DATE November 6, 2019
TO GCTD Board of Directors
FROM Reed Caldwell, Assistant General Manager
SUBJECT Receive Presentation on Status of Zero-Emissions Non-Revenue Vehicles and Consider Authorization for the Purchase of Nine (9) Nissan Leaf Vehicles

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This item will provide a presentation on the electrification of GCTD’s non-revenue vehicles and request authorization for the Purchase of Nine (9) Nissan Leaf sedans from Team Nissan, Oxnard using the “Drive Green California” Department of General Services (DGS) Statewide Contract.

GCTD will replace nine (9) 2009 CNG Honda Civics that have reached the end of their useful life. After extensive research by staff, the 2019 Nissan Leaf S sedan was determined to be a suitable replacement for these vehicles. These all-electric vehicles have an average cost of $29,547.79 per vehicle, for a total cost of $236,382.35, which includes tax and document fees for nine (9) vehicles.

The funding for this purchase is included in the FY 19-20 budget and will be paid for using California Proposition 1B - Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement, & Service Enhancement Account Program (PTMISEA) grant funds.

It is recommended that the Board of Directors authorize the purchase of nine (9) 2019 Nissan Leaf sedans from Team Nissan, Oxnard at an average price of $29,547.79 for a total cost of $236,382.35. Additionally, staff is requesting approval to dispose/auction the CNG Honda Civics that have reached the end of their useful life.

BACKGROUND

The October 2016 update to the GCTD Fleet Management Plan states recommendations for the minimal useful life of non-revenue vehicle for driver relief as ten (10) years. The Plan also states that staff will evaluate, annually and determine, if electrically powered or hybrid vehicles would be cost-effective replacements for GCTD’s current gasoline and CNG non-revenue vehicles. GCTD older fleet of 2009 Honda Civics have an average odometer mileage of 140,000 miles and have reached the end of their useful life making them in need of replacement. In 2017 one 2009 Civic was involved in a rear end accident that caused extensive damage and the insurance company decided the cost to repair was greater than the value of the vehicle.

After extensive research by staff, including test driving vehicles, the 2019 Nissan Leaf S sedan was determined to be the preferred replacement for these vehicles. To purchase these vehicles, GCTD is utilizing the “Drive Green California” Department of General Services (DGS) Statewide
Contract which is available to local public agencies to help facilitate incorporation of zero emissions vehicles into their fleets.

The 2019 Nissan Leaf are an all-electric vehicle, with an average cost of $29,547.79 per vehicle, for a total cost of $236,382.35, which includes tax and document fees. The nine (9) Nissan Leaf sedans will be funded using California Proposition 1B - Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement, and Service Enhancement Account Program (PTMISEA) allocations GCTD received.

Additionally, staff is requesting approval to dispose of eight (8) vehicles that are to be replaced by the purchase of these Nissan Leaf’s, by selling them to the highest bidder through Ken Porter’s Auctions. The ninth vehicle was damaged in a 2017 accident and not repaired.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Directors authorize the purchase of nine (9) 2019 Nissan Leaf sedans from Team Nissan, Oxnard at an average price of $29,547.79 for a total cost of $236,382.35. Additionally, staff is requesting approval to dispose/auction eight (8) CNG Honda Civics that have reached the end of their useful life.

GENERAL MANAGER’S CONCURRENCE

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