

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

HAYS, TRAVIS, WILLIAMSON Counties

MINUTE ORDER

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AUSTIN District

The Texas Transportation Commission (commission) takes special note of its designation by the governor as the administering agency for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant program, "Formula Grant Program for Areas Other than Urbanized" (49 U.S.C. §5311), in a letter dated October 4, 2005; and further acknowledges that federal program regulations require the Texas Department of Transportation (department) to ensure that these grant funds are distributed fairly and equitably within the state.

The Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) has authorized the transfer of \$1.39 million in Surface Transportation Program Metropolitan Mobility and Rehabilitation funding for the purchase of 10 commuter buses. The flexed funding will be administered under the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant program, Formula Grants for Other than Urbanized Areas (49 U.S.C. §5311).

Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, §5.73 establishes the process for which Transportation Development Credits (TDC) may be awarded at the discretion of the commission. The commission passed Minute Order 110771, on December 14, 2006, expressing its intent to award TDC that will promote public transportation capital infrastructure projects: fleet replacement, fleet expansion, maintenance facilities; and capital projects that support regional coordination.

The commission awards \$1.39 million to the Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) rural transit district and 168,640 in TDC for the purchase of buses to support a commuter project approved by CAMPO.

Transportation Code, Chapter 455 assigns a broad spectrum of public transportation roles and missions to the department.

Transportation Code, Chapter 456 authorizes the commission to administer funds appropriated for public transportation.

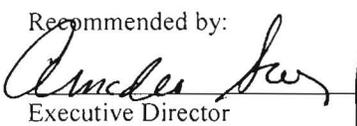
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the executive director or the director's designee is authorized to submit the necessary state application to FTA, and enter into the necessary contracts with CARTS upon completion of all application requirements.

Submitted and reviewed by:



Director, Public Transportation Division

Recommended by:



Executive Director

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