

**REVISED**  
**Antonovich/Fasana/Knabe/Lowenthal/Roberts**  
BOARD MOTION FOR  
CONTINUANCE OF THE  
MUNICIPAL OPERATORS  
SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, in April 2001, MTA established the ongoing Municipal Operator Service Improvement Program (MOSIP), the purpose of which was to improve service to the transit dependent countywide by reducing overcrowding and expanding service, and

WHEREAS, the Board originally funded the program for five years through FY 06 in lieu of other fair share proposals and therefore, the program needs to be refunded to continue, and

WHEREAS, municipal operators have added thousands of additional service hours or the capital equivalent to provide service to the transit dependent, expand service, and reduce overcrowding, and

WHEREAS, the MOSIP program is funded with Prop C 40% funds which by statutory definition “will be used to improve and expand rail and bus transit County-wide” and

WHEREAS, reductions in other transit subsidies to municipal operators, rising fuel prices, insurance increases, healthcare and workers compensation costs have placed severe limitations on the ability of operators to maintain their existing service, and in some cases requiring reductions. If MOSIP funding is eliminated and the service it funds is discontinued, thousands of County transit riders will be negatively impacted and left with limited transit options,

WHEREAS, the Metro is dependent upon its partners, the municipal operators of Los Angeles County, to bridge transit needs resulting from the implementation of the Metro Connection's Service Delivery Plan and is dependent upon these partners to provide bus service to non-Metro service areas, and there is currently no impact analysis on the elimination of regional MOSIP service.

NOW THEREFORE, we are hereby directing staff to continue MOSIP funding at the established levels based on the 05-06 methodology for a period of two years ('07 funding would be \$17.4 million), including an annual 3% increase, and to include MOSIP funding in MTA's ten-year financial forecasts and Long Range Transportation Plan update. During this two-year period, ~~Metro Sector Representatives~~ and the Municipal Operators shall work on making significant progress in revising the Formula Allocation Process (FAP) to benefit all Los Angeles County transit operations and provide progress reports to the Board on a quarterly basis.

I feel strongly that this Motion offers us an excellent opportunity to maintain a successful program and at the same time deal with the over-arching issue of an out-of-date and dysfunctional Formula Allocation Procedure (FAP). It has been far too long since the FAP was last revised to reflect the current transit service delivery environment and conditions that both the Municipal Operators and the MTA must operate. While I have supported the MOSIP, I have always been concerned that it is merely a short-term "band aid" on the long festering problems associated with the FAP.

**I, Therefore, Move** to amend the Motion and recommend approving the two year extension to the Municipal Operator Service Improvement Program (MOSIP), predicated on the following instructions to the MTA Management and the Municipal Operators:

1. Both parties shall enter into and complete negotiations to revise the Formula Allocation Procedure (FAP) with the goal of updating the formula allocations to reflect the current operating transit service delivery environment and include provisions addressing the goals of the countywide Universal Fare System, the subsequent implementation of smart card technology for the MTA and Municipal Operators, and the implementation of the Metro Connections Program.
2. The parties shall have twelve months, commencing in February, 2006 to enter into, complete the negotiations, and bring back to the MTA Board of Directors in February 2007a revised FAP for an FY 2008 implementation.
3. Commencing in June, 2006, MTA management and the Municipal Operators shall jointly furnish the MTA Board with quarterly reports on the progress of the negotiations.
4. All issues pertaining to a further extension of the Mosip and other ancillary transit funding programs shall be incorporated into the completed revised 2008 FAP.

