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To: Finance and Administration Committee

From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: Fiscal Year 2023-24 Fourth 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 fourth quarter of fiscal year 2023-24, covering April through June 2024.

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 was one grant agreement executed:

Fiscal year (FY) 2023-24 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) – Programming, Planning, Monitoring (PPM). On October 16, 2023, the California Department of Transportation approved the agreement for the annual STIP-PPM allocation in the amount of \$515,000.

Current Grant Agreements

OCTA has 12 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula grant agreements and two FTA discretionary grant agreements.

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The 12 FTA formula grant agreements have a total federal amount of \$264.1 million. A total of \$191.7 million has been reimbursed, leaving a balance of approximately \$72.4 million. The balance of these FTA formula grant agreements will primarily fund bus operations, the OC Streetcar project, vehicle replacement, and rail rehabilitation projects.

The two FTA discretionary grant agreements have a total federal amount of \$149.9 million. This includes the full funding grant agreement award of \$148.9 million. A total of \$135.5 million has been reimbursed, leaving a balance of \$14.4 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 \$414 million. The total amount reimbursed through the fourth quarter under these grant agreements is \$327.2 million, leaving a balance of \$86.8 million. These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment A.

OCTA has 33 active State and Federal Highway Administration formula grant agreements that total \$257.1 million. The total amount reimbursed through the fourth quarter under these agreements is \$45.9 million, leaving a balance of \$211.2 million. These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment B.

In addition, OCTA has 13 active state discretionary grant agreements totaling approximately \$60.9 million. The total amount reimbursed through the fourth quarter under these other agreements is \$22.7 million, leaving a balance of \$38.2 million. These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment C.

This report activity is as of June 30, 2024, 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 11 grant agreements totaling \$23.5 million that were closed out in the fourth quarter of FY 2023-24.

These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment D.

Summary

This report provides an update of the grant agreement-funded activities for the fourth quarter of FY 2023-24, April through June 2024. Staff recommends this report be received and filed as an information item.

Attachments


- A. Fourth Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, April through June 2024, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Formula and Discretionary Grant Agreements
- B. Fourth Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, April through June 2024, State and Federal Highway Administration Formula Grant Agreements
- C. Fourth Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, April through June 2024, State Discretionary Grant Agreements
- D. Fourth Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, April through June 2024, Closed Grant Agreements

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