

## RESOLUTION

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) includes \$14 billion in supplemental appropriations for COVID relief support to the transit providers with almost \$955 million for the Los Angeles - Long Beach - Anaheim urbanized area (UZA); and

WHEREAS, as the designated metropolitan planning organization, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is responsible for allocating the funds apportioned within six UZAs to each eligible county transportation commission (CTC); and

WHEREAS, as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, funding was apportioned by SCAG through an administrative process to the six UZAs under the existing Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 distribution formula; and

WHEREAS, the CRRSAA funding allocations specifies that FTA Section 5307 funding for a given UZA, when combined with CARES allocations, shall not exceed 75 percent of the UZA's 2018 national transit database operating costs, which limits the CRRSAA funding allocations to three UZAs in the SCAG region; and

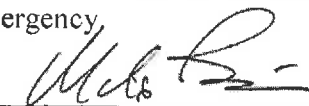
WHEREAS, per the request of several CTCs, SCAG reviewed and considered proportionately distributing the CRRSAA funds based solely on the FTA Section 5307 formula, however, this approach would result in distributions that exceed operating expenses in several counties while falling below the 75% in others; and

WHEREAS, this alternative proportionate allocation would result in a loss of \$127 million to Los Angeles County and desperately needed funds to maintain critical transit services to Los Angeles County's 10 million residents; and

WHEREAS, the SCAG staff recommendation reflects a methodology consistent with the federal process for apportioning CRRSAA funds to each UZA, thereby appropriately directing these funds to the demonstrated need for transit operating assistance in Los Angeles County;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for the Southern California Association of Governments staff recommendation relative to the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) inter-county funding allocation methodology as it is fair, transparent, and implements the intent of CRRSAA to address the fiscal impacts to transit agencies related to the response to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

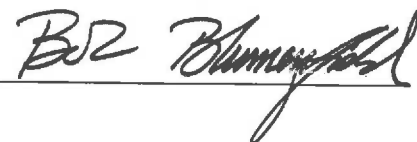
PRESENTED BY:



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