

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: May 19, 2008

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (METRO) FOR RECEIPT OF GRANT FUNDS UNDER SECTION 5317 NEW FREEDOM PROGRAM TO PURCHASE ONE DIAL-A-RIDE VEHICLE

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) to receive \$46,400 in grant funds under the Section 5317 New Freedom program.

BACKGROUND

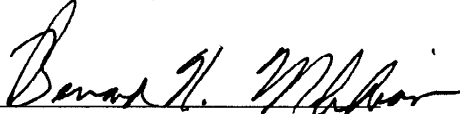
Since 1984, the Department of Transportation has managed the City's Dial-A-Ride (DAR) program, which provides curb-to-curb service for Pasadena residents over 60 years of age and those with disabilities. The program operates seven days a week, an average of 70 vehicles hours a day, and currently provides over 5,000 passengers trips per month. To meet this demand, there are currently ten vans in use on weekdays; however, with the increasing number of individuals requesting service vehicle capacity has been an issue.

In February 2007, the Department of Transportation submitted a Section 5317 program grant application through Metro to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for purchase of an additional DAR vehicle to expand services for individuals with disabilities. The City was awarded the grant and now must enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Metro to administer the grant.

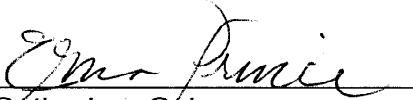
FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated cost of a new DAR van is \$58,000; the grant will pay for \$46,400 (80 percent of the cost) and the City will be required to match the project with \$11,600 (20 percent of the cost). On April 14, 2008, the Department of Public Works received City Council approval of a journal voucher to amend CIP Project 75700, Replacement of Five Dial-A-Ride Vans, to include \$11,600 in Traffic Reduction and Transportation Improvement Fee funds for this project.

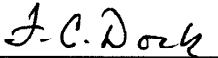
Respectfully submitted,


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