



Date: August 22, 2023

Honorable Mayor and Council Members

Alfred Knotts, Transportation Program Manager and Danielle LaPointe, Administrative Technician

Title: Authorization to Execute Master Agreement and Program Supplements Related to State-Funded Transit Projects

Jen Callaway, Town Manager

Recommended Action: Staff recommends Town Council Approve Resolution 2023-53 authorizing the Town Manager, or designee, to execute the Master Agreement and Program Supplements between the Town and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

Discussion: The Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) is one of several programs established by the California Legislature in 2014 by Senate Bill 862 and was modified in 2015 by Senate Bill 9. The TIRCP was created to provide grants from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) to fund transformative capital improvements that will modernize California's intercity, commuter, and urban rail systems, and bus and ferry transit systems, to significantly reduce emissions of greenhouse gases, vehicle miles traveled, and congestion. Assembly Bill (AB) 180 amended the Budget Act of 2021 to appropriate \$3,630,000,000 of California General Fund to the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program. The 2023 TIRCP grant cycle of programming will utilize California General Funds established by AB 180.

In January 2023, staff submitted a grant application in the amount of four million, four hundred and thirty-seven thousand dollars (\$4,437,000) in TIRCP funding for the following projects and scope:

- Purchase of four (4) electric passenger vans to expand the transit fleet and begin transition to zero-emissions
- Purchase of app-based on-demand transit technology to allow Town and its contractors to schedule, dispatch and manage on-demand transit service in FY 23/24
- Funding for public charging infrastructure and construction of a new Transit Center at the Railyard Mobility Hub
- Purchase of two (2) electric passenger transit vans to replace existing diesel transit cutaway buses in FY 24/25
- Purchase of three (3) electric passenger transit vans to expand transit fleet and bring zero-emissions to 64% of transit fleet in FY 25/26

This grant application was reviewed and subsequently awarded by the California State Transportation Agency in April 2023. More information on the awarded projects can be found at <https://calsta.ca.gov/-/media/calsta-media/documents/2023-tircp-new-project-detailed-award-summary-4-24-23-a11y.pdf>.

This approval also authorized Caltrans to proceed with the distribution of these funds necessitating the execution of the necessary Master Agreement between the Town and Caltrans which this action supports.

Priority:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Enhanced Communication	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Climate and Greenhouse Gas Reduction	<input type="checkbox"/>	Housing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Infrastructure Investment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency and Wildfire Preparedness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Core Service

Fiscal Impact:

TIRCP funding will be used to purchase four (4) initial vehicles in FY 23/24 followed by two or more in FY 24/25, depending on the amount of funds remaining in the TIRCP allocation. There is no match requirement for the TIRCP grant so there is no additional fiscal impact to the Town for the vehicle purchases.

Phase 2A and Phase 2B of the Railyard Mobility Hub (C2406) is partially funded by this TIRCP award, and staff will continue to pursue multiple funding sources for a total of approximately \$5 million to fully fund construction, as outlined in the approved 5-Year Capital Improvement Project Budget.

Public Communication: In addition to the posting of the Council Agenda and this staff report, the following public communications have occurred:

Town Council authorized Town Manager to submit TIRCP application at the January 24, 2023, Council Meeting.

Press Release distributed on May 18, 2023, informing the public of the \$4.4 million grant awarded to Town of Truckee.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Resolution 2023-53