

## **RESOLUTION NO. 23-18**

A RESOLUTION OF KITSAP TRANSIT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZING STAFF TO SOLICIT REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR A CONSULTANT TO SERVE IN A SUPPORT ROLE AT THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE 139(J) PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 139(j), the U.S. Secretary of Transportation may allow a public entity receiving financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) under chapter 53, title 49 of the United States Code to provide funds to a federal agency, including an agency of DOT, that is participating in the environmental review process for the project or program receiving financial assistance. Such funds may be provided only to support activities that directly and meaningfully contribute to expediting and improving transportation project planning and delivery for projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Kitsap Transit (KT) have determined that supplemental staffing and liaison positions would expedite and improve KT's environmental review processes, enhance coordination, and streamline consultation and permit review on certain public transportation projects and programs; and


**WHEREAS**, staff seeks authorization to solicit a consultant through an Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process to serve at the FTA Region X Office; and

**WHEREAS**, KT and the FTA will select the most qualified applicant that meets requirements under the 139(j) statutory requirements.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Commissioners hereby authorize Kitsap Transit staff to solicit through a Request for Qualifications process a qualified consultant to provide assistance to the Federal Transit Administration to support the environmental review processes for Kitsap Transit projects.

**ADOPTED** by the Kitsap Transit Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

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Rebecca Erickson, Chairperson

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Stephanie Milne-Lane  
Clerk of the Board