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To: Finance and Administration Committee

From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: Fiscal Year 2023-24 First Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report

Overview

The Quarterly Grant Reimbursement Status Report summarizes grant activities for the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors. This report focuses on activity for the first quarter of fiscal year 2022-23, covering July through September 2023.

Recommendation

Receive and file as an information item.

Discussion

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) has secured grant funding from federal and state grant agencies to deliver programs, projects, and services to improve mobility in Orange County. The use of these funds is consistent with the capital programming policies approved by the Board of Directors (Board). The Quarterly Grant Reimbursement Status Report summarizes current and closed grant agreements.

New Grant Agreements:

During the quarter there were 11 grant agreements executed. These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment A.

Current Grant Agreements:

OCTA has 14 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula grant agreements and three FTA discretionary grant agreements.

The 14 FTA formula grant agreements have a total federal amount of \$381.9 million. A total of \$259.5 million has been reimbursed, leaving a balance of approximately \$122.4 million. The balance of these FTA formula grant

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agreements will primarily fund bus operations, the OC Streetcar project, and rail rehabilitation projects.

The three FTA discretionary grant agreements have a total federal amount of \$151.1 million. This includes the full funding grant agreement award of \$148.9 million. A total of \$130.9 million has been reimbursed, leaving a balance of \$20.2 million. The balance of these FTA discretionary grant agreements will primarily fund the OC Streetcar project and slope stabilization improvements on the railroad right-of-way from the City of Laguna Niguel to the City of Lake Forest.

The total FTA formula and discretionary grant agreements amount to \$533 million. The total amount reimbursed through the first quarter under these grant agreements is \$390.4 million, leaving a balance of \$142.6 million. These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment B.

OCTA has 31 active State and Federal Highway Administration formula grant agreements that total \$260.9 million. The total amount reimbursed through the first quarter under these agreements is \$42.3 million, leaving a balance of \$218.6 million. These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment C.

In addition, OCTA has 19 active state discretionary grant agreements totaling approximately \$63.1 million. The total amount reimbursed through the first quarter under these other agreements is \$24.4 million, leaving a balance of \$38.7 million. These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment D.

This report activity is as of September 30, 2023, and any grants with a deadline between the quarter end and the date this report is published, will be reimbursed and closed out. This activity will be reflected in next quarter's report. Additionally, for these grants, staff anticipates each of the remaining balances to be fully reimbursed prior to the grant agreement expiration date.

Closed Grant Agreements:

There were four grant agreements totaling \$5.2 million that were closed out in the first quarter of FY 2023-24. The remaining balance on the grants is due to project savings.

These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment E.

Summary

This report provides an update of the grant agreement-funded activities for the first quarter of FY 2023-24, July through September 2023. Staff recommends this report be received and filed as an information item.

Attachments

- A. Fiscal Year 2023-24 Quarter 1 – Executed Grants
- B. First Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, July through September 2023, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Formula and Discretionary Grant Agreements
- C. First Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, July through September 2023, State and Federal Highway Administration Formula Grant Agreements
- D. First Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, July through September 2023, State Discretionary Grant Agreements
- E. First Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, July through September 2023, Closed Grant Agreements

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