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Submitted By: Fred Abadi- Public Works	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator KL
Finance Department Review: Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BER

Subject:

Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Filing of the 2015 Federal Program of Projects Grant

Details:

This item is to approve the resolution that would authorize the Transit Manager to file the Transit Commission's Federal 2015 Program of Projects Grant (5307 Grant) with the Federal Transit Administration. This grant will be used to partially fund the operations of the City and County transit systems for 2015. A total of \$948,568 has been allocated to Waukesha County and that allocation is split 50% City and County 50%. 1% of the allocation is required to be used on Associated Transit Improvements such as concrete bus stop and shelter pads, signage, etc. Typically this grant filling would occur much earlier in the year but Congress had not voted to fund the full federal fiscal year until August thus the final allocation of funds were not available until a few weeks ago.

The filing will also include receiving \$53,261 of capital federal funds that the State allocated to the City/County in 2013 and 2014. These funds will be used by the Transit Commission to fund 80% of the cost to replace the current paratransit scheduling and dispatching software, partially fund the replacement of security cameras at the Transit Center and partially fund a future bus purchase. All of these projects were approved in the 2015 budget.

Options & Alternatives:

There are no viable alternatives. The federal funds are critical to the operation of the City and County Transit Systems.

Financial Remarks:

The City and County will receive a total of \$948,568 federal funds which will be split 50%/50% between the City and County to be used towards the 2015 operations of each system. 1% of these funds, \$9,486 will need to be used for Associated Improvement Projects. Both systems then will receive \$474,284. These funds are critical to the operations of both systems. In addition, the City will receive an additional \$53,261 in capital funds to be used towards the projects described in the details section.



Recommend approval.