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Resolution of Support for Grant Funding for J. Douglas Galyon Depot GTA Area Renovations Needed to Increase Passenger Capacity, Improve Transit Operations, and Provide for Future GTA Ridership Growth

Department: Transportation
Council District: Citywide

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PURPOSE:

The City of Greensboro Department of Transportation/Greensboro Transit Authority (GTA) is pursuing FTA Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities discretionary grant funding for renovation of the GTA Ticketing, Call Center, and Waiting Area at J. Douglas Galyon Depot. The Department requests that City Council pass a resolution to support application to these grant funds.

BACKGROUND:

The J. Douglas Galyon Depot was renovated for use as a multi-modal transportation center serving GTA, Greyhound, Carolina Trailways, AMTRAK, and Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART) in 2003. Since that time, the GTA annual ridership has doubled to four million riders and the number of operators has increased from approximately 60 to over 100, rendering the current configuration of GTA's Ticketing, Call Center, and Waiting area inadequate to serve the needs of current ridership and employment. The Greensboro Department of Transportation/Greensboro Transit Authority has identified the FTA Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities discretionary grant program as a potential source of funding and intends to submit an application for implementation of improvements identified in a feasibility study completed in June 2015.

BUDGET IMPACT:

If the grant application is awarded, the City would be required to provide a 20% match to the grant funds. The City intends to apply for \$2,500,000, which would result in a required match of \$500,000.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

The Department of Transportation recommends and requests that the City Council approve the attached resolution supporting renovations to the J. Douglas Galyon GTA Ticketing, Call Center, and Waiting Areas and to pursue FTA Section 5339 discretionary grant funding for that purpose.

COMMITTEE ACTION: This item was referred to Council by the Infrastructure Committee.

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