

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission
on the date of August 3, 2006
on the motion of Commissioner
duly seconded by Commissioner

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE CLAIM
FROM THE SANTA CRUZ METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT
FOR THE 2006/07 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, the Transportation Development Act as amended, Chapter 4, Article 6.5 of the Public Utilities Code, provides for State Transit Assistance (STA) funds to be allocated for public transportation purposes by the transportation planning agency, which for the purposes of Santa Cruz County is the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission ("the Commission"); and

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (SCMTD) as an operator of a public transportation system is eligible to claim STA funds, subject to the eligibility standards specified in Section 99314.6 of the Public Utilities Code; and

WHEREAS, \$1,806,592 in State Transit Assistance funds will be allocated to Santa Cruz County in fiscal year 2006/07 and the Commission's FY 2006/07 budget apportions the entire allocation to SCMTD; and

WHEREAS, the SCMTD has submitted a claim for State Transit Assistance funds in the amount of \$1,806,592:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION THAT:

1. This claim fulfills the requirements specified in the Transportation Development Act and the Rules and Regulations of the Commission, as follows:
 - a. The transit district's proposed expenditures are in conformity with the Regional Transportation Plan.
 - b. The level of passenger fares and charges is sufficient to enable the transit district to meet the fare revenue requirements of Public Utilities Code Section 99268.1 or 99268.2(b) as an older operator.
 - c. The transit district is not precluded by any contract entered into on or after June 28, 1979, from employing part-time drivers or from contracting with common carriers of persons operating under a franchise or license.
 - d. The sum of the transit district's allocations from the State Transit Assistance and Local Transportation Fund does not exceed the amount the transit district is eligible to receive during the 2006/07 fiscal year.

- e. The transit district has made a reasonable effort to implement the productivity improvements recommended pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 99244 (relating to the performance audit).
 - f. The transit district is making full use of federal funds available under the Federal Transit Act of 1991, as amended.
 - g. Priority consideration has been given to claims to offset reductions in federal operating assistance and the unanticipated increase in the cost of fuel, to enhance existing public transportation services, and to meet high priority regional, countywide, or area wide public transportation needs.
 - h. The transit district is not required to meet the eligibility standards in Public Utilities Code section 99314.6 (relating to operating cost per revenue hour efficiency standards), because the funds will be expended for capital and not operating purposes.
2. The STA claim from SCMTD for fiscal year 2006/07 is hereby approved in the amount of \$1,806,592 to be paid in four quarterly payments in the amount of \$451,648 to be made by the Auditor-Controller of Santa Cruz County following receipt of funds from the state.
3. An amended claim shall be submitted by SCMTD should the Commission amend the FY 2006/07 STA allocation.

AYES: COMMISSIONERS

NOES: COMMISSIONERS

ABSTAIN: COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS

Ellen Pirie, Chair

ATTEST:

George Dondero, Secretary

Distribution: Tom Hiltner, SCMTD
RTC Fiscal

George Dondero, SCCRTC
Auditor-Controller