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To: Fox Cities Transit Commission & Finance Committee

From: Ronald C. McDonald, General Manager

Subject: Applications to Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Bus and Bus Facilities capital grant for \$12,000,000 and \$25,254,700.

Background:

The Bus & Bus Facilities Program (49 U.S.C. 5339b) is a competitive grant that makes federal funding available for bus and bus facility capital projects. Eligible recipients include designated recipients that operate fixed route bus service such as Valley Transit.

Valley Transit is seeking authority to apply for funding under this annual program for the Whitman Avenue Facility Renovation Project and Downtown Appleton Regional Multimodal Joint Development Project. The FTA provides these funds as an 80/20 grant; 80% grant funded and 20% local match. The local share can consist of a combination of other allowable grant funds, revenues, in-kind contributions and Valley Transit's local partner contributions through the depreciation fund. The costs associated with each project under this grant are as follows:

<u>Whitman Ave Facility Renovation (Phase 2)</u>	
80% funding from FTA:	\$9,600,000
20% local match:	\$2,400,000
Total eligible project cost:	\$12,000,000

<u>Downtown Appleton Joint Development Project</u>	
80% funding from FTA:	\$20,203,760
20% local match:	\$5,050,940
Total eligible project cost:	\$25,254,700

Recommendation:

Approve submittal of applications for Fiscal Year 2023 Federal 5339 (b) funds in the amounts of \$12,000,000 for the Whitman Facility and \$25,254,700 for the Downtown Appleton Joint Development Project.