SUMMARY STATEMENT

ITEM NO.    SUBJECT: FY 06 Federal Transit Administration Section 5340 Grant Application

COMMITTEE: New Business

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: June 13, 2007

BOARD ACTION DATE: June 13, 2007

PROPOSAL: That the DRPA Commission authorize staff to prepare an application to the Federal Transit Administration for Section 5340 funds in the amount of $264,188 for PATCO capital improvements having a total planned project cost of $330,235. Also, that the DRPA Commission authorize the non-federal matching share which must be provided by the authority in the amount of $66,047 or 20% of the total.

PURPOSE: To make application to the federal government for FY06 FTA capital funds for PATCO improvements in the amount of $264,188. These funds must be matched by the Authority in the amount of $66,047.

BACKGROUND: The Federal Transit Administration Section 5340 program makes funds available from previously agreed distributions within the Greater Philadelphia area. Federal Transit Law mandates that applications be advanced in relation to adopted regional programs for transportation improvements. This application contains programs which are part of the approved Transportation Improvement Program of the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission for FY06.

Staff is now preparing an application which requests funding under 49 U.S.C. 5340 for use in the advancement of two capital projects:
1. Preventive Maintenance
2. Public Safety Security

The accompanying resolution has been drawn to satisfy federal requirements concerning specific Board approvals which are necessary to the grant approval process.
SUMMARY:

Amount: $330,235
Source of Funds: Project Fund/General Fund ($50,047)/Authority’s Municipal Law Enforcement Trust Account ($16,000) 20% $66,047
Capital Project #: N/A
Master Plan Status: N/A
Other Fund Sources: Federal Transit Administration 80%
Duration of Contract: Grant Completion
Other Parties Involved: Federal Transit Administration
RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the appropriate officers of the Delaware River Port Authority be and hereby are authorized to execute and file an application in proper form on behalf of the Authority with the U.S. Department of Transportation, requesting financial assistance pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5340 in the amount of $264,188 and to expend such funds from FY06 appropriations; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the appropriate officers of the Authority be and hereby are authorized to negotiate an agreement to commit Authority funds in the amount of $66,047 and to expend such funds as a non-federal contribution to secure the federal grant; and be it further

RESOLVED: The Chair, Vice Chair and the Chief Executive Officer must approve and are hereby authorized to approve and execute all necessary agreements, contracts, or other documents on behalf of the DRPA. If such agreements, contracts, or other documents have been approved by the Chair, Vice Chair and Chief Executive Officer and if thereafter either the Chair or Vice Chair is absent or unavailable, the remaining Officer may execute the said document(s) on behalf of DRPA along with the Chief Executive Officer. If both the Chair and Vice Chair are absent or unavailable, and if it is necessary to execute the said document(s) while they are absent or unavailable, then the Chief Executive Officer shall execute such documents on behalf of DRPA.

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