

SOUND TRANSIT

RESOLUTION NO. R2003-20

A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority relating to the \$500 million full funding grant agreement.

WHEREAS, the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority, hereinafter referred to as Sound Transit, has submitted a grant application to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) seeking a full funding grant agreement to provide Sound Transit with a \$500 million grant to fund a portion of the capital construction cost of the Initial Segment of the Central Link Light Rail Transit Project; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the grant application, Sound Transit submitted a letter to the FTA providing certain additional information based on Sound Transit's 2003 financial plan regarding a "worst-case" financial scenario, as defined by the FTA, in which the agency's motor-vehicle tax rate is reduced to 0.1%. The financial plan will be updated annually to incorporate new or changed financial information based on economic forecasts and agency financial policies. The letter is attached as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the grant application, the Sound Transit Board hereby confirms its agreement (1) to abide by the statements and commitments contained in the attached October 2, 2003, letter to the FTA regarding the agency's ability to construct and operate the transit projects and services identified in Sound Move, (2) to adhere to the subarea equity protections and procedures identified in the letter and established in the Sound Move transit plan to address funding shortfalls, and (3) to accept a maximum of \$500 million in federal grants from the FTA to fund a portion of the capital construction cost of the Initial Segment of the Central Link Light Rail Transit Project. Except for the \$500 million awarded in the full funding grant agreement, Sound Transit shall not seek or accept additional federal grants from

the FTA to fund the capital construction cost of the Initial Segment of the Central Link Light Rail Transit Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority as follows:

1. The Board hereby confirms its agreement to abide by the statements and commitments set forth in the October 2, 2003, letter, attached hereto as Exhibit A, relating to the potential loss motor-vehicle excise tax revenue, including the commitment to adhere to the subarea equity protections and procedures established in the Sound Move transit plan to address funding shortfalls. The financial plan upon which the financial data in the letter is based will be updated annually to incorporate new or changed financial information based on economic forecasts and agency financial policies.

2. Sound Transit will accept a maximum of \$500 million in federal grants from the FTA to fund a portion of the capital construction cost of the Initial Segment of the Central Link Light Rail Transit Project. Except for the \$500 million grant awarded under the full funding grant agreement, Sound Transit will neither seek nor accept additional federal grant funds from the FTA to fund the capital construction cost of the Initial Segment of the Central Link Light Rail Transit Project.

ADOPTED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on October 23, 2003.



Ron Sims
Board Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator