BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING)
FEDERAL FUNDS FOR A SECTION 16(b)(2))
SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT AND)
AMENDING THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVE—)
MENT PROGRAM)

RESOLUTION NO. 90-1268 Introduced by Rena Cusma, Executive Officer

WHEREAS, Section 16(b)(2) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act authorizes the Urban Mass Transportation Administration to make capital grants to private, nonprofit organizations to provide transportation services for elderly and handicapped persons; and

WHEREAS, Section 16(b)(2) funding will be made available only to nonprofit organizations serving specific client groups which cannot better be served by regular Tri-Met service to the elderly and handicapped community; and

WHEREAS, Tri-Met has determined that the applicant listed below can serve their client group more efficiently than could Tri-Met; and

WHEREAS, To comply with federal requirements the Transportation Improvement Program must be amended to include projects recommended for Urban Mass Transportation Administration 16(b)(2) funds; and

WHEREAS, The project described below was reviewed and found consistent with federal requirements and regional policies and objectives; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That Federal 16(b)(2) funds be authorized for the purchase of special transportation vehicles for the following:

Federal Applicant Total

Volunteer Transportation

Program \$160,000 \$40,000 \$200,000

- 2. That the Transportation Improvement Program and its Annual Element be amended to reflect this authorization.
- 3. That the Council of the Metropolitan Service District finds the project to be in accordance with the region's continuing, cooperative, comprehensive planning process and, thereby, gives affirmative Intergovernmental Project Review approval.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service

District this <u>28th</u> day of <u>June</u>, 1990.

Tanya Collier, Presiding Officer

TRI-COUNTY
METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION
DISTRICT
OF OREGON



March 13, 1990

Mr. Andy Cotugno METRO 2000 SW 1st Portland, OR 97201

Dear Mr. Cotugno:

Tri-Met has reviewed Volunteer Transportation, Inc.'s public notice for the 1990 16(b)(2) program, and has determined that there is a need for the services and that Tri-Met is and will be, unable to perform the functions the vehicles and equipment would provide.

In view of this, and the fact that the volunteer programs in the tri-county area are working together and with Tri-Met, we strongly endorse their application. We are presently soliciting proposals for a company to provide scheduling, recordkeeping and maintenance services to both the Tri-Met Paratransit fleet and volunteer programs, thereby increasing coordination and cost effectiveness. We hope these efforts can be supported by the 16(b)(2) program.

Sincerely,

John R. Post Assistant General Manager

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c: Dave Unsworth

Lee LaFontaine

Volunteer Transportation, Inc.

The one local provider submitting an application is:

| Volunteer Transportation Program | 3 station wagons 4 10-16 passenger | \$ 20,580 |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| | vans | 84,610 |
| | 2 10-16 passenger | |
| | buses | 90,000 |
| | 1 wheelchair lift | 4,460 |
| | TDD | <u> 350</u> |
| | Total | \$200,000 |

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 90-1268 FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING FEDERAL FUNDS FOR A SECTION 16(b)(2) SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT AND AMENDING THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Date: May 18, 1990 Presented by: David Unsworth

PROPOSED ACTION

Recommend Council adoption of the attached Resolution which authorizes Federal 16(b)(2) funds to one private, nonprofit social service agency. These funds will be used for the purchase of passenger vehicles and related equipment to provide special transportation services in the Portland metropolitan area to specific client groups not served by Tri-Met. This Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) addition will allow the agency to apply for 16(b)(2) funding from the Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA).

TPAC has reviewed this TIP amendment and recommends approval of Resolution No. 90-1268.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

Section 16(b)(2) authorizes UMTA to make capital grants to private, nonprofit organizations to provide transportation services for elderly and handicapped persons. Capital investments include purchase of conventional and paratransit vehicles and other equipment associated with providing local and regional (nonintercity) transportation services to the elderly and handicapped. Apportioned 16(b)(2) funds are not available for operating expenses. Transportation Improvement Programs and their Annual Elements must be amended to include new 16(b)(2) projects.

Section 16(b)(2) funding is only available to private, nonprofit organizations and, in the Metro region, only for use to serve specific client groups that cannot be served effectively by Tri-Met. Tri-Met has reviewed the application for 16(b)(2) funds and supports it on the basis that Tri-Met is unable to perform more efficiently the function these vehicles would provide.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 90-1268, AUTHORIZING FEDERAL FUNDS FOR A SECTION 16(b)(2) SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT AND AMENDING THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Date: June 15, 1990

Presented by: Councilor Devlin

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: At the June 12, 1990 Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting, Councilors McFarland, Ragsdale and myself voted unanimously to recommend Council adopt Resolution No. 90-1268. Councilors Bauer and Gardner were excused.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/ISSUES: Transportation Director Andy Cotugno presented the resolution which amends the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to allow Tri-Met to receive federal pass-through funds specifically designated for handicapped transportation facilities. Tri-Met has received one application from Volunteer Transportation Program to receive these designated Section 16(b)(2) funds from the Urban Mass Transportation Authority (UMTA).

As noted in the staff report, Section 16(b)(2) funds are for capital grants to private, nonprofit organizations to provide transportation services for elderly and handicapped persons. Tri-Met has reviewed the Volunteer Transportation Program application to fund 10 vehicle purchases and recommends approval so that services may be received by client groups not served by Tri-Met. The resolution approves the application for \$200,000 in available funds.

The Committee did not raise any questions or issues concerning the resolution.

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