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To: Fox Cities Transit Commission

Finance Committee

From: Debra Ebben

Administrative Services Manager

Subject: Acceptance of two Federal Transit Administration Bus and Bus Facilities capital grants of \$645,905.

Background:

Prior to MAP-21 and the 2010 census, Valley Transit received capital money from the State of Wisconsin through an allocation of funds distributed to each state by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Now that Valley Transit's urban area is considered to be large (over 200,000), we receive a direct apportionment of FTA funds for our capital needs. Valley Transit's 2015 apportionment was \$268,804 and the 2016 apportionment is \$247,920; which we have applied for directly from the FTA. The FTA provides these funds as an 80/20 grant; 80% grant funded and 20% local match. Valley Transit has applied for the funding and intends to use it to replace one old, fully depreciated bus with more than 500,000 miles. These funds will be combined with the existing budgeted funds from 2014 and 2013 to purchase a total of three buses. The local share will be paid out of Valley Transit's depreciation fund. The costs associated with this grant are as follows:

80% funding from FTA: \$516,724 20% local match (depreciation account): \$129,181 Total eligible project cost: \$645,905

Recommendation:

That the Transit Commission and the Finance Committee accept the Federal Transit Administration capital grants for \$645,905 (\$516,724 federal, \$129,181 from Valley Transit's depreciation reserve) and that Valley Transit's spending authority for 2016 be modified to include the new capital funds.