SUMMARY STATEMENT

ITEM NO.            DRPA-20-070
SUBJECT:   Federal Transit Administration Section 5307/5340 Grant Application
COMMITTEE:  Operations & Maintenance
COMMITTEE MEETING DATE:  May 5, 2020
BOARD ACTION DATE:      May 20, 2020

PROPOSAL: That the DRPA Board of Commissioners authorizes staff to advertise for and prepare an application to the Federal Transit Administration for Sections 5307/5340 funds in the amount of $4,736,674 for PATCO capital improvements having a total planned project cost of $5,920,843. Also, that the DRPA Board of Commissioners authorize the non-federal matching share which must be provided by the authority in the amount of $1,184,169 or 20% of the total.

PURPOSE: To make application to the federal government for FY 2020 FTA funds for PATCO improvements in the amount of $4,736,674. These funds must be matched by the Authority in the amount of $1,184,169.

BACKGROUND: The Federal Transit Administration Sections 5307/5340 program makes funds available to urbanized areas on the basis of a statutory formula. 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 FY 2020.

Staff is now preparing advertisement and application which requests funding under 49 U.S.C. 5307/5340 for use in the advancement of funding as needed for (6) projects:

1. Rebuild PATCO Cars
2. Embankment Restoration
3. Preventive Maintenance
4. Transit Enhancements
5. PATCO Interlocking & Track Rehabilitation
6. PATCO Station Platform Rehabilitation

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

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Amount: $5,920,843
Source of Funds: Project Fund 20% $1,184,169
Capital Project #: PFA30503; PFA39903; PTD31618; PFA31901; PTD31901
Other Fund Sources: Federal Transit Administration 80% $4,736,674
Duration of Contract: Grant Completion
Other Parties Involved: Federal Transit Administration; DVRPC
RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the appropriate officers of the Delaware River Port Authority be and hereby are authorized to advertise, 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. 5307/5340 in the amount of $4,736,674 and to expend such funds from FY 2020 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 $1,184,169 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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