Citizens Advisory Committee

Federal Transit
Administration (FTA)
Capital Investment
Grants Program

September 7, 2021









FTA Capital Investment Grants Program

- Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act established the Capital Investment Grants (CIG) program
- The FAST Act authorized \$2.3 billion annually in program funding between FY 2017 and 2020
 - 2021 allocations = \$2.1 billion
 - Largest discretionary federal transportation program
- The CIG program funds three types of projects:
 - Small Starts
 - New Starts
 - Core Capacity



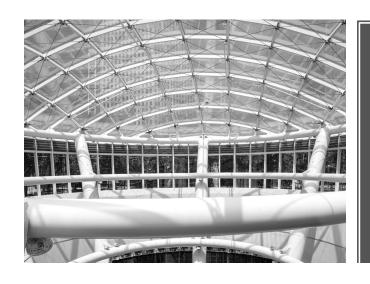




Eligible Projects

	New Starts
Corridor	A substantial investment in a defined corridor
Project Features	 Features that emulate the services provided by rail fixed guideway public transportation systems: defined stations traffic signal priority for public transportation vehicles short headway bidirectional services for a substantial part of weekdays and weekend days If BRT minimum of 50% dedicated guideway
Capital Cost	More than \$300 million
CIG Funds	Requesting more than \$100 million in CIG funding
Funds	Up to 50% of capital cost
Ex. projects	Third Street LRT Phase 2 - Central Subway Westside Purple Line – Section 3 (Los Angeles)





New Starts Process

New Starts and Core Capacity Process



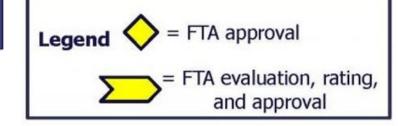
Complete environmental review process including developing and reviewing alternatives, selecting locally preferred alternative (LPA), and adopting it into the fiscally constrained long range transportation plan

Engineering

- Gain commitments of all non-New Starts funding
- Complete sufficient engineering and design

Full Funding Grant Agreement

Construction









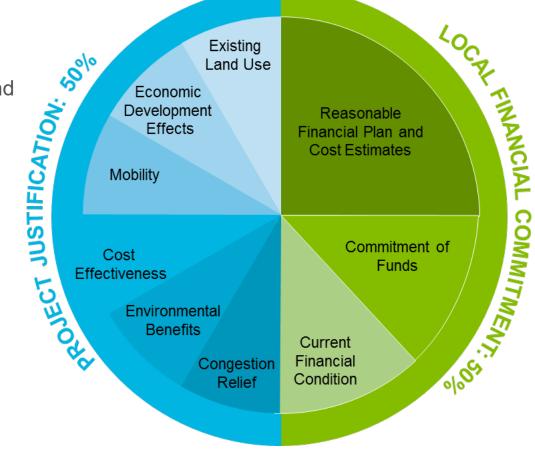
Current New Starts Pipeline

- 13 Projects with existing New Starts Grant Agreements
- 2 additional projects expected to receive New Starts Grant Agreements in 2022



New Starts Evaluation

Projects must receive a **Medium**rating for both Project Justification and Local Financial Commitment







1. Entry to Project Development

Short 5-10 page letter (or less)

- Key agencies, staff and their respective roles
- Description and map of corridor
- Transportation problem and purpose and need
- Existing transit service levels in corridor
- Description of proposed project, anticipated capital cost
- Anticipated cost of Project Development

- Commitment and availability of non-CIG funds for Project Development in current fiscal year
- Documentation of funding commitments and availability for Project Development
- Project schedule







During Project Development (2-year time limit included in FAST Act)

- Obtain commitment of at least 30 percent of the non-CIG funding
- Complete at least 30 percent design and engineering.
- Cost Estimate
- 20-year financial plan
- Project Management Plan (PMP) and sub-plans
- Environmental review process required under NEPA & CEQA
- Sufficient information for FTA to develop a project rating
- Notify FTA of intent to enter Engineering
- FTA/Program Management Oversight Consultant (PMOC) reviews
 - Scope, Schedule, & Budget Review
 - Risk Review
 - Readiness Review

Maximum New Starts Grant amount as a \$ amount set







2. Entry to Engineering

- 30 percent design must be completed prior to entry
- Project must have "Recommended" or "Highly Recommended" rating
- Additional documentation required including:
 - Cost Estimate and Schedule
 - Value Engineering and Constructability Review Reports
 - Project Delivery Method







3. Full Funding Grant Agreement

- Obtaining Grant
 - Obtain a "recommended" or "highly recommended" rating immediately prior to award
 - 100% funding commitment demonstrated
- Construction
 - Grant permits issuing (major) construction contracts
 - Advance (enabling) contracts can be issued with Letter of No Prejudice







Time of Funding commitments

- 1. Entry to Project Development (Oct 2021)
 - Funding for Project Development committed
- 2. Entry to Engineering (Feb 2023)
 - Funding for Engineering committed
 - 30% non-New Starts funding committed
- 3. Apply for Full Funding Grant Agreement (Aug 2023)
 - 100% non-New Starts funding identified
 - FFGA expected Spring 2025



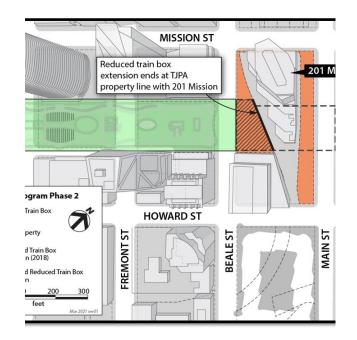


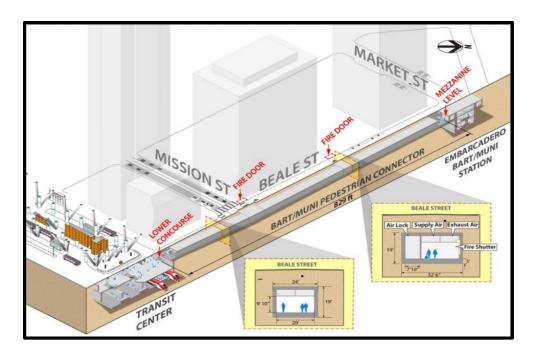


Steps to Get There

- Phasing Study Recommendations before TJPA Board on September 9
- 2. Community Facilities District Bond Issuance before SF Board of Supervisors in September
- 3. Enter Project Development Phase of FTA's New Starts Process









Phasing Study

- Defer BART/Muni Pedestrian Connector
- 2. Reduce Train Box Extension
- 3. Defer the Reduced Intercity Bus Facility



Community Facilities District Bond Issuance

CFD bond proceeds of \$30 million will ensure we have the committed funds required to enter project development of FTA's CIG process.

Attend or provide public comment at the SF Board of Supervisors' meetings below:

- September 15 at 10:30 a.m. before the SFBOS Budget and Finance Committee meeting
- September 21 at 2 p.m. before the full SFBOS meeting







Questions?

