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**FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY (FCRTA)  
MEETING AGENDA**

DATE: Thursday, June 26, 2025  
TIME: 5:30pm, **BEFORE** the *Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) Meeting*  
PLACE: FCOG / FCRTA Offices  
Sequoia Conference Room  
2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201  
Fresno, CA 93721  
(Corner of Tulare and Van Ness Ave. - above Club One  
Park in Underground Garage - Entrance off Tulare & Van Ness Ave.  
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**AB 23 Requirement:** In accordance with the Brown Act and AB23 the amount of stipend paid to members of the Board of Directors for attending this meeting of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, is \$50.00.

**THE FRESNO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY BOARD  
MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE IN PERSON AT THE FRESNO COG SEQUOIA ROOM.**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Public Presentations - This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the FCRTA Board on items within its jurisdiction but not on this Agenda. NOTE: The public may also comment on any Agenda item, as they are presented, prior to action by the FCRTA Board.

**2. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Rejection of Claim [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** On May 23, 2025 FCRTA received a claim submitted on behalf of Carlos Freitas by Freedman Law. The claim relates an incident which allegedly occurred on December 21, 2025 on a bus in the City of Selma. Attached is the Claim for Damages form and proposed rejection letter for your review. The claim is under investigation by our insurance carrier (ATTACHMENT).

**Action:** Staff recommends rejection of the claim and adoption of Resolution No. 2025-09.

**B. FCRTA 2025-2026 Annual Budget [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** The Budget has been prepared to reflect the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) 2022 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Short Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area for 2026-2030. The Budget and narrative recommends the implementation of programmed service improvements and continuation of existing services. The budget, which may require periodic

amendments during the 2025-2026 fiscal year, is available on FCRTA's website [ruraltransit.org](http://ruraltransit.org).

**Action:** Open the public hearing, receive comments, and close the public hearing. Staff recommends Board approval of the FY 2025-26 Budget and adoption of Resolution No.2025-06.

**C. Consideration to Award Contract for Transit Operations [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** FCRTA currently has an agreement with MV Transportation for Transit Operations and the agreement is coming due in FY 2024-25 after 7 years which began in 2018. FCRTA released an RFP for the Transit Operations and this is a requirement of FTA and Caltrans and will require oversight and approval. The RFP was reviewed and approved by Caltrans DRMT Procurement Branch for approval. The RFP was released on January 23rd and proposal submittals were due on February 25th. FCRTA received three proposals and a scoring committee met and held interviews on April 10<sup>th</sup>. The scoring committee scored proposals based on the evaluation criteria set forth in the RFP and unanimously determined that MV represented the Best Value. The staff report and agreement is available on FCRTA's website [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org)

**Action:** Staff recommends the Board approve MV Transportation as the selected contractor and authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with MV Transportation beginning September 1, 2025 and ending August 31, 2028 with option to renew for a 4 year extension in 1 year increments in the amount not to exceed \$12,162,141: \$3,928,975 for FY 2025-26; \$4,020,007 for FY 2026-27; and \$4,213,159 for FY 2027-28.

**3. CONSENT ITEMS**

**A. Approve Minutes of May 29, 2025 [ATTACHMENT]**

**B. Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA) Operations Program & Budget FY 2025-26 [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** The Consolidated Transportation Service Agency's (CTSA) Operations Program and Budget (OPB) for 2025-26 is available on FCRTA's website at: [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org). The document is designed to provide an overview of how the CTSA will provide social service transportation throughout Fresno County over the next fiscal year. The OPB consists of an urban component and a rural component. For FY 2025-26 the rural LTF Article 4.5 pass through totals \$90,000 for FCRTA to provide social service transportation including transportation to senior centers in the rural areas.

**Action:** Staff recommends Board approval of the Consolidated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA) Operations Program & Budget FY 2025-26.

**C. Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission Contractor Services Agreement [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** In 2020, the FCOG re-designated the CTSA's in the following: FCRTA is now the sole designee for Rural Fresno County and administers the funding, activities, and transportation programs of all CTSA service providers in Rural Fresno County and the City of Fresno (FAX) is the sole designee for the Fresno Metropolitan Area and administers the funding, activities, and transportation programs of all CTSA service providers within the Fresno Metropolitan Area. Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission (FEOC) was selected as the primary provider of CTSA services. The Contractor Services Agreement with FEOC to provide the CTSA services is available at the FCRTA website [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org).

**Action:** Staff recommends Board approval of the FEOC Contractor Services Agreement.

**D. Safety and Security Service Agreements for FY 2025-26 [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** FCRTA is continuing the Safety and Security service for passengers and drivers with this collaborative partnership that has proven beneficial and continues to be very successful for the Police

Departments of all 13 member agencies and FCRTA. Our passenger incidents and 911 calls have decreased over the six (6) years since this program has been in place. Each contract has a maximum of \$10,000.00 annual payment for costs associated with providing this service of boarding buses when they are at transit stops and monitoring bus shelters. The agreement is available at the FCRTA website [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org).

**Action:** Staff recommends Board approval and authorize General Manager to execute agreements for each City in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for FY 2025-2026.

**E. Amendment VI to the Walker Contractor Services Agreement [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** The Board approved in June 2024, the extension to the Contractor Services Agreement with Walker Consultants in the amount not to exceed \$60,000. It is necessary and desirable that FCRTA extend this agreement until June 30, 2026 to continue to provide technical assistance with specific transit related EV, mobility and capital grant projects. FCRTA anticipates pursuing additional local, state and federal funding opportunities and will require the additional technical assistance. The Amendment VI to the Walker Consultants Contractor Services Agreement is available at the FCRTA website [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org).

**Action:** Staff recommends Board approval of Amendment VI to the Walker Consultants Contractor Services Agreement in the amount not to exceed \$60,000.

**F. 2026-2030 Short Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** The Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) for the rural Fresno County area has been developed by the Fresno Council of Governments (Fresno COG), and updated by FCRTA in cooperation with the Cities of Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, Sanger, San Joaquin, Selma and County of Fresno. The SRTP for the rural Fresno County area provides a five (5) year action-oriented program to implement the Public Transportation Element of the Regional Transportation Plan (2022). The document is available for your review on the FCRTA website [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org).

**Action:** Staff recommends Board approval of the Short Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County 2026-2030 and adoption of Resolution No. 2025-05.

**G. Kings Area Rural Transit Agreement for FY 2025-26 [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** This is a regional public transit service agreement renewal with the Kings Area Rural Transit for services from Kings County in Fresno County; Selma Kaiser, Valley Children's Clinic in Fowler, Downtown Fresno, Community Regional Center, Veterans Hospital, Fresno Kaiser and Children's Hospital. This agreement is for \$40,000 and is effective 7/01/25 to 6/30/26. The KART agreement is available at the FCRTA website [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org) for your review.

**Action:** Staff recommends Board approval and authorize General Manager to execute agreement with KART in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.

**H. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Certifications & Assurances FY 2025 [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** As an applicant for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5311 funding, FCRTA must submit the Certifications and Assurances to Caltrans before the FTA may award funding. FTA normally issues a new version of its Certifications and Assurances for each federal fiscal year at the time FTA publishes its notice of funding apportionment in the Federal Register for that fiscal year. The Certification and Assurances are available at the FCRTA website [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org).

**Action:** Staff recommends Board approval for General Manager to sign and submit the FY 2025 Certification and Assurances to Caltrans.

**I. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Application [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** The 5311 application to Caltrans for operating assistance will be submitted via the electronic “Black Cat” system. This funding apportionment is used by FCRTA for the operation of all subcontracted transit services. The application is for \$2,279,339.

**Action:** Staff recommends Board approval of the 2024-25 FTA 5311 operating assistance application to Caltrans and adoption of Board Resolution No. 2025-07.

**J. 5339 Low or No Emission Bus Program (5339(c)) Grant Application[APPROVE]**

**Summary:** FCRTA is proposing a project submittal through the Federal Transit Administration’s (FTA) Bus and Bus Facilities (5339(b)) and Low or No Emission (5339(c)) Grant Programs to replace eight existing cutaway vehicles with American-made Ford E-Transit electric vans.

**Action:** Staff recommends Board approval of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Bus and Bus Facilities (5339(b)) and Low or No Emission (5339(c)) Grant Application and adoption of Board Resolution No. 2025-08.

**K. Amendment VI to the Agreement for Maintenance Services with City of Selma [APPROVE]**

**Summary:** As a result of the 2018 Request for Proposals (RFP), City of Selma was awarded a three (3) year agreement with four (4) option years to provide maintenance services to the FCRTA vehicle fleet. Staff is recommending extending the maintenance services agreement for an additional year. Amendment VI to the Agreement for Maintenance Services with City of Selma is available at [www.ruraltransit.org](http://www.ruraltransit.org).

**Action:** Staff recommends Board approval of the Amendment VI and authorize General Manager to execute Amendment VI to the Agreement for Maintenance Services with City of Selma.

**4. CLOSED SESSION – Public Employee Appointment – Government Code § 54957(b); Appointment of General Manager**


**5. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – REPORT ON ANY ACTION**

**6. OTHER BUSINESS**

**A. Items from staff.**

**B. Items from members.**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**



# Freedman Law

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**Claim for Damages Against Public Entity  
 California Tort Claims Act  
 [Gov. Code §§ 905, 911.2]**

**RECEIVED**  
 MAY 23 2025  
 By: FRESNO COG

Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA)  
 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201  
 Fresno, California 93721

Claimant, Carlos Freitas, hereby asserts a Government Tort Claim against Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA), and make the following statements in support of his claim:

**1. Name of claimant, home address, birthdate, and home telephone number.**

Carlos Alberto Cota Freitas  
 8163 S. Del Rey Avenue  
 Selma, California 93662  
 DOB: July 14, 1959  
 Telephone No.: (559) 994-7317

**2. Name, relationship, address and telephone number of person to whom any notices concerning claims should be sent.**

Jesse R. Fretwell, Esq.  
 Attorney  
 3705 W. Beechwood Avenue  
 Fresno, California 93711  
 Telephone No.: (559) 447-9000

**3. When did injury, damage or loss occur? (date and time)**

December 12, 2024 at approximately 1:00 p.m.

**4. Where did injury, damage or loss occur? (location name, address)**

E. Dinuba Avenue at intersection with S. Thompson Avenue, City of Selma, County of Fresno, State of California.

5. What act or omission by the district or its employee(s) caused the injury, damage or loss.

Please refer to Exhibit "A" attached herewith.

6. Describe the injury, damage or loss sustained.

Please refer to Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" attached herewith.

7. Amount claimed (including the estimate amount of any prospective injury, damage or loss together with the basis of computation of the amount claimed). If the amount claimed exceeds \$10,000.00, no dollar amount shall be included. However, you shall indicate whether the claim would be a limited civil case. (refer to California Government Code Section 910f)


Please refer to Exhibit "B" attached herewith.

7. Name, Address, and Telephone Number of Witness(es).

Unknown at this time but will produce in discovery.

FREEDMAN LAW

Dated: May 19, 2025

  
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Jesse R. Fretwell, Esq.



## **Fresno County Rural Transit Agency**

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June 27, 2025

Freedman Law  
3705 W. Beechwood Avenue  
Fresno, California 93711

On behalf of Carlos Freitas, an Individual

### **NOTICE OF REJECTION OF CLAIM**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the claim, which you presented to the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency on May 23, 2025 on behalf of Carlos Freitas was rejected by the Board of Directors on June 26, 2025.

### **WARNING**

Subject to certain exceptions, you have only six (6) months from the date this notice was personally delivered or deposited in the mail to file a court action on this claim. (See Government Code Section 945.6.) "The six month time limit referred to in this notice applies only to claims or causes of action which are governed by the California Tort Claims Act." You may seek the advice of an attorney of your choice in connection with this matter. If you desire to consult an attorney, you should do so immediately.

Sincerely,

Moses Stites, General Manager  
Fresno County Rural Transit Agency

c. Bryan D. Rome,  
Deputy County Counsel

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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY**

IN THE MATTER OF:

Claim for Damages Filed on Behalf of Carlos  
Freitas, an individual.

**DENIAL OF CLAIM**

Resolution No. 2025-09

Acting upon the recommendation of Staff and upon motion duly made, seconded and  
carried, IT IS ORDERED that the claim for damages submitted by Freedman Law, 3705 W.  
Beechwood Avenue, Fresno, California 93711, on behalf of Carlos Freitas, the amount within  
Unlimited Civil Court limits, filed on May 19, 2025, is hereby DENIED.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency  
this 26th day of June, 2025.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Alma Beltran, Chair

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency  
duly adopted at a meeting thereof held on the 26th day of June, 2025.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Moses Stites, General Manager

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**SERVICE BY MAIL**

(Code of Civ. Proc., §§ 1013a, 2015.5)

I, Moses Stites, declare as follows:

I am a resident of the State of California, over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to the within action. I am employed at the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201, Fresno, California 93721.

On June 27, 2025, I served a copy of the attached **Notice of Rejection of Claim** on the Claimant's attorney by placing a true copy thereof in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States Post Office mail box in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, addressed as follows:

Freedman Law,  
3705 W. Beechwood Avenue,  
Fresno, California 93711

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 27th of June, 2025, in Fresno, California.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moses Stites  
General Manager

**BEFORE THE  
FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY  
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-06**

In the matter of:  
2025-2026 BUDGET

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE  
BUDGET FOR FY 2025-26

WHEREAS, the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA) has prepared a comprehensive Budget reflecting anticipated revenues and expenditures for both capital and operations associated with the Agency's twenty-two (22) sub-system service providers; and

WHEREAS, the Budget was subjected to a thirty (30) day review process; and

WHEREAS, each Member Agency's Policy Board has had the opportunity to specifically review the Budget; and

WHEREAS, each Member Agency supports the proposed Budget. And has agreed to set-aside negotiated Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds for stipulated purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has invited the general public to comment on the Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Budget must be adopted in order to continue providing the necessary financial support to the rural public transit system.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency does hereby adopt its Budget for 2025-26 totaling eighteen million, one hundred sixty-two thousand, and seventy-two dollars (\$18,162,072).

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Alma Beltran, Chair

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the  
Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Duly adopted at a meeting thereof  
Held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Moses Stites, General Manager

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY (FCRTA)

**ITEM 3A**

Minutes

Thursday, May 29, 2025 at 5:30 P.M FCRTA Meeting  
COG Sequoia Conference Room  
2035 Tulare St., Suite 201, Fresno, CA

Members Attending:

Mayor Brandon Pursell, City of Kingsburg  
Mayor Alma Beltran, City of Parlier  
Mayor Scott Robertson, City of Selma  
Mayor Freddy Valdez, City of Firebaugh  
Mayor Matthew Tuttle, City of Reedley  
Mayor Diana Guerra Silva, City of Orange Cove  
Mayor Frank Gonzalez, City of Sanger  
Mayor Juan Mejia, City of Fowler  
Mayor Adam Flores, City of San Joaquin  
Mayor Rey Leon, City of Huron  
Supervisor Brian Pacheco, Fresno County  
Mayor Nathan Vosburg, City of Coalinga  
Mayor Pro Tem Gary Yep, City of Kerman  
Mayor Victor Martinez, City of Mendota

Moses Stites, General Manager  
Janelle Del Campo, Deputy Director  
Bryan Rome, County Counsel  
Denise Flores, FCOG

Absent:

None

1. **ROLL CALL** — Meeting called to order 5:38 p.m.

Public Presentations - This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the FCRTA Board on items within its jurisdiction but not on this Agenda.

NOTE: The public may also comment on any Agenda item, as they are presented, prior to action by the FCRTA Board.

2. **CONSENT ITEMS**

- A. **Approve Minutes of April 24, 2025 [ATTACHMENT]**
- B. **2026-2030 Draft Short Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area [INFORMATION]**
- C. **FCRTA Fiscal Year 2025-26 Draft Budget [INFORMATION]**
- D. **2025 Annual CHP-Motor Carrier Division Terminal, Vehicle and Driver Inspection Report [INFORMATION]**
- E. **Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program [APPROVE]**
- F. **RFP for Transit Operations [INFORMATION]**

A motion was made by Orange Cove (Silva) and second by Mayor Martinez (Mendota). A vote was called, and motion carried.

**A JOINT POWERS AGENCY TO PROVIDE A COORDINATED TRANSIT SYSTEM FOR RURAL FRESNO COUNTY**

The Cities of: Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, Sanger, San Joaquin, Selma & Fresno County

### **3. OTHER ITEMS**

#### **Items from Staff:**

1. **FCRTA Project Updates** – Janelle Del Campo provided an update on the Maintenance Facility Project, Kingsburg Resiliency Hub Project, and AHSG Grant Applications.
2. **General Manager Succession Planning** – Moses Stites provided an updated on the General Manager Succession planning. Discussion ensued and the Board recommended having a closed session at the June meeting.

**Items from Member:** None

### **4. ADJOURNMENT @ 5:49P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,



Moses Stites  
General Manager

BEFORE THE  
FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY  
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-05

In the Matter of:  
FCOG's  
Short Range  
Transit Plan for the  
Rural Fresno County  
Area: 2026-2030

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE  
FRESNO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS'  
2026-2030  
SHORT RANGE TRANSIT PLAN  
FOR THE RURAL  
FRESNO COUNTY AREA

WHEREAS, the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) prepared the Short Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area: 2026-2030 in cooperation with the Cities of Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, Sanger, San Joaquin, Selma, and Fresno County to identify how public transportation is to be provided by the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Short Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area has also been prepared to comply with State requirements for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 requirements for Capital and Operating Assistance Grants; and

WHEREAS, the Short-Range Transit Plan has also been prepared to satisfy management planning requirements and is consistent with the adopted (July 28, 2022) 2022-2046 Regional Transportation Plan for Fresno County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's Board of directors adopts the Council of Fresno County Governments Short-Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area: 2026-2030 as transportation implementation policy document for the Agency Budget.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency this 26th day of June, 2025.

YES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alma Beltran, Chair

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency duly adopted at a meeting thereof held on the 26th day of June, 2025.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**BEFORE THE FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY  
RESOLUTION NO. 2025-07**

In the matter of:  
Federal Transit  
Administration Grant

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CLAIM AND  
SUBSEQUENT ACTIONS TO RECEIVE  
FY 2024-25 FUNDS FTA SECTION 5311 FUNDS**

WHEREAS, Title 21 of the California Administrative Code, Section 1666 requires that the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG), as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for Fresno County to plan and program projects of local significance, so applicants, may reference their Applications in a "Program of Projects" (POP) for submittal through the State of California, Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 program; and

WHEREAS, the FCRTA is an eligible applicant of such funds; and

WHEREAS, FCRTA has participated in the ongoing rural public transportation process with the FCOG; and

WHEREAS, the FCRTA does approve the contents and intent of an "Operating Assistance" Application for the Section 5311 funds for 2024-25, for submittal to the FCOG for their action; and

WHEREAS, the FCOG, has adopted the 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) to include FCRTA's 2024-25 FTA Section 5311 Operating Grant Application; with reference in the "Program of Projects" (POP); and

WHEREAS, the FCOG shall transmit Certification and Assurance of the recommended Application directly to the Caltrans District 06 Office by their stipulated deadline; and

WHEREAS, the Application Process requires that the FCRTA Board of Directors affirm by Resolution it's policy (as contained in the Agency's official and legal Joint Powers Agreement) to seek, support and enter into grant agreements or contracts for and in behalf of its Member Agencies, and enter into the necessary FTA Section 5311 Assurances to be the recipient of said funds for the purposes expressed in its submitted Grant Application; and

WHEREAS, the FCRTA Board of Directors does hereby authorize the General Manager to execute any and all said Agreements and Contracts pertaining to the aforementioned Grant Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency does affirm its intent to be the sole recipient and contracting authority for its 2024-25 FTA Section 5311 funds in the amount of \$2,279,339, thus not requiring each Member Agency's policy board to act individually in the matter.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Alma Beltran, FCRTA Board Chair

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency duly adopted at a meeting thereof held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Moses Stites, General Manager

**RESOLUTION # 2025-08**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FCRTA GRANT APPLICATION TO THE  
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION'S GRANTS FOR LOW OR NO EMISSION GRANT  
PROGRAM AND THE GRANTS FOR BUSES AND BUS FACILITIES COMPETITIVE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the FCRTA is an eligible project applicant and may receive funding from the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Bus and Bus Facilities (5339(b)) and Low or No Emission (5339(c)) Grant Programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the FCRTA wishes to apply for FTA Grant funding for the purchase of eight (8) Ford E-Transit vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the FCRTA is preparing an Application for FTA Grant funding, in the amount of \$969,145.79 for the project (\$775,5316.63 grant request and \$193,829.16 local match); and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the FCRTA that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Bus and Bus Facilities (5339(b)) and Low or No Emission (5339(c)) requirements and any applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all FTA Grant funded projects.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the General Manager be authorized to make financial decisions and authorize the submittal of the application to FTA.

**AGENCY BOARD DESIGNEE: MOSES STITES, GENERAL MANAGER**

Passed and approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Alma Beltran, Chairperson

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Duly adopted at a meeting thereof held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Moses Stites, General Manager