Tacoma, Renton and Seattle ; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 12, adopted January 28, 1994, the RTA Board adopted a Preliminary Budget for the Calendar Year 1994, and which further provided that the adopted

budget would be subject to further review and amendment as the Authority's financial resources and obligations become clearer in 1994; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 16, adopted February 25, 1994, the RTA Board authorized the filing of an application for and the acceptance of Washington State High Capacity Transportation (HCT) Account grant funds for state fiscal year 1995, and further authorized the commencement of negotiations to secure the assignment to the RTA of existing interlocal agreements as may be necessary to appropriately allocate any unexpended and available state fiscal year 1994 HCT grant funds; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 24, adopted April 22, 1994, the RTA Board recognized the feasibility of commuter rail service between Seattle and Everett and between Tacoma and Lakewood and expressed its intent to include these services in the Regional Transit System Long Range Master Plan and directed the Executive Director to prepare a comprehensive work program and schedule for the expanded commuter rail system consistent with the Board's overall work program and to recommend any required budget amendment or consultant support contract; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 30, adopted July 8, 1994, the RTA Board approved a budget amendment to include additional expenditures and pass through grant revenues for interlocal agreements; and

WHEREAS, at the Board's direction, staff analyzed the technical feasibility of a limited service commuter rail demonstration project and said analysis has determined that such commuter rail service is in deed feasible and a wide range of events were identified which can provide an opportunity to safely demonstrate the characteristics of passenger rail service using existing freight rail trackage to a wide audience; and

WHEREAS, by motion, adopted August 12, 1994, the RTA Board authorized the allocation of \$200,000 for completion of engineering and operational planning to implement a Commuter Rail Demonstration Project; and

WHEREAS, as provided by RCW 81.112.030(1), the Joint Regional Policy Committee adopted and recommended a system and financing plan entitled the Regional Transit System Plan to the RTA, and said plan provided policy direction that commuter rail service between Seattle and Tacoma be implemented within two-years of locally committed funding; and

WHEREAS, in order to comply with this two-year commitment and due to the long lead time required for design and construction of stations and the procurement of rail vehicles, it is both necessary and proper to initiate at this time the development of station standards and the technical analyses needed for developing the specifications of the vehicles to be procured; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Mukilteo, Edmonds and Everett have on-going multimodal transportation facility studies which are planned to include commuter rail stations; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director recommends an amendment to the adopted budget for calendar year 1994 to reflect the above actions of the Board, recommends that staff be authorized to proceed with the project level planning and environmental assessment analyses for commuter rail service between Seattle and Everett and between Tacoma and Lakewood, recommends that staff be authorized to initiate development of station standards and technical analyses for the development of the commuter rail vehicles' specifications, recommends the additional expenditures and pass through grant revenues for interlocal agreements, and recommends a preliminary six-month budget for 1995 to fund the Board's anticipated activities and work program;

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

Section 1. The RTA Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director to proceed with the project level planning and environmental assessment analyses for commuter rail service between Seattle and Everett and between Tacoma and Lakewood.

Section 2. The RTA Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director to proceed with the completion of engineering and operational planning to implement a Commuter Rail Demonstration Project.

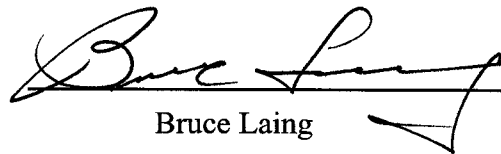
Section 3. The RTA Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director to proceed with the technical analyses necessary for the development of station standards and the specifications for the rail vehicles for the Commuter Rail Project.

Section 4. An amended budget, as shown in Exhibit A and attached hereto, is hereby adopted by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the calendar year 1994.

Section 5. A preliminary six-month budget, as shown in Exhibit B and attached hereto, is hereby adopted by the Board of the Regional Transit Authority for the period January 1, 1995 through June 30, 1995.

Section 6. The preliminary six-month budget for 1995 shall be reviewed and revised and presented to the Finance Committee in November 1994 and presented to the RTA Board for review and will reflect any changes in the Authority's work program and/or any changes in revenue sources or amounts or in the Authority's financial obligations.

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 23rd day of September, 1994.



Bruce Laing  
Chair of the Board

ATTEST:



Board Administrator

Exhibit A

REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Proposed 1994 RTA Revenues, Budget Amendment

REVENUES:

(\$000's)

<b>King County</b>	<b><u>\$7,600</u></b>
Local Transit Capital Program Funds	\$2,250
State HCT Grant Funds - FY94	\$3,470 *
Federal FTA Grant Funds	\$1,880 *

<b>Snohomish County</b>	<b><u>\$245</u></b>
(SNO-TRAN)	
Local Transit Funds - FY94	\$49
State HCT Grant Funds - FY94	\$196

<b>Pierce County</b>	<b><u>\$327</u></b>
(Pierce Transit)	
Local Transit Funds - FY94	\$236
State HCT Grant Funds - FY94	\$91 *

\* 20% match requirement for State & Federal grants included in local transit funds

<b>Interlocal Agreements - Pass Through HCT Grants</b>	<b><u>\$2,288</u></b>
King County / Metro	\$1,600
SNO-TRAN	\$397
Pierce Transit	\$214
PSRC	\$77

<b>New State HCT Grant Funds, FY1995</b>	<b><u>\$625</u></b>
(Total Grant Award was \$3.6 million)	

Work Program Elements:

Commuter Rail, Everett & Lakewood Extensions	\$200
Commuter Rail Demonstration Project	\$200
Commuter Rail, S. Corridor & Vehicle Specs Work	\$85
PSRC, FY95 Grant for MTP Coordination	\$140

<b>REVISED TOTAL REVENUES:</b>	<b>\$11,085</b>
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Exhibit A

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1994 Proposed Budget Amendment, September 1994

CY 1994	(\$000's) Proposed Amendment
<b>PROGRAM ACTIVITY</b>	
<b>RTA BOARD</b>	
Board Staff: Exec Dir, Board Adm & Adm Assist	\$250
E.D. Staff: Three positions	\$225
Staff support: Mats/supplies, eqpt, travel, misc	\$50
Board expenses: Per diem, rooms, misc	\$100
Legislative Program	\$200
Legal	\$200
Consultants: Treasurer, misc.	\$90
Strategy Development	\$210
<b>Subtotal, RTA Board</b>	<b>\$1,325</b>
<b>COMMUTER RAIL PROJECT</b>	
Everett to Lakewood	
Staffing	\$695
Consultants: Engineering (PB/KE)	\$784
Modeling (PB)	\$165
Environmental (BRW)	\$261
Feasibility Studies (PB & BRW)	\$100
Procurement - Legal (Gordon Thomas)	\$360
Commuter Rail Demonstration Project	\$240
Project Level Png for Everett & Lakewood Extensions	\$200
Vehicle Procurement Support	\$60
Staff Support Costs: Rent, Misc.	\$160
Other Metro Staff: ROW, Eng., W/MBE	\$95
Interlocal Agreements	\$60
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$3,180</b>
<b>PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM</b>	
Staffing	\$420
Consultants - to be determined	\$190
Other Metro Staff: Mktg./Research	\$85
Contract Staff (Clerical)	\$40
Mats/Supplies, Services, Misc	\$440
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$1,175</b>
<b>FINANCE PLAN, SYSTEM PLAN DEVELOPMENT &amp; CORRIDOR PLANNING</b>	
Staffing	\$1,192
Consultants: Engineering & Finance (PB/KE)	\$720
Modeling (PB)	\$172
Environmental (BRW)	\$353
Staff Support: Rent, Mats/Supplies, Travel, Misc	\$200
Other Metro Staff: ROW, Eng., W/MBE	\$130
Contract Staff (Graphics, Clerical)	\$100
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$2,867</b>
<b>CONTINGENCY</b>	
Consultants, Staff & Other Expenses	\$110
<b>INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS</b>	
Pass-Through HCT Grants	\$2,288
PSRC Support HCT Grant - MTP Coordination	\$140
<b>TOTAL BUDGET:</b>	<b>\$11,085</b>

Exhibit B  
**REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

**Proposed RTA Revenues**  
**January - June 1995**

	<u>(\$000's)</u>
• <b>Loans from Local Transit Agencies</b> (Use one-half of annual estimated revenue)	<b><u>\$500</u></b>
Assume Loan Agreements for full year, CY1995, to Support Board Expenditures, Est. \$1.0 M	
- King County	\$700
- Pierce County	\$160
- Snohomish County	<u>\$140</u>
	\$1,000
(Estimates based on sales tax distribution in the three counties)	
• <b>FTA Grants for Commuter Rail</b>	<b><u>\$468</u></b>
• <b>Direct Appropriation from State Legislature</b> (July 1, 1994 thru June 30, 1995)	<b><u>\$1,500</u></b>
• <b>FY1995 State HCT Grant Funds</b> (July 1, 1994 thru June 30, 1995)	<b><u>\$3,239</u></b>
• <b>STP Grant</b> (July 1, 1994 - on, must be obligated by Sep. 30, 1995)	<b><u>\$1,000</u></b>

<b>TOTAL REVENUES:</b>	<b>\$6,707</b>
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Exhibit B

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(\$000's)

Preliminary 1995, 6-Month Budget Estimate

Jan-Jun  
1995

PROGRAM ACTIVITY

ESTIMATE

RTA BOARD

Board, Staff & Support Costs	\$500
Consultants (Treasurer, misc.)	\$50
Legal & Legislative	\$300
Disparity Study	\$150
Public Vote, Voters' Pamphlet, Plan Document	\$1,500
<b>Subtotal, RTA Board</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>

COMMUTER RAIL

Staffing & Support Costs	\$485
South Corridor Prj Level Png	\$230
Service Procurement Support (Legal)	\$150
R.R. Agreement Special Support Svcs	\$70
Interlocal Agreements	\$0
North Corridor & Lakewood Prj Level Png	\$250
Commuter Rail Demonstration Project	\$0
S. Corridor Station Dsn & ROW Acquisition	\$330
Vehicle Procurement Support	\$150
Contingency	\$100
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$1,765</b>

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM

Staffing & Support Costs	\$300
Consultants - to be determined	\$150
Matls/Supplies, Services, Misc.	\$300
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$750</b>

FINANCE & SYSTEM PLAN DEV. & CORRIDOR PLANNING

Staffing & Support Costs	\$800
Consultants	\$300
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$1,100</b>

CONTINGENCY

Consultants, Staff & Other Expenses	\$447
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INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

Rollover of FY94 HCT Grants, PSRC & Pierce Transit	\$0
PSRC - MTP Conformance & Coordination	\$145

**TOTAL ESTIMATE:**

**\$6,707**