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**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE**  
**July 15, 2009**

**SUBJECT: FY 2008 FEDERAL HOMELAND SECURITY FUNDING FOR TRANSIT**

**ACTION: APPROVE PROGRAMMING OF TRANSIT SECURITY FUNDS, ADOPT GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION, AND AMEND THE FY10 BUDGET**

**RECOMMENDATION**

- A. Approve programming of up to \$6.7 million that is available to us from fiscal year (FY) 2008 U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) – Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) funds for our eligible transit projects as shown on Attachment A.
- B. Adopt the required FY 2008 resolution, as shown in Attachment B, authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance that the DHS, may provide.
- C. Amend the FY10 budget to add \$6.7 million in revenues and expenditures to start implementing the recommended projects shown in Attachment A.

**ISSUE**

The DHS announces annually the allocation of TSGP funds for the Greater Los Angeles Regional Transit Security Working Group (RTSWG) stakeholders to use on eligible transit security capital projects. For FY 2008, up to \$6.7 million in TSGP funds were made available to our projects. To receive these funds, we must program the \$6.7 million and adopt a resolution authorizing the execution of related grant documents.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Approving our recommendation for programming up to \$6.7 million in available federal transit security funds will help implement priorities identified in our Regional Transit Security Strategy Plan.

## **OPTIONS**

The Board of Directors may choose not to program the funds or approve the related actions that we have recommended. We do not recommend this option because without Board approval we will be unable to access up to \$6.7 million in available federal transit security funds that we can use for those needed projects shown in Attachment A.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Funding for the administration of this program is included in the FY10 budget in cost center 4440 (Regional Program Management) in project 405510 (Planning & Programming – Admin). Approving the programming and related actions as recommended will allow us to include the available federal funding in our appropriate fiscal year budgets to complete our transit security projects shown in Attachment A. As this is a multi-year project it will be the responsibility of the cost center manager and the Chief Planning Officer for budgeting expenditures in future years.

### **Impact to Bus and Rail Operating and Capital Budget**

The funding recommended for projects shown in Attachment A are federal DHS funds. These funds will be used for eligible bus and/or rail expenditures as shown. The recommendation will not impact any future operation costs other than that shown in Attachment A.

## **BACKGROUND**

TSGP funding made available through the DHS may be used for protecting the critical infrastructure within our system from terrorism, especially explosives and non-conventional threats that would cause major loss of life and severe disruption within the greater Los Angeles transit region. Since 2004, we have received an estimated \$24.5 million in federal transit security funds that we have used to harden security within our subway, enhance surveillance at all bus facilities, operate random and unpredicted patrols throughout the transit system, and develop and provide training for the majority of the transit staff in terrorist awareness. We are recommending that the \$6.7 million available from FY 2008 TSGP funding to be programmed for projects shown in Attachment A. These FY 2008 TSGP funds must be encumbered and expended by February 28, 2011.

### **Regional Transit Security Strategy Plan (RTSS)**

The six projects shown in Attachment A were selected to help address priorities identified in the RTSS. Beginning with the FY 2005 TSGP, the DHS has required that a RTSS be developed by the transit agency stakeholders within the RTSWG before receiving further DHS funds. The RTSS incorporates the Security and Emergency Preparedness Plan of each transit agency within the region into a strategic document that integrates the overall security goals and objectives for the transit region and supports the state and urban area homeland security strategies. The RTSS serves as

the basis on which funding and resources are made available to the region. All six projects in Attachment A are eligible for the DHS funding and will be able to encumber and expend the recommended program funding by February 28, 2011.

### **NEXT STEPS**

With Board approval of our recommended programming and related actions, we will submit the necessary grant-related documents to the appropriate federal awarding agencies and secure the up to \$6.7 million in transit security funds available. We also will work to ensure timely implementation of the projects and monitoring of grant compliance activities.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

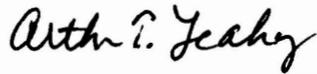
- A. FY 2008 DHS Transit Security Grant Program Project List
- B. FY 2008 Governing Body Resolution

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## Attachment A

LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

### Fiscal Year 2008 Department of Homeland Security - Transit Security Grant Program

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Project	Total	Allocation Over Performance Period *		
		FY 10	FY 11	FY 12
Automated License Plate Recognition Network (ALPRN)	\$ 1,667	\$ 833	\$667	\$167
Terrorism Training for Response to Subway Land-markings & Evacuation	\$ 1,200	\$ 600	\$360	\$240
Metro Rail Emergency Response Hi-Rail Unit Training	\$ 1,600	\$ 800	\$480	\$320
Deviation Assessment & Response Training (DART) Implementation	\$ 722	\$ 361	\$217	\$144
Special Operations Threat Interdiction Team (Operational Package)	\$ 754	\$ 377	\$226	\$151
Central Remote Monitoring System of Existing Bus Division CCTV Systems at the Headquarter USG Building	\$ 731	\$365	\$220	\$146
<b>Total Programming Request</b>	<b>\$ 6,674</b>	<b>\$ 3,336</b>	<b>\$ 2,170</b>	<b>\$ 1,168</b>

\* NOTE - Annual programmed amounts for projects are estimated and may be revised depending upon individual project needs and State funding availability, without changing total programmed amounts for projects.

## **Attachment B**

### Governing Body Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (LACMTA) that the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the LACMTA, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security under the fiscal year 2008 Transit Security Grant Program for the projects approved in Board Report dated July 15, 2009.

Passed and approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2009

### ***Certification***

I, Michele Jackson, duly appointed and Board Secretary of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed and approved by the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2009.

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MICHELE JACKSON  
Board Secretary

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