

A RESOLUTION

ACKNOWLEDGING AND APPROVING A LETTER OF COOPERATION AND SUPPORT BETWEEN U.S. REPRESENTATIVE 7TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT JOHN CULBERSON AND METRO'S CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, METRO Chairman of the Board Gilbert A. Garcia and Congressman John Culberson have signed a joint letter to announce their mutual commitment to work together to relieve traffic congestion so Houston Area citizens can spend more time with their families; and

WHEREAS, mobility has increasingly become an issue for the region; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of METRO's Board of Directors and the Congressman have identified several areas that will help improve mobility and wish to set the tone for future cooperation; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Culberson and the Chairman of METRO's Board of Directors have signed a letter dated May 13, 2015 committing to work together on common ground to find transportation solutions that will give Houstonians more time to spend with their families and on the job.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby acknowledges and approves of the letter signed by Congressman John Culberson and METRO's Chairman of the Board of Directors' Gilbert A. Garcia dated May 13, 2015.


Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary




Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

A RESOLUTION

APPOINTING RECÁ R. PERRY AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO THE METRO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, the Director of Board Support works as the primary assistant to the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Board Support is also an Assistant Board Secretary and has the authority to act in the capacity of Assistant to the Board of Directors with regard to the official attestation of official board actions and documents, keeping the official seal and maintaining the permanent records of the authority; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to appoint an additional Assistant Secretary to the Board to act on behalf of the Director of Board Support in the capacity of Assistant Secretary to the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that Recá R. Perry, Board Support Coordinator also be appointed as the Assistant Secretary to the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby appoints Recá R. Perry as Assistant Secretary to the METRO Board of Directors.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary



PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015


Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

A RESOLUTION

ASSIGNING SECTION 5310 ENHANCED MOBILITY FOR SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES GRANT FUND PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATIONS, CONDUCT ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS AND SIGN APPROPRIATE GRANT AGREEMENTS; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

WHEREAS, the project evaluation team composed of METRO, Houston-Galveston Area Council, United Way, Harris County and Fort Bend County representatives to select Section 5310 Grant projects that will be included in the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan Update and the FY2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, Section 5310 Grant monies are used for projects that enhance mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, authorization is sought for the President and CEO to submit grant applications, conduct administrative actions as required, and execute appropriate Federal Transit Administration and sub-grantee grant agreements for the Section 5310 Grant Funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President and CEO to submit grant applications, conduct administrative actions as required and execute appropriate Federal Transit Administration and sub-grantee grant agreements for the Section 5310 Grant Funds.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of May 28, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May 28, 2015

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary




Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER A CONTRACT MODIFICATION TO A.O. PHILLIPS AND ASSOCIATES FOR THE INTERNAL PROGRAM ADVISOR SERVICES; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

WHEREAS, METRO needs to continue the program advisor services for its METRO Rail Expansion project; and

WHEREAS, A.O. Phillips and Associates has provided program advisor services for METRO's Rail Expansion project; and

WHEREAS, METRO staff recommends a contract modification with A.O. Phillips and Associates for program advisor services, extending the contract term and adding funds for an amount not-to-exceed \$125,476.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President and CEO to execute and deliver a contract modification to A.O. Phillips and Associates for the internal program advisor services, extending the contract term and adding funds for an amount not-to-exceed \$125,476.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary


Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO ENTER INTO A MULTIPLE USE AGREEMENT AND A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) TO CONSTRUCT ADDITIONAL PARKING AT NORTHWEST TRANSIT CENTER ON TXDOT PROPERTY; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

WHEREAS, METRO and TXDOT are partnering to construct 250 parking spaces on TXDOT right-of-way at Old Katy Road and IH-610; and

WHEREAS, the parking will accommodate growth in demand for parking at the Northwest Transit Center and future high capacity transit; and

WHEREAS, TXDOT will construct the parking using its existing contractor; and


WHEREAS, METRO staff recommends METRO enter into a reimbursement agreement for the construction of the parking lot with TXDOT for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000 and a Multiple Use Agreement for use of the parking lot.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President and CEO to enter into a Multiple Use Agreement and a Reimbursement Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation to construct additional parking at Northwest Transit Center for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary



PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015


Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST PROPOSER FOR RETAIL ELECTRICITY PROVIDER SERVICES; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

WHEREAS, METRO is in need of an electricity service provider to provide electricity to its facilities; and

WHEREAS, METRO issued a request for proposal for electricity service providers; and

WHEREAS, proposals have been evaluated and METRO is prepared to receive the best and final offers from the qualified firms within the competitive range; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the President and CEO be authorized to execute and deliver a contract with the lowest priced proposer within the competitive range for electricity provider services for an amount not-to-exceed \$26,491,835, with a 25% energy component and an option to participate in demand response services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President and CEO to execute and deliver a contract for electricity provider services to the firm with the best and final offer for an amount not-to-exceed \$26,491,835, with a 25% energy component and an option to participate in demand response services.


Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary



PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015


Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF UNALLOCATED CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDING FOR THE BURNETT TRANSIT CENTER ESCALATORS; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

WHEREAS, the Burnett Transit Center is in need of an escalator to access the Red Line Light Rail station; and

WHEREAS, design changes have made the availability of funds for access improvements to the transit center and station; and

WHEREAS, all of the costs of constructing the transit access improvements and the escalator will be covered by Federal Transit Administration funding; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the use of unallocated capital project funding for the Burnett Transit Center escalators in the amount of \$4,000,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:


Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the use of unallocated capital project funding for the Burnett Transit Center Escalators in the amount of \$4,000,000.


Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary




Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER A CONTRACT WITH NABI PARTS, LLC., FOR THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF SLACK BRAKE ADJUSTERS FOR TRANSIT VEHICLES; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

WHEREAS, METRO is in need of slack brake adjusters for its transit vehicles;
and

WHEREAS, an invitation for bids was issued for the slack brake adjusters; and

WHEREAS, NABI was found to be the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, METRO staff recommends a contract with NABI Parts, LLC for the purchase of slack brake adjusters for an amount not-to-exceed \$257,846.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:


Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President and CEO to execute and deliver a contract with NABI Parts, LLC., for the purchase and delivery of slack brake adjusters for and amount not-to-exceed \$257,846 for transit vehicles.


Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary




Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO EXECUTE TWO LOCAL PROJECT ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENTS OFFERED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) TO PROVIDE CONTINUED GRANT FUNDING FOR THE METRO STAR REGIONAL VANPOOL PROGRAM; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration Grants for the METRO Star Regional Vanpool Program are administered by TXDOT through an agreement between METRO and the TXDOT; and

WHEREAS, allocation of the grant funds for the METRO Star Regional Vanpool Program has been approved the by the Houston-Galveston Area Council's Transportation Policy Council; and

WHEREAS, the agreements are necessary to provide continued funding for the METRO Star Regional Vanpool Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

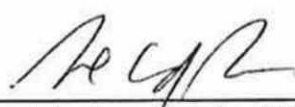
Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President and CEO to execute two Local Project Advance Funding Agreements and necessary modifications with the TXDOT for a Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Grant for \$2,000,000 and a Surface Transportation Program (STP) Grant in the amount of \$3,750,000 for the METRO Star Regional Vanpool Program.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary


Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman



RESOLUTION 2015 – 62

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER A CONTRACT WITH HAGERTY CONSULTING FOR PRE AND POST DISASTER PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

WHEREAS, METRO is in need of professional administrative and management services to prepare for natural disasters and assist after the event; and

WHEREAS, a request of proposal was issued for these services; and

WHEREAS, Hagerty Consulting provided the proposal that was most advantageous and the best overall value to METRO; and

WHEREAS, METRO staff recommends a contract with Hagerty Consulting for pre and post disaster professional administrative and management services for an amount not-to-exceed \$611,227.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President and CEO execute and deliver a contract with Hagerty Consulting for pre and post disaster professional administrative and management services for an amount not-to-exceed \$611,227.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary




Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO IMPLEMENT A PILOT PROGRAM EXTENDING THE HOURS OF OPERATION AND WEEKEND OPERATION OF THE HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE/HIGH OCCUPANCY TOLL LANES

WHEREAS, METRO closes the High Occupancy Vehicle/High Occupancy Toll Lanes (HOV/HOT Lanes) on the weekends and at 8:00 p.m. during weekdays; and

WHEREAS, METRO staff is recommending a 90-day pilot program to extend the weekday use of the HOV/HOT Lanes until 11:00 p.m. and on the weekends from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, vehicle counts on the HOV/HOT Lanes will be monitored and evaluated to determine the use of the HOV/HOT Lanes during the 90-day pilot period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors authorizes the President and CEO to implement a 90-day pilot program, extending the hours and days of operation of the HOV/HOT Lanes on weekdays to 10:00 p.m. and on the weekends from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary




Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

RESOLUTION 2015 - 64

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING FOR THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER CONTRACT MODIFICATION TO THE HEALTH CARE CONSULTING CONTRACT WITH MERCER TO COVER THE COST OF ADDITIONAL CONSULTING PROJECTS; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

WHEREAS, METRO is in need of continuation of healthcare consulting services;
and

WHEREAS, METRO has a contract with Mercer for healthcare consulting services; and

WHEREAS, METRO staff recommends a contract modification to the Mercer contract for healthcare consulting, extending the contract through January 16, 2016 and adding funds to the contract in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,404,857.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President and CEO to execute and deliver a contract modification to the health care consulting contract with MERCER to extend the contract through January 16, 2016 and adding funds to the contract for an amount not-to-exceed \$1,404,857.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of May, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2015

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary


Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman

A RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT AND CEO TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER CONTRACTS TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE HEALTHCARE BENEFITS AND ADMINISTRATION BEGINNING OCTOBER 2016 FOR METRO'S SALARIED EMPLOYEES, THEIR ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS, METRO PRE-65 RETIREES AND THEIR SPOUSES; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT

WHEREAS, METRO is in need of new healthcare providers to provide healthcare benefits and administration for its salaried employees, their eligible dependents, pre-65 retirees and their spouses; and

WHEREAS, METRO issued a request for proposal for healthcare coverage; and

WHEREAS, the firms that provided the most advantageous and best overall value to METRO were Cigna (Medical, Stop Loss, Life, Accidental Death & Dismemberment and Long Term Disability); Express Scripts (Pharmacy); UHC Vision and Wageworks for COBRA and Flexible Spending Account Administration; and

WHEREAS, METRO staff recommends contracts with Cigna (Medical, Stop Loss, Life, Accidental Death & Dismemberment and Long Term Disability); Express Scripts (Pharmacy); UHC Vision and Wageworks for COBRA and Flexible Spending Account Administration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the President and CEO to negotiate, execute and deliver contracts to Cigna (Medical, Stop Loss, Accidental Death & Dismemberment and Long Term Disability); Express Scripts (Pharmacy); UHC Vision

and Wageworks for COBRA and Flexible Spending Account Administration to provide healthcare benefits and services.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 28th day of May 28, 2015
APPROVED this 28th day of May 28, 2015

ATTEST:


Assistant Secretary





Gilbert Andrew Garcia, CFA
Chairman