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ISSUE SUMMARY: RTC MEMBER DUES, WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2014-2016

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IMPORTANCE:

The Regional Transit Committee (RTC) became effective as a formal policy committee of the ARC on January 1, 2010, in accordance with a request made by its predecessor, the Transit Implementation Board (TIB), which sunset on December 31, 2009.

A January 4, 2010 resolution of the RTC established a dues structure of cash or in-kind staff time for all eligible RTC members for calendar year 2011. A September 15, 2011 resolution of the RTC re-established the dues structure for eligible RTC member for calendar year 2012.

This draft resolution continues the dues structure that was established for 2012, modifying the dues amount based on the proposed work program and budget for calendar years 2014-2016. The formal establishment of these 2014-2016 dues by the RTC will allow ARC to move forward with negotiations with the individual eligible RTC members regarding their participation in the RTC in 2014-2016. RTC member contributions of \$600,000 will allow ARC to leverage \$2,400,000 in federal funds for the 3-year work program.

These specific dues levels are being proposed for calendar year 2014-2016 only. The issue will be revisited by the RTC for future years of operation.

ACTION REQUIRED: RTC approval of the resolution



A RESOLUTION BY THE REGIONAL TRANSIT COMMITTEE ESTABLISHING RTC MEMBER DUES, WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2014-2016

WHEREAS, the Regional Transit Committee (RTC) became effective January 1, 2010 as a policy committee of the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) following the successful amendment of the quad-party transportation planning agreement between ARC, the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA), and the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA); and

WHEREAS, the Transit Implementation Board (TIB), the predecessor of the RTC, adopted in September 2009 a policy establishing membership and voting protocols for the RTC, including the requirement that voting members contribute financially to the operation of the Committee; and

WHEREAS, the RTC staff has prepared a proposed work program and budget for calendar years 2014-2016 and has based proposed RTC member dues on that work program and budget; and

WHEREAS, ongoing negotiations between ARC and the eligible members regarding full participation in the RTC are contingent upon the formal establishment of dues by the RTC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the RTC dues for calendar years 2014-2016 be set at \$5,000 for all eligible local government entities and state agencies, consisting of the City of Atlanta; the Metro Atlanta Mayors Association; Barrow, Bartow, Carroll, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Forsyth, Gwinnett, Hall, Henry, Newton, Paulding, Rockdale, Spalding and Walton Counties; GRTA; GDOT; and the Office of the Governor of Georgia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the RTC dues for calendar years 2014-2016 be set at one full time equivalent of in-kind staff time for the eligible staffing agencies, consisting of MARTA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the RTC endorses the attached RTC work program and budget for calendar years 2014-2016 and forwards it to the ARC for incorporation into the 2014, 2015, and 2016 ARC Work Program and Budget.