

**RESOLUTION NO. TPC-44
OF
TRANSIT AND PARKING COMMISSION
REGARDING
LADDERS OF OPPORTUNITY INITIATIVE**

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WHEREAS, Metro Transit ridership is increasing; and

WHEREAS, requests for increased service cannot be accommodated with current resources; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation has announced the availability of competitive grant funds through the Federal Transit Administration's Ladders of Opportunity Initiative; and

WHEREAS, this initiative can be used to purchase transit buses and vans;

WHEREAS, this initiative is meant to address service that enhances access to work, supports economic opportunities and supports partnerships and coordinated planning;

WHEREAS, Metro Transit would like to apply for this grant funding in order to purchase two hybrid electric buses and six vans in cooperation with the YWCA; and

WHEREAS, this grant funding would help Metro provide increased service to employment centers; and

WHEREAS, the YWCA's lease agreement with the City of Madison will provide 100% reimbursement for those vans; and

WHEREAS, Metro Transit will submit a Legistar resolution to the Common Council and Board of Estimates for approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Transit and Parking Commission approves Metro Transit's beginning the application for Ladders of Opportunity Initiative grant funding, due August 4, 2014, that will provide 80% of the funding for purchased vehicles with a 20% local match.

Approved this 9th day of July, 2014, by the City of Madison Transit and Parking Commission.

Gary Poulson, Chair
Transit and Parking Commission