

ATTACHMENT A

METROLINK

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TO: Martin Erickson, *Executive Director, VCTC*
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FROM: Darren M. Kettle, *Chief Executive Officer, SCRRA* 

SUBJECT: SCRRA Request for Adoption of the Authority's FY 2025-26
(FY26) Budget

On April 25, 2025, the SCRRA Board approved the transmission of the Proposed FY26 Budget for your consideration and adoption.

The FY26 Budget operating revenue is projected to be \$76.9M while the operating expenses are projected to be \$352.4M. The total operating support requested from Member Agencies is \$275.5M. The FY26 Capital Program includes \$137.5M for State of Good Repair (SGR), and \$15.6M for New Capital.

We continue to focus on achieving a sustainable operating budget into the future given our financial challenges as we navigate through reimagining Metrolink.

Our strategic vision for meeting these challenges includes such initiatives as:

- The Optimized Service schedule which increases accessibility and convenience.
- Reduced Fares for all Students attracting our next generation of riders.
- Continue intense pursuit of non-riders and broadening from Commuters to Leisure riders.
- Fare structure study implementation.
- Promoting awareness of Metrolink throughout the region.

On the side of efficiency

- Execution of the consolidation of Train Operators, Equipment and Facilities Maintenance agreement with Alstom.

Staff will continue monitoring and reporting Ridership, Farebox Revenues and Expenses.

The Proposed FY26 Budget documentation, which was presented at the Board of Directors Meeting on April 25, 2025, is attached for your review. It includes:

- Board Item # 6B Approved at the Board of Director's Meeting on April 25, 2025
- Board item # 6B attachments, which includes:

- Attachment A – Operating Budget
- Attachment B - Historical Budget
- Attachment C - Budget by Member Agency
- Attachment D - Budget by Line
- Attachment E - Support by Member Agency
- Attachment F - FY26 Proposed SGR Projects by Member Agency, Line, and Project Detail List
- Attachment G - FY26 Proposed New Capital by Member Agency, Line, and Project Detail List
- Attachment H - FY26 SGR Carryover Projects
- Attachment I - FY26 New Capital Carryover Projects
- Attachment J - FY26 Proposed Capital Program Cashflow
- Attachment K
 - K-1 - FY27 Forecast
 - K-2 - FY28 Forecast
 - K-3 - FY29 Forecast
 - K-4 - FY30 Forecast
- Attachment L - FY26 Annual Contract Authority Renewal

Next Steps

April - June 2025	Staff present at Member Agencies' Committees and/or Board meetings as requested
June 27, 2025	Proposed FY26 Budget to SCRRA Board for Adoption

Thank you for your ongoing support and active participation in the development of the FY26 Proposed Metrolink Budget. If you have any comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (213) 452-0405. You may also contact Tom Schamber, Interim Chief Financial Officer at 213-452-0348.