



## Legislation Text

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### Fiscal Note

The proposed resolution provides authorization for Metro to submit a grant application for the upcoming TIGER grant. The resolution also amends Metro's 2016 Adopted Operating Budget by appropriating \$24,875 from Metro fund balance to support a purchased service contract to assist in preparing grant materials. Metro's current fund balance is \$6.5 million.

The grant application will seek federal funding to support the construction of the satellite bus storage facility at Nakoosa Trail; the total estimate project cost is \$35 million. If awarded, the grant will support 50% of the project costs. The TIGER (Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery) grant program provides funding for investment in transit projects to build and repair critical pieces of our passenger transportation.

### Title

Authorizing Metro Transit to apply to USDOT for a 2016 TIGER grant; Amending the Metro 2016 Adopted Operating Budget to appropriate \$24,875 from Metro fund balance to support a purchased service with Vandewalle & Associates to provide grant writing services.

### Body

WHEREAS, the USDOT has released its 2016 TIGER grant application, with a due date of April 29, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, it would be advantageous for the City to receive TIGER grant funding to support the costs of constructing a satellite garage for Metro buses; and,

WHEREAS, the TIGER grant program is extremely competitive, and the grant application is very demanding; and,

WHEREAS, Vandewalle & Associates, Inc. has the expertise needed to help facilitate this grant process; and

WHEREAS, it is economical to the City on the basis of time and money to engage Vandewalle & Associates to write the City's TIGER application for funds to support construction of a satellite bus facility;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council authorizes Metro Transit to apply to USDOT's 2016 TIGER grant competition; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Metro Transit 2016 Adopted Operating Budget will be amended to transfer \$24,875 from Metro fund balance to enter into a Purchase of Services contract with Vandewalle & Associates, Inc. for grant writing services