

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Programming and Allocations Committee**

December 9, 2009

Item Number 2i

Resolution No. 3847, Revised

- Subject:** Revision to Resolution 3847, New Freedom First Cycle Program of Projects for Large Urbanized Areas
- Background:** The Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) New Freedom Program addresses the transportation needs of disabled persons through the provision of new services and facility improvements that go beyond the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA). The Program provides grants for operating and capital costs.
- In February 2008, the Commission adopted Resolution 3847, which approved the FY 2005-06 New Freedom Program of Projects. In Resolution 3847, the City of Berkeley was awarded \$669,405 in New Freedom Funds for the Ed Roberts Campus (ERC)/Ashby BART Station Enhancements project. The City of Berkeley, BART, and the ERC have determined that it is in the best interests of the project to designate BART as the recipient of all federal transportation funds for the project, thereby making it possible to transfer those grants to FTA oversight. Accordingly, MTC staff recommends this change in designation to BART for the \$669,405 in New Freedom funds for the ERC project. FTA has approved this change. Staff concurs with this request.
- Issues:** None.
- Recommendation:** Refer Resolution No. 3847, Revised to the Commission for approval.
- Attachments:** MTC Resolution No. 3847, Revised
Letters from City of Berkeley and BART

Date: February 27, 2008
W.I.: 1512
Referred by: PAC
Revised: 06/24/09-C
10/28/09-C
12/16/09-C

ABSTRACT
Resolution No. 3847, Revised

This resolution adopts the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) New Freedom (Section 5317) Program of Projects for the large urbanized areas of the San Francisco Bay Area.

The following attachment is provided with resolution:

Attachment A FY 2005-06 New Freedom Program of Projects for
Large Urbanized Areas

This resolution was revised on June 24, 2009 to amend Attachment A to reduce the local match amount for the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency project, and to modify the total project cost and project description accordingly.

This resolution was revised on October 28, 2009 to amend Attachment A to remove the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency project, and to increase the amount of New Freedom funding for the SamTrans project by \$200,000.

This resolution was revised on December 16, 2009 to amend Attachment A to make BART the subrecipient of funds for the Ed Roberts Campus project rather than the City of Berkeley.

Further discussion of this action is contained in the MTC Executive Director's Memorandum to the Programming and Allocations Committee dated February 13, 2008, and the Programming and Allocations Committee Summary sheets dated February 13, 2008, June 10, 2009, October 14, 2009 and December 9, 2009.

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Attachment A
MTC Resolution No. 3847
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NEW FREEDOM PROGRAM - FY 2005-06 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR LARGE URBANIZED AREAS

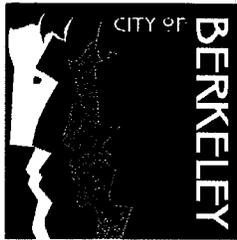
No.	Subrecipient	Project		Total Project Cost	Federal New Freedom Recommended Share
		Name	Description		
1	AC Transit	Paratransit Inventory	Conduct a detailed inventory of all available transit resources, including funding, equipment, and personnel, in Alameda and Western Contra Costa County to determine how best to structure a coordinated system. Also investigate institutional settings and financial implications of establishing a mobility manager.	\$180,000	\$144,000
2	Benicia, City of	Taxi Scrip Program Extension	Expand the Benicia Breeze Taxi Scrip Program to destinations in Concord, Martinez, Pleasant Hill, and Walnut Creek to provide access to social service, medical centers, shopping, recreation and other quality of life destinations in Central Contra Costa County for seniors, persons with disabilities, and Medicare card holders.	\$30,000	\$15,000
3	BART (c)	Ed Roberts Campus/Ashby BART Station Enhancements	Support construction of a universally designed helical ramp, oversized accessible elevators, and an accessible elevator lobby for people who will visit the Ed Roberts Campus.	\$1,106,568	\$669,405
4	Central Contra Costa Transit Authority	Community Connection Program Expansion	Provide a \$5,000 per van annual subsidy for maintenance of up to 25 retired paratransit vans for use by community-based organizations to provide transportation services to seniors and people with disabilities, with at least 50 trips per month to ADA-eligible individuals.	\$125,000	\$62,500
5	Central Contra Costa Transit Authority	Comprehensive Mobility Options Inventory	Conduct a comprehensive inventory of all available mobility options for seniors and persons with disabilities to serve as a building block for later developing a mobility management function for majority of Contra Costa County and the Tri-Valley.	\$43,750	\$35,000
6	Contra Costa County Employment & Human Services Dept	Contra Costa Volunteer Driver Program Expansion	Expand existing volunteer driver programs for disabled, homebound seniors to areas in Contra Costa County that are low-income and/or have high populations of ethnic groups who do not speak English as their primary language.	\$153,114	\$45,000

**NEW FREEDOM PROGRAM - FY 2005-06 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR LARGE URBANIZED AREAS
(continued)**

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7	San Mateo County Transit District (a)	Peninsula Ride Connection	Provide mobility management services to seniors and people with disabilities in San Mateo County. Cycle 1 tasks: assess feasibility of countywide phone information and assistance service; coordinate corps of volunteer mobility ambassadors; update the Senior Mobility Guide; coordinate and administer shared van program; promote mobility in city planning processes; and develop business plan. Cycle 3 tasks: continue and expand the Mobility Ambassador Program; implement a Vehicle Sharing Demonstration Program; update, reprint, and distribute the Senior Mobility Guide; assess how to coordinate an information and referral network of call centers; market and promote the development of volunteer ride programs.	\$501,139	\$347,200
8	San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (b)	NextMuni Audible Arrival Time/Push-to-Talk (PTT)	Evaluate results of the pilot PTT installations, which translate bus arrival information and other messages to speech at bus shelters; and purchase and install PTT at an additional 50 locations.	\$250,000	\$0
9	Santa Clara Valley Transportation Agency	Mobility Options Travel Training Program	Provide travel training and fixed-route transit support information to persons with disabilities and seniors over a three-year period. Includes on-site and mobile presentations; specialized training for individuals with visual, cognitive, and developmental disabilities; group travel instruction; one-on-one travel instruction; and peer mode travel instruction.	\$454,254	\$227,127
Total					\$1,545,232

Notes:

- (a) San Mateo County Transit District's New Freedom share was increased from \$147,200 to \$347,200 and total project cost was increased from \$184,200 to \$501,139 on 10/28/09. See Resolution No. 3930 for additional information.
- (b) San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency's NextMuni Audible Arrival Time/Push-to-Talk (PTT) New Freedom amount was changed to zero on 10/28/09 at the request of SFMTA. The project was funded with other local funds.
- (c) The subrecipient of funds for the Ed Roberts Campus project was changed from the City of Berkeley to BART on 12/16/09.



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July 20, 2009

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**Subject: Ed Roberts Campus
Request to make BART the subrecipient of New Freedom Cycle I grant funds**

Dear Ms. Mazur,

The City of Berkeley has actively supported the development of the Ed Roberts Campus (ERC) project and has successfully competed for several transit-related grants on the project's behalf, including a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) New Freedom Cycle I grant.

In the FTA New Freedom Cycle I grant (#CA-57-X023-00), MTC is the grantee and the City of Berkeley is the subrecipient of \$669,405 in New Freedom funds for the construction of a universally designed helical ramp, oversized accessible elevators, and an accessible elevator lobby at the ERC.

BART and the City have worked closely with the ERC team to help ensure that transportation grants are appropriately administered. Based on discussions between the City, ERC, and BART, it was determined to be in the best interests of the project to make BART the recipient of all federal transportation funds for the project, thereby making it possible to transfer those grants to FTA oversight, while the City is serving as the recipient of all state and regional funds.

Accordingly, the City of Berkeley hereby requests that MTC amend the New Freedom Cycle I Grant (#CA-57-X023-00) to make BART the subrecipient of the funds for the ERC project rather than the City of Berkeley.

Thank you for your assistance. Should you have any questions, please contact Matt Nichols at (510) 981-7068.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Phil Kamlarz".

Phil Kamlarz
City Manager

cc: Matt Nichols, City of Berkeley
Caleb Dardick, CDA Strategies
Michael Tanner, BART



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Thank you for your assistance. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (510) 464-6433.

Sincerely,

Michael Tanner
Manager, Capital Development and Grants

cc: Caleb Dardick, CDA Strategies
Matt Nichols, City of Berkeley