

Lead Agency: Department of County

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Program Offer Type: Administration

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request, Climate Action Plan

Executive Summary

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners approved the Intergovernmental Agreement Between Multnomah County and the City of Portland for the Coordination of Activities Related to Construction and Operation of the Portland Streetcar Loop on May 20, 2010. Multnomah County's objective was to support this important regional transportation project that contributes to the reduction of green house gas emissions. The County position was to ensure that its participation had a net zero impact on the County's overall budget. Revenues flowing to the County as a result of the project were dedicated to the County Bridge Fund and expenses incurred for the Local Improvement District assessment was targeted to be paid by the General Fund through Facilities and Property Management (FPM). FPM is seeking \$380,000 to pay for the assessment scheduled to be levied in 2012.

Program Description

The City of Portland is constructing the East Side Streetcar to connect to the existing Westside system. This project will support economic development in the Lloyd Center district and the near Eastside Industrial Urban Renewal District. In order for the City to connect the East Side Streetcar loop to the existing west side system, it is constructing tracks across the Broadway Bridge, the east/west approach to the bridge, as well as modifications to the Morrison and Hawthorne Bridge viaducts. A significant goal associated with the County's participation in the agreement with the City, was it would not place a financial burden on the County.

One of the financing mechanisms the City incorporated into the project was the formation of a Local Improvement District (LID). The formation of a LID allows the City to impose an assessment on properties adjacent to the new streetcar on the assumption that these properties will receive a benefit associated with increase customers and property values. Multnomah County owns and leases several properties that are incorporated in the newly formed LID. The assessment amount, in 2012 dollars, totals \$380,000 to be paid in the 2012 fiscal year.

The County understood its obligation to pay the assessment with the General Funds in exchange for the City of Portland providing the following compensation to the County for the granting the City an appropriate right of interest or right to construct water treatment facilities, environmental protections and an electrical substation and access pad in certain areas within the Morrison Bridge and Hawthorne Bridge cloverleaf ramps for \$310,000. In addition, the City agreed to an annual incremental cost of the maintenance of the Broadway of \$13,000 and the incremental cost of Broadway Bridge capital projects over the next 5 years for at total of \$24,000. The City's financial contributions were directed to the County's transportation budget because they are part of the Transportation Assets. The LID assessment is directed to the General Funds and paid by Facilities and Property Management as the County's property management center. The net result is a neutral financial impact on the County's overall budget.

This program impacts the Multnomah County and City of Portland's Climate Action Plan to reduce per capita daily vehicle miles traveled and specifically coincides with the County's CAP 6-6 prioritizing funding for low-carbon transportation and access projects, policies and programs that will achieve emission reduction goals while also balancing safety, maintenance and freight movement.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY09-10)	Current Year Purchased (FY10-11)	Current Year Estimate (FY10-11)	Next Year Offer (FY11-12)
Output		0	0	0	0
Outcome	Meets County's LID financial requirement.	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Meets County's Local Improvement District assessment for the construction of the East Side Streetcar. Conforms with the Intergovernmental Agreement Between Multnomah County and the City of Portland for the Coordination of Activities Related to Construction and Operation of the Portland Streetcar Loop.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Meets County's Local Improvement District assessment for the construction of the East Side Streetcar.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2011	2011	2012	2012
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$380,000
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$380,000
Program Total:	\$0		\$380,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$380,000
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$380,000

Explanation of Revenues

One time only General Fund request

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was:

New Program