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DATE: September 13, 2012

TO: City Council

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SUBJECT: Discuss Transition of Gold Coast Transit (GCT) from a Joint Powers Agency to a Transit District.

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council consider a report concerning the transition of GCT from a joint powers agency to a transit district.

DISCUSSION

In January 2010, SB 716 (Wolk) went into effect. One of SB 716's provisions for Ventura County dictated that by July 1 2014, all Transportation Development Act (TDA) funding would need to be expended on transit. VCTC was encouraged to prepare a countywide transit plan in 2012 to prepare for this. VCTC prepared a regional transit study in cooperation with Ventura County's cities and the County which was adopted by VCTC on April 13, 2012. A key component of the plan was that Gold Coast Transit (GCT) would transition into a west county transit district, Gold Coast Transit District (GCTD). On July 31, 2012 the City Council unanimously supported VCTC's adopted regional transit study.

GCT is the public transit provider for western Ventura County. GCT is a Joint Powers Agency (JPA) with five members: City of Oxnard, City of Ventura, City of Ojai, City of Port Hueneme and the County of Ventura. Councilman MacDonald is Oxnard's representative on GCT, and the current Chair. Councilmember Ramirez is the alternate.

One of the provisions of the adopted study stated that Oxnard "provide for member agency TDA to be subvented to GCTD as of July 1, 2014, net of funding for transit stations, stops, and facilities." Therefore, Oxnard would still directly obtain its TDA transit funding for transit center operations and bus stop maintenance before allocating the rest of its TDA funding to GCTD.

Additionally, one of the City Council's strategic initiatives February, 2012 was supporting the transition of GCT to a district.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact at this time.