

Resolution Number TC-1813

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration published a notification in the Federal Register dated December 8, 2009, announcing the availability of funds through the Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative Program Grants program, hereinafter referred to as the Livability Grant; and

WHEREAS, the solicitation requires that “Proposals for funding eligible projects in rural (nonurbanized) areas must be submitted as part of a consolidated State application”; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Register notification does not require the states to administer any Livability Grant that is awarded, nor to select or prioritize project applications, nor to provide any matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Commission wishes to ensure that eligible projects from nonurbanized areas in the state have an opportunity to compete for Livability Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Association of Transit Agencies, in cooperation with CDOT staff, announced to a wide variety of organizations across state the opportunity to submit an application for funding; and

WHEREAS, 16 organizations from nonurbanized areas have informed CDOT of their interest in requesting Livability Grant funds through a consolidated State application; and

WHEREAS, CDOT staff has reviewed the preliminary information provided by these interested organizations and has determined to the best of their ability that that the projects are consistent with the 2035 Statewide Transportation Plan and are eligible under the Livability Grant guidelines; and

WHEREAS, local applicants for the Livability Grant funding are responsible for matching the grant if they are selected for funding and the Department is not required to commit funding to the Livability Grant program nor to administer the Livability Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, Transportation Commission policy requires that all grant applications be approved by the Commission in advance of submittal; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Commission hereby approves the submittal to the Federal Transit Administration a project list entitled, Table A, Colorado Section 5309 Bus and Bus

Facilities Livability Initiative Program Grants Project List, as contained in the official agenda. The Executive Director is hereby directed to obtain final project information from the applicants and to submit same in a consolidated grant application to the FTA.