

POTOMAC AND RAPPAHANNOCK  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

RESOLUTION

MOTION: \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. 10-06-\_\_\_\_  
OFFICIAL COMMISSION MEETING  
JUNE 3, 2010

SECOND: \_\_\_\_\_

RE: AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS WITH THE TPB IN  
CONNECTION WITH U.S. DOT'S TIGER GRANT PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) invited discretionary grant applications for its Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant program funded through the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA); and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Planning Board (TPB) submitted an application on behalf of the region, including several PRTC proposed projects (the PRTC projects totaled \$10 million) with the Commission's endorsement; and

**WHEREAS**, USDOT has informed the TPB that its application has been partially awarded, including all the projects PRTC proposed; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB will serve as the grant recipient, with PRTC serving as a sub-recipient for the funds slated for PRTC's use; and

**WHEREAS**, receipt of the awarded funds requires the execution of an agreement ("the subject agreement") between the TPB and PRTC delineating the roles and responsibilities of each party; and

**WHEREAS**, drafting of the subject agreement has not been completed as yet.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission does hereby authorize the Executive Director to execute the subject agreement and take any other steps as necessary to receive the awarded grant funding, subject to PRTC Legal counsel's review of the subject agreement and affirmation that it is acceptable as to form.

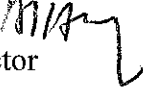


Potomac and Rappahannock  
Transportation Commission

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June 3, 2010

TO: Chairman May and Commissioners

FROM: Alfred H. Harf   
Executive Director

RE: Authorization to Execute Agreements with the Transportation Planning Board to Receive TIGER Grant funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation

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Recommendation:

Authorize the Executive Director to execute all grant-related agreements to obtain the U.S. Department of Transportation's (USDOT's) TIGER grant award for \$10 million through the Transportation Planning Board (TPB). PRTC intends to use this grant funding to purchase thirteen (13) 40-foot clean-diesel buses, a CAD/AVL system, and security cameras to outfit fifteen (15) buses.

Background:

On May 18, 2009, the USDOT announced the availability of \$1.5 billion of discretionary funding (dubbed the "Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery" or "TIGER" program), an element of the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA). The Notice invited public entities to submit projects that promised a significant impact on the nation, a metropolitan area, or a region.

With the Commission's assent, PRTC became a part of a region-wide TIGER application submitted by the TPB, which all told sought \$266+ million for multiple projects throughout the region (\$10 million of which was for PRTC's projects<sup>1</sup>). At the Commission's September 2009 meeting, the TPB's regional application was endorsed, and on February 17, 2010, TPB was informed by USDOT that the grant application was partially approved, including 100% of the funding PRTC sought as part of the application. The TPB will be the grant recipient, and the agencies whose individual projects are slated for award (referred to as the "project owners") will be sub-recipients.

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<sup>1</sup> The TIGER funding sought and awarded for PRTC is for the purchase of thirteen (13) – 40 foot clean-diesel buses to replace vehicles that have met their useful life, a CAD/AVL system for the entire bus fleet, and security cameras to outfit 15 buses serving "Metro Direct" routes (operating between Prince William County and Metrorail).

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Procedurally, the TPB will be the signatory on the grant agreement with USDOT, and will enter into sub-recipient agreements with each of the "project owners". As the grant recipient, it will be the TPB's responsibility to monitor and report on the progress of the individual projects and to review and process reimbursement requests by the sub-recipients. To these ends, the TPB has been authorized to retain a small percentage of the grant funds for each project to defray its administrative costs (i.e., as much as 5.5% depending on the complexity of the project). The roles and responsibilities of the TPB and the sub-recipient will be delineated in the sub-recipient agreement (which is still under development), and the authorization that PRTC management is seeking here is to execute the sub-recipient agreement and attend to any other TIGER grant-related requirements as necessary to receive the grant funding. Because the sub-recipient agreement is still under development, the requested authorization is subject to PRTC Legal Counsel's prior review and affirmation that it is acceptable as to form.

Fiscal Impact:

None.