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**DATE:** May 11, 2018  
**TO:** Transit & Rail Advisory Committee  
**FROM:** Jeff Sanders, Manager, Transit Planning and Infrastructure Unit  
**SUBJECT:** Consolidated Capital Call Awards

### Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to provide information and results for CDOT Division of Transit & Rail's annual grant competition for transit capital funds.

### Background

In November 2017 CDOT issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) to state and local government authorities, nonprofit organizations, operators of public transportation or intercity bus service, and other transit groups. The NOFA solicited proposals for transit capital projects that are eligible for funding through federal and state programs that CDOT administers. This competitive process combines funds from relevant Federal Transit Administration programs (5310, 5311, and 5339) and state funds (FASTER Transit and Senate Bill 228) into a single application process.

### Details

DTR received over 60 applications totaling over \$30 million in grant requests. Unfortunately, CDOT had \$13 million available in funds, so there were a number of unfunded projects. This included all of the requests to build or rehab facilities, which may be eligible for future state funding opportunities (e.g., SB 267).

The applications were reviewed and scored by a team made up of representatives from various organizations within CDOT including the Division of Transit & Rail, Division of Transportation Development, Office of Policy and Governmental Relations, and Office of Civil Rights. The criteria used in the evaluation for FASTER projects were established by CDOT's Transportation Commission and are documented in CDOT Policy Directive 1608.1. These criteria include considerations such as age, mileage, and special considerations for vehicle projects. Facility project applications were evaluated against criteria that included considerations such as need, readiness, project purpose, and special considerations. Similar criteria for FTA-funded projects are documented in CDOT's State Management Plan. The Director of CDOT's Division of Transit & Rail has approved this set of projects.

### Input Requested

Informational item

### Next Steps

CDOT staff looks forward to working with its transit grant partners to quickly move these projects to completion. Staff will soon begin working with grantees to develop a grant agreement and to procure the transit assets. CDOT reserves the right to remove grant funds if we determine the project is not proceeding at a reasonable pace (e.g., unreasonable delays in executing the grant agreement, delays in procuring the equipment, etc.). This action would be preceded by at least one formal written warning.

### Attachments

The projects chosen for FTA funding are found in the attached Tables A through F. The projects chosen for FASTER funding are in Tables G through I. Tables J lists each of the projects not chosen for funding, or only for partial funding, along with the rationale for their lower score or reason they were not selected.

