

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority  
**Board Action/Information Summary**

Action  Information

MEAD Number:  
200993

Resolution:  
 Yes  No

**TITLE:**

Purple Line Project - Design and Eng. Support

**PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

To brief the Board and seek approval to establish a reimbursable Purple Line Project for FY15 for Design and Engineering Support.

**PURPOSE:**

Request Board approval to establish a reimbursable project between WMATA and the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) and authorize the General Manager/Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute a Memorandum of Understanding and reimbursable project agreement for the Purple Line design and engineering support work.

**DESCRIPTION:**

**Key Highlights:**

- MTA is in the process of selecting a Public Private Partnership (P3) Concessionaire to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the Purple Line, a proposed 16-mile light rail transit (LRT) extending from Bethesda in Montgomery County to New Carrollton in Prince George's County.
- WMATA will assist MTA in reviewing the potential impacts of the proposed LRT on Metro facilities, and will work with MTA to execute a second Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to address future needs, such as the use, required reconfiguration of WMATA property and associated costs.

**Background and History:**

Following publication of the Draft Alternatives Analysis (AA) and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in October 2008, the State of Maryland selected in August 2009, a Locally Preferred Alternative LRT line between Bethesda and New Carrollton. The Final EIS was published in August 2013. The Federal Transit Administration issued a Record of Decision in March 2014.

The Purple Line will provide a direct connection to the Metrorail Red Line at the Bethesda and Silver Spring stations, the Metrorail Green Line at the College Park station and the Metrorail Orange Line at the New Carrollton station.

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design, build, finance, operate and maintain the Purple Line, a proposed 16-mile light rail transit (LRT) extending from Bethesda in Montgomery County to New Carrollton in Prince George's County.

Construction of proposed LRT is expected to begin in 2015 and operations in 2020.

MTA has requested WMATA support in reviewing this proposed LTR that will impact Metro operations at certain portions of the Project that are WMATA Interfaces. WMATA Interfaces include, but may not be limited to, station architectural design; structural, mechanical, electrical, geotechnical, utility, civil/streetscape, and systems.

WMATA will support MTA during the Request for Proposals phase and through contract award by the Maryland Board of Public Works. Metro's participation will help to ensure WMATA's expectations for the Project are met.

**Discussion:**

MTA has agreed to establish a new FY15 reimbursable project in the amount of \$4,771,588 for the Initial Design and Engineering Support required to address impacts of the Purple Line on WMATA's facilities. Metro will partner with MTA during the project solicitation process and the review of project submittals relevant to Metro interfaces between the proposed LRT line and WMATA facilities

**FUNDING IMPACT:**

This new reimbursable project; funded by the State of Maryland, of \$4,771,588 will be added to the FY15 budget.

**TIMELINE:**

<b>Previous Actions</b>	N/A
<b>Anticipated actions after presentation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• WMATA and MTA will develop a Second Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the project to address additional matters.</li><li>• Future Board actions will be brought for approval, as needed.</li></ul>

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval to establish a reimbursable project and authorize the General Manager/Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute a Memorandum of Understanding and reimbursable project agreement for the Purple Line design and engineering support work.

**PRESENTED AND ADOPTED: September 24, 2014**

**SUBJECT: AMEND THE FISCAL 2015 CAPITAL REIMBURSABLE BUDGET TO INCLUDE THE PURPLE LINE REIMBURSABLE PROJECT AGREEMENT**

**2014-48**

**RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) has been asked by the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) to support the Purple Line Light Rail Project; and

WHEREAS, WMATA is willing to support the design and engineering reviews as they impact with or connect to WMATA facilities, under the Board Reimbursable Project Policy, requested by MTA; and

WHEREAS, WMATA and MTA propose to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the scope and funding requirements for WMATA to support the work; and

WHEREAS, MTA has identified \$4,771,588 in funds for the design and engineering review work; and

WHEREAS, This new project requires an increase in the Fiscal 2015 Capital Reimbursement budget of \$4,771,588 to \$93,556,188; now, therefore be it

*RESOLVED*, That the Board of Directors approves amending and increasing the Fiscal 2015 Capital Reimbursable Budget by \$4,771,588 to a total of \$93,556,188; and be it further

*RESOLVED*, That the Board of Directors authorize the use of new capital funding to be furnished by the MTA for the Purple Line design and engineering support work relating to WMATA facilities and connections; and be it further

*RESOLVED*, That the General Manager/Chief Executive Officer is authorized to negotiate and execute a MOU and reimbursable project agreement for the Purple Line design and engineering support work; and be it finally

**Motioned by Mrs. Hynes, seconded by Mrs. Hudgins**

**Ayes: 7 – Mr. Downs, Mr. Downey, Mrs. Hudgins, Mrs. Hynes, Ms. Bowser, Mr. Acosta and Mr. Goldman**

*RESOLVED*, That this Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency,



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WMATA File Structure Nos.:  
4.3.3 Reimbursable Agreements