



**ORDINANCE 09-01**

**AMENDING THE MEASURE J TRANSPORTATION  
EXPENDITURE PLAN  
BY REVISING AND CLARIFYING HOW REGIONAL  
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COMMITTEES MAY DEVELOP  
GUIDELINES AND ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR THE ADDITIONAL BUS  
SERVICE ENHANCEMENTS AND ADDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION  
SERVICES FOR SENIORS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES  
PROGRAMS**

*AN ORDINANCE amending the Measure J Transportation Expenditure Plan by revising and clarifying how Regional Transportation Planning Committees (RTPCs) may develop guidelines and allocate funds for the Additional Bus Service Enhancement Program (Subregional Program 19) and the Additional Transportation Services for Seniors and People with Disabilities Program (Subregional Program 20).*

**WHEREAS**, the Measure J Transportation Expenditure Plan includes a Subregional Projects and Programs category in order to allow RTPCs representing each subregion to propose projects and programs critical to addressing local transportation needs; and

**WHEREAS**, with respect to the Subregional Programs 19 and 20, the Measure J Transportation Expenditure Plan provides for the development of enhanced service funding-eligibility guidelines and specifies the uses for which enhanced service funding may be allocated; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority Staff has reviewed and recommended changes to Subregional Projects and Programs requirements to allow RTPCs, in cooperation with the Authority, to establish and apply subregional operator-eligibility guidelines for enhanced service funding from Subregional Programs 19 and 20, including reporting requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority Staff has reviewed and recommended changes to Subregional Projects and Programs 19 and 20 to allow RTPCs the flexibility to use enhanced service funds for existing services under certain circumstances; and

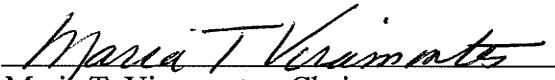
**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that the proposed amendments do not change the substance or intent of the drafters of Measure J, but clarify the circumstances under which RTPCs may allocate enhanced service funds.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

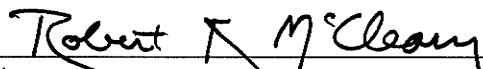
1. The Measure J Transportation Expenditure Plan is amended as follows:  
Expenditure Plan pages 17-19, "Subregional Projects and Programs," is amended to read in full as set forth in Attachment A, which Attachment is incorporated by reference and made a part of this ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

Passed and adopted by the Contra Costa Transportation Authority on 17 June, 2009, by the following vote:

Commissioners Abelson, Balico, Bonilla, Durant, Kee, Metcalf,  
AYES: Pierce, Taylor, Viramontes, and Alternate Hudson (for Arnerich)  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Glover

  
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Maria T. Viramontes, Chair

This ORDINANCE was entered into at a meeting of the Contra Costa Transportation Authority held on 17 June, 2009, in Pleasant Hill, California, and became effective forthwith.

  
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Attest  
Robert K. McCleary, Executive Director

## ATTACHMENT A

### **Proposed Measure J Expenditure Plan Amendment May 2009: Subregional Programs 19 and 20**

#### **Expenditure Plan pages 17-19, "Subregional Projects and Programs" Subregional Projects and Programs**

The objective of the Subregional Projects and Programs category is to recognize the diversity of the county by allowing each subregion to propose projects and programs critical to addressing its local transportation needs. There are four subregions within Contra Costa: Central, West, Southwest and East County, each represented by a Regional Transportation Planning Committee (RTPC). Central County (the TRANSPAC subregion) includes Clayton, Concord, Martinez, Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek and the unincorporated portions of Central County. West County (the WCCTAC subregion) includes El Cerrito, Hercules, Pinole, Richmond, San Pablo and the unincorporated portions of West County. Southwest County (the SWAT subregion) includes Danville, Lafayette, Moraga, Orinda, San Ramon and the unincorporated portions of Southwest County. East County (the TRANSPLAN subregion) includes Antioch, Brentwood, Oakley, Pittsburg and the unincorporated portions of East County.

Each subregion has identified specific projects and programs which include: school bus programs, safe routes to school activities, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, incremental transit services over the base program, incremental transportation services for seniors and people with disabilities over the base program, incremental local street and roads maintenance using the population and road-miles formula, major streets traffic flow, safety, and capacity improvements, and ferry services.

With respect to the Additional Bus Service Enhancements and Additional Transportation Services for Seniors and People with Disabilities Programs, the Authority will allocate funds on an annual basis. The relevant RTPC, in cooperation with the Authority, will establish subregional guidelines so that the additional revenues will fund additional service in Contra Costa. The guidelines may require reporting requirements and provisions such as maintenance of effort, operational deficiencies including greater coordination promoting and developing a seamless service, a specified minimum allowable farebox return on sales tax extension funded services, and reserves for capital replacement, etc. The relevant RTPC will determine if the operators meet the guidelines for allocation of the funds.

For an allocation to be made by the Authority for a subregional project and program, it must be included in the Authority's Strategic Plan.

**Expenditure Plan page 18, Central County Subregional Programs 19a and 20a**

CENTRAL COUNTY (TRANSPAC)

**19a Additional Bus Service Enhancements ..... 1.2% (\$24 million)**

Funds will be used to enhance bus service in Central County, with services to be jointly identified by TRANSPAC and County Connection.

In years when revenues have declined from the previous year, funds may be used for enhanced, existing, additional and/or modified bus service; in years when funding allows for growth in service levels, these funds would be used for bus service enhancements; and if County Connection's funding levels are restored to 2008 levels, these funds shall be used to enhance bus service. TRANSPAC will determine if the use of funds by County Connection or other operators meets these guidelines for the allocation of these funds.

**20a Additional Transportation Services for Seniors and People with Disabilities..... 0.5% (\$10 million)**

Funds will be used to supplement the services provided by the countywide transportation program for seniors and people with disabilities and may include provision of transit services to programs and activities. Funds shall be allocated annually as a percentage of total sales tax revenues, and are in addition to funds provided under the base program as described above.

In years when revenues have declined from the previous year, funds may be used for supplemental, existing, additional or modified service for seniors and people with disabilities; in years where funding allows for growth in service levels, these funds would be used for service enhancements for seniors and people with disabilities; and if funding levels are restored to 2008 levels, these funds shall be used to enhance services for seniors and people with disabilities.

TRANSPAC will determine if the use of funds proposed by operators meets these guidelines for the allocation of these funds.

**Expenditure Plan page 19, West County Subregional Programs 19b and 20b**

WEST COUNTY (WCCTAC)

**19b Additional Bus Service Enhancements ..... 2.2%  
(\$44.5 million)**

Funds will be used to enhance local bus service in West County, as determined by WCCTAC and the west county bus operators. Funds will be used to operate new service, including new bus lines, expanded service hours, improved frequency, expanded days of the week, etc. At least \$4 million of the \$44.5 million total would go to WestCAT.

In years when, as a result of economic downturn, the combined revenue and reserves provided under Bus Services (Program 14) to eligible West County operators is less than the revenue received in the prior year (after being adjusted for inflation), the additional revenue may be used to fund the shortfall, if requested by the operator. Under those circumstances, the additional funds may be used for services that would be eligible for funding under Program 14.

**20b Additional Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities ..... 0.65%  
(\$13 million)**

As determined by WCCTAC, funds will be used to supplement the services provided by the countywide transportation program for seniors and people with disabilities and may include, but are not limited to, provision of dedicated shuttles to specific programs and activities, as well as sedan/taxi service, supplemental service provided by the cities, the County or transit agencies, expanded subsidies for fares, etc. ADA and non-ADA service will qualify. Funds shall be allocated annually as a percentage of total sales tax revenues, and in addition to funds provided under the base program as described above.

In years when, as a result of economic downturn, the combined revenue and reserves provided under Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities (Program 15) to eligible West County operators is less than the revenue received in the prior year (after being adjusted for inflation), the additional revenue may be used to fund the shortfall, if requested by the operator. Under those circumstances, the additional funds may be used for services that would be eligible for funding under Program 15.