

Finance and Budget Committee

Meeting date: January 15, 2025

Agenda Item #: 4

Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to extend the term of the Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 agreement to June 30, 2025.

Agenda item type: Action item

Summary

DRCOG is the designated recipient for Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 funding for the Denver-Aurora Urbanized Area. DRCOG entered into an agreement with the Federal Transit Administration for the federal fiscal year 2023 apportionment, which had an original term date of October 31, 2024. DRCOG is intending to extend the term of this agreement to continue to utilize the funds.

Background

DRCOG entered into an agreement with the Federal Transit Administration for federal fiscal year 2023 section 5310 funding for the Denver-Aurora urbanized area in July 2023. This award provided approximately \$3.3 million for specialized transit projects that benefit older adults and individuals with disabilities. The original term date of this award was October 31, 2024. DRCOG intends to extend the term of this agreement to June 30, 2025, to continue to spend down the portion of the award that was awarded to DRCOG AAA's Choice Services Transportation program.

As DRCOG awarded federal fiscal year 2024 awards, which began July 1, 2024, an estimate of the annual appropriation was used to allocate funding to projects. This estimate was based on a partial appropriation for the fiscal year provided by the FTA. However, when the full apportionments were released the actual funding available was less than the estimated apportionment. Since there was unspent funding from federal fiscal year 2023 that was awarded to DRCOG's internal program, DRCOG staff recommended reducing the DRCOG internal program award for federal fiscal year 2024 to continue to spend fiscal 2023 funding, in lieu of reducing the amounts allocated to other external projects under the federal fiscal year 2024 call for projects.

The extension of the term of this agreement is to allow DRCOG to continue to spend the federal fiscal year 2023 funding for the Choice Services Program through June 30, 2025. However, it is likely that this funding will be fully spent well before that date. There is approximately \$250,000 remaining under this project as of October 31, 2024.

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Recommendation

Move to adopt a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to extend the term of the Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 agreement to June 30, 2025.

Attachment(s)

Draft resolution

For more information

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