

RESOLUTION No. 35755

Support and endorse the Regional Job Access Transportation Plan grant proposal submitted by Tri-Met to the Federal Transit Administration. (Resolution)

WHEREAS, nearly 15,000 people in the Portland region receive assistance from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program, about 70 percent of those people reside within the city of Portland, with the highest concentrations in North and Northeast Portland as well as outer-Southeast Portland, and

WHEREAS, three of the biggest challenges in moving people out of poverty continue to be acquiring job skills and training, finding affordable childcare, and transportation that meets their needs, and

WHEREAS, the US Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration has announced the first round of competitive grants under the Job Access and Reverse Commute grant program authorized under the Transportation Equity Act of the 21st Century (TEA-21), and

WHEREAS, Tri-Met brought together a working group of private and public social service agencies and job development programs, alternative transportation groups, and city staff to develop a comprehensive proposal addressing the transportation needs of welfare-to-work and low-income worker's in the region, and

WHEREAS, the goal of the \$1 million grant proposal, entitled "Regional Job Access Transportation Plan," is to significantly improve access for the welfare and low-income population to jobs in the Portland metro area through a series of projects that connect employee with employer through a group of support services and transportation options, and

WHEREAS, the approach of the Regional Job Access Transportation Plan is to maximize existing resources through the provision of an extensive regional information program, designate multi-modal transportation centers, and focus on employers who retain as well as recruit the welfare and low-income populations, and

WHEREAS, the grant requires a 50% match consisting of FY 99/00 City-wide appropriation dedicated toward transportation in low-income neighborhoods and targeted employment areas. This does not obligate the City for separate match funds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Portland, Oregon, endorses the Tri-Met Job Access Transportation Plan grant application due December 31, 1998, and urges the full funding of the project by the Federal Transit Authority, and directs City staff to identify FY 99/00 budgeted items which would qualify as matching funds.

BARBARA CLARK
Auditor of the City of Portland

By

Britta Olson

Deputy

Adopted by the Council

Commissioner Charlie Hales
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City Engineer		Sten	Sten	✓	
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