Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board Action/Information Summary

●Action ○Information	MEAD Number: 100038	Resolution: • Yes No
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TITLE:

DC One Card Agreement

PURPOSE:

To obtain Board approval to (1) authorize the General Manager to negotiate and execute the One Card Agreement with the District of Columbia and (2) authorize the General Manager or his designee to establish individual reimbursable projects under the One Card Agreement.

DESCRIPTION:

The government of the District of Columbia has begun a new credentialing project, called the One Card Initiative, which is focused on providing consolidated credentials to District government workers and to customers. An important aspect of the One Card Initiative is to include SmarTrip® capability into the identity cards, Drivers` Licenses, and the other credentials provided to the public by the agencies of the D.C. government. WMATA and the District must enter into a cooperative agreement to allow the District to use our SmarTrip® technology in their ID documents.

Under the cooperative agreement, the District will fund all costs for the SmarTrip® capable cards they issue, thereby eliminating the cost to the Authority to purchase and distribute these cards. The District will administer the issuance of the cards to the participants and the validation / invalidation of individual cards, pay in advance for all services necessary and ensure each project remains within established budget.

The Authority will be responsible for establishing reimbursible projects from time to time for a variety of amounts to cover the various programs, supporting the initiative, collaboratively developing the artwork used on the card, ordering and initializing the cards and turning these cards over to the District.

Incorporating the SmarTrip® capability into ID cards and other documents carried by the public will increase the number of SmarTrip cards in circulation and will increase access to public transit, thereby increasing ridership on all Metro transit services, the DC Circulator and the other regional transit operators at no cost to the Authority. The SmarTrip® card for this application would be encoded as a regular farecard and could be used to collect the Transit Benefits through the Smart Benefits program. As with all of our SmarTrip® cards, individual SmarTrip® cards could be invalidated in case of loss.

Some of the current and planned uses of SmarTrip® capable cards issued by the District are Student ID (subsidized and non-subsidized), Summer Youth Employment, Parks and Recreation ID, Drivers` License, Library Card and DC Government Employee ID. Additional products will be added in the future to expand the program.

FUNDING IMPACT:

No impact on funding. All expenses associated with this project will be reimbursed by the District of Columbia.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Board approval to (1) authorize the General Manager to negotiate and execute the One Card Agreement with the District of Columbia and (2) authorize the General Manager or his designee to establish individual reimbursable projects under the One Card Agreement.

PRESENTED AND ADOPTED:

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND CREATION OF REIMBURSABLE PROJECTS

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

WHEREAS, The District of Columbia is creating a single card containing multiple applications to be known as the One Card, for which they wish to have SmarTrip® capability; and

WHEREAS, Such a card is expected to increase access to public transit and thereby increase ridership on all Metro transit services, the DC Circulator, and other regional operators accepting SmarTrip®; and

WHEREAS, Under this agreement, the District of Columbia will fund all costs for the SmarTrip® capable cards and issue the SmarTrip® capable cards, thereby generating financial savings to Metro; and

WHEREAS, Metro's performance of its responsibilities under the proposed agreement will reqUire the establishment of reimbursable projects from time to time and for a variety of amounts; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager to negotiate and execute the One Card Agreement with the District of Columbia; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors authorizes the General Manager or his designee to establish individual reimbursable projects under the One Card Agreement and in accordance with the Board's policy on reimbursable projects, without regard to amount and without further Board approval; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Reviewed as to legal form and sufficiency,

Carol B. O'Keeffe General Counsel