

COUNCIL AGENDA: FEBRUARY 5, 2013

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE STAFF TO APPLY FOR JOB ACCESS & REVERSE
COMMUTE AND NEW FREEDOM PROGRAM FUNDING

SOURCE: Public Works Department - Transit

COMMENT: The Job Access & Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom (NF) Programs are authorized under the provisions set forth in SAFETEA-LU. These provisions authorize the U.S. Secretary of Transportation to apportion funds to each state for grants to these programs.

The JARC program goal is to improve access to transportation services to employment and employment-related activities for welfare recipients and eligible low-income individuals and to transport residents of urbanized areas and non-urbanized areas to suburban employment opportunities.

The New Freedom (NF) program goal is to provide new public transportation services to overcome existing barriers facing Americans with disabilities seeking integration into the workforce and full participation into society.

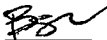

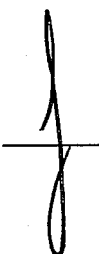
The City currently receives JARC and NF financial assistance for transit service to and from the Tule River Indian Reservation, extended hours and Sunday Dial-A-Ride service.

Staff is requesting authorization to apply for financial assistance from the JARC and NF programs in an effort to improve mobility and access to transportation for Tulare County's senior, disabled, and low-income populations.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

1. Approve the attached Resolution authorizing staff to act on behalf of the City to apply for financial assistance; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to certify all General Certifications and Assurances for these programs.

ATTACHMENT: Resolution

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Item No. 7

RESOLUTION # _____ - 2013

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PORTERVILLE AUTHORIZING STAFF TO ACT ON BEHALF
OF THE CITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
FROM THE JOB ACCESS & REVERSE COMMUTE AND NEW FREEDOM
PROGRAMS**

WHEREAS, the City of Porterville is required to identify and authorize representatives for the purpose of executing for and on behalf of the City for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance provided by the Job Access & Reverse Commute and New Freedom grants;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Porterville that John D. Lollis, City Manger, is hereby authorized to execute the General Certifications and Assurances on behalf of the City of Porterville, the named applicant, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Porterville that Baldomero Rodriguez, Public Works Director, or Richard Tree, Transit Manager, is hereby authorized to execute for, and on behalf of, the City of Porterville, the named applicant, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, all required documents of the Job Access & Reverse Commute and New Freedom programs and any Amendments thereto with the California Department of Transportation.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 5th day of February, 2013.

Virginia R. Gurrola, Mayor

ATTEST:

John D. Lollis, City Clerk

By: Patrice Hildreth, Chief Deputy City Clerk