


RIVERSIDE TRANSIT AGENCY
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TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU:  Larry Rubio, Chief Executive Officer

FROM:  Vince Rouzaud, Chief Procurement and Logistics Officer

SUBJECT: Authorization to Amend Cooperative Agreement No. C-6-0283 with the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) for Reimbursement of 30 percent of the Annual Operating Expenses for Route 149

Summary: The Cooperative Agreement between the Agency and OCTA for the operation of the Route 149 commuter express line between Riverside and Orange County will expire on June 30, 2007.

The Route 149 is a commuter express service that travels approximately 36 miles from the Downtown Riverside Transit Terminal to the Mall of Orange, with 70 percent of the route's mileage within Riverside County and the remaining 30 percent in Orange County. The Cooperative Agreement is structured so that OCTA reimburses the Agency for 30 percent of the annual operating expenses for the miles that are traveled within Orange County.

Route 149 operates during peak morning and afternoon hours only and has 7 trips daily on weekdays and 4 trips daily on weekends for a total of 20.75 revenue hours per-day on weekdays and 12 revenue hours per-day on weekends. For FY 2008, revenue hours are projected at 6,599 and revenue miles are projected at 165,909.

The revised Cooperative Agreement updates the hourly rate upon which the Agency is reimbursed for actual operating expenses.

If approved, the new Agreement will begin July 1, 2007, and extend through June 30, 2008. The Agreement may be renewed annually upon mutual consent of both agencies.

Fiscal Impact:

The annual cost for operating Route 149 is budgeted at \$727,381. The Agency's portion of this cost is \$509,167 with the balance of \$218,214 reimbursed by OCTA.

Committee Recommendation:

This item was discussed at the Board Budget and Administration and Board Operations Committee meetings of June 6, 2007. The Committees' members unanimously approved and recommended this item to the full Board of Directors for their consideration.

Recommendation:

Authorize staff to issue Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-6-0283 with the Orange County Transportation Authority for the reimbursement of 30 percent of the annual operating expenses (not-to-exceed \$220,000) for Route 149 for the period beginning July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008.