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ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4763

This resolution establishes the FY2026-27 program for the MTC State Transit Assistance (STA) Regional Coordination Program funds.

The resolution includes the following attachments:

- Attachment A, STA Regional Coordination Program Summary for FY2026-27
- Attachment B, STA Regional Coordination Program: Project Descriptions for FY2026-27

Further discussion is contained in the MTC Programming and Allocations Committee Summary Sheet dated May 13, 2026.

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RE: FY2026-27 MTC Regional Coordination Program for State Transit Assistance (STA) Funds

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
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WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the State Transit Assistance (STA) fund is created pursuant to Public Utilities Code § 99310 et seq., and

WHEREAS, Public Utilities Code § 99313 provides for the allocation by the Controller of State Transit Assistance (STA) funds to MTC based on the ratio of the population of the area under MTC's jurisdiction to the total population of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Public Utilities Code § 99316(a) MTC has created the State Transit Assistance fund with Alameda County for deposit of STA funds received from the State Controller; and

WHEREAS, Public Utilities Code § 99313.6(d) provides that MTC is an eligible claimant for such population-based STA funds for projects to achieve regional transit coordination objectives; and

WHEREAS, MTC has adopted a Transit Coordination Implementation Plan pursuant to Government Code Section 66516.5 which identifies a number of projects to be implemented by MTC and the region's transit agencies to improve coordination of services; and

WHEREAS, the projects listed in Attachment A to this resolution, attached hereto, and incorporated herein as though set forth at length, are consistent with the STA Population-Based Consolidated policy established in MTC Resolution No. 4321; and

WHEREAS, MTC has provided information about the programming of STA funds for projects in FY2026-27 as shown in Attachment B to this resolution, attached hereto, and incorporated herein as though set forth at length; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of the projects and purposes listed in Attachment B comply with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code § 21000 et seq., and the State EIR Guidelines (14 Cal. Code of Regs. § 15000 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, MTC has complied with the applicable rules and regulations for an allocation of STA funds under 21 Cal. Code of Regs. § 6730 et seq.; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that STA funds are programmed by MTC in the amounts and for the purposes that are specified in Attachment A and described in Attachment B to this resolution, attached hereto and made a part of this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is authorized to make programming changes to Attachment A, up to $300,000 for each project, in consultation with the affected sponsor.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Sue Noack, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a duly called and noticed meeting held in San Francisco, California and at other remote locations on May 27, 2026.

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STA Regional Coordination Program Summary for FY2026-27

Table 1. Summary of Revenue and Programming

Estimated New Revenue for FY2026-27[1]	$20,878,705
Carryover Balance[2]	$40,812,253
Carryover Commitments	($680,000)
New Programming	($14,490,000)
Estimated Balance	$46,070,958

Table 2. Programming by Project

Project Name	Claimant	Prior Years' Carryover	FY2026-27 New Programming	FY2026-27 Total Programming
Clipper	MTC	$ -	$ 8,000,000	$ 8,000,000
Transit Transformation Action Plan and Regional Network Management	MTC	$ 240,000	$ 1,545,000	$ 1,785,000
Clipper BayPass	MTC	$ -	$ 4,000,000	$ 4,000,000
Transit Funding Staff Support[3]	MTC	See note 3	$ 370,000	$ 370,000
Transit Hub Signage	AC Transit	$ -	$ 329,000	$ 329,000
Transit Hub Signage	MTC	$ -	$ 21,000	$ 21,000
511 Transit	MTC	$ 100,000	$ 100,000	$ 200,000
Regional Eligibility Database	CCCTA	$ -	$ 75,000	$ 75,000
TDA/STA Portal	MTC	$ 340,000	$ -	$ 340,000
Transit Projects Contingency	MTC	$ -	$ 500,000	$ 500,000
Total		**$ 680,000**	**$ 14,940,000**	**$ 15,620,000**

1. This amount is based on the February 2026 Fund Estimate.
2. Carryover amount is based on the February 2026 Fund Estimate and adjusted for allocations made after Fund Estimate approval and FY2025-26 programming that has not yet been allocated.
3. $11.5 million in STA Regional Funds were programmed in FY2022-23. These funds are held in a dedicated account and will be allocated as needed to support MTC's TDA/STA staffing needs. Amounts included in Table 2 reflect use of current year's STA funds.

STA Regional Coordination Program for FY2026-27: Project Descriptions

The State Transit Assistance (STA) Regional Coordination Program funds have historically supported MTC's regional operations projects as well as other planning and operational efforts to improve coordination of, and access to, transit services in the Bay Area. The proposed FY2026-27 STA Regional Coordination Program is approximately $15.6 million.

Programmed funds must be encumbered in FY2026-27 fiscal year. Funds not encumbered by the end of the fiscal year will not be available for the project. If a project team is unable to encumber funds, they should coordinate with the regional program administrator and request to have unencumbered funds included in next fiscal year's program.

Clipper

Programmed to MTC: $ 8,000,000

The Clipper program in the San Francisco Bay Area is a regional transit fare payment system that enables transit riders to utilize a reloadable smart card or other fare media in order to pay fares across multiple transit systems. Oversight of this program falls under the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), which currently holds contracts with Cubic Transportation Systems, Inc. for the operation and maintenance of the Clipper system and the development and early operational costs of the next-generation Clipper system (Clipper 2.0), an account-based customer- forward solution that offers enhanced features such as a real-time communication, mobile app for account management and ticketing with mobile wallet integration, expanded fare options and fare products like ride or fare-capping, and acceptance of open payment credit and debit cards.

Transit Transformation Action Plan and Regional Network Management

Programmed to MTC: $ 1,545,000 plus $240,000 in carryover funds

Staff proposes to supplement investment in the Transit Transformation Action Plan by programming funds to support program implementation of the Regional Network Management program in FY2026-27 including RNM staffing. Implementation of the Transit Transformation Action Plan will primarily

focus on four initiatives – Fare Coordination, Regional Wayfinding, Transit Priority, and Accessibility Improvements. Fund will also be used to support the ongoing development of MTC's regional fare programs, including Clipper START, Clipper BayPass, and free and discounted transfers.

Clipper BayPass

Programmed to MTC: $ 4,000,000

The Clipper BayPass pilot program provides a group of users with unlimited access to all bus, rail and ferry services in the nine-county Bay Area, with the goal of measuring how an all-system pass could impact travel in the region. STA funding will only be used if revenue generated by the sales of Clipper BayPass are insufficient to fully reimburse participating transit agencies for fares lost due to participation in the program.

Transit Funding Staffing Support

Programmed to MTC: $ 370,000

STA funding will support staff costs accrued by MTC in order to administer TDA and STA funds during FY2026-27, including salary, benefits, and related overhead.

Transit Hub Signage

Programmed to AC Transit: $ 329,000

Programmed to MTC: $ 21,000

MTC is committed to maintaining the information in transit information displays (TIDs) at 24 regional transit hubs and 80 other hubs of regional significance. MTC has an agreement with AC Transit compensating the agency for updating the information for these displays on behalf of the region, which is planned for renewal for FY2025-2026 through FY2027-28. The agreement with AC Transit documents the scope of work in exchange for the direct allocation of STA funds and identifies the anticipated amounts of STA funds that will be made available to AC Transit, subject to Commission programming and allocation actions. MTC will use STA funds for ongoing operations, maintenance of other hub signage, and transit connectivity projects.

511 Transit

Programmed to MTC: $ 100,000 plus $ 100,000 in carryover funds

STA funds will be used to supplement the funds for the 511 Transit program. 511 Transit collects, maintains, updates, and distributes region-wide transit service information for the benefit of the traveling public and MTC's transit partners. In particular, funds in FY2026-27 will

support the development and implementation of a regionwide paratransit booking software to streamline the user experience for paratransit customers and reduce operator overhead.

Regional Eligibility Database

Programmed to CCCTA: $ 75,000

STA funds will support the continued administration of the Regional Eligibility Database by CCCTA. The Regional Eligibility Database is used by the region's transit agencies and contains paratransit rider eligibility information.

TDA/STA Portal

Programmed to MTC: $ 340,000 in carryover funds

MTC administers over $800 million in funds each year through the Transportation Development Act (TDA) and STA programs in addition to other funding programs. These funds will support modernization of the funding and data collection processes, and may include a grants management portal and database. The goal of this effort is to realize efficiencies in the TDA and STA administration processes, and to increase data accessibility and transparency for all stakeholders.

Transit Project Contingency

Programmed to MTC: $ 500,000

These funds would be used in the event of unforeseen project needs or operating shortfalls with respect to MTC's regional transit projects such as Clipper®, 511 Transit, Regional Transit Mapping, and transit planning. These funds would also allow MTC to respond to unexpected regional or sub-regional transit planning needs or requests as they arise. Unspent contingency funds will be returned to the STA Program.