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RESOLUTION NO.23-072STATE OF LOUISIANAPARISH OF ORLEANS

AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW STAFF TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR FY2023 TOD PILOT PROGRAM

Introduced	by	Commissioner	LeBeouf	;
seconded by Commissioner			Sams	

WHEREAS, the RTA has committed to expanding its Transit Oriented Communities (TOC)

activities through the following actions, as part of the Be Equitable goal of the Strategic Mobility Plan; and

- CO27 Create a Transit-Oriented Communities (TOC) program and plan, including consideration of property owned privately and by other public agencies.
- CO28 Work with local governments to implement and encourage TOC with zoning overlays and other tools.
- CO29 Work with regional and state organizations to encourage developers to build TOC in preferred areas with affordable housing.
 SH3 - Increase ridership through marketing campaigns, TOC initiatives and regional coordination

WHEREAS, the Board previously adopted the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) route for the East-West Bank Bus Rapid Transit Line (BRT); and

WHEREAS, a TOC plan for the land around proposed stations along the BRT corridor is needed to realize the dual goals of increasing ridership and affordable housing that can be gained from the investment in a high-capacity transit line; and



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WHEREAS, if awarded, project activities funded by this grant will include a deep dive into the existing conditions and all the different tool – including land use regulations – available to create a transitoriented corridor around the BRT route. The project would result in recommendations for how to use these tools along the corridor; and

WHEREAS, staff is requesting not-to-exceed \$1,000,000 to establish a plan for Transit-Oriented Development along the East-West Bank BRT Line with the local match not-to-exceed exceed \$200,000 if the entire grant amount is awarded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) that the Chairman of the Board, or his designee, authorizes the CEO to submit a grant application for FY2023 TOD Pilot Program.

THE FOREGOING WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS:7NAYS:0ABSTAIN:0ABSENT:1

AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED ON THE <u>26th</u> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2023.

MARK RAYMOND, JR. CHAIRMAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



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